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## BSHS STEERS ROLL ON

**Big Spring High School's Steers celebrate after defeating Gainesville 35-17 Friday in Aledo to claim a Class 4A Region I Bi-District title. Next Friday, Nov. 22, the Steers will take on long-time rival Andrews at 7 p.m. in Odessa's Ratliff Stadium as they continue their push toward a state championship. For Friday's game story, see Page 8A.**

Photo by Tony Claxton (www.claxton-photography.com)

## Fill those shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child

BY LYNDEL MOODY  
Staff Writer

Although it may be a little early to be thinking about Christmas presents in the U.S., — unless you are a large, chain retail store — now is just the right time to reach children across the world with a shoe box full of presents on Christmas day.

Allan's Furniture, the drop off point for Operation Christmas Child, will begin accepting packages on Monday and continue until 4 p.m. Monday, Nov. 24.

"This is a very good program," said Allen Johnson. "We encourage everyone to come in, and I will give you a little slip to give you an idea of what to buy for the shoe boxes. You can make children across the world happy on Christmas. I've got pictures on my wall showing some of these children receiving gifts."

Samaritan's Purse is a Christian-based organization



AP photo

**Children all over the world have brighter holidays because of Operation Christmas Child. Packages will be accepted starting Monday at Allan's Furniture.**

and one of its programs is to deliver gift-filled shoe boxes to children in more than 150 countries. Allan's Furniture has been participating in the program since 1996, Johnson

said. "It's been growing ever since," he said. "Last year we collected about 2,000 boxes."

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HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

**Radio personality Tumbleweed Smith hands over a signed copy of his newest CD "Tumbleweed Smith's Top Picks" to Janell Davis Saturday morning at the Heritage Museum. This is Smith's 17th commercial release and features 28 of the the funniest and most intriguing interview subjects from his radio program, The Sound of Texas. Two of the tracks feature Big Spring stories. Some of the proceeds from the special CD signing went to supporting the museum.**

## Nazarene church readies for live nativity

Herald Staff Report

Each year, First Church of the Nazarene puts on one of the most anticipated activities of the Christman season. Just ask 100 people.

One hundred is the number of folks who make up the cast

for the Live Drive-Through Nativity, scheduled Dec. 12-14 at the church. Times are 6:30-9:30 each evening of the drive-through, now it its 28th year.

"This is one of the most unique and captivating presentations anywhere of the Christmas story," said Pas-

tor Calvary Callender. "We cordially invite everyone to this wonderful 28th Annual Drive-Through Nativity. We are sure it will warm your heart and bring you back to the reality of the true meaning of Christmas."

In 1987, the church was encouraged to do something dif-

ferent for the community in presenting the story of Christmas. It began with only seven scenes and has grown over the years. Now, the event includes live animals and a cast of more than 100 people.

Families — or individu-

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# Obituaries

## Virginia Ringener



Virginia Ringener, 88, of Big Spring, went to be with the Lord and her beloved husband on Thursday, Nov. 13, 2014, at her residence. Funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Monday, Nov. 17, 2014 at Myers & Smith Chapel with Pastor Ken McMeans, pastor of College Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

She was born March 14, 1926, in Cooper, Texas, to Estelle (Nivens) and Claude Glaspie. She attended school in Courtney, and was a lifetime resident of Martin and Howard counties. She married W.J. (Junior) Ringener on Jan. 24, 1948, in Courtney, Martin County, Texas. They farmed in Stanton and Fairview until 1963. Later, they ran Jiffy Car Wash for 33 years in Big Spring. She was a member of College Baptist Church.

She is survived by one daughter, Judy Walker and husband, Dale, of Big Spring; one granddaughter, Shelley Garrett and husband, Kelly, of Big Spring; and one sister, Peggy Fitzgerald of Oklahoma. Also, Scott Ringener, a very special nephew who was more like a grandson, of Big Spring; a very close brother-in-law and sisters-in-law, Merel and Irene Ringener, both of Big Spring and Sis Bedell of Big Spring; and special brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law; and many beloved nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Junior Ringener on Feb. 12, 2014; one son, John Lawrence Ringener; three sisters, Gene George, Melba Brewer and Ruth Holcombe; and four brothers, Claude "Poppy" Glaspie, Hollis Glaspie, Jimmy Glaspie and Harold Lloyd Glaspie.

Pallbearers will be Scott Ringener, Phillip Ringener, Kevin Glaspie, Bud Glaspie, Billy Martin and Kyle Kendall.

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

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## Roger W. Brooks



Roger W. Brooks, 69 of Big Spring, Texas, died Thursday, Nov. 13, 2014, at his residence. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Monday, Nov. 17, 2014, at the First United Methodist Church in Stanton. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park in Big Spring.

The family will receive friends from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 16, 2014, at Gilbreath Funeral Home in Stanton.

He was born Feb. 27, 1945, in San Angelo, Texas. He married Carla Perry June 27, 1975, in Midland, Texas.

Roger graduated from Sweetwater High School in 1963. He started working for Southwestern Bell Telephone Company in March of 1966, retiring as a construction manager in July 2001. Roger enjoyed antique tractors and traveling, but most of all enjoyed spending time with his family. He was a member of First United Methodist Church.

He is survived by his wife, Carla Brooks of Big Spring; two daughters, Lisa Baggerly and husband Scott of Teague and Jody Roberts and husband Ross of Big Spring; three grandchildren, Chandler Baggerly of Temple, Jordan Roberts and Bryson Roberts, both of Big Spring; a sister, Pat Shackelford and husband, Johnny of Colorado City; and his father-in-law, Gene Perry of Big Spring.

He was preceded in death by his father, Joseph Herman Derrick; his mother, Ila Kay Sikes; his step-father, Virgil Robert Brooks; a sister, Linda Derrick; his mother-in-law, Jeneane Perry; and a brother-in-law, Dirk Perry.

Roger wanted to recognize Frank A. Davis, his ag teacher for the positive influence he had on him as well as the special friends he had throughout his life.

The family suggests memorials be made to Home Hospice of Big Spring, 111 East Seventh St., Suite A, Big Spring, Texas 79720 or to First United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 1193, Stanton, Texas 79782.

Arrangements are under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home of Stanton. Online condolences may be made at: [www.npwelch.com](http://www.npwelch.com)

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## R.K. Taylor

Mr. R.K. Taylor, 89, of Ira, Texas, died Friday, Nov. 14, 2014, at his residence in Ira after a lengthy illness.

Graveside service for Mr. Taylor will be held Monday, Nov. 17, 2014, at 2 p.m. at the Ira Cemetery. Services are under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Mr. Taylor was born March 16, 1925, in Lubbock, Texas, to Walter and Mabe (Lewis) Taylor. He married Bettie Dunn on Wednesday, June 13, 1945, in Rockwall, Texas. He served in the Navy during World War II in the Atlantic and Pacific oceans aboard the USS Blessman. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge and a truck driver for Fina for many years.

He is survived by his wife, Bettie Taylor of Ira; a daughter, Suzanne Wilson and husband Jim of Ira; a son, Lewis Taylor and wife Betty of Big Spring, Texas; three grandchildren, Rebel Royal of Garden City, Kirtis Taylor of Big Spring and Wendy Scott of Westbrook, Texas; and six great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one daughter, Cody Gay Taylor.

Online condolences may be posted at [www.bell-cypertseale.com](http://www.bell-cypertseale.com)

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## Nell Key

Nell Key, age 84, of Colorado City died Thursday in a local care center. Services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 15, 2014 in the First Baptist Church of Colorado City with the Rev. Danny Williams officiating. Burial will follow in the Colorado City Cemetery under the care and direction of Kiker-Seale Funeral Home.

Mrs. Key was born June 8, 1930, in Colorado City to Curtis and Sophia White Oliver and had been a long-time resident of both Colorado City and Big Spring. She married Mack Key on March 8, 1948, in Colorado City. He preceded her in death on July 6, 2009. She was an owner of several beauty shops, a realtor and a member of the First Baptist Church.

She is survived by a son, Steve and wife, Marsha Key of Lubbock; two grandsons; two granddaughters; four great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

## Police blotter

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

- MARCUS LAMON COLE, 28, of 803 E. 20<sup>th</sup> St., was arrested on a warrant from another agency.
- BOBBY RV CHURCHWELL JR., 56, of 603 E. 15<sup>th</sup> St., was arrested on a warrant for sex offenders duty to register with previous conviction.
- CARLE ASHLEY WORTHY, 35, of P.O. Box 124, Lackey, Va., was arrested on a charge of theft, more than or equal to \$50 but less than \$500 — shoplifting.
- LAUREN RACINE SMITH, 27, of 1801 Settles St., was arrested on a charge of manufacturing/delivering a controlled substance, more than or equal to 4 grams but less than 200 grams.
- SAMMY BEN JOHNSTON, 50, of 2107 Runnels St., was arrested on a warrant from another agency.
- SARAH ASHLEY MACIK, 20, of 311 Ramsey Avenue, Coahoma, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.
- MINOR ACCIDENT was reported in the area of State and Howell, the area of Fourth and Goliad, the area of Fourth and Owens, the 200 block of W. FM 700, in the 1100 block of N. Lamesa Highway and the area of FM 700 and Goliad.
- FORGERY was reported in the area of 3600 block of W. Highway 80.
- THEFT was reported in the 200 block of W. FM 700 and the 3600 block of W. Highway 80.
- BURGLARY OF A BUILDING was reported in the area of Third St. and State.
- ASSAULT was reported in the 1800 block of Settles St.

## Local 5-Day Forecast

Sun 11/16	Mon 11/17	Tue 11/18	Wed 11/19	Thu 11/20
39/26	44/27	53/33	62/40	67/39
Partly to mostly cloudy. High 39F. Winds NNE at 15 to 25 mph.	Sunny. Highs in the mid 40s and lows in the upper 20s.	Abundant sunshine. Highs in the low 50s and lows in the low 30s.	Mainly sunny. Highs in the low 60s and lows in the low 40s.	Abundant sunshine. Highs in the upper 60s and lows in the upper 30s.
Sunrise: 7:16 AM Sunset: 5:45 PM	Sunrise: 7:17 AM Sunset: 5:45 PM	Sunrise: 7:18 AM Sunset: 5:44 PM	Sunrise: 7:19 AM Sunset: 5:44 PM	Sunrise: 7:19 AM Sunset: 5:43 PM

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## Thomas Wayne McNeal



Thomas Wayne McNeal, 84, of Vealmoor, died Thursday, Nov. 13, 2014, in a local hospital. Memorial services will be held at 2 p.m. Monday, Nov. 17, 2014, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Gary Bryant officiating. Friends and family will be gathering in Vealmoor immediately following the memorial service.

He was born Feb. 22, 1930, in Choctaw County, Okla., and married June Ulery June 15, 1963, in Las Vegas, Nev.

Thomas spent 15 years with AMF, worked as a tool pusher for Parker Drilling Company and was involved in farming and ranching. Mr. McNeal was a veteran of the U.S. Navy where he served during the Korean conflict and was stationed in Japan for some of those years.

He is survived by his wife, June W. McNeal of Vealmoor; one daughter, Brenda Marie McNeal Leek and husband, Donny, of Vealmoor; one son, Tracy Wayne McNeal and wife, Jennifer, of Carlsbad, N.M.; grandchildren, Rachall, Wyatt, Monica, Aaron, Brandye and Lauren, their families; and many, many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, eight sisters and three brothers.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences may be made at: [www.npwelch.com](http://www.npwelch.com)

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# Support Groups

**MONDAY**

- VA Alcoholics Anonymous support group, 7-8 p.m., Veterans Healing Center.
- Reformers Unanimous International is a faith-based addictions program helping people find freedom from addiction. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Mondays at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Enter at the back of the church.
- Stepping Stone Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at Spring Town Plaza (inside the mall, across from the movie box office, next to Sears). Open meeting at 7 p.m.

**TUESDAY**

- 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.

**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 chronic pain disease), a new support and informative group meets at 213 Circle. Call Lucy at (432) 517-9207 for more information.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; open 12 & 12 study meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

**THURSDAY**

- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, open discussion noon to 1 p.m.; women's meeting; 6:30 until 7:30 p.m. Non-smoking closed discussion meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.
- Spring Tabernacle Ministries has a faith-based support group for those who need help finding and continuing to walk down the path God has for each of us. Meetings are at 11 a.m. until noon and again at 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.. The classes take place at Spring Tabernacle Ministries, located at 1209 Wright St.
- Weight Watchers meets at 6 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church. Weigh-in is at 5:30 p.m. Weigh-in is confidential and you don't have to talk if you don't want to. Flexible payment options.
- Stepping Stone Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at Spring Town Plaza (inside the mall, across from the movie box office, next to Sears). Open meeting at 7 p.m.

- A 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 p.m.

**SATURDAY**

- Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. Open podium/speakers meeting 8 p.m. until 9 p.m. 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.

# Take Note

- A fundraiser for Jimmy Graves, who recently lost his home to fire, will be held Friday and Saturday. Barbecue plates with all the fixings will be sold for \$10 apiece at 2208 Williams Road from noon until the food is gone. For more information, contact Eba Kinard at 432-517-5651.
- Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce is holding its annual toy drive through Dec. 8. The chamber is accepting new, unwrapped toys for boys and girls ages 2-18 at 215 W. Third. The toys collected will assist CASA, Cossacks

Motorcycle Club Permian Basin Chapter, the Salvation Army and Spring Tabernacle. For more information, call 432-263-7641.

- Scenic Mountain Medical Center will be hosting a Healthcare Marketplace presentation at North Side Community Center on Nov. 25 at 11:30 a.m. The presentation will be a Q&A type setting regarding the open enrollment period for 2014/2015. Information will be available about fines associated with those not signed up for insurance, as well as resources on how to sign up. A small lunch will

be provided for those who RSVP by Nov. 21. To RSVP or to find out more information, contact Amanda Duforat at 268-4699.

- Howard County's Adopt a Military Hero program needs military deployment addresses (APO) for anyone will be deployed this Christmas. Send the information to 1606 E. Third or enter APO address at [theadoptamilitaryhero.weebly.com](http://theadoptamilitaryhero.weebly.com). For more information, call Debbie Burrow at 432-270-8554.
- Order of the Eastern Star Big Spring Chapter 67 meets the third Thurs-

day of 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.

- 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. Cost is \$8 per person.
- Victim Services is a non-profit independent community-based program serving victims of all violent crime, including, but not limited to, assault, sexual assault and domestic violence. Victim Services advocates are available 24 hours of 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 and a background check, 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 432-263-9669.

# BOXES

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Those who want to participate can begin by deciding to buy gifts for a boy or girl in an age category of 2 to 4, 5 to 9 or 10 to 14. Gifts can range from dolls, toy cars, stuffed animals, jump ropes, school supplies, clothing and accessories to non-liquid hygiene products such

as as toothbrushes, combs and bar soap. "Don't include war-related items such as toy guns, knives or military figures, chocolate or food, out-of-date candy, liquids or lotions, medications or vitamins, breakable items such as snow globes or glass containers, aerosol cans or used or damaged items," according to information from the Samaritan Purse's web-

site. Once the items are purchased, place them in a shoe box or similar sized-container and, if wanted, include a personal note, a picture of the donor and family and an address. Shipping labels are available at Allan's Furniture or can be downloaded at the Web-site [www.samaritanpurse.org/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child](http://www.samaritanpurse.org/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child).

"I will take packages right up to 4 p.m. Monday, Nov. 24, then we will load them onto a truck and take it to Odessa where we will connect with a semi-truck. From there, the truck will head to Colorado," Johnson said. "There the boxes will be loaded on a plane and sent out to the world. Last year, the Permian Basin region took in about 10,000 boxes."

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Virginia Ringener, 88, died Thursday. Funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Monday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial will follow at Trinity Memorial Park. 2015 Norman Rockwell Calendars are in!

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# NATIVITY

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als, of course — drive along a lighted trail past various scenes that tell the story of the life of Christ while listening to a professionally produced cassette tape or compact disc, played in

their car stereo. The entrance to the Nativity Drive-Through is best approached from the west on Martin Luther King Boulevard, then turn south onto Lancaster. The church is located at 1400 Lancaster. The event is free to the public. As always, there

is an opportunity to make financial contributions at the exit. Donations enable the church to continue to make the Drive-Through Nativity

a part of the Big Spring family's Christmas tradition. For further information, call 432-267-7015.

Hangar 25 Air Museum's annual fundraiser is coming up in January 10, 2015!

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### DAILY PRAYER

Let us always be able to reach out to You, sweet Lord.

Amen

Robert Griffin the Third is Baylor's first Heisman Trophy recipient.

To honor him, a bronze life-size statue of the football player was commissioned. It stands just across the southern entrance to Baylor's new football stadium.

Baylor chose sculptor Tom White of Prescott Valley, Ariz., to create the work of art.

"A person I had done some work for in Waco suggested I try out for the job," says Tom. "I went to Baylor and met with people planning the project and showed them a portfolio of my work."

"I left that day with an agreement that I was going to do the sculpture."

Tom went to Washington, D.C. where RG3 was in training camp with the Washington Redskins.

"One of the Baylor trainers went with me. We took a Baylor uniform with us for RG3 to wear.

We got him out in the field and took pictures of him throwing passes.

"We took tons of photos, trying to get every move he made. After looking at all those pictures, I chose three different positions that I thought were most interesting. I sent those to Baylor to let them choose which one to use."

As work on the project was nearing completion, RG3 was pleased with the way it looked but there was one detail that needed work.

"Robert had the final say on the piece and he was really concerned about the little goatee he was wearing underneath his chin.

"I certainly wanted to get it right, so we batted the ball back and forth on that and finally got what he was looking for.

"I must have made 10 to 15 changes but we finally got it."

The sculpture was unveiled just before Baylor's first game in the new stadium. Gates opened at 4 p.m. and the unveiling was to start at 2:30.

"It was insane. There were tailgaters all around that stadium. Even on the river they had tailgating parties on boats. A lot

of people were on hand for the opening game. I had expected a couple of hundred people for the dedication, but there were probably 10,000 to 20,000 people there.

"I remember unveiling the sculpture, cameras going off and I stood out of the way because everybody just surrounded Robert."

RG3's family was pleased with the sculpture. His mom said she really loved it. She was in tears when she told Tom it was the most life-like image of her son she had ever seen. Tom was thrilled to get that approval.

Tom is a native of Midland who worked as a carpenter before realizing he had talent as an artist.

He has done life-size bronze statues all over the U.S. and Canada. One is in London. In the last four years he has created 70 sculptures, including those he did for the Boy Scouts and the Billy Graham library.

The 8 feet tall statue of RG3 has given him the most publicity.

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## I ask you, why not shake on it?

Now the story can be told. If necessity is the mother of invention, surely resourcefulness is a first cousin. Sometimes it cuts off anxiety — and other "downers — at the pass.

A mom well down life's highway decided to "come clean" on how she's avoided both "wash day blues" and "ironing day blues." A system she implemented long ago — well before housewives were rescued by "wash and wear" clothing — saved her countless hours in the laundry room.

She had no aching back, and she got her hubby's white shirts washed and ironed for nothing — actually at a small profit — when the IRS tax savings were rolled in.

This woman — in marital harness longer than most horses — has seen the snows of many winters and has dealt with a ton of household chores that seem to multiply — all this since Hector was but a wee pup.

Drat it all, she winces, life might have been different if her hubby hadn't been a professional — the kind calling for fresh white shirts each day. Until she discovered "the system," she wilted, surrendering to debilitating smothering spells at the prospect of draconian washday chores, followed by grueling hours at the ironing board.

Readers may assume I'm writing about my Uncle Mort's long-suffering wife Maude. But wait. Mort, now 102, has never been an executive, and he wears white

shirts only to funerals of next of kin. You'd be right, though, in guessing the ingenious woman was made from the same mold, the one said to have been broken before Mort was born.

Okay, so you want to know "the system." She studied the "ins and outs" of Goodwill in considerable detail. Let's call her "Mrs. Skipwork," whose creative juices flowed like water rushing down mountains when spring sunshine claimed rivers from deep drifts of snow.

Each Friday morning, she dropped off five soiled white shirts at Goodwill, aware they'd be washed by midday, ironed before closing time and on the sales rack the first thing Monday morning.

She got a \$2.50 tax credit for each shirt "donated," then showed up early on Mondays to buy back the shirts for 50 cents each.

"It worked for decades," Mrs. Skipwork said, claiming the system freed her up for other more interesting ventures.

The "ventures" reference pretty much nails down her being blood kin of my Uncle Mort. His ventures, though, morph quickly into escapades.

He called the other day, eager to tell me about his "double-feature dream."

"There were two distinctively different dreams," he claimed.

Thanksgiving thoughts may have caused the first one.

"I dreamed the White House ended the tradition of sparing a turkey," he related. "They decided — maybe in hopes of salvaging turkey votes — to spare all turkeys this year."

If my eyes had been turned loose in a pinball machine, they could not have rolled more.

He then detailed the "second feature — the one he thinks perhaps was a vision — concerning handshakes.

With flu season at hand and Ebola scares still dominating many conversations, Mort recalled dreamland signs on every post promoting fist bumps over handshakes.

"I'm against bumping," he fumed. "Next thing we know, the younger set will add grinding." He contended that one can tell quite a bit about a man by his handshake — a custom usually in tandem with lookin' the other guy straight in the eye. He said handshakes used to be as good as contracts, and that "fist-bumping may have its place in the next century, but not in this one."

He dreamed that he took it upon himself to hop on his golf cart, replacing all the fist-bumping promotions in his part of the thicket. His signs, splashed in bold, black letters on discarded shingles, read: "Shake Hands Anyway."

Mort said that life goes on, with most folks already bogged down with worries.

Awash in rants, he defended "good germs," muttering, "They've got to get around, too." He moaned about the world being engulfed by far too much information.

If you see Uncle Mort at the general store, he'll be glad to share dreams with you. And if a point of agreement comes up, why not shake on it? It's the American way.

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**Odds & Ends**

**Dog snags ambulance ride**

MASON, Texas (AP) — A dog named Buddy didn't wait for an invitation when his 85-year-old owner had to go to the hospital.

Four-year-old Buddy hitched a ride on the outside of the ambulance carrying Texas rancher J.R. Nicholson to Hill Country Memorial Hospital.

Ranch hand Brian Wright said Friday that he summoned the ambulance Oct. 26 when Nicholson felt dizzy.

The San Angelo Standard-Times reports a motorist flagged down the ambulance to say a dog was on a side step. Buddy was then put into the ambulance with the patient.

Wright drove separately. At the hospital, medical staff told him about Buddy's trip. Wright retrieved the dog from the ambulance, then later drove his boss and Buddy home.

Nicholson said Friday that he thinks of lot of his dog.

**Police rescue dog from cat's house**

MEDFORD, N.Y. (AP) — Police on Long Island say a golden retriever named Buddy is no worse for the wear after getting his head stuck in a cat's house.

Three Suffolk County police officers answered the call Friday in the yard of a Medford home.

A photo issued by police shows a rear view of Buddy outside of a structure that resembles a big dollhouse.

It has a "front door" with a cat-sized hole at the bottom. Buddy's head is tightly wedged in the cat entrance.

The officers used crow bars and a hammer to dismantle the structure and free Buddy.

**Test referring to 'big bootie' pulled from school**

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — Officials in a North Carolina school district have pulled a class assignment in a genetics test that referred to a "big bootie."

WBTV in Charlotte reports the test was administered Nov. 3 at Ardrey Kell High School. One question referred to "LaShamanda" with a "big bootie" and her husband Fontavius and his "small bootie." It said the two had a baby named LaPrincess and asked about the probability that she would have "her mama's big bootie?"

One parent complained, calling the language inappropriate. She said her daughter felt uncomfortable with the question.

**WALKING THE RED ROAD**

**Where have all the Indians gone — revisited**

**M**y first column was titled *Where Have the Indians Gone*. There have been 20 columns between that one and this one. I thought I would revisit this topic.



RANDY A. MCKINNEY

Recently, I was invited to speak at the Quannah Parker cook off and concert. It was a great honor. The promoters thought it would be good to have a Native American presence at the event.

During one of my talks, I asked all people with Native American heritage to stand. Some of the people in the crowd stood. Two of the band members on stage and the sound man for the event were of Native American ancestry. One of the promoter's head people is part Comanche.

Just as I said in my first article, we have not gone anywhere. We are still here. You just may not recognize us unless we are dressed to

dance, at a powwow or a dance exhibition.

November is Native American History month in the United States, so I thought this article would be appropriate for November. The Powwow Committee of Big Spring will be going to San Angelo State University this week. We have been invited back to dance and speak with the students about Native American culture. We have done this in the past and it is a very good thing.

Also, here in Texas, we have American Indian Heritage Day. In 2013, the last Friday in September was designated as American Indian Heritage Day. Here is some information on the Native American presence here in Texas.

The latest census data figures indicate that Texas ranks fourth among states with a large Indian population.

In Texas, however, that population is still an invisible population. In fact, most citizens of Texas are not even aware of the existence of approximately 120 tribes (represented by its citizens), three federally recognized Indian tribes and one

state recognized tribe.

There are eight federally funded Indian education programs in the state, the Urban Inter-Tribal Center of Texas and the American Indian Chamber of Commerce. In short, this population truly does have a presence in Texas.

This information comes from the American Indian Heritage Day website. There are still Indians in Texas, many even here in Big Spring.

The Powwow Committee has members representing Cherokee, Choctaw, Comanche, Navaho and Apache nations. However I do not feel this covers everything.

To be recognized by the government as an Indian, a person has to be a certain percentage Native American. I believe it is one quarter Native American to be considered an Indian. Many may be left out of the census figures.

There are probably hundreds of thousands of people that are one eighth or one sixteenth that are not considered by the government as Indians, even though they still believe in their native culture.

There are those who still try to hide their heritage. Just a few decades ago, an Indian was not able to get a job, allowed to shop at stores or be served in restaurants. Many got used to hiding their heritage, at times even hiding this from their families.

Today, Native Americans can be proud of their heritage and culture once again. It has taken many years (approximately 150) for this to happen.

Native Americans are once again a proud people. Proud of their heritage and their culture. I am very proud to be a part of the Native American culture.

So people, look around you — there are still Indians here. Come to the Big Spring Powwow next April and meet some of us, join us in the celebration of our culture.

Where have the Indians Gone?

We have not gone anywhere, instead we are everywhere.

*Randy A McKinney is a member of the Sunrise Wind clan of Two Bear Claws and vice president of the Powwow Committee of Big Spring.*

**Letters**

**Thanks for the tribute**

TO THE EDITOR:  
My thanks to the Howard County judge,

members of the Howard County Commissioners' Court, Big Spring mayor and members of the Big Spring City Council for their resolutions asking the Texas Department of

Transportation to name a portion of the U.S. 87 Truck Reliever Route after me. Whatever the decision of TxDOT, I am honored to have these governmental bodies

make such recommendations.

The Port to Plains Trade Corridor became a reality in November 1997 as a result of a Lubbock to I-10 Amarillo North study conducted in 1996. In the summer of 1999, a nine-member task force was formed out of the Big Spring Area Chamber of Com-

merce Transportation Committee. We joined the Ports to Plains Trade Corridor in June 1999.

Our current U.S. congressman, Randy Neugebauer, was the Ports to Plains chairman. I was a board member from 1999 until 2011.

Through the hard work of the Abilene District of TxDOT and the

representation in the senate and congress, we now are looking forward to a \$45 million project that will build a new 8.5-mile relief route and six bridges in Big Spring, scheduled to be completed in late 2016.

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## Pronounced dead, 91-year-old Polish woman awakens

WARSAW, Poland (AP) — A Polish doctor says she has been in “deep shock” since learning that a 91-year-old woman she pronounced dead woke up in a morgue several hours later.

The doctor — identified in the media as Wiesława C. — said on TVN24 television Friday that she was sure the patient was dead after finding “no basic life functions” during a morning house call on Nov. 6.

She said she checked for a pulse on a forearm and neck arteries, listened for a heartbeat and the sound of breathing, and checked the pupils for reaction to light, but found none. “If I had had doubts, I would have called the ambulance, done an electrocardiogram, but I was sure that the patient is dead,” the doctor said.

The doctor examined the elderly woman, identified by the media as Janina Kolkiewicz, in the eastern town of Ostrow Lubelski after relatives noticed she was not breathing.

Some two hours after she was pronounced dead the woman was taken to the morgue. Shortly before midnight, an undertaker who brought in another body noticed that Kolkiewicz was moving inside a bag she had been placed in. Once it was opened, she complained of being cold and asked for hot tea, the media said. She was then taken home.

A spokeswoman for the local prosecutors, Beata Syk-Jankowska, told The Associated Press that she had never heard of such a case before, and that prosecutors are investigating whether the patient's life and health were endangered by the inaccurate death diagnosis.

They also are urging a regional court to void the death certificate that local authorities issued, which discontinued Kolkiewicz's benefits such as her pension.

“In the legal sense, the woman is dead, but in reality she is clearly alive,” Syk-Jankowska said.

She said Kolkiewicz has required no hospitalization since being removed from the morgue and is now in good health.

## Hopes and fears as health law sign-up season opens

WASHINGTON (AP) — The second sign-up season under President Barack Obama's health overhaul opened Saturday, with hopes that this time consumers will have a positive experience.

But the fear is that entrenched political opposition and renewed legal challenges may yet collapse the program that's bringing health care to millions of previously uninsured Americans. The administration can't afford another technology meltdown.

With 7 million paying customers in new insurance markets, the Affordable Care Act has shown it is helping to reduce the number of uninsured. Insurers, not known for altruism, have stuck with the fledgling program despite ongoing technical headaches with the HealthCare.gov website. More companies are participating for 2015, a sign they see a business opportunity.

Obama urged consumers, whether they currently buy coverage through the insurance markets or still need to sign up for a plan, to go to the health care website and review their options. He said they could end up saving money or finding a better plan, and urged them to act

fast since the enrollment period closes Feb. 15.

“This window won't stay open forever. You only have three months to shop for plans, so it's worth starting right away. And it might make a big difference for your family's bottom line,” Obama said Saturday in his weekly radio and Internet address, which the White House released as the president visited Brisbane, Australia.

The administration said late Friday that some HealthCare.gov functions would be turned off for several hours in the transition to the start of sign-up season. The website appeared to be functioning early Saturday.

“Obamacare” is still struggling to win hearts and minds. The latest Associated Press-GfK poll finds that, if forced to choose between repealing the law and implementing it as written, 56 percent of Americans would repeal it completely. Only 41 percent would carry it out.

However, most don't see the law going away. Sixty-one percent said they expect it to be implemented in its current form, or something near that.

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Health and Human Services Secretary Sylvia M. Burwell, a management expert assigned to save what's been a problem child of social programs, says she's confident the sign-up season will be successful, even if it's only half as long as last year's: three months, through Feb. 15.

Will the law remain on the books after Republicans gain full control of Congress in January?

“The idea of repeal ... is not something this administration will let happen,” said Burwell.

What about the legal challenge the Supreme Court has just agreed to hear, calling into question the law's tax credits that make premiums affordable for millions?

“Nothing has changed,” Burwell said, adding that the tax cred-

its “will be continuing.” At least for the time being. The Supreme Court isn't likely to hear the case until the spring, after 2015 open enrollment is over.

Website outages are not out of the question this year, but a full-scale meltdown seems less likely. HealthCare.gov has been revamped to handle last season's peak loads and beyond. The federal website will serve as the online portal for coverage in 37 states, while the remaining states run their own insurance exchanges. Consumers can also apply in person or through call centers.

The pool of potential customers is an estimated 23 million to 27 million people who don't have access to affordable coverage on the job.

For most newcomers, the online application has been simplified, cut to 16 computer screens from 76. Navigation is easier. Window shopping is available without first having to create an account.

Premiums for 2015 are a wild card. Nationally, the average increase is expected to be modest. But prices can vary dramatically from state to state. Returning customers could end up facing premium increases if they don't shop around.

## Ex-Navy SEAL makes no apologies

WASHINGTON (AP) — Former Navy SEAL Robert O'Neill, who says

he fired the shots that killed Osama bin Laden, played a role in some of

the most consequential combat missions of the post-9/11 era, including

three depicted in Hollywood movies. And now he's telling the world about them.

By doing so, O'Neill has almost certainly increased his earning power on the speaking circuit.

He also may have put himself and his family at greater risk. And he

has earned the enmity of some current and former SEALs by violating their code of silence.

But O'Neill, winner of two Silver and five Bronze Stars, makes no apologies for any of that.

“The last thing I want to do is endanger anybody,” he said. “I think

the good (of going public) outweighs the bad.”

O'Neill, who last week began discussing his role in the bin Laden mission, was in Washington for a round of television and media appearances that drew both praise and criticism.

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# Project teaches stressed vets to play music

By JESSICA BELASCO  
San Antonio Express-News

SAN ANTONIO — It was a ragtag band jamming in a small outbuilding on the grounds of the San Antonio Military Medical Center.

Some of the half-dozen guitarists were still learning the fingering for the A and E chords; others were more experienced. It didn't sound great, but that didn't matter. The men, all wounded warriors, were having fun.

Volunteers with the Warrior Cry Music Project were teaching them music as part of their healing process. Based in San Antonio, the program gives wounded soldiers at military hospitals around the nation musical instruments — guitars, drums, horns and more — and volunteer instructors show them how to play.

"They come in here and they're no longer soldiers," instructor Christian Lee told the San Antonio Express-News. "They're musicians."

For Army Staff Sgt. Thomas Keller, strumming his Taylor six-string acoustic guitar is an escape from stress.

"It's a great way to relax," he said.

**"If you can volunteer to go somewhere and offer life and limb for your country, the least we can do is sit and play music with you and help you during your worst time."**

Robert Henne  
Warrior Cry Music Project founder

The project's founder, Robert Henne, dreamed up the program about five years ago after music helped in his recovery from a serious car accident. He thought similar therapy could benefit injured troops he observed at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center, where his wife was working as an Air Force physician.

"If you can volunteer to go somewhere and offer life and limb for your country, the least we can do is sit and play music with you and help you during your worst time," he said.

Henne, who now lives with his wife in San Antonio, brought the program to Brooke Army Medical Center's occupational therapy services in March. Warrior Cry is a division of a

nonprofit called Global Training Ministries.

Music benefits wounded warriors in a variety of ways, Henne said. It gives them a positive goal to work toward and offers them a means of self-expression. It also helps build confidence, which can take a hit when a soldier sustains an injury, he said.

"They say, 'I can't do this, I can't do that.' They start doubting themselves," he said. "It's not just learning to play music. It helps reprogram what's going on in the head."

That moment when all the practicing pays off and the notes transform into a popular song from the radio? It's a big accomplishment that offers them a real rush, Lee said.

Narciso Sorio Jr., a

certified occupational therapy assistant who supervises the sessions, said the lessons help to increase attention span and focus affected by traumatic brain injuries.

For Army Spc. Ricardo Cesar, a mechanic who has undergone surgery for nerve damage in his hands, plucking the strings of his guitar is helping him regain dexterity and strength in his fingers, he said.

The benefits go beyond that, though.

"Just parking here and knowing I'm coming in here lowers my blood pressure," said Cesar, 39, who is being medically retired.

"This is my time. This is my therapy. Now when I'm starting to transition (to civilian life), at home, I can shut the world out and start playing my guitar, rather than, you know, drinking or doing all types of other nonsense that I don't need to be doing."

Army Pfc. Drake Chavarria, 19, has been attending the sessions about six weeks, and they've become a bright spot in days filled with medical appointments.

"This makes me calm down and just have fun," Chavarria said. "You don't have to



worry about no rules or nothing. It's a stress-free environment."

He wants to learn to play Spanish guitar, but he loves all kinds of music: "It's a big part of my life. It helps a lot. If I'm mad, sad, happy, everything, I listen to music."

On a recent rainy morning, Lee worked individually with the guys, helping one tune his instrument, teaching another about arpeggios. More advanced students, such as Keller, helped the less experienced ones. One wanted to know how to play Bad Company's signature song, "Bad Company." There was a lot of smiling and laughing.

For the jam session that wrapped up the morning, they were joined by instructor Will Bower thumping

a conga drum and Sorio playing the electric piano.

Next week, they'll add more chord progressions and lyrics and perhaps write a song for a fundraising CD Warrior Cry is recording, Lee said.

Bower, a veteran and Warrior Cry volunteer, said the project helps soldiers cope with physical injuries and post-traumatic stress disorder.

"I'm 70 percent disabled, but I can still drum," he said. "When you play music, you forget all about the pain, you forget all about being upset or whatever's going on in your life. You forget about it, and you're happy. Even if it's short-lived, when you're playing music, that's the best you've ever felt."



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### Decatur ends Lady Steers' playoff run

By TOMMY WELLS  
Sports Editor

SNYDER — The Big Spring High School Lady Steers 2014 volleyball season came to an end on the friendly confines of the Scurry County Coliseum with a tough 3-0 setback against the Decatur Lady Eagles in

the semifinal round of the Region I-4A Volleyball Championships. The season didn't come to an end without a tough fight, however. The Lady Steers, backed by the play of seniors Erin Pollard, Julianna Rodriguez, Leksey Yarbar and Stevi Ward, put pressure on the

state's top-ranked squad throughout the match. Big Spring, which finished on Saturday, finished off the 3-0 sweep by winning the final two games by scores of 25-13, 25-14. Pollard, Rodriguez and setter Emilie Smith starred for BSHS in the contest. Pollard

advanced to face Bushland in the regional finals on Saturday, finished off the 3-0 sweep by winning the final two games by scores of 25-13, 25-14. Pollard, Rodriguez and setter Emilie Smith starred for BSHS in the contest. Pollard



Big Spring's Stevi Ward makes a pass during the Lady Steers' Region I-4A semifinal game with Decatur. Big Spring suffered a 3-0 loss to the No. 1-ranked Lady Eagles and saw its season end with a 22-20 record.

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### 'We're still standing'



Courtesy photo/Kim Ware

Big Spring's Garrett Wigington (33) and Nathan Schneider sack Gainesville's Mason Copeland during the Steers' 35-17 bi-district win on Friday in Aledo. The BSHS defense forced three turnovers and held the Leopards to less than 50 total yards in the first half.

### Big Spring defense manhandles Gainesville in 35-17 playoff romp

By TOMMY WELLS  
Sports Editor

ALEDO — When the Gainesville High School Leopards looked at the statistical numbers associated with the Big Spring High School Steers, they probably got all giddy and developed a warm, fuzzy feeling inside. Garrett Wigington and Manuel Galvan helped the Steer defense turn that feeling into one of disappointment and despair on a cold Friday night at Bearcats Stadium. The two helped turn a dominating defensive effort by the Steers in the first half into a thrilling 35-17 victory in the Class 4A Division bi-district state playoffs — and a return trip to the second round.

“Our defense really played well for us tonight,” said Big Spring head coach Phillip Ritchey. “You have to give them credit. They played a great game in some tough conditions.” Just how good were the Steers against Gainesville? You may want to take a deep breath and sit down. Big Spring allowed the Leopards a mere 46 total yards in the first half, including just three via the pass in the first 24 minutes of play. And no, that isn't a typo. In so doing, the much-maligned BSHS defense gave a slow-starting Steers' offense more than enough time to get into synch. Once that was done, Tobyn Tannehill and Co. made easy work out of Gainesville. Offensively, Big Spring found itself

in an unusual position early against the Leopards, the third-place finisher in the District 4-4A race. The Steers struggled to sustain drives on their first two possessions, turning the ball over on downs on their first series and punting on its second. Fortunately for the Steers, Victor Paniagua and the BSHS defense was equal to the task. The Steers forced Gainesville to punt away its first two possessions without reaching mid-field. The Leopards, who finished the season at 4-7, dug themselves into a deep hole late in the opening frame. After failing to convert

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### Stephenville survives Decatur scare, 66-64 in 4OT

By TOMMY WELLS  
Sports Editor

Running back Kaegun Williams tossed a 3-yard pass to Darian Brown on a two-point conversion attempt on Friday and helped the Stephenville Yellow Jackets claim a wild 66-64 de-

cision in four overtime periods. One play earlier, Williams caught a pass from quarterback Anthony Chavarria on a fourth-and-7 play from the 14. His touchdown tied the game at 64-64. Stephenville, which tied the game

with a field goal in the final seconds of regulation, rolled up more than 650 total yards in the contest. Overall, the two teams combined for more than 1,200 total yards.

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### Bearcats win 64-16

By TOMMY WELLS  
Sports Editor

Angel Zuniga and Isaac Enriquez both rushed for three touchdowns and Ismael Ramirez added two more on Friday and powered the Garden City Bearcats to a 64-16 Garden City Sterling City in a Class A Division I six-man football playoff game played in Garden City.

The Bearcats' seven rushing touchdowns highlighted a dominating ground attack by Garden City. The Bearcats rushed for 449 of their 487 total yards.

Garden City didn't waste any time in taking control of the contest. The Bearcats reeled off two touchdowns in the first 10 minutes of play and built a 16-8 lead over Sterling City.

Ramirez ignited the GC run midway through the initial frame by scoring on a 21-yard run.

Sterling City, which had been ranked in the top 10 earlier this season, managed to answer back moments later. Kaleb Davis pushed his way into the end zone from 11 yards out to tie the game at 8-8 with 3:48 left in the opening period.

Garden City regained the momentum less than 2 minutes later when Ramirez broke off a 36-yard run that staked the Bearcats to a 16-8 cushion.

After Sterling City had scored early in the second to tie the game at 16-16, Garden City shifted its offensive attack into high gear. The Bearcats scored the final 20 points of the first half and sprinted into the half holding a 36-16 lead.

Zuniga, who rushed for 189 yards in the game, started the GCHS run with a 13-yard TD run. Enriquez finished the flurry with a 32-yard run and a 27-yard TD reception from Riley Eggeneyer.

The walls came tumbling down around Sterling City from there. The Bearcats reeled off a 22-0 run in the third quarter and stretched its lead to 58-16 at the start of the fourth.

Zuniga closed out the 45-point rule win by scoring on a 55-yard scoring jaunt just 1:21 into the final frame.

With the win, Garden City will now advance to the second round of the six-man playoffs. That game is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Nov. 21 in Robert Lee.

### Sands set to face Hornets in 2nd round

Following a dominating performance on Thursday en route to a 45-point mercy rule win over the Balmorhea Bears, the Sands Mustangs found themselves waiting to find who they will face in the second round of the six-man football state playoffs.

Sands will have to wait no longer. The Blackwell Hornets earned the right to face Sands in the regional round of the Class A playoffs on Friday by grinding out an easy 52-6 rout of the Rising Star Wildcats in a game played at Trent's Gorilla Stadium.

The date, site and location of the Mustangs' second-round matchup had not been determined as of press time. Sands, now 5-5, advanced to the regional round via a 95-50 romp over Balmorhea.

Blackwell enters the second round with an 8-3 record.

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New England	7	2	0	.778	281	198
Miami	6	4	0	.600	249	180
Buffalo	5	5	0	.500	200	204
N.Y. Jets	2	8	0	.200	174	265

South	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Indianapolis	6	3	0	.667	290	211
Houston	4	5	0	.444	206	197
Tennessee	2	7	0	.222	144	223
Jacksonville	1	9	0	.100	158	282

North	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Cleveland	6	3	0	.667	209	172
Cincinnati	5	3	1	.611	197	211
Pittsburgh	6	4	0	.600	261	239
Baltimore	6	4	0	.600	261	181

West	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Denver	7	2	0	.778	286	202
Kansas City	6	3	0	.667	217	151
San Diego	5	4	0	.556	205	186
Oakland	0	9	0	.000	146	252

**National Conference**

East	W	L	Pct	PF	PA
Philadelphia	7	2	.778	279	198
Dallas	7	3	.700	261	212
N.Y. Giants	3	6	.333	195	247
Washington	3	6	.333	197	229

South	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New Orleans	4	5	0	.444	251	225
Carolina	3	6	1	.350	198	281
Atlanta	3	6	0	.333	219	238
Tampa Bay	1	8	0	.111	167	272

North	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Detroit	7	2	0	.778	182	142
Green Bay	6	3	0	.667	277	205
Minnesota	4	5	0	.444	168	199
Chicago	3	6	0	.333	194	277

West	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Arizona	8	1	0	.889	223	170
Seattle	6	3	0	.667	240	191
San Francisco	5	4	0	.556	195	202
St. Louis	3	6	0	.333	163	251

**Thursday, Nov. 13**  
Miami 22, Buffalo 9

**Sunday, Nov. 16**  
Minnesota at Chicago, 1 p.m.  
Seattle at Kansas City, 1 p.m.  
Cincinnati at New Orleans, 1 p.m.  
Denver at St. Louis, 1 p.m.  
Houston at Cleveland, 1 p.m.  
Atlanta at Carolina, 1 p.m.  
Tampa Bay at Washington, 1 p.m.  
San Francisco at N.Y. Giants, 1 p.m.  
Oakland at San Diego, 4:05 p.m.  
Detroit at Arizona, 4:25 p.m.  
Philadelphia at Green Bay, 4:25 p.m.  
New England at Indianapolis, 8:30 p.m.

**CFL Playoffs**  
**Sunday, Nov. 16**  
Division Semifinals  
East Division  
B.C. at Montreal, 1 p.m.  
West Division  
Saskatchewan at Edmonton, 4:30 p.m.

**Sunday, Nov. 23**  
Division Finals  
East Division  
Montreal-B.C. winner at Hamilton, 1 p.m.  
West Division  
Edmonton-Saskatchewan winner at Calgary, 4:30 p.m.

**Grey Cup**  
**Sunday, Nov. 30**  
At Vancouver  
East Champion vs. West Champion, 6 p.m.

**BASKETBALL**  
**National Basketball Association Eastern Conference**

Atlantic Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Toronto	7	2	.778	—
Brooklyn	4	4	.500	2½
Boston	3	5	.375	3½
New York	2	8	.200	5½
Philadelphia	0	9	.000	7

**Southwest Division**

W	L	Pct	GB	
Washington	6	2	.750	—
Atlanta	5	3	.625	1
Miami	5	4	.556	1½
Charlotte	4	5	.444	2½
Orlando	4	6	.400	3

**Central Division**

W	L	Pct	GB	
Chicago	7	2	.778	—
Cleveland	4	3	.571	2
Milwaukee	4	5	.444	3
Detroit	3	6	.333	4
Indiana	3	7	.300	4½

**Western Conference Southwest Division**

W	L	Pct	GB	
Memphis	8	1	.889	—
Houston	8	1	.889	—
Dallas	6	3	.667	2
New Orleans	5	3	.625	2½
San Antonio	5	3	.625	2½

**Northwest Division**

W	L	Pct	GB	
Portland	6	3	.667	—
Utah	4	6	.400	2½
Oklahoma City	3	7	.300	3½
Minnesota	2	6	.250	3½
Denver	2	6	.250	3½

**Pacific Division**

W	L	Pct	GB	
Golden State	6	2	.750	—
L.A. Clippers	4	3	.571	1½
Sacramento	5	4	.556	1½
Phoenix	5	4	.556	1½
L.A. Lakers	1	8	.111	5½

**Friday's Games**  
Orlando 101, Milwaukee 85  
Denver 108, Indiana 87  
Atlanta 114, Miami 103  
Cleveland 122, Boston 121  
Utah 102, New York 100  
New Orleans 139, Minnesota 91  
Detroit 96, Oklahoma City 89, OT  
Houston 88, Philadelphia 87  
Charlotte 103, Phoenix 95  
San Antonio 93, L.A. Lakers 80

**Saturday's Games**  
Orlando at Washington, 7 p.m.  
Utah at Toronto, 7:30 p.m.  
Atlanta at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.  
Indiana at Chicago, 8 p.m.  
Detroit at Memphis, 8 p.m.  
Minnesota at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.  
Brooklyn at Portland, 10 p.m.  
San Antonio at Sacramento, 10 p.m.  
Phoenix at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.  
Charlotte at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.

**TRANSACTIONS**

**BASEBALL**  
**Major League Baseball**  
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE — Suspended San Francisco LHP Adelberto Mejia 50 games and free agent RHP Luis Morel 72 games for their violations of the Minor League Drug Prevention and Treatment Program.  
**American League**  
DETROIT TIGERS — Agreed to terms with DH Victor Martinez on a four-year contract and RHP Joel Hanrahan on a minor league contract.  
OAKLAND ATHLETICS — Announced director of public relations Bob Rose is no longer with the team.  
TEXAS RANGERS — Agreed to terms with president of baseball operations Jon Daniels and assistant general manager Thad Levine on

multi-year contract extensions.

**National League**  
ATLANTA BRAVES — Traded OF Kyle Wren to Milwaukee for RHP Zach Quintana.  
PITTSBURGH PIRATES — Agreed to terms with RHP A.J. Burnett on a one-year contract.  
WASHINGTON NATIONALS — Released LHP Matt Purke. Agreed to terms with INF/OF Kevin Frandsen on a one-year contract.

**BASKETBALL**  
**National Basketball Association**  
GOLDEN STATE WARRIORS — Assigned G Justin Holiday and C Ognjen Kuzmic to Santa Cruz (NBADL).  
**FOOTBALL**  
**National Football League**  
NFL — Fined N.Y. Jets coach Rex Ryan \$100,000, St. Louis TE Lance Kendricks \$22,050, N.Y. Jets DE Jason Babin \$16,537, N.Y. Jets QB Michael Vick \$8,268 for their actions last week.  
ARIZONA CARDINALS — Released LB Thomas Keiser. Signed DE Josh Mauro from Pittsburgh practice squad.  
BALTIMORE RAVENS — Released WR Jace Davis from the practice squad. Signed FB Kiero Small to the practice squad.  
CLEVELAND BROWNS — Placed DL Phil Taylor on injured reserve. Signed LB Keith Pough.  
DALLAS COWBOYS — Released LB Keith Smith. Signed LB Dekoda Watson.  
DETROIT LIONS — Released WR Pat Edwards from the practice squad.  
JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS — Released WR Nathan Slaughter. Signed DB Peyton Thompson to the practice squad.  
WASHINGTON REDSKINS — Signed DE Jackson Jeffcoat to the practice squad.

**Canadian Football League**  
WINNIPEG BLUE BOMBERS — Signed KR Troy Stoudemire to a contract extension through the 2017 season.

**HOCKEY**  
**National Hockey League**  
ANAHEIM DUCKS — Placed F Dany Heatley on injured reserve.  
ARIZONA COYOTES — Released D David Schlemko.  
COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS — Assigned G Anton Forsberg to Springfield (AHL). Activated G Sergei Bobrovsky from injured reserve.  
VANCOUVER CANUCKS — Recalled F Jeremie Blain from Kalamazoo (ECHL) to Utica (AHL).  
WASHINGTON CAPITALS — Recalled RW Chris Brown from Hershey (AHL).

**SOCCER**  
**Major League Soccer**  
PHILADELPHIA UNION — Named Rene Meulenstein soccer operations consultant.  
**National Women's Soccer League**  
WASHINGTON SPIRIT — Re-signed Fs Tiffany Weimer and Caroline Miller.

**BASEBALL**  
**National League**  
Big Spring Little league will hold its organization meeting for the upcoming 2015 season on Sunday, Nov. 23.  
The meeting will begin at at 2 p.m. in the Big Spring High School ATC building.

Japanese all-stars no-hit  
MLB in 4-0 win in Game 3

TOKYO (AP) — Taka-hiro Norimoto combined with three relievers on a no-hitter, and Japan beat the Major League Baseball All-Stars 4-0 on Saturday to take a 3-0 lead in their five-game series.  
Hayato Sakamoto and Sho Nakata each hit a two-run homer.

Norimoto, who went 14-10 with a 3.02 ERA this season for the Rakuten Eagles, struck out six over five perfect innings to pick up the win.  
"It's too good to be true," Norimoto said. "I wanted to see how

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With the win, the Yellow Jackets will face Lubbock Estacado in the second round.

In other bi-district games involving District 3-4A squads, Graham ousted Brownwood by a 52-11 margin on Friday at Ram Stadium in Mineral Wells, while Abilene Wylie rolled to a 44-0 victory over Wichita Falls Hirschi on Thursday in Mineral Wells.

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recorded a team-high eight kills, while Rodriguez posted nine digs and six kills.

Smith had 19 assists and four kills for the Lady Steers.

Addie Jimenez and Leksey Yarbar also stood out for Big Spring. Jimenez recorded four kills in the game, while Yarbar added two kills, four digs and a block. She also recorded three service aces.

my pitches would work against MLB hitters. The fact that my teammate (Motohiro) Shima was catching made me feel at ease and I was able to perform as usual. The atmosphere at the park was really nice. It was the best outing of my career."

Yuki Nishi took over from Norimoto and struck out four with one walk over two innings. Kazuhisa Makita struck out two in the eighth and Yuji Nishino retired the side in the ninth.

"The story tonight was in the hit column with a zero on it," MLB manager John Farrell said. "Norimoto was outstanding. He was very efficient. He has a powerful fastball and very good late action to go with his split, his slider and cutter."

Robinson Cano was hit by a pitch on the right foot in the seventh inning and left the game.

"He's gone for an X-ray on his right small toe and we don't have any results back from the images that are being taken as we speak," Farrell said.

Sakamoto connected off MLB starter Jeremy Guthrie in the second inning, and Nakata made it 4-0 in the third with a blast off Guthrie over the left field wall.

Guthrie took the loss after giving up four runs on five hits in five innings.

The MLB All-Stars won an exhibition game 8-7 before the start of the series but have scored just four runs over the first three games.

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STEERS

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on a 3rd-and-12 passing attempt, the Leopards elected to punt their second possession way. Tannehill fielded Mason Copeland's punt at the Steer 27 and returned it the Gainesville 22. A personal foul penalty moved the ball to the GHS 11.

Hunter Hill took care of the situation from there. The senior running back took a handoff on first down and sprinted 12 yards for the game's first touchdown. He finished off the run by spinning around a would-be tackler at the GHS 3 and then waltzing into the end zone for a 7-0 lead with 2:58 left in the opening frame.

Hill enjoyed a huge game for the Steers, rushing for 77 yards and scoring three touchdowns.

The Steers enabled Gainesville to fight its way back into the game moments later. Backed by a pair of crucial 15-yard personal foul penalties, the Leopards marched 38 yards in seven plays before Hector Sagrero capped the drive with a 29-yard field goal.

Sagrero's field goal cut the Steers' lead to 7-3 just 11 seconds into the second quarter.

Big Spring erased any momentum Gainesville may have earned moments later. The Steers took the ensuing kick and raced 75 yards in nine plays to expand its lead to 11, at 14-3.

After Hill, Preston Alexander and Tannehill had opened the drive with short runs, Wigington gave the Steers' offense the boost it needed. The junior tight end hauled in a 15-yard strike from Tannehill that gave Big Spring a first down at the Leopard 40. Four plays later, Tannehill rifled a short 8-yard pass to Hill on a fourth-and-4 play that set up the Steers' second score of the half.

Senior wide receiver Matt Yanez staked Big Spring to an 11-point lead on Big Spring's next play from scrimmage by pulling in a 26-yard pass from Tannehill.

Yanez's fourth TD reception of the season gave the Steers a 14-3 lead with 6:10 left in the first half.

The Steers threatened to expand their lead a few minutes later. Big Spring drove to the BSHS 2 before seeing the drive stall with just 2 seconds left in the half.

The Big Spring defense flexed its muscle early in the third quarter, forcing three turnovers, including a pair of quick fumbles in the first six minutes of the second half. The second turnover, a fumble recovery by Wigington on the Gainesville 39, led to a Big Spring score.

After Wigington had recovered the fumble, Hill made the Leopards pay dearly. On the Steers' first play from scrimmage, he took a handoff from Tannehill and raced up the middle for 39 yards and a touchdown.

Hill's second rushing TD handed the Steers a 21-3 cushion with 8:15 left in the third.

Galvan added to the Leopards' pain less than 2 minutes later. He picked a deflected pass out of the air and returned it to the Gainesville 20. Four plays later, Tannehill stepped up in the pocket to avoid pressure and then drilled a pass to Hill in the end zone for a 15-yard TD for a 28-3 cushion.

Tannehill finished the game by completing eight of his 13 passing attempts for 128 yards. He also rushed for 17 yards.

Gainesville managed to scratch its way to within 28-18 late in the third quarter. Running back Zukari Long capped a 10-play, 70-yard scoring march by plowing into the end zone from a yard out with 44 seconds left in the frame.

Big Spring all but iced the game midway through the fourth quarter on a 34-yard run by Alexander that inflated the Steers' lead to 35-10.

The Leopards scored their final touchdown with 1:54 left in the frame on an easy 11-yard pass from Copeland to Devyn Mims, who had managed to get behind the BSHS coverage in the end zone.

Mims, who caught eight of Gainesville's 10 pass completions in the game for 71 yards, cut Big Spring's final margin of victory to 18.

The margin of victory didn't matter to Ritchey, who has guided the



Tony Claxton photos (www.claxtonphotography.com)  
**Big Spring running back Hunter Hill bolts around the corner for a gain during the Steers' 35-17 victory over the Gainesville Leopards.**

Steers through a season of nail-biters. A win by one counts for the same amount of wins as a victory by 30 or 40, he said.

"We'll take 35-17 all day long," he said. "We're still standing. At this point, it's a one-game season for everyone, and we get to play another week."

With the victory, Big Spring improved to 8-2 for the season and, more importantly, will advance to the area round to face off with Andrews.

Andrews, now 10-1, demolished Borger on Friday, winning 61 to 20.

**Big Spring 35, Gainesville 17**  
Gainesville.....0 3 7 7 - 17  
Big Spring.....7 7 14 7 - 35

**First Quarter**  
Big Spring - Hunter Hill 12 run (Tobyn Tannehill kick), 2:58

**Second Quarter**  
Gainesville- FG Hector Sagrero 29, 11:49  
Big Spring - Matt Yanez 26 pass from Tannehill (Tannehill kick), 6:09

**Third Quarter**  
Big Spring - Hill 39 run (Tannehill kick), 8:15  
Big Spring- Hill 15 pass from Tobyn Tannehill (Tannehill kick), 4:42

Gainesville - Zukari Long 1 run (Hector Sagrero kick), 0:44

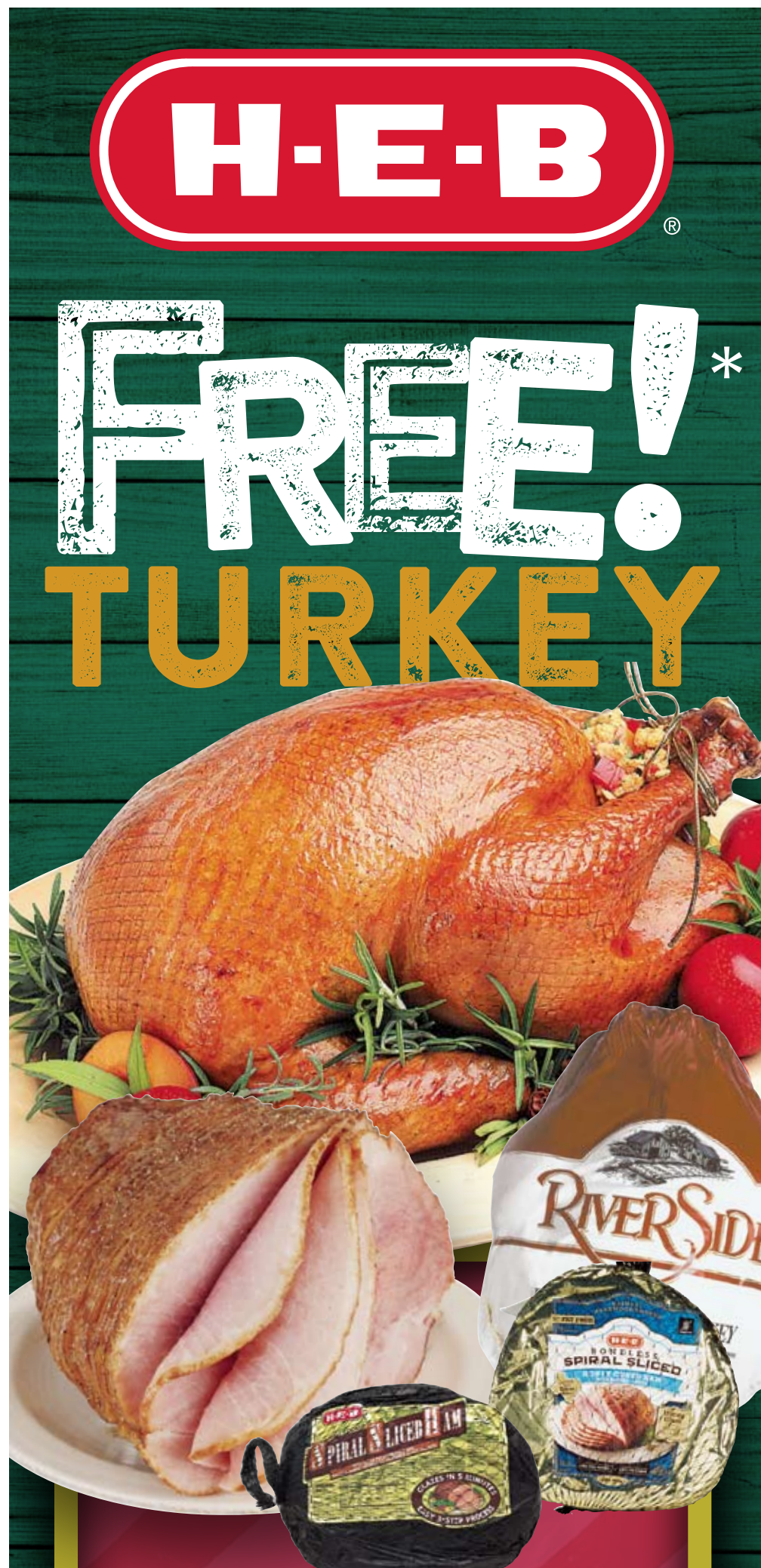
**Fourth Quarter**  
Big Spring - Preston Alexander 34 run (Tannehill kick), 4:34  
Gainesville- Devin Mims 11 pass from Mason Copeland (Hector Sagrero kick), 1:54

Gainesville	Big Spring	
12	First Downs	12
37-130	Rushes-Yards	34-158
110	Passing Yards	128
10-21-1	Comp.-Att.-Int.	8-13-0
3-29.0	Punts-Avg.	2-45.0
3-2	Fumbles-Lost	2-2
11-98	Penalties-Yds.	10-107

**INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS**  
**RUSHING** - Gainesville: Devin Mims 5-1, Zukari Long 9-25, Mason Copeland 12-53, Kaleb Willis 9-36, Josh Manuel 1-3, Michael Bradley 1-12. Big Spring, Tobyn Tannehill 18-17, Hunter Hill 8-77, Preston Alexander 7-56, Matt Yanez 1-8.

**PASSING** - Gainesville: Mason Copeland 7-17-0-64, Hunter Turbeville 3-4-1-46. Big Spring, Tobyn Tannehill 8-13-0-128.

**RECEIVING** - Gainesville: Kaleb Willis 1-3, Joseph Romans 1-36, Devin Mims 8-71. Big Spring, Matt Yanez 2-43, Hunter Hill 4-59, Garrett Wigington 2-26.



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# Retiring Old Glory

## Local Scouts Hold Ceremony For VA Flag

**P**ack 305 Webelos and Bear Cub Scouts retired the old and tattered flags flying over the VA Hospital and held a reception for the Hospital residents in their honor.

The boys shared handmade cards and pins, performed skits and visited with the residents. It was an honor and privilege to participate in this project.

### Retiring Old Glory

When the United States flag (Old Glory) becomes worn, torn, faded or badly soiled, it is time to replace it with a new flag, and the old flag should be "retired" with all the dignity and respect befitting our nation's flag. The traditional method of retirement is to incinerate the flag, but this does not mean that one should simply drop the entire flag (intact) into a fire.

A flag ceases to be a flag when it is cut into pieces. In addition, it is easier to completely incinerate the flag, if it is cut into smaller pieces. A flag should never be torn up like an old bed sheet. It should be cut up with scissors and shears in a methodical manner. The corners of the flag should be stretched out over a table top and someone should cut the flag in half, vertically (be careful not to cut up the blue star field (see the figure)). Then, place the two halves together and cut them in half, horizontally. You will end up with four pieces of flag, one being the blue star field.

Note: The reason we do not cut the blue star field is it represents the union of the fifty states and one should never let the union be broken.

While the Scouts are performing the flag dissection, other Scouts should start and tend a medium size, wood fire (preferably in a metal drum or incinerator). Once the flag remnants and fire are ready, you perform the following ceremony. The Scouts maintain a vigil over the fire until all traces of the flag remnants are destroyed. Then, the fire is extinguished and the ashes are buried. The burial can be completed with a moment of silence while taps is played by a bugler.

Note: Before accepting a flag for retirement, the recipient should obtain information about its history. For example: Where has it flown? How long? Any memorable events happen at that site? This information should be used in the ceremony.

### Flag Retirement Ceremony

Person(s) ----- Text or Action

Adult Leader: The U.S. flag is more than just some brightly colored cloth.. it is a symbol of our nation.

Scout 1: Seven red stripes; and six white stripes; together they represent the original 13 colonies that gained us liberty.

Scout 2: The red stripes remind us of the life-blood of brave men and women who were ready to die for this, their country.

Scout 3: The white stripes remind us of purity and cleanliness of purpose, thought, word and deed.

Scout 4: The blue is for truth and justice, like the eternal blue of the star-filled heavens.

Scout 5: The stars represent the fifty sovereign states of our union.

Adult Leader or SPL: The U.S. flag should be treated with respect when it's flying, and it should be treated with respect when it's being retired.

Scout 6: The American Creed states,



"it is my duty to my country to love it, to respect its Constitution, to obey its laws, to respect its flag, and to defend it against all enemies."

Scout 7: Therefore, we retire flags with dignity and respect when they become worn, torn, faded, or badly soiled.

Adult Leader or SPL: This flag is ready to be retired. Its history is as follows:

First Raised (when):

At (location):  
Memorable event or fact:

Scout 8: A flag ceases to be a flag when it is cut into pieces. We cut the flag into four pieces: three red and white striped banners and the blue star field. We leave the blue field intact because no one should ever let the union be broken.

Adult Leader or SPL: As the parts of the flag are placed in the fire remember.. Old Flags never die, they just get fired up!

The Scouts will maintain a vigil over the fire until no traces of the flag remnants remain. Then the ashes will be collected and buried. This concludes this ceremony.

Information and photos courtesy of Gary Tidwell and Emily McCann. Ceremony information from [www.uscouts.org](http://www.uscouts.org)



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# ► Anniversary

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## Luis and Erlinda (Escovedo) Rios

Luis and Erlinda (Escovedo) Rios celebrated their 50th anniversary Nov. 14, 2014, with a family dinner.

The Rios' have 5 children: Luis Rios Jr., Jacob Rios, Nancy Rios-Vega, Theodore Rios and Timothy John Rios, all of Big Spring. They have one deceased son, Patrick Rios. They have 39 grandchildren and 32 great-grandchildren, all of Big Spring.

Luis is a retired masonry contractor. He is an active member of the Knights of Columbus at Holy Trinity Catholic Church.

Erlinda is retired from the West Texas VA Health Care Systems. She is president of the St. Vincent de Paul Society which prepares funeral meals for the family of deceased church members at Holy Trinity Catholic Church. She is also a member of the Pastoral Council.

## Big Spring Area Retired Teachers Association

Are you a member of the Big Spring Area Retired Teachers Association? Be sure and attend the monthly meeting Monday, at 11:30 a.m. in the Howard College Cactus Room. (Dutch Treat lunch) If you are not a member, please consider joining us.

TRTA is the only group who may lobby on behalf of retired Texas school personal in the State Legislature. The TRS-CARE retiree health insurance program is facing a huge funding shortfall, which will be addressed during the 84th Legislative Session.

District 18 RTA Legislative Chairperson, Wayne Byrd will be providing members with updated information about TRS-Care and pension issues.

For more information contact Bo Fryar 432 399-4510.

## Big Spring Art Association

The Big Spring Art Association October meeting was inspiring and exciting. Our own Kay Smith presented the program. She is a watercolorist extraordinaire.

She stated that for her 40th birthday, she bought her first watercolor. She gave us many pointers; one being that she draws her original painting on tracing paper and then transfers it to 140 pound cold press watercolor paper.

The benefit of this is that she has the drawing if she chooses to use it again.

For the demonstration, she painted, for the fourth time, an old abandoned car she found in Lamesa. Because Ms. Smith does not like to stay in a rut, she enters shows to challenge herself. Her demonstration only validated that. Our next meeting is Nov. 18, in the basement of the Howard County Library. The demonstration will be by another local artist, our own Linda Rupard.

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# ► Birth

# ► Menus



## Memorie Lynn Dawn Clayton

Memorie Lynn Dawn Clayton, a girl, was born Oct. 31, 2014, at 9:15 a.m. She weighed 6 pounds 12 ounces and was 18 1/2 inches long.

Parents are Christina and Steven Clayton of Big Spring.

Maternal grandparents are Terrie Wilson and Wayne Paul, both of Midland.

Paternal grandparents are Karol and Louise Rawls, both of Big Spring. Memorie was welcomed home by siblings, Kage, Xander, Aries and Alazay.

## Sands CISD

Monday: Breakfast, cereal variety, cheese stick, fruit, juice, milk. Lunch, chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, gravy, savory green beans, roll, strawberry cup.

Tuesday: Breakfast, blueberry muffin, yogurt, fruit, juice, milk. Lunch, quesadilla, salsa, garden salad, refried beans, applesauce.

Wednesday: Breakfast, pancake wrap, fruit, juice, milk. Lunch, pizza, garden salad, California blend vegetables, apple slice.

Thursday: Breakfast, breakfast pizza, fruit, juice, milk. Lunch, turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes, gravy, savory green beans, roll, snowball salad, pie.

Friday: Breakfast, cinnamon breakfast pastry, yogurt, fruit, juice, milk. Lunch, hamburger, zesty cucumber, sweet potato fries, sliced peaches.

peaches, jelly. Lunch, popcorn chicken, turkey with gravy, totally cheesy chef salad, mashed potatoes with gravy, corn, chilled mixed fruit, roll.

Tuesday: Breakfast, breakfast pizza, cereal with toast, chilled pears, jelly. Lunch, beef stir fry, General Tso chicken, barbecue chicken sandwich and spicy fries, steamed rice, glazed carrots, Oriental blend vegetables, chilled pineapple, fortune cookie, roll.

Wednesday: Breakfast, biscuit and sausage, cereal with toast, chilled apricots, jelly. Lunch, pizza (cheese, pepperoni or hamburger), grilled chicken salad, corn on the cob, baked Italian zucchini and tomatoes, chilled Mandarin oranges, garlic bread sticks.

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## Forsan ISD

Monday: Breakfast, breakfast nachos, cereal with toast, chilled

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**CLUB**

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Linda is an excellent artist and took art classes at Howard College in the 70s. The classes confirmed for her that the life of an artist was meant for her. Although she has taken classes from many distinguished artists, the classes she took at Ghost Ranch in New Mexico were the most enjoyable.

The class went on walking tours where they took photos to use as reference for their paintings. They also visited places that Georgia O'keeffe made famous. Rupard said that learning something new is very exciting for her and that she can't wait to share what she has learned with friends.

In our upcoming meeting, Rupard will be sharing a technique she learned from artist Dyan Newton on how to paint with acrylics on canvas.

Just as Ms. Rupard can't wait to share, we can't wait either. So why don't you join us. We look forward to seeing you. Follow us on Facebook.

**Capt. Elisha Mack Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution**

The Capt. Elisha Mack Chapter, NSDAR, met Oct. 8, 2014, at the Big Spring Country Club with Regent Hollis McCright presiding. Hostess was Sue Ann Damron, who decorated the tables in red, white and blue patriotic theme.

Regent Hollis McCright introduced our guest speaker Tammy Waid Administrative Assistant at the VA Medical Center. Tammy gave an informative presentation on the many technologies used within the VA system to improve the health and lives of our veterans.

Such as My Healthy Vet which is an online patient portal where a veteran can contact his/her healthcare team with questions regarding previous visits, changes in health as well as order medications. Veterans can now video conference with VBA for claims, instead of having to travel to the VAB office in Waco. This in turn saves the veteran much time and money.

Big Spring VA was the first in the nation to offer this technology. VA

now offers Telehealth video conferencing, which allows the veteran to video conference with health care providers hundreds of miles away.

Utilizing Telehealth allows real time care for preventing possible complications by early health care interventions when changes occur in the veterans health.

Telehealth is also used in Mental Health care allowing veterans to conference with psychiatrists in a much faster time frame, rather than waiting weeks for an appointment, proving very successful.

Teleretinal video is used to diagnose and treat many eye diseases, such as those caused by diabetes. recording and sending information to eye care providers.

This technology is used in would care as well, often resulting in better care and better outcomes. Televideo decreases travel time and expenses for the veteran. Nearly half of veterans in rural areas have benefitted greatly from this technology.

Tammy also addressed the great strides the VA has made in women's health care in recent years.

Lora May Pollard was presented with a certificate acknowledging 20

years of service to the Capt. Elisha Mack Chapter.

Regent Hollis McCright informed members of the updated DAR website and the upcoming cruise celebrating the 125th anniversary of NSDAR.

Niva Green won the door prize, a beautiful manicure set with a patriotic hand cream.

National Defense Chair Clara Lewis gave an interesting presentation on Veteran's Honor Flights. T

The Honor Flight network offers free travel for veterans (focusing on WWII vets and terminally ill vets) to visit the war memorials in Washington D.C.

These trips have been described as a trip of a lifetime. Clara had the honor of being on the first honor flight from this area.

Proud to announce Janneatte Lentz of San Angelo is now a member of the Capt. Elisha Mack Chapter of Daughters of the American Revolution. Members donated money for the VA Christmas fund to benefit our local vets.

The next meeting is Dec. 13, at the Heritage Museum with a gift exchange.

**MENUS**

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Thursday: Breakfast, pancake bar, cereal with toast, chilled mixed fruit, syrup, fruit sauce, jelly. Lunch, chicken alfredo, spaghetti with meatballs, crispy chicken salad, broccoli, chilled pineapple, garlic butter roll.

Friday: Breakfast, Home Style cinnamon rolls, cereal with toast, chilled mandarin oranges, jelly. Lunch, chicken fajita nachos, beefy taco salad, sloppy joe with Sun Chips, refried beans, Santa Fe blend vegetables, lettuce and tomato salad, strawberry Jell-O with fruit.

**Coahoma ISD**

Monday: Breakfast, morning sausage roll, cereal with toast, fresh whole fruit, 100% Fruit Juice, jelly/syrup. Lunch, chicken nuggets, popcorn chicken, Totally Cheesy Chef Salad, mashed potatoes, steamed corn, chilled mixed fruit, roll, crème gravy.

Tuesday: Breakfast, breakfast pizza, French toast sticks, fresh whole fruit, 100% Fruit Juice, syrup. Lunch, salisbury steak with gravy, General Tso chicken, barbecue chicken sandwich basket, steamed rice, glazed carrots, Oriental blend vegetables, chilled pineapples, fortune cookie, roll.

Wednesday: Breakfast, breakfast taco, beef and egg or chicken biscuit, fresh whole fruit 100% Fruit Juice. Lunch, Home-Style Pizza, grilled chicken salad, mixed vegetables, baked Italian zucchini and tomatoes, chilled Mandarin oranges, apple crisp.

Thursday: Breakfast, pancake bar or Pop Tart and cereal, fresh whole fruit 100% Fruit Juice. Lunch, chicken fajita, sloppy Joe basket, Spanish brown rice, refried beans, Santa Fe blend, lettuce and tomato salad, fruited strawberry Jell-O, jalapeno/salsa/sour cream.

Friday; Breakfast, Home-Style cinnamon rolls or cereal and toast, fresh whole fruit, 100% Fruit Juice. Lunch, Holiday Meal: turkey with gravy, cornbread stuffing, seasoned green beans, sweet potatoes, fruit salad, roll, cranberry sauce.

**Big Spring ISD**

Monday: Breakfast, apple or cherry frudel, string cheese, grapes, assorted fruit juice. Lunch, chicken fried steak or chicken nuggets, roll, mashed potatoes, green beans, strawberries, milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast, mini maple pancakes, strawberry Gogurt, applesauce cup, assorted fruit juice, milk. Lunch, turkey/cheese chalupas or chicken quesadilla, garden salad, refried beans, applesauce, milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast, sausage roll, string cheese, peach cup, assorted fruit juice, milk.

Lunch, chicken spaghetti or cheese or pepperoni pizza, breadsticks, garden salad, baby carrots, peaches, milk.

Thursday: Breakfast, cheese stuffed sandwich, banana, assorted fruit juice, milk. Lunch, soft tacos or ham and cheese sub, charro beans, corn, orange smiles, milk.

Friday: Breakfast, French toast, mixed fruit cup, assorted fruit juice, milk. Lunch, popcorn chicken or hamburger or cheese burger, peaches, cucumber dippers, sweet potato tots, milk.

**New Hope Christian School**

Monday: Breakfast, cereal, apple juice, milk. Snack, Goldfish Crackers, fruit mix. Lunch, ravioli, tossed salad, peaches, bread, milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast, biscuits and gravy, peaches, milk. Snack, vanilla wafers, banana pudding. Lunch, turkey and dressing, mashed potatoes, green beans, fruit cocktail, milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast, cinnamon toast, pears, milk. Snack, Ritz Crackers, deli meat. Lunch, mini corn dogs, carrots, Pork N Beans, milk.

Thursday: Breakfast, pancakes, Mandarin oranges, milk. Snack, cheese sticks, animal crackers. Lunch, chicken parmesan, peas, corn, milk.

Friday: Breakfast, fruit bars, pineapple, milk. Snack, butter cracker, milk. Lunch, bologna and cheese sandwich, mixed vegetables, pears, milk.

**Grocer Loses Cork Leg, \$90**

TULSA, Okla. (AP) — C.L. Jones, a grocer, was looking today for a woman customer, who has his his cork leg and \$90 in gold.

When he became ill in his store late yesterday, the woman offered to care for him. He accept-

ed. At his home she made him a hot lemonade and he soon fell asleep. When he awoke, he told police his nurse was gone and so was his cork leg. And worse than that, he said, was the fact \$90 in gold was hidden in the leg.

**Police: Chainsaw stolen in Florida thief's pants**

PORT ST. LUCIE, Fla. (AP) — Police say a Florida man stole a chain saw by sticking it down his pants.

Surveillance video from Treasure Coast Lawn Equipment in Port St. Lucie shows the man putting the tool

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## Cattle market continues run

BRENHAM — Though cattle prices have reached historic highs, there could be potential to make extra dollars and possibly add more young cows to a herd at current prices, according to a Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service economist.

Dr. Levi Russell, AgriLife Extension economist in Corpus Christi, told attendees at the recent South Central Texas Cow-Calf Clinic in Brenham the cattle market has continued its historic price run due to supply constraints.

“Part of the reason for these high prices is low supply,” he said. “Overall, it doesn’t appear these prices are going to level off anytime soon due to the fact there are fewer beef cows out there.”

Russell said data indicates continued strong consumer demand, both domestically and for exports.

“This makes most folks think these high prices will continue to hold,” he said.

Prices for 700-pound to 800-pound steers in the first quarter of 2015 suggest \$229 per hun-



Russell

dredweight to \$333 per hundredweight, according to Dr. David Anderson, AgriLife Extension livestock economist, College Station.

Those prices are expected to remain relatively steady throughout 2015 as more ranchers continue to slowly rebuild herds, Russell said.

Russell said simple management practices such as castrat-

ing calves can add more dollars to a rancher’s pocket.

“I want to emphasize there’s some real value in castrating your calves,” Russell said.

He said those who do not castrate will receive discounts up to 8 percent.

“Those who don’t choose to castrate would be better off selling those calves before they reach 600 pounds,” he said.

Russell also demonstrated the Bid Price Estimator for Beef Cows, a spreadsheet program that can assist beef cattle producers when deciding to buy replacement cattle. The program allows producers to input an expected rate of return against the net cash outlay for buying replacement cattle.

The spreadsheet takes into consideration annual operating costs as well as financing information.

“People are saying females are expensive to go out and buy right now,” Russell said. “But that net present value is what indicates your return on investment.”

To access the spreadsheet, visit <http://bit.ly/1jOtkRj>

## Retailers are shopping for seasonal workers

**T**his’ the season to hire seasonal employees, according to the National Retail Federation (NRF). Retailers are expected to hire between 725,000 and 800,000 seasonal workers this holiday, a 14 percent increase from last year. These holiday positions offer hundreds of thousands of people the opportunity to also turn their seasonal position into a long-term career opportunity.

As job seekers start their search for those seasonal positions, Better Business Bureau serving Central, Coastal, Southwest Texas and the Permian Basin recommends those on the job hunt to research potential employers and be cautious of fraudulent job offers.

Here is some advice when seeking out that position:

- Research potential employers first. Find out which companies are offering seasonal employment opportunities. Use [bbb.org](http://bbb.org) to find additional information on the company, including how they handle complaints, customer reviews, and other details.

- Be cautious. If you are using online classifieds to search for local job openings, be careful. Scammers flock to these sites, posting fake jobs aimed at stealing money or the identities of job seekers. Watch for advanced fees. Never pay upfront fees when applying, especially for background checks or credit reports.

- Examine the job ad. Watch for misspellings, grammatical errors and unprofessional, amateurish writing in the ads. Also, generic job titles and phrases like “no experience needed,” or “immediate start” should be red flags.

- Protect your identity. Guard your personal information. Identity theft may be the goal. Do not give out bank account information or Social Security numbers until you have confirmed an employer’s legitimacy.

With the holiday season predicted to bring in more than 600 billion dollars for retailers, according to NRF, employers may be choosy about candidates they hire. Here are some hints that may give you the upper hand:

- Knowledge is power. Employers want applicants that know their products. If you shop at a certain store frequently, you likely know a lot about the company and the merchandise they sell. This will make you an attractive choice since you have knowledge and passion for the products.

- An available schedule. Hiring managers are going to look favorably at candidates with wide open availability and a flexible schedule. Being seasonal means you will likely be working long hours and on holidays like Thanksgiving and Christmas Eve.

- Showcase your skills. Be prepared for the interview by not only brushing up on brand knowledge, but dressing the part. Focus on explaining your customer service skills. This is a must when dealing with stressed shoppers, long check-out lines and holiday returns.

*Tyler Patton is director of the Permian Basin Better Business Bureau.*



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Courtesy photo

Spanish Inn was presented a thank you banner from the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce recently. Spanish Inn is located at 200 NW Third and can be contacted at 432-267-9340.



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Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce presented Power Resources with a thank you banner recently. Power Resources is located at 500 Refinery Road and can be reached at 432-263-8468.

Send or report your business news to [editor@bigspringherald.com](mailto:editor@bigspringherald.com)



Courtesy photo

Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting recently for new member Queens of the Dude Ranch. Jeannie McWhorter is owner of the business, located at 221 S. Main. Phone number is 817-825-9717. If you wish to become a chamber member, call 432-263-7641.

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 Frances Elena Yanez, 1610 Cardinal, Big Spring  
 James Edward Young, 3313 Auburn Ave., Big Spring

**Marriage Licenses**  
 Daniel Valle Castillo, 27 and Susan Chavez Barrios, 38, both of Big Spring  
 Joshua William Lucero, 26 and Michelle Lynn Gardner, 24, both of Big Spring

**County Court Filings**  
 State of Texas vs Juan Jose Olivarez. Probated judgment. Driving while intoxicated open container. \$750 fine, 180 days in jail

**Warranty Deeds**  
 Grantor: C&H Enterprises Inc.  
 Grantee: Manuel Martinez and Lori Martinez  
 Property: Lot 28, tract 4, Foster Addition  
 Date: Nov. 4, 2014

Grantor: C&H Enterprises Inc.

Grantee: Jason Martinez and Victoria Martinez  
 Property: Lot 22, tract 4, Foster Addition  
 Date: Nov. 4, 2014

Grantor: Big Spring Shrine Association Holding  
 Grantee: Suez Shrine Temple, San Angelo, Texas  
 Property: Lots 4,5 and 6, blk 54, Original Town of Big Spring  
 Date: Oct. 31, 2014

Grantor: C&H Enterprises Inc.  
 Grantee: Matthew Holbrook and Kristi Holbrook  
 Property: Lot 37, tract 4, Foster Subdivision out of sec 47, blk 31, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey, Howard County  
 Date: Oct. 31, 2014

Grantor: Merle Haney  
 Grantee: Outrigger Midland Operating  
 Property: A 8.0 acre tract in the S/2 of sec 47, blk 33, T-3-N, T&P RR Co. Survey, Howard County  
 Date: Oct. 30, 2014

**Warranty Deeds With Vendors Leins**  
 Grantor: Gloria J. Phillips  
 Grantee: J. Mark Hardgrave and Debra J. Hardgrave  
 Property: Lot 4, blk 19, College Heights Addition  
 Date: Nov. 4, 2014

Grantor: Mark L. Morgan and Pamela Fleming Morgan  
 Grantee: Scott Lee Taylor  
 Property: Lot 19, blk 7, Addition No. 3 to Highland South No. 4  
 Date: Nov. 4, 2014

Grantor: Sherry Phillips Hargrove independent executor of the estate of Jonie Slaughter Hargrove, deceased  
 Grantee: Tammy L. Kennedy  
 Property: Lot 7,8, blk 12, Brennad Addition

Date: Nov. 3, 2014  
 Grantor: Kenmark Properties Inc. and A.E. companies Inc.  
 Grantee: John Key and Sherri Key  
 Property: A 0.640 acre tract out of the North part of lot 2, blk 1, Boothe Subdivision  
 Date: Oct. 31, 2014

Grantor: A.E. Companies Inc., a Texas Corporation, Kenmark Properties Inc., Texas Corporation, Kenneth C. Boothe, April Earline Boothe, Mark Vassar and Veronda E. Vassar  
 Grantee: Kenmark Properties Inc.  
 Property: A 5.02 acre tract out of the S/2 of sec 5, blk 32, T-1-S T&P Ry Co. Survey, Howard County  
 Date: Oct. 31, 2014

Grantor: Jim Jason Coker  
 Grantee: Boyce Capital Management LLC  
 Property: Lot 7, blk 1, N. McEwen Addition  
 Date: Oct. 30, 2014

**District Court Filings**  
 Sonia Wyrick vs David Wyrick – Divorce  
 Kevin Eugene Bently vs Veronica Bently – Divorce  
 Britt Dirt Contracting Co. vs Don Tatum and Tina Tatum, individually and dba Triple T Construction and Septic Service  
 Susan Etta Inez Humphrey vs Michael Scott Humphrey – Divorce  
 Cynthia Brown vs John Swedlund – Other injury or damage  
 Francesca Gibbs vs Welton Gibbs – Divorce  
 Halina Sosa vs City of Big Spring – Other injury or damage  
 April Michelle Moran vs Aristotle Eloy Moran – Divorce  
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**sudoku**

ANSWERS

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**Newsday Crossword**

**SATURDAY STUMPER** by Frank Longo  
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- ACROSS**
- 1** Poet pal of Manet
- 11** Small, thin child
- 15** First Canadian woman with a #1 solo U.S. song
- 16** Mariachi subject
- 17** 100+, most certainly
- 18** Nearly impossible
- 19** "The Ultimate Beauty Tool"
- 20** First name of a Rock Hall of Fame "key inductee"
- 21** Is parasitic
- 23** Williams-Sonoma's HQ
- 25** Bed attachments
- 26** Knock off or over
- 27** Moves energetically
- 28** Macaroni
- 29** 51 Across et al.
- 33** Where Fermi went to college
- 34** Angelic narrator of Haydn's *Creation*
- 35** Support for Atlético Madrid
- 36** With 37 Across, introduction to marketing
- 37** See 36 Across
- 38** Scary movies, often
- 40** Clear out
- 41** What shortcuts sidestep
- 42** Something found in a *Ben-Hur* bank
- 43** Google News category
- 45** Hematology adjective

- 49** Hang together
  - 50** Weekly initiator
  - 51** Newfoundland first seen in a 1904 play
  - 52** Salutes with rhythm
  - 53** Leonardo on the newest *Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles*
  - 56** Storm warning of a sort
  - 57** Piquant cookie ingredient
  - 58** One way to say this
  - 59** Takeoff points
- DOWN**
- 1** "Olde Tyme" drink brand
  - 2** Shark singing "Tonight Quintet"
  - 3** Free, in a way

- 4** How some Oreos are eaten
- 5** "Yesterday's Feelings" rock genre
- 6** Rock music?
- 7** Region bordering the Avon
- 8** They're usually tapped after work
- 9** Shot shirt, maybe
- 10** Contoured camera components
- 11** Minor charges
- 12** Compression candidate
- 13** Court crybaby
- 14** Trade-show issuance
- 22** One in a pack
- 24** Get going
- 25** Crash scene?
- 27** Confute

- 29** Comprehensive
- 30** Trios starting numbers
- 31** Its mascot is the fireball Burnie
- 32** Crib or cook
- 33** Talk down to
- 36** Asian territory in Risk
- 38** "I try" elicitor
- 39** Large liners
- 41** *Égée* or *Noire*
- 44** Next automaker to go public after Ford
- 45** Weaving material
- 46** Blinding things
- 47** Unease
- 48** Goes on and on
- 50** \_\_\_ Bell (Kremlin attraction)
- 54** With 55 Down and "Canaan," *Exodus* lead role
- 55** See 54 Down

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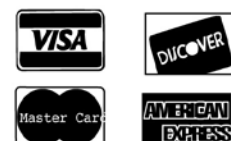
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Occidental Permian Ltd. has submitted an amendment to the P-17 Surface Commingle Permit No. 4594 to the Railroad Commission of Texas. The amendment adds one additional well, (Powell Ranch Well No. 151HC) located in Section 15, T. & P. RR Co. Survey, in Glasscock County to the existing Permit.

Clerk of the Court: Colleen Barton District Clerk Howard County, Texas By Laura Martin Deputy #8527 November 16, 2014

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

problems and also to note what's going well.

great lengths and make many personal sacrifices in order for this to happen. Consider, however, that giving them what they want isn't the only way to happiness.

through Sagittarius for a month. When Venus was in Scorpio, she prized her privacy, guarded her mystery and enjoyed her shadow side. In Sagittarius, what she values above all is adventure.

Buttoned-Up Scorpio

Did you know it's National Button Day? November 16th has been celebrated by button enthusiasts since 1938. This handy technology has been used for millennia -- archeologists have found buttons more than 5,000 years old.



HOLIDAY MATHIS

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You know and love who you are. It's not arrogance; it's what's necessary for you to give your best to the current situation, which, now more than ever, is requiring your best.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). An English proverb suggests that a full cup must be carried steadily. Take your time and move carefully through the day, because your cup is more full than you realize.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Your loyalty to a friend will be tested. These are the kind of circumstances that weed out those of lesser character. Just know that you're being scored in some way and that eyes are everywhere.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). French Nobel Prize winner Andre Gide had the best advice for this day. "Obtain from yourself all that makes complaining useless. No longer implore from others what you yourself can obtain."

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You want your loved ones to be happy, and you're willing to go to

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You have learned that forgiveness is a gift to yourself, as well as to the one who wronged you. Today you'll even go so far as to offer forgiveness in advance of the infraction just to get it out of the way.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You don't need to know everything that's coming up in order to take action. Anyway, the landscape is changing, so even if you did know, it would only put you at a disadvantage.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Those who focus on creating external beauty will miss the point today. The most beautiful thing there is to observe is what is occurring naturally without human manipulation.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You're so caught up in your imagination today that the practical opportunities could go unrecognized. A Virgo or Taurus will point them out. For romantic luck, try what you've never tried before.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Success will depend on the expert timing and dissemination of information. The best moment to give people the whole story is when they are dying to know. Create the appetite first; then feed it.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Nov. 16). You stop trying to meet the expectations of others, and then you take it a step further and stop trying to meet your own expectations. Instead, you joyfully handle what's in front of you time and again and wind up in improved straits. January brings a flood of love. February and July feature big deals and stellar reviews. Scorpio and Leo people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 3, 22, 24, 16 and 19.

FORECAST FOR THE WEEK AHEAD: Today Venus leaves the scintillating realm of Scorpio to adventure

While the love goddess is in Sagittarius, she is far too concerned with exploration and experimentation to commit to any one person or arrangement. Life is for the living! Doing what's already been done seems hopelessly boring. While Venus transits Sagittarius, love's rules seem like movie prop glass: windows and bottles constructed out of sugar, custom-made to be broken. Only on the movie set, no one gets hurt when the sugar-glass shatters dramatically. Real life has real consequences. The honorable way is to stick to your agreements. If you find that this is too stifling, instead of breaking your commitment, change the agreement. You may just find that the other person is also craving a freer arrangement.

The sun follows Venus into Sagittarius on November 22 beginning a cycle of expansion, outreach and abundance. Fortune follows the courageous and gregarious. Don't be afraid to ask. It's amazing how much bounty is given to those who dare to ask.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Maggie Gyllenhaal recently starred in the television mini-series "The Honourable Woman," a thriller about a woman who inherits her father's international arms business. Her sun, Venus and Uranus in Scorpio, the sign of the underworld, lend a fascination with the darker side of human nature, as well as strong intuition, keen instinct and remarkable emotional depth.

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Contract Bridge A Double Disaster By Steve Becker. South dealer. North-South vulnerable. NORTH: ♠7 5 3, ♥5, ♦J 7 5, ♣9 8 7 5 3 2. WEST: ♠Q 4, ♥A K Q 10 9 6 4 3, ♦K 6 4. EAST: ♠Q J 8 4, ♥K J 6 3 2, ♦8, ♣A J 10. SOUTH: ♠A K 10 9 6 2, ♥A 10 9 8 7, ♦2, ♣Q. The bidding: South 1♠, West 3♣, North Pass, East 3NT; South 4♥, West Pass, North 4♣, East Dble. Opening lead — king of diamonds. This deal occurred in a high-level team-of-four match. West's three-spade bid at the first table asked partner to bid three notrump if he had a spade stopper. East was more than happy to comply; he had much more than he needed for his three-notrump bid. When South next bid four hearts — which was corrected to four spades by North — East doubled. Perhaps West should not have passed — many players would have bid five diamonds instead — but he did pass. West then led the king of diamonds followed by the ace, on which East discarded the ten of clubs and South the queen of clubs! As a result of this play to the second trick, declarer made four spades doubled. He ruffed the next diamond, cashed the ace of hearts, ruffed a heart, ruffed a club, ruffed another heart, ruffed another club, then ruffed the fourth round of hearts with dummy's last trump. Nine tricks had been played, and East's last four cards were the Q-J-8-4 of trumps, while South's remaining cards were the A-K-10 of trumps and ten of hearts. Declarer now led a club from dummy, ruffed by East with the jack and overruffed by South with the king. Declarer then played the ten of hearts, forcing East to ruff and return a trump from the Q-8 to South's A-10, and the doubled game — worth 790 points — was home. At the second table, West leapt to five diamonds over the one-spade opening. After two passes, South ventured five hearts — a dubious tactic, considering the vulnerability. North retreated to five spades, doubled by East, and South finished down three after he neglected to discard the club queen on West's diamond lead at trick two. Plus 800 at this table, combined with the 790 scored by their teammates at the other table, gave the successful team a gain of 1,590 points on the deal.

Sudoku Answer On Page 9B

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

Annie's Mailbox

Dear Annie: I am an active person, and my wife used to be until a bout with cancer. She no longer has the physical endurance she once did. I try to make this work with shorter trips, shorter walks and simpler activities. But when I want to do something that she is unable to do, she becomes angry and resentful that I would even consider going fishing or golfing, taking a hunting trip, gardening or going into the city to visit friends for the day. I do ask her to do all of these things, but she usually says no.



KATHY MITCHELL MARCY SUGAR

I'm trying not to be insensitive. I clean our home and cook and do all the yard work and the heavy lifting. But she says that's not "help"; it's what any husband ought to do. My wife holds up her end of our life's bargain as best she can without complaint, and I have no complaint about her efforts. But I am not disabled, and neither is she -- she's simply limited. She does yoga and has a pottery class each week, but I have little interest in those activities. Yet when I ask whether she would like to "go do something

for the day," she has a small fit. And if I make plans to do something by myself or with a pal, she gets angry. Watching the world go by is not something I want to do. Is it fair for me to forgo the things I love because she can't or won't join in? -- Actively Confused Dear Annie: You shouldn't have to give up all activities because your wife is not able to join you, but how long has it been since she finished her cancer treatments? Might she regain her strength and once again be able to join you? You might be expecting too much for this moment in time. Please understand that your wife is sad that she cannot do these things, so she resents when you make plans without her. It's as if you are flaunting

your health, and you don't value her as she is. It might help for the two of you to speak to her oncologist and outline what activities are appropriate. Then try to compromise. Perhaps she would take that short trip with you if you would sign up for a yoga class. Dear Annie: You frequently publish letters about women's health. What about men's health? Your female readers must care about the health of their fathers, brothers, husbands and sons. I see very little in the media about men's health, and yet men, on average, live five years less than women. Would you please advise your readers, both women and men, to urge men to get annual physical checkups at a doctor's office, including prostate exams? Almost

as many men die of prostate cancer every year as women die of breast cancer. -- R.O. Dear R.O.: Not exactly. According to the American Cancer Society, 29,480 men are expected to die from prostate cancer in 2014, compared with 40,000 women dying from breast cancer. (And both are second to lung cancer.) But you are right that men's health is important and should be taken seriously. We have printed many letters in our column on topics including prostate cancer, heart disease, erectile dysfunction, depression and low testosterone. We hope all men will get regular checkups to keep their bodies and minds in good shape. Dear Annie: I'd like to relate a more positive experience in response to "Unhappy Mother of a

Son." I had a wonderful mother-in-law who treated me as if I were her own daughter. I believed she must be pretty great to raise a man with whom I wanted to spend my life. My own mother died when I was 15, so I appreciated having a Mom to help me learn to cook and take care of twin daughters. I'm sorry for any daughter-in-law who misses out on this kind of relationship. -- Hutchinsop, Kans. Annie's Mailbox is written by Kathy Mitchell and Marcy Sugar, longtime editors of the Ann Landers column. Please email your questions to anniesmailbox@comcast.net, or write to: Annie's Mailbox, c/o Creators Syndicate, 737 3rd Street, Hermosa Beach, CA 90254. To find out more about Annie's Mailbox and read features by other Creators Syndicate writers and cartoonists, visit the Creators Syndicate Web page at www.creators.com.

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# Class of 1944 celebrates 70th Anniversary Reunion



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**Top row: Ladd Smith, John Norris, Cecilia (Long) Norris, Jimmy Peden & Doris Jean (Glenn) Stevenson, 3rd row : Gerald Harris and Betty Ray (Nall) Coffee. 2nd Row; Betty (Stuteville) Smith, Ramona (Weaver) Harris, Don Green. Front Row: Pat (Holcombe) Simmons, Betty Lou (McGinnis) Green and Joyce (Jones) Weaver.**

### Special to the Herald

Classmates of 1944 gathered at homecoming with other exes from classes of 1943, '45 and '46 to help celebrate their 70th reunion. The celebration was Oct. 3-4.

Those from the Class of 1944 attending were Ladd Smith and wife Betty (Stuteville) Smith, Doris Jean (Glenn) Stevenson, Pat (Holcombe) Simmons, Bobbie (Sanders) Hanson, Carl Knappe and Jimmy Peden from Fort Worth.

Friday evening, we gathered at K.C.'s Steak House for a meal, then on Saturday morning we met in the Hotel Settles Hotel lobby for more visitation and photo time. Then we had breakfast/lunch at the Grill. Our last gathering was celebrated at the Spanish Inn.

Attending from the class of 1945 were Cecilia (Long) Norris and husband John from California, Norma (Jones) Patterson and husband Pat from Midland, Babs (Snyder) Morgan, Harry Middleton and wife Janet, and Joyce (Jones) Weaver. This class generally make a good showing at our reunions.

The class of 1946 had Betty Ray

(Nall) Coffee and husband Max, along with Ramona (Weaver) Harris and husband Gerald Harris.

Also, we had two survivors from the class of '43, Harlan Morgan and Frances (Anderson) Overton. Frances was escorted by her daughter, Anette Williams.

The Lord calls some home each year, and our representative from each class dwindles in number. It was still great that we could return and celebrate our 70th graduation anniversary with former classmates and that was a wonderful thing! We are not as fast as we once were, move a little slower now, but we still move.

Some very nice mementoes to share with all the exes were given by the Convention and Visitors Bureau. The pens, we used to call them fountain pens, were a big hit; they had a little light at one end...very fascinating, and for those from out of town, a very nice remembrance. Also, the little cloth wipes for our eye glasses were a greatly appreciated by all.

It was a grand time, and the class of 1945 will plan on its 70th reunion next year. Until then we send our love and Lord's blessings to all our classmates!

# High school class ring found after 44 years

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) A New Mexico high school class ring, lost for more than 40 years, has been found.

The Los Alamos Monitor reports that Matt Antos got his class ring back after a Los Alamos family stumbled upon it in their yard.

Seth Stradling says he spotted the Class of 1970 ring while during chores. His wife, Jennifer, then put pictures of the ring up on a Las Alamos

Facebook page.

That's where Loretta Finley, the ex-wife of Antos, saw the ring, the newspaper reported.

Finley says she lost it when they were dating in high school and had always felt bad about it.

Finley contacted her ex-husband who was surprised that the ring was finally located.



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# Caring For Our Feline Companions

A friend recently told me that he has been terrified of cats most of his life. Something about their claws and the seemingly innocent and deceitfully affectionate kneading they do rekindles some long suppressed feline related trauma from his childhood.

I haven't the foggiest idea where anyone would consider a soft, fluffy kitty as being a terrifying monster.

I mean, just because they occasionally bring in a beheaded or eviscerated animal doesn't mean they're anything to be scared of.

They just want to share a meal with the rest of the family, that's all.

Actually, I think they are performing human experiments and I am one of their guinea pigs.

I came to this conclusion after years of them bringing in a variety of dead or dying animals and then watching my reaction.

I recently read a study that said that cats are decimating the bird population in the US.

Judging by the Grackles and pigeons that populate my yard, I think whoever wrote it just doesn't like cats.

I know some people say dogs are better pets because they are always so happy to see them.

It would be nice to be welcomed home with ecstatic jumping and running around in circles, but my cats only get excited about the sound of can being opened. Then it's a mass exodus into the kitchen. Furry bodies jockeying for position at the food

bowls.

So, no, I am not greeted with excitement or sloppy kisses, but, Dusty, the short round one, does runs out to the car when I drive up and rolls around on the concrete until I get out of the car. I'm then escorted into the house where Boo Boo is patiently waiting to greet me with wide eyed meows. Chastising me about where the hell I've been all day.

At 15 she's getting a little grouchy. Actually for a 15 year-old cat she's remarkably active. But that wasn't always so and in fact we thought we were going to lose her about 6 months ago. She had stopped grooming herself and her usually long silky fur was matted and dirty.

After many attempts at brushing out the mats I resorted to cutting them out, but it didn't help much and she looked like she was the victim of animal abuse or someone blind and drunk had tried to give her a hair cut.

She was also drooling a lot and wanted to be picked up and held which was unusual for her.

Worried and anxious that the inevitable trip to the vet might have been her last, I didn't have the heart to put her in a carrier. So, I bundled her up in a small blanket and my husband drove us to the vet.

She seemed to enjoy being

carried that way and appreciated the hood I made for her to hide under while we waited in the lobby with a few dogs and their owners.

Boo Boo was patient and would peek out from time to time, but was never excited and remained still and calm.

Finally, we were called in to the exam room where, after a careful exam, the doctor's diagnosis was that we were all getting old and noted a trend in several of his regular patients.

"They are all having dental problems," Dr. Burt said and suggested Boo Boo would benefit from several tooth extractions.

Several of her remaining teeth were decayed.

Her gums were inflamed and were causing her a lot of pain.

The lack of grooming and excessive drooling were evidence of painful gums and rotted teeth.

So with a new appointment card and a new brush in hand, Boo Boo was once again bundled up and sent home.

Having Boo Boo treated was not cheap and I know a lot of people wouldn't have even bothered, but she is part of the family.

In the end she was left with just 3 teeth and two large bald spots where the mats were shaved off, but the vet said that because cats are gulpers she would be fine.

The day after her surgery she was happiest I've ever seen her, she was running and playing and ate like she was at an all-you-can-eat seafood buffet.

Today, she is healthy and her coat is thick and shiny and well groomed.

Two of my other cats have had the same proce-

dures with the same results.

I'll be paying on that vet bill for quite some time, but I don't regret it for a minute.

With winter suddenly upon us, I grow concerned about outside pets.

As the temperatures fall, we should be aware of our cat's safety and health.

The Humane Society of the United States offers the following winter tips for cat owners:

1. Never let your cat outside when the temperature drops dramatically.

2. If your cat has been outside for even a few minutes in extreme temperatures, watch for shivering, cold extremities, depression or other distress signals that indicate hypothermia.

Contact your veterinarian immediately and keep the cat wrapped in a warm blanket if you think it is suffering from frostbite or hypothermia.

3. Ethylene glycol anti-freeze is extremely toxic. Consider using a brand containing propylene glycol, a safer chemical. Clean up any spills, and store antifreeze in sealed containers.

4. Salt and de-icing chemicals can irritate a cat's paws and can be toxic if ingested.

5. Free-roaming cats often seek relief from the cold in warm car engines. Before starting your car, bang on the hood or tap your horn to alert any unsuspecting cats.

While visiting the website it was interesting to know that the idea that cats age seven years for every one year is a myth.

Some cats can live to be 18 or 19 years old and if they aged seven years for every one year, an 18-year-old cat would be equivalent to a 126-year-old person, which is not very likely.

The study said that cats age faster when they're

younger, but this slows down as they get older.

At 6 months of age, a female cat already can reproduce.

At 1 year of age, cat bones fully stop growing.

This occurs in people at approximately 24 years of age, give or take a few years.

So, a 1-year-old cat is roughly equivalent to a 24-year-old person.

From that point on, cats age approximately four years for every one year.

While this is certainly not an exact science, the table below should offer a reasonable guideline as to how cats age compared to humans.

Cat Age	Human Age
6 months	15 years
1 year	24 years
2 years	28 years
3 years	32 years
4 years	36 years
5 years	40 years
6 years	44 years
7 years	48 years
8 years	52 years
9 years	56 years
10 years	60 years
11 years	64 years
12 years	68 years
13 years	72 years
14 years	76 years
15 years	80 years
16 years	84 years
17 years	88 years
18 years	92 years
19 years	96 years
20 years	100 years

So, if you have pets, even if it is not a cat, try to be mindful of how their needs change as they age. Whether you think of them as family or just a pet, they were brought into your home to make it better.

They deserve to be cared for regardless.

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