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Staff and wire reports

It was definitely Friday the 13th for the U.S. Postal Service.

Problems arising during a computer hardware installation Thursday resulted in a nation-wide outage that affected almost all USPS facilities, including the one in Big Spring.

A USPS spokesperson said Friday the outage affected the postal service's e-mail and retail services. Mail delivery and processing and tracking and scanning services were unaffected.

The outage was not the result of a cyber attack and the agency's communication network was restored Friday night, the spokesperson added.

City offices to be closed for holiday

The City of Big Spring will close all offices, including the landfill, for Presi-

dents' Day Monday. There will be no sanitation pickup on

Emergency services (Police, Fire and

EMS) will continue as normal. **Emergency Utilities Department will** also continue and can be contacted at



United Blood Service technician Catrina Sturgeon prepares to draw blood from Starla Ayala, who was donating for the first time.

Local residents answer UBS' call, donate blood

By JULIE BASS

Donating blood is giving the gift of life — and on Friday, several local residents were in a giving mood.

United Blood Services of San Angelo parked its Blood Drive bus outside of Back In Motion chiropractic clinic to give residents the chance to donate blood.

"One person's donation can help up to three people," said Linda Grace, senior donor recruitment representative for UBS.

United Blood Services is the sole provider of donated blood for 10 area hospitals, including Scenic

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> Linda Grace **United Blood Services**

Mountain Medical Center. It takes an average of 60 donations a day In order to fill the blood reserve and keep enough supplies on hand,

Grace said. "All blood types are needed and appreciated, but none more than O negative," she said. "O Negative is special because it can be given to anybody with any type of blood.

"When someone is in the emergency room and they are in desperate need of blood, sometimes there isn't time to check their blood type, so (the staff) can use O negative to help that person immediately." Grace added. "United Blood Services relies on donated blood to meet the constant need, so every volun-

teer helps." Almost anyone can donate blood. Two notable exceptions to that rule are some people who have diabetes

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'American Sniper' trial:

Testimony centers on defendant's competency

By JAMIE STENGLE

Associated Press

STEPHENVILLE, Texas While defense attorneys mount an insanity defense for the former Marine on trial in the shooting deaths of "American Sniper" author Chris Kyle and his friend Chad Littlefield, prosecutors have described Eddie Ray Routh as a troubled drug user who knew right from wrong. Criminal law experts say the case hinges on whether the defense can prove Routh did not know that the killings constituted a crime.

Routh's attorneys have said the 27-year-old, who was di-

Routh's attorneys have said the 27-yearold, who was diagnosed with post-traumatic stress disorder and was taking anti-psychotic medication, was insane when Kyle and Littlefield took him to a shooting range to provide support and camaraderie.

agnosed with post-traumatic stress disorder and was taking anti-psychotic medication, was insane when Kyle and Littlefield took him to a shooting range to provide support and camaraderie. Routh, his lawyers say, believed the men planned to kill him.

Because Routh was at a shooting range and both Kyle and Littlefield were armed, "it's an easier case than others for the proposition that he believed they were about to kill him," said George Dix, a criminal law professor at the University of Texas, Austin.

If convicted, Routh faces life in prison without parole. Even if he's acquitted, Routh would likely remain in custody. The Texas criminal code stipulates that in cases involving violent crimes where defendants are found not guilty by reason of insanity, the court can initiate civil proceedings to have them committed.

The case has drawn intense interest, largely because of the Oscar-nominated film based on Kyle's memoir that details his four tours in Iraq.

Prosecutors did not seek the death penalty — "presum-

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Big Day for **Howard County** at the Capitol



esidents descended upon the state Capitol in Austin Tuesday to show support and promote Howard County to state

"On behalf of Big Spring Economic Development Corporation and the committee for Howard County Day at the Capitol, we would like to thank everyone for their dedication in making our Austin day a great success," said Terry Wegman, executive director for the EDC.

The day trip which began at 4:30 a.m. with a bus ride to Austin including readings of a proclamations on both the senate and house chambers declaring Tuesday, Feb. 10, 2015, as resolutions making Feb. 10 Howard County Day at the Capitol. The day included visiting with area representatives such as State Senator, Kel Seliger, State Representative Drew Darby, State Senator Troy Fraser and State Representative Myra Crownover. As a highlight, the Big Spring High School Rhapsody choir performed in the Rotunda of the Capitol.

The trip was made possible by sponsors: Alon USA, Atoms Energy, CeRam-Kote Coatings, the city of Big Spring, Oncor, the Big Spring Herald, KBST, KBYG and the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce.

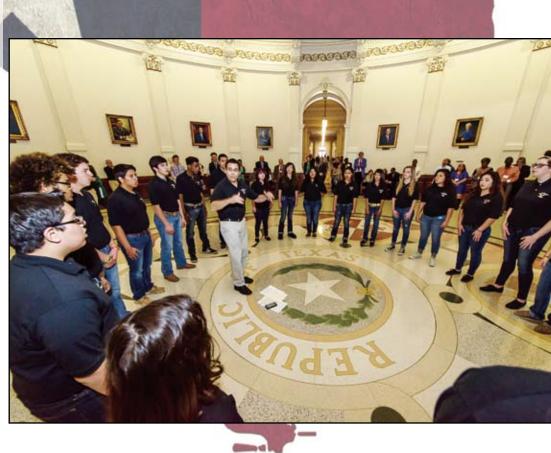
"I also want to give a special thank you go Howard College, Big Spring ISD, Coahoma ISD and Forsan ISD for all their involvement and work and to all of the citizens who participated, for all their involvement and hard work to make Howard County Day at the Capitol possible," Wegman said.

The event is held ever two years when state law makers are in session and is organized by the Big Spring EDC.

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A Critical Ear **Elvis Comes** Back to Town

was eight years old when Elvis, young and virtually unknown, came to Big Spring. I didn't even see him and must say I'm sick of hearing those who claim they did. Stories swirl around that epochal

event but the most famous is the one about the fist fight in the city park between my then 16-year-old brother Lanny and Elvis.



Намву

For years Lanny was annoyingly pummeled with that persistent rumor and found himself in a constant state of denial of its truth. Then, one day, when Lanny was in his 60s, he was approached by a prominent evangelist from another part of the country.

"Ahh.. You're the one who had the fight with Elvis!" With that Lanny resigned himself to the inevitable acceptance of the dialogue from "The Man Who Shot Liberty Valence"... "When the truth becomes legend, print the legend." So now Lanny merely smiles when asked if he fought Elvis and nods, "Yea, I guess that was me."

Well, if you looked in the middle of the First Baptist Church last Saturday night when the Big Spring Symphony played you might have seen an overweight, balding, mesmerized sixty seven year old. That was me.

On that night the Big Spring Symphony led by the great and charismatic John Giordano, presented a program that beautifully mixed the classically familiar with a few palate expanders.

The center-piece of the presentation was to be some 12 year old "prodigy" playing an itty bitty violin. Her place on the program was fairly early; fitting, considering it was 8 p.m. already my bed time let alone a 12 year olds.

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Obituaries

Robert C. Hill



Robert C. "Bobby" Hill, 90, of Big Spring, passed away Wednesday, Feb. 11, 2015, surrounded by his loving family. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Monday, Feb. 16, 2015, at First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Bill Ivins officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 15, 2015, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch

Funeral Home.

Bobby was born Feb. 17, 1924, in the Elbow community of Howard County. He married Margie Raye Woodson Nov. 19, 1948, in Coahoma, Texas and they had a son, Alan Robert Hill, Aug. 15, 1954.

He served in the United States Navy during World War II. He then worked for the Texas Pacific, Missouri Pacific, and Union Pacific Railroad, retiring as the general yard master after 43 years of ser-

Throughout his life, Bobby dedicated his time to the service of his Lord, his nation, his family, and his community. Bobby was a member of the First United Methodist Church and had served on the administrative board. He was also a member of

Staked Plains Masonic Lodge No. 598 A. F. & A. M. and the Kiwanis Club.

For many years Bobby served on the advisory board for the Salvation Army and as a board member and officer for the T&P Federal Credit Union. He also served as a trustee for the Heritage Museum. In 2002, Bobby was recognized by the Big Spring Chamber of Commerce as "Man of the Year" for his dedication to the community.

Survivors include his wife, Margie Hill of Big Spring; one son, Alan Robert Hill and wife, Kathy, of League City, Texas; a granddaughter, Kaitlin Hill of Honolulu, Hawaii; one brother, Bill R. Hill and wife, Evelyn, of Scottsdale, Ariz.; and five sisters, Cleta R. Britton of Big Spring, Jane Farmer of Midland, Nilah Jo Smith of Odessa, Barbara Z. Duncan and husband, Bobby, of Abilene and Virginia Ziemer of Dallas.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Robert Nelson and Emma Mayme Choate Hill.

The family suggests memorials to the First United Methodist Church Music Department, 400 Scurry St., Big Spring, Texas 79720, or to a charity of your choice.

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

Paid obituary

Harland B. Birdwell



Some of us called you Pastor; some called you Padre, Priest, or My Preacher. Others called you Counselor, Confidant, Friend or Headmaster. And some of us called you Dad or Papa. All of these words are true but only partially descriptive.

You always provided a shoulder to cry on, an uncritical ear to bend and had words to believe or inspire. Perhaps that is why most

of us called you Father.

Now has come the time to thank you, say our goodbyes and wish you well on your next journey. How can we appropriately thank someone who brought us new life? In you, we witnessed a perfect example of the one whose name you always proclaimed.

All we can say is, "We Love You!" Our prayers go with you now and always. (Written and edited by someone who knew and loved our Dad.)

Harland B. "Steve" Birdwell was preceded in death by his wife, Charlene Smith Birdwell.

He is survived by his daughter, Cynthia Marshall and husband, John, of Big Spring; his son, Scott Birdwell and wife, Alison of Houston; his grandchildren, Kristen Elder and husband, Richard, of Alexandria, Va., Zac Marshall of Midland, and Colin Birdwell, Sam Birdwell and Emma Birdwell. all of Houston; a great-granddaughter, Annabell Marshall of Big Spring; his invaluable caregivers, Carrie Harvell, Dorothy Whitaker and Shelly Headrick; his beloved cat, Sasha; and a whole host of family, friends and "flocks."

The Rev. Harland Bryan "Steve" Birdwell was born Nov. 1, 1928. and died Feb. 5, 2015.

He was a retired Episcopal priest/accomplished jazz trumpet player/lover of all animals who spent a lifetime serving God's people in Colorado City, Texas, Sweetwater, Texas, Big Spring, Texas, Roswell, N.M., Albuquerque, N.M., Albany, Texas and Abilene, Texas.

Memorial services will be 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 15, 2015, at St. Mary's Episcopal Church.

The family suggests memorials to St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 S. Goliad St., Big Spring, Texas 79720 or to the Humane Society of your choice.

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Keith Allen Whiteside



Keith Allen Whiteside, 70, of Big Spring, passed away Wednesday, Feb. 11, 2015 in a Midland Care Center. Memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Monday, Feb. 16, 2015, at Myers & Smith Chapel.

Keith was born May 23, 1944, in Beatrice, Neb., to Kenneth and Opal Whiteside. Keith was raised in Rankin, Texas, and was a graduate of Rankin High School. Keith was a pumper for Conoco for 25

years, retiring in 1995.

He met and married Debbie Teague from Lamesa, on March 11, 1995. Together they formed a family of five children who include Tiffany Vick and husband, Scott, of Hurst, Sheila Brown and husband, Fred Jr., of Seminole, Jeff Whiteside and wife, Staci ,of Anna, Dustin Whiteside and wife, Connie, of Irving and Dewayne Teague and wife, Wendy, of Keller.

Bonniegwin Wiggley, 73, of Big Spring died Fri-

day, Feb. 13, 2015, at Parkview Nursing and Rehab in Big Spring.

Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral

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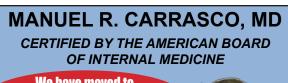
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He is also survived by two grandsons, Tanner Vick and wife, Jennifer, and new baby girl, Everly Elizabeth, of Dallas; and Tristane Vick and wife Jessica, and new baby girl. Lucy Grace Vick, of Frisco; two granddaughters, KeLee Teague and Tiensee Lucas Gibson of Keller and Allee Teague of Keller; two brothers, Kirk Whiteside and wife, Gean ,of Novato, Calif., and Larry Whiteside and companion Scharee of Durango, Colo.; three "neighborhood grandchildren," Laila Hoover and sister, Kaie Kirkham, of Big Spring and Kandyce Islas of Midland; two "neighborhood grandsons," Kaleb Islas of Midland and Brayden Islas of San Antonio; special friends, Terry Wright, Fred White, Ted Early, Randal Crouch, David Howller, Louis Baker, Paul George, Buddy Alexander; the love of his life, Debbie; and his K9 companions, Lady Bug and Tiny Tiger.

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

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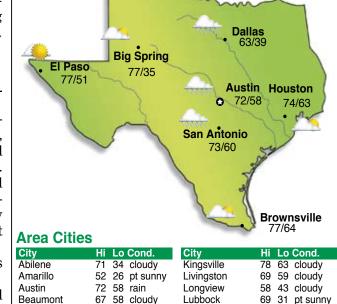
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Police blotter

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The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

 JORGE ACEVEDO RAMOS, 23, of 4207 Dixon St. was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• RACHEL RENEA YOUNG, 22, of 205 E. 5th St. was arrested on a charge of possession of a controlled substance, more than or equal to 1 gram but less than 4 grams.

• TREYCEE LYNN FAIRMAN, 24, of 1404 N. Birdwell Lane was arrested on a charge of possession of a controlled substance, less than 1 gram.

• JENNY JUAREZ, 30, of 1010 NW Second St. was arrested on a warrant for another agency.

• STPEHEN LARRY SANDRIDGE, 49, of 511 S. Goliad was arrested on a charge of possession of a controlled substance, more than 1 gram but less than 4

• TOBY RAY BLACKSHEAR, 17, of 810 E. 13th St. was arrested on a charge of possession of marijuana, less than or equal to 2 ounces.

• DENNIS MICHAEL RICHARDSON III, of 1604 S. Benton St. was arrested on a charge of evading arrest/detention using a vehicle or watercraft.

• THEFT was reported in the 3200 block of Fordham Avenue.

 LOST PROPERTY was reported in the 3600 block of W. Highway 80.

 MINOR ACCIDENT was reported in the area of Main and Third Streets.

• CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 3700 block of Connally St.

· ASSAULT was reported in the 700 block of W.

• SHOT FIRED was reported in the 1100 block of





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The star treatment



Courtesy photo

Bob Calley is the very first resident admitted to the Big Spring's new nursing facility, Big Spring Center for Skilled Care, located at 3701 Wasson Road. He was raised in Westbrook, Texas, and served in the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict. He was a long-time, hard-working oil lease owner and pumper in the Forsan area, has been married for more than 64 years to Arita. Mr. Calley has two children, seven grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Births



Gage Thomas Moore Jan. 28, 2015

Ronnie and Katlyn Moore announce the birth of their son, Gage Thomas Moore, born at 10:36 a.m. Jan. 28, 2015, weighing 8 pounds, 11 ounces and 20 inches in length.

His maternal grandparents are Laurence and Margaret Wilson of Coahoma. His paternal grandparents are the late Bill and the late Joyce Moore of Columbus, Miss.

Did You Ever Wonder? Jacob's Wives

est you think ill of Jacob for taking two wives, we must understand that in their culture men, who could provide for them, were permitted multiple wives. If one were the favorite or if a wife fell out of favor, he still was required to provide food, shel-

ter, clothing, and protection for them all.
And he must

their marital rights. Because God saw

honor

that Leah
was unloved, he allowed
her to conceive and
present Jacob with his
firstborn son. However,
this did not affect her
status; Rachel was still
the favored wife. God
gave Leah three more
sons, while Rachel had
none.

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Daily, Rachel watched her sister with her children, and of course, Jacob showed affection for his children. Rachel became envious and demanded of Jacob, "Give me children – otherwise I am dead." This angered Jacob. "Am I in place of God? It is He Who has withheld from you fruit of your womb!"

Do you see the competition developing between the sisters?

In principal, Rachel had their husband, but Leah had his children. Rachel wanted a child so badly that she gave her maid, Bilhah, to Jacob to be another wife. After Bilhah conceived and was ready to give birth, Rachel commanded that she sit on Rachel's knees as she gave birth. In this way Rachel could claim the

son as hers. Today this would be called a 'surrogate mother.'

Rachel said, smugly, "Sacred schemes have I maneuvered to equal my sister, and I have also prevailed!" Later Bilhah conceived and bore another son.

Now Leah felt threat-

ened, so she gave her maid, Zilpah, to Jacob as a wife. Zilpah also bore Jacob two sons.

Leah's oldest son, Reuben went out to the wheat harvest and found some dudaim

brought them to Leah. There are many suppositions about the object called 'dudaim.'

in bloom. He picked some of the flowers and

The one that makes most sense to me is that it is a vine which grew in the wheat fields and was a pest to men working the fields much as we feel when gourd vines get into the fields. Dudaim made sweet-smelling blossoms, whose fragrance induced good feelings, so it was considered an aphrodisiac.

Rachel wanted the flowers and the sisters quarreled over them. So Rachel made a bargain, "Our husband shall lie with you tonight in return for your son's dudaim."

Leah bore two more sons; then she bore a daughter, named Dinah. Then God heard Rachel's prayers and gave her a son, Joseph. This gave Jacob eleven sons.

Let's note the time since Jacob agreed to work seven more years for Rachel, his second wife. Leah has born seven children, the two maids have born four children, and Rachel has born one child. By Leah's children alone,

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Menus

Big Spring Senior Citizen's Center

Monday

Ham & cheese sandwich, lettuce/tomato/pickle, baked chips, cookies, milk. **Tuesday**

Chicken pot pie, vegetables, tossed salad, pine-

apple slices, milk. **Wednesday**

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Nicole Zamora

Michael Ryan

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Monday

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gravy, savory green beans, rolls, strawberry cups.

Tuesday Broakfast

Breakfast: blueberry muffin, yogurt, fruit, juice, milk; Lunch: beef & cheese chalupas, tortilla chips, salsa, garden salad, pinto beans, applesauce.

Wednesday

Breakfast: pancake wrap, fruit, juice, milk; See, **MENUS**, Page 3B

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The conductor left his podium to go off-stage and lead the miniature musician to her elevated performance position.

The orchestra began to lay down its role in her selected work, and the child positioned the violin under her chin and drew a tiny bow across it strings. I don't know what I was expecting, "Red

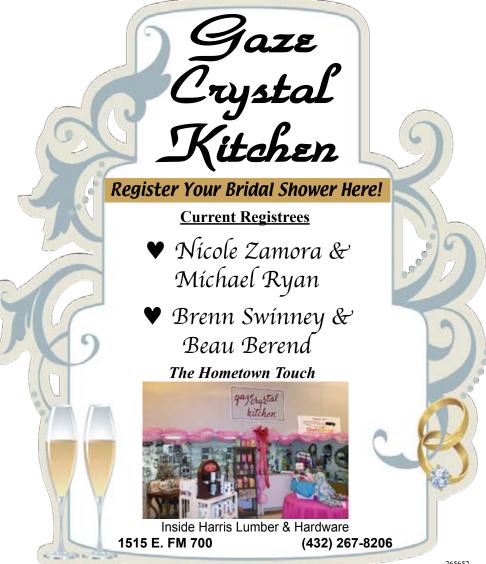
River Valley" or what... but what I got was an extraordinarily intricate rendering of Paganini's 1st Violin Concerto. If you closed your eyes it would have been Yehudi Menuhin up there instead of a half-pint. But there were no half measures. It was the full movement, expertly and sensitively handled.

I, along with everybody else, was blown away. When she was finished I was surprised someone hadn't run up to hand her an icecream cone, but Gior-

dano was too quick.
He clasped the little
thing's hand and lifted
it in triumph as he led
her off stage. I couldn't
see her behind the
standing ovation but
I envisioned her skipping along beside the

conductor.
Clapping wildly
myself, I turned to my
wife, "Remember her
name...Elizabeth Aoki.
We will hear about her
again."

It was like Elvis in 1955. I was tempted to corner Giordano after the concert. "Bring the kid to the park..."









memoir, to help her son

A two-vehicle accident in front of Sonic Drive-In temporarily closed one lane of traffice on Gregg Street Friday afternoon. No injury information had been released as of Saturday.

TRIAL

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ably because thought it wouldn't said Andrea stick," Lyon, a defense attorney and dean of the law school at Valparaiso University.

appear to have conceded that Routh was mentally ill, they will argue that he was competent enough to make choices, Lyon said.

he legally responsible?" she said.

Attorney Alan Nash said during the trial's opening statements that the evidence would show that mental illnesses

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and U.S. military per-

sonnel who have been

deployed to Iraq and Af-

"As long as diabetics

are not on bovine-de-

"don't deprive people of the ability to be good citizens, to know right from wrong, to obey the law." A Texas Ranger testi-

fied Friday that authorities found marijuana, a near-empty bottle of whiskey and anti-psychotic medication while searching Routh's small, wood-framed home in Lancaster after the shooting. Routh's uncle testified that he'd smoked marijuana with Routh the morning of the shootings. Prosecutors may try

to show that Routh deliberately put himself in a more violent state, said Park Dietz, a forensic psychiatrist who examined acquitted killer Andrea Yates.

"Voluntarily induced intoxication is not an excuse for the mentally ill," he said.

Former Erath County sheriff's deputy Gene Cole testified Friday that after Routh was jailed, he heard him say: "I shot them because they wouldn't talk to me." He said Routh said he had been riding in the back seat on the way to the shooting range. Cole, who is now a police officer elsewhere, said Routh also said, "I feel bad about it, but they wouldn't talk to me. I'm sure they've forgiven

Routh's mother had asked Kyle, a former Navy SEAL whose wartime exploits were depicted in his 2012 overcome troubles that had at least twice led him to be admitted to a psychiatric hospital. Routh had been a small arms technician who served in Iraq and was deployed to earthquakeravaged Haiti before leaving the Marines in 2010. Prosecutors presented

a video Thursday showing officers speaking with Routh as he sat in the pickup that authorities said he took from Kyle after fleeing the shooting range where Kyle and Littlefield were killed. Routh refused to leave the vehicle and eventually sped off with police in pursuit.

The video shows that a police vehicle rammed the pickup. Eventually

The video showed officers trying to talk Routh into surrendering as he makes comments such as, "Anarchy has been killing the world," "I don't know if I'm going insane," and, "Is this about hell walking on earth right now?"

Lancaster police Lt. Michael Smith said Routh "told us he'd taken a couple of souls and he had more souls to take."



· Home Hospice is in need of volunteers of all ages. The organization is requesting volunteers to sit with patients, make items for patients and help with office work. Volunteers set their own hours. For more information, contact Sherry Hodnett at 264-7911 or 432-213-0150.

Take note

 Crossroads Hospice needs volunteers for patient care. Contact Eva at 263-5300.

A hungry child cannot learn. Food2Kids - Big

Spring was created to provide nutrition for hundreds of children who do not get a substantial meal on the weekends. F2K began last November and this volunteer program now serves more than 300 children weekly. Once the need has been identified, F2K fills a sack of food to send home each Friday during the school

year. You can help. Volunteers are needed and donations can be sent to Food2Kids - Big Spring, P.O. Box 1641, Big Spring 79721. Find us on Facebook at www.Facebook.com/Food2Kids

 Order of the Eastern Star Big Spring Chapter 67 meets the third Tuesday 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.

Though prosecutors

"The question is: Is

Erath County District

tary who have deployed overseas, they only have to have a one-year deferment and they are

other issues." While almost no one

eligible to donate again,

providing there are no

their arm, Grace said UBS personnel go out of their way to make the donation process as enjoyable as possible.

"We want people to have a good experience Julie Bass at 432-263so that they will con- 7331, ext. 232 or by erelishes the idea of hav- tinue to come back and ing a needle stuck in donate again," she said.

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had earlier driven to his

sister's house, admitted

to the killings and told

his sister, "People were

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video Thursday, prose-

cutor Jane Starnes said:

"I think we can agree he

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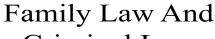


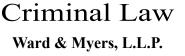
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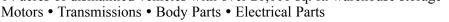
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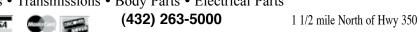
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Finalists will be notified by phone approximately May 1, 2015.

strawberry and banana, milk, (graham cracker and pineapple, snack): Lunch: Salisbury steak. mashed potatoes, peas, bread,

Tuesday

milk.

Breakfast: cereal, apple juice, milk (Goldfish and milk, snack); Lunch: nacho grande salad, pinto beans, milk.

Wednesday

Breakfast: pancakes, peaches, milk (Ritz crackers and sliced cheese, snack); Lunch: hamburgers, French fries, bananas, milk.

Thursday

Breakfast: Pop Tarts, applesauce, milk, string cheese (multigrain cracker, snack); Lunch: chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, bread, milk.

Friday

Breakfast: cereal bar, pineapple, milk (mixed fruit, snack); Lunch: turkey and cheese sandwiches, carrots, sliced apples,

FILLER

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you must allow more than seven years.

Up to this time, Jacob had been drawing no wages, just his keep. Now, after Joseph's birth, Jacob negotiated with Laban about leaving. Again, we see that Laban was content to let the time go past their agreed contract as long as Jacob did not call him on it.

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Eunice Filler, author of "Rachael: Porch Swings and Spearmint Tea," is a former school teacher with ties to the Big Spring community. *She has returned to* enjoy her retirement as a Big Spring resident. Questions? fillereunice@ yahoo.com.

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fruit, juice, milk; Lunch: turkey & cheese sub, baby carrots, seasoned corn, orange smiles. Friday

Breakfast: cinnamon breakfast pastry, yogurt, fruit, juice, milk; Lunch: hamburgers, zesty cucumbers, sweet potato fries, sliced peaches.

Big Spring ISD Monday

Breakfast: assorted cereal,

string cheese, grapes, assorted fruit juice, milk; Lunch: chickenfried steak or chicken nuggets, rolls, mashed potatoes, green beans, strawberries, milk.

Tuesday

Breakfast: blueberry loaf, strawberry yogurt, apples, assorted

fruit juice, milk; Lunch: turkey and cheese chalupas or chicken quesadilla, garden salad, refried beans, applesauce, milk.

Wednesday

Breakfast: pancake on a stick, peach cup, assorted fruit juice, milk; Lunch: chicken spaghetti or cheese or pepperoni pizza, breadsticks, garden salad, baby carrots, peaches and milk.

Thursday

Breakfast: sausage breakfast pizza, banana, assorted fruit juice, milk; Lunch: soft tacos or ham & cheese sub, charro beans, corn, orange smiles and milk.

Friday

Breakfast: grape PJB Uncrustables, mixed fruit cup, assorted fruit juice, milk; Lunch: popcorn chicken or hamburger or cheeseburger, peaches, cucumber dippers, sweet potato tots and milk.

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Daily Prayer

Creator of all, lead me to see the light, and instruct me that I may be able to reason. Guard me against spectacular endeavors, that I may be genuine.

on my diploma. He made sure **Amen** "J"— my first initial —moved

The joys of banquette seating

t a restaurant I generally like a booth. It somehow seems more private. My second choice is a table, preferably one with lots of room around it. My least favorite place to sit in a restaurant is a

banquette. It's a bench against a wall that has small tables in front of it, designed for two diners. The old fash-

ioned "table for two" doesn't apply here. Banquette seating makes the diner feel exposed, intimidated and sort of trapped. The first time my wife and I

went to New York together we experienced banquette seating. We found an Italian restaurant right around the corner from our hotel and we were hungry. We were seated in a crowded area with people on either side of us. Very close to us. The tables in front of the bench had a space of about eight inches between them, just room enough to squeeze through. As we looked at the menu, we

kept hearing the couple next to

us arguing. Their voices became louder and louder. Nobody except us seemed to pay them any attention. We ordered, ate the meal and all the while couldn't help but hear the couple blame each other for this or that. They waved their arms and

expressed their feelings with gusto. They argued about the cat, the car, the house, the events of the day and even talked bad about some of their friends and business associates. We got

I don't even remember what the couple on the other side of us looked like, ate or talked about. But I certainly remember the loud couple sitting so close to us we could practically smell their garlic breath. We have of course had other banquette experiences, but none as fascinating or memorable as that one.

The other day in Dallas we had reservations at a nice restaurant that the internet's OPEN TABLE advertised it had a full, wonderful menu served all day long. We arrived shortly after noon and were seated at a banquette. We looked at the menu and it had only a brunch menu.

We asked the waiter for a lunch and dinner menu and he said the restaurant didn't serve the full menu until 5 p.m. Don't ever trust the internet for information about a restaurant. Call the place direct. He apologized and immediately called OPEN TABLE and corrected the information. We had been planning this meal for sometime and were disappointed, but decided to just go with the flow. We ordered and enjoyed the meal.

We also enjoyed the banquette. We got acquainted with the couple next to us. When we told the man we were from Big Spring he said his aunt used to have a florist shop there. We knew her. Then the couple next to them started talking about West Texas. They have kinfolks in Midland and know some of the people we know. Then all of us started talking about football. It was a grand time.

I guess those two instances clearly show the difference between New York and Texas. In New York, people sitting eight inches away don't even notice you.

In Dallas they become your best new friends.

Tumbleweed is never desperate for an interview, but he's always looking for characters. Contact him at ts@tumbleweedsmith.com

Letters to the Editor

Thanks for all the kindness To the Editor:

On Jan. 29, 2015, in the blink of an eye, our lives changed forever. Matthew Leon Burnett, at the age of 20, died from a gunshot wound to the chest. In the midst of this tragedy, his mother discovered the life insurance policy she had gotten through her work, which she believed covered her and her children, was only an individual policy for her. Not only had she lost her son in a shocking horrible moment ... now, she was faced with burial cost and no insur-

At this time, her and Matthew's friends and family joined together to make donation jars that were placed at some of the local businesses and even organized and prepared a brisket plate fundraiser to help. Within five days, the money had been raised to cover the cost of his funeral and burial. This community stepped up in a big way and really came through for our family during this time of need.

We would like to thank everyone who worked on these fundraisers, the people who donated funds, everyone who sent flowers and those who brought food as well as all the prayers and needed hugs from family, friends and this community.

Thanks to Nalley-Pickle and Welch and Pastor Michael Willard, Matthew's service was beautiful and it was comforting to see that he touched so many people during his brief life. Matthew's smiling face and childlike laughter will be deeply missed.

From the depths of our hearts, we thank you.

The family of Matthew Leon Burnett

Seniors getting short end of stick

To the Editor:

We are well aware that the current Senior Center is very old and dilapidated. I understand it was built for the air base during '40s.

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Oh, brother!

🕇 ibling rivalry has never been a matter of concern for me or for my "older" brother, Fred.

Oh, he's a bit "testy" about this claim that he is "older." (Okay, I'm seven years his senior, so

I don't specify who— or what he's older than.)

My Uncle Mort said this of us decades ago. "There's nothing Don wouldn't do for Fred, and likewise there's nothing Fred wouldn't do for Don. So — I guess



Don Newbury

it is safe to say they haven't done much for each other." Can't argue that.

Since Fred has joined me in our eighth decade of life, we have had much to converse about. And we can talk a while without ever leaving health topics — visits to doctors, home remedies and exercise programs that always morph into discussions of knee replacements.

He's the scholarly one, having theorized about economics at the collegiate level for more than 40 years. (I was slaving away much of that time in administration uh, the "real world" of higher away in 2000.) Fred--still going strong—is a faculty leader and author at Dallas Community College's Richland Campus. We both received University of

North Texas doctorates in 1973. A part-time employee in the registrar's office, he managed to get ahead of me in the graduation line. I had requested "Don New-

bury" as the only name desired

me further back in the line, no matter the diploma wording.

I consider this prank as "payback." World-traveled and a long-time tour leader for groups visiting Europe, he is a treasure trove of travel "do's and don'ts." We've shared numerous "hits and misses" travel stories, but his most recent, luckily, is laughable instead of lamentable.

After a recent cruise and several days in Rio, he sensed "ear-popping" shortly before an 11-hour flight to Dallas.

Eager to avoid discomfort that was bound to worsen at 35,000 feet, he visited a pharmacy, hopeful to buy distilled water and alcohol that could be self-administered before leaving the hotel. He relied on his best pantomime, hopeful that the pharmacist—fluent only in Portuguese—would be able to lead him to these liquids.

Upon return to his hotel, he asked the bilingual concierge to read the bottle labels; second opinions — medical or otherwise - can't hurt. The concierge said the smaller bottle was marked "alcohol" — as hoped. The other, however, was NOT distilled water. "I think you call it finger nail

polish remover in your country," he said. "Ignorance can be expensive,"

Fred admits, "But it can be dangerous as well." It can be dangerous, too, when

conversations drift to grandchildren. So, "one-upmanship" is avoided if we simply "don't go there." My wife and I can attest,

though, that having completed a second four-day cruise with kids and grandkids in tow, it seems apparent that total strangers who staff Carnival Cruise Line's Triumph out of Galveston, Tx.,

don't need much time for endearment to youngsters.

In fact, "Big G" and his wait staff crew knew which buttons to push to guide the children into dining adventures. Their words became gospel.

"The crust is really the best part," one grandchild said, 180 degrees away from his longstanding demand for it to be trimmed away. Grandparents and parents — maintaining essentially the same plea on many previous occasions — might just as well have been making the pitch to a fence post.

Another grandchild who had previously referred to salmon as "yucky" requested two servings after glowing descriptions of the succulent dish.

"Big G" escorted Juliana, our oldest granddaughter, to the microphone when he was soloist for Amore, a traditional cruise number. That sealed the deal.

During our drive home in three vehicles, we made a rest stop near Corsicana. All 14 of us bounded from cars,

questioning if others had seen the road sign spotted a few miles earlier on I-45. The sign questioned: "Are you still talking about your cruise?"

Sure enough, despite being more than three hours away from Galveston, we were in agreement that "cruise conversations" were still dominant in all three cars. This was a golden moment — suitable for framing. Opinions in our family — or any others — rarely are unanimous!

the Dallas/Fort Worth Metroplex. Inquiries/comments to: newbury@speakerdoc.com.

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Business and Agriculture

SPRING HERALD

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Sunday, Feb. 15, 2015

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Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce and C. Larson Real Estate officials recently held a ribbon-cutting ceremony at the local business.

House votes to make expired business tax breaks permanent

By STEPHEN OHLEMACHER

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The House voted Friday to make permanent an expired tax break designed to help small businesses invest in equipment and property, defying a veto threat by the White House.

President Barack Obama objects to the bill because it would add \$79 billion to the budget deficit over the next decade.

The bill is part of a package of more than 50 temporary tax breaks that Congress routinely extends every year or two.

The entire package expired at the start of joined nearly make selected tax breaks permanent.

On Thursday, the House passed a \$14.3 billion package of tax breaks designed to encourage charitable giving. Also, the House Ways and Means advanced Committee several other bills that would benefit businesses and individuals.

The House passed the small business bill on Friday by a vote of 272-142.

The bill is part of a package of more than 50 temporary tax breaks that Congress routinely extends every year or two. The entire package expired at the start of the year. Now, House Republicans moving to make selected tax breaks permanent.

Thirty-three Democrats every the year. Now, House Republican in voting for the Republicans are moving to bill. However, the margin would not be enough to override a presidential veto.

The bill would allow small businesses to immediately write off capital expenses of up to \$500,000, rather than taking the deductions over several years. Another provision would make it easier for small business owners to deduct charitable contributions.

Congress has temporarily extended the expiring provision 12 times since 2003, making it difficult for businesses to do longterm planning, said Rep. Pat Tiberi, R-Ohio, who sponsored the bill. "We can do this, give our

small business owners and farmers the type of certainty they need that will help our economy grow, that will help their businesses grow, rather than do what we've done for 12 years now," Tiberi said. "We need long-term certainty."

The bill is endorsed by numerous business including the groups, National Association of Manufacturers and the National Federation of Independent Business.

The White House said that Obama supports making the tax break permanent, but wants to pay for it by eliminating other business tax breaks.

its veto message, In White House said the the president's proposed budget for next year would allow small businesses to immediately write off up to \$1 million in investments, "while also proposing other measures to simplify and cut taxes for small businesses."

Stocks hold near record as oil rallies

By STEVE ROTHWELL

AP Markets Writer

NEW YORK — Stocks are holding near record levels on Friday as the price of oil jumps again, giving a lift to energy stocks.

The Standard & Poor's 500 index touched a record intraday high and the Dow Jones industrial average traded back above 18,000.

CBS gained after reporting earnings that exceeded analyst's expectations. The media company got a boost from better advertising revenue.

ConAgra, a food company whose brands include Swiss Miss hot chocolate mix and Slim Jim beef jerky, slumped after the company cut its earnings outlook for the year, blaming the impact of the higher dollar among other factors.

European stocks climbed after Greece and its European creditors said they were willing to compromise to help Athens with its debts, while new data showed improvement in the eurozone economy.

KEEPING SCORE: The S&P 500 was flat at 2,088 as of 1:38 p.m. The index climbed as high as 2,094.80 in midday trading, surpassing its previous intraday high of 2,093.55 set Dec. 29.

The Dow Jones industrial average was up five points, less than 0.1 per-

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Western Bank, 607 Scurry, is the latest recipient of the Big Spring Chamber of Commerce's "We Appreciate Your Investment in our Community" banner.

News in brief

Prosecutor: Perry wanted to 'stymie' public corruption unit

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — A special prosecutor says then-Texas Gov. Rick Perry tried to force a Democratic district attorney to resign because he didn't approve of the "historical and current management decisions" of the public corruption unit she ran, according to a Friday court filing.

The Republican Perry was indicted in August by an Austin grand jury on felony abuse-of-power charges, but the latest paperwork sheds more light on the case against him should he go to trial.

The charges stem from Perry's 2013 publicly threatening, followed by the veto of \$7.5 million in state funding for a public corruption division within the office of Travis County District Attorney Rosemary Lehmberg.

That came after Lehmberg, whose county includes Austin, rebuffed Perry's calls to resign following her drunken driving conviction.

"The state will prove that defendant Perry did not approve of historical and current management decisions regarding the operation of the Public Integrity Unit and therefore wanted to coerce Ms. Lehmberg into resigning her elected position and/or stymie or obstruct the continued operation of the Public Integrity Unit under Ms. Lehmberg's management," wrote the special prosecutor leading the case against Perry, Michael McCrum, in a filing signed by his assistant, David Gonzalez.

Perry left office last month after a record 14 years as Texas governor, but says he'll have an announcement on his expected run for the presidency in 2016 in May or June. Perry has long maintained that he was within his rights when issuing the veto and that he'd do it again if given the chance.

Perry's legal team tried repeatedly but unsuccessfully to quash the case on constitutional and technical grounds, and Perry has called it a political witch hunt. But Friday's filing suggests that the prosecution will argue that the then-governor was more interested in halting the work of the public integrity unit — and Lehmberg's efforts overseeing it — than the district attorney's drunken driving conviction.

The filing also complies with a previous order by the presiding judge, San Antonio Republican Bert Richardson, who suggested in a ruling allowing the case to continue last month that one of the criminal counts Perry faces was vague.

Texas congressman denies he sexually harassed staffer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Rep. Blake Farenthold, a Texas Republican first elected in 2010, told a federal court on Friday that he never sexually harassed

LETTERS

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Now I've read the center is being moved to Dora Roberts Community Center.

When I first moved to Big Spring, I heard lots of plans to make Big Spring "the retirement community" for this whole area. Oh, boy! At my age, that was something to look forward to. I could hardly

So, they cleaned and scrubbed and patched and repaired so the center would pass all the inspections. And when the roof leaked and ruined the dance floor, they installed a brand new one. Oh, how we appreciated that wonderful dance floor. It was our pride and joy.

Then, everything ceased. Over a period of time, the exercise equipment vanished, the pool tables vanished. I think the ceramics class is still there; I'm not sure.

And they still have Friday night dances — even people from Colorado City attend them. Now I'm told that when they move to Dora Roberts, anything that is scheduled at Dora Roberts will take priority and the dances will have to be cancelled. So, I guess the "hit and miss" Friday night dances will just dwindle away.

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one of his staffers.

The court filing was in response to a lawsuit recently filed by his former communications director, Lauren Greene. She has accused Farenthold of making sexually suggestive comments to her, and telling another staffer in the office that he had been having sexual fantasies about Greene. She says she was fired soon after complaining to the congressman about being "bullied" by the office chief of

Farenthold denied the allegations through a spokesman in December. On Friday, Farenthold told the court that Green was fired for poor performance and failing to report to work, then lying The "defendant admits that some staff occasion-

ally joked that Rep. Farenthold finds redheads attractive, but denies the allegation's implication that this was a source for, or cause of, concern for any staffer," according to the response filed on Far-According to Greene, she had grown increas-

ingly uncomfortable around the congressman and avoided private meetings with him. She alleged in her lawsuit that Farenthold "regularly drank to excess, and because of his tendency to flirt, the staffers who accompanied him to Capitol Hill functions would joke that they had to be on 'red head patrol' to keep him out of trouble." In the document filed Friday, Farenthold ac-

knowledged having disclosed in a staff meeting that he had been propositioned for a "threesome." But the congressman took issue with the detail that it involved a lobbyist and the suggestion was made for "an improper or lascivious purpose."

Texan convicted of duping investors over fake Disney park SHERMAN, Texas (AP) — A jury on Friday con-

victed a member of a Dallas-area real estate family of duping investors with tales of a fake Walt Disney theme park and resort project.

The federal jury in North Texas deliberated less than a half day in Sherman before convicting Thomas W. Lucas Jr. on all charges: seven wire fraud counts and one count of making false statements to the FBI.

Investors complained they overpaid for land in Collin and Denton counties that they were told was on the fringes of the future theme park. In court documents, the investors said Lucas, 40, of Plano, Texas, showed them fake and forged artist sketches, maps, site plans and other documents related to "Frontier Disney Dallas-Fort Worth" to dupe them. The investors planned to flip the land to developers at a profit when the Disney announcement was

Numerous partnerships, joint ventures and limited liability companies were set up to begin acquiring land in the area. Prosecutors said that from 2006 to 2010, Lucas defrauded more than 50 inves-

tors out of about \$14 million.

The Walt Disney Co., which has its headquarters in Burbank, California, has repeatedly denied rumors that it planned to build a theme park in North Texas. However, prosecutors said Lucas told potential investors he had a secret source who tipped him off about the theme park.

Prosecutors said the identity of Lucas' secret source varied depending on who he spoke to — and when. They said he identified the person as a childhood or lifelong friend in some versions of his story, but in other accounts described the individual as a friend of a friend.

When the FBI questioned Lucas about the source in 2013, he gave agents the name of a dead man, prosecutors said.

Texan charged in fatal shooting of wife during her 911 call

GRANBURY, Texas (AP) — A North Texas man has been charged with fatally shooting his wife during her 911 call as the couple apparently argued.

Hood County jail records show 51-year-old Tommy George Dooley of Granbury was being held Saturday on a murder charge. Online records don't list bond or an attorney for

Dooley, who's charged with killing his 65-year-old wife, Lavera. Sheriff Roger Deeds says the woman was shot six

times in the disturbance Thursday night. The victim's body was found in her vehicle after

deputies responded to a 911 call in which the woman said she feared her husband was going to shoot her. The dispatcher then heard gunshots.

Deputies responded to previous domestic disturbance calls at the home in Granbury, 25 miles southwest of Fort Worth.

Oklahoma prisoner shot while trying to flee at DFW airport GRAPEVINE, Texas (AP) — An Oklahoma pris-

oner being flown home from Utah has been shot by a deputy during a scuffle in a restroom at Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport.

Officials say Brent Taff from Sapulpa, Oklahoma, was being transported by Tulsa County sheriff's deputies on a warrant for threatening a judge.

Sheriff's Maj. Shannon Clark says a deputy was attacked Friday afternoon but managed to shoot Taff in the hand. Another deputy and airport workers subdued the fleeing Taff in the incident during a stop to change planes.

Clark says the first deputy was treated for head injuries not believed to be life-threatening. Taff was transported to another hospital for treatment of a gunshot wound.

Further details weren't immediately available Saturday. The sheriff's office didn't immediately return a message.

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US allows imports of privately produced products from Cuba

HAVANA (AP) — The Obama administration says it will allow Cuba's small private business sector to sell goods to the United States in a potentially important loosening of the half-century trade embargo on the communist island.

A list published by the U.S. State Department Friday said Americans will be allowed to import anything produced by Cuban entrepreneurs with the exception of food and agricultural products, alcohol, minerals, chemicals, textiles, machinery, vehicles, arms and ammunition.

The imports would have to be produced by a Cuban operating in one of the dozens of categories of private business allowed by the Cuban government. Most of the categories are for services like car maintenance or watch repair, not potentially exportable goods. What's more, virtually all Cuban exports are produced and shipped by state-controlled enterprises and there is no indication that the government is willing to loosen control and allow private businesses on the island to start trading directly with firms overseas.

In short, no one should expect Cuban goods to start flowing to the U.S. in large quantities anytime soon, said Pedro Freyre, head of international practice at Florida-based law firm Akerman LLP.

However, the possibility of exporting Cuban goods to a massive market 90 miles (145 kilometers) away could inspire private businesses to begin developing products designed for export to the U.S., he said.

2 UPS worker, daughter, plead guilty to drug smuggling

BROWNSVILLE, Texas (AP) — Two UPS Inc. part-time workers in South Texas plus a relative have pleaded guilty to using company vehicles to smuggle drugs by land and air.

UPS spokeswoman Susan Rosenberg said Friday that both male workers were fired last year amid the investigation.

Prosecutors say drug shipments went to Minnesota, Indiana, Pennsylvania, Georgia, Florida, Ohio, Michigan and New York. Parcels were smuggled by ground and through airports in Harlingen and McAllen.

Reymundo Abel Brown Jr., Mario Enrique Patlan and his daughter Cristina Patlan pleaded guilty Thursday in Brownsville.

Brown and Mario Patlan pleaded guilty to conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute marijuana and cocaine. Cristina Patlan pleaded guilty to possession with intent to distribute marijuana.

Insurer Anthem offers 2 years of free credit monitoring

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Anthem Inc. is offering two years of free credit monitoring and identity-theft repair as the nation's second-largest health insurer continues to investigate how hackers broke into a database storing information for about 80 million people.

The Indianapolis company didn't detail those services in a brief statement on a website it established after announcing the breach last week. The website, www.anthemfacts.com, contains a letter of apology from company CEO Joseph Swedish.

The Blue Cross-Blue Shield insurer has said hackers evaded several security layers to reach the database sometime after Dec. 10 and Jan. 27, when a computer system administrator discovered outsiders were using his credentials to log into the system.

Greece, creditors open to compromise but deal still far off

ATHENS, Greece (AP) — Signs that Greece and its European creditors are open to compromise boosted market hopes on Friday that the sides

can reach a deal to save the country from bankruptcy. But any agreement will likely take time, with both sides pressing hard for concessions.

After a turbulent week, in which investors feared Athens' demands to rewrite its bailout terms would result in an impasse that could push Greece out of the euro, markets were reassured by leaders' promises to talk.

The main Athens stock index rose 4.5 percent in late trading while the Stoxx 50 index of eurozone shares was 1 percent higher.
"I think there is the will for an

agreement," Greece's top government aide and cabinet member Nikos Pappas said in a radio interview. How long that might take is unclear,

though Greece will need some sort of deal by Feb. 28, after which its bailout program ends. Without support, it faces the pros-

pect of bankruptcy and an exit from the euro — a worst-case scenario both sides want to avoid as it would devastate Greece's economy and roil global markets.

Prime Minister Alexis Tsipras' new left-wing government held its first

Prime Minister Alexis Tsipras' new left-wing government held its first meetings this week with European Union leaders and finance ministers, sticking to its position that the bail-out deal should be renegotiated.

Google asks judge to block Miss. attorney general's inquiry

JACKSON, Miss. (AP) — An Internet giant was scheduled to face off with Mississippi Attorney General Jim Hood on Friday.

Google will ask U.S. District Judge Henry T. Wingate to block an investigation by Hood into the company. Hood has been pushing Google since

2013 to prevent use of the company's search engine to find illegal drugs and pirated music, video games and movies.

Hood is looking into whether Google was facilitating illegal activity through its auto complete service, which automatically fills in words for the user, such as "how to buy oxycodone" and whether the search engine was purposefully selling related ads against YouTube videos that allegedly promoted illegal behavior.

The closely-watched case has Google and computer industry groups telling the judge a 1996 federal law protects Internet companies from being held accountable for what third parties say.

The Democratic attorney general

says he's investigating actions taken by Google itself, and says the Mountain View, California, company could be liable under Mississippi consumer protection laws. Hood says Google has jumped the gun on its objections because he doesn't know what his inquiry will find. Google sued Hood in December,

Google sued Hood in December, asking a judge to prevent him from pursuing criminal charges or suing the company after the attorney general subpoenaed information about some of Google's operations. However, Hood agreed not to pursue that information until March 6.

US appeals to Japanese business to help push for trade pact

TOKYO (AP) — Japan and the U.S. are moving closer to reaching agreement on market opening measures needed to conclude a Pacific Rim trade pact, a top U.S. envoy said Friday, urging Japanese business leaders to help bridge the last, difficult disagreements.

U.S. Deputy Secretary of State Antony J. Blinken urged members of the Japan Association of Corporate Executives to "pick up your phones" and use their influence to convince officials to work toward a final consensus on the Trans-Pacific Partnership, or TPP.

"The contours of a final agreement are coming into focus," Blinken said. "We need you to make the calls, convene the meetings and remind the officials of the benefits this agreement will bring."

Agreement between Japan and the U.S. is essential for forging the free-trade arrangements among the dozen nations involved in the U.S.-led effort

Both sides say they are close to an accord, but that key gaps remain. America's great rival for influence in Asia — China — is not part of the Pacific rim trade talks.

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Obert Wayne Montgomery, US Autologistics, LLC and Indian Ink Leasing, Inc., injury/damage – motor vehicles

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Katrina Rene Juarez vs. Donny Juarez, divorce

Ashlee Jean-Marie McKenzie vs. Gregory Scott McKenzie, divorce.

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cent, at 17,979. The Dow is still a few points short of its all-time high. The Nasdaq composite gained 15 points, or 0.3 percent, to 4,873.

FOOTBALL HELPS: CBS gained \$1.60, or 2.8 percent, to \$59.38 after the media company reported earnings late Thursday that were slightly better than Wall Street analysts had been expecting. The company got a boost from higher advertising revenues, led by the broadcast of "Thursday Night Football" and political ad revenues associated with the midterm elections.

SWISS EARNINGS MISS: Food company ConAgra, whose brands include Swiss Miss hot chocolate mix and Slim Jim beef jerky, slumped \$1.72, or 4.7 percent, to \$34.70. The company cut its earnings outlook for the year late Thursday, blaming the impact of a stronger dollar and intense competition for its

Private Brands unit.
GREECE FACTOR:
Greece and its creditors in the 19-country eurozone took visible, if modest, steps to

bridge their differences over Athens' demands to lighten the load of its bailout. Following weeks of haggling, the two sides sounded willing to compromise and agreed to start technical discussions to analyze each side's requests ahead of another meeting Monday. Investors are hopeful that a deal will be reached to avoid Greece's exit from the euro.

THE QUOTE: A recovery in the price of oil, as well as prospects of deal between Greece and its creditors seem to have settled investors' nerves for now, said JJ Kinahan, chief strategist at TD Ameritrade. That's allowing stocks to push higher.

"Stability seems to be

coming back," said Kinahan.

EUROZONEGROWTH SHOCKER: Data out Friday showed the eurozone economy picked up speed in the fourth quarter thanks to better growth in Germany and Spain. The currency union's economy grew 0.3 percent in the October-December period compared with the previous quarter, more

than expected, thanks

also to lower oil prices

and a weaker euro. The

growth rate, while encouraging, is still only about half that of the U.S.

EUROPE'S DAY: Germany's DAX added 0.4 percent to 10,963 after touching a record high, while France's CAC 40 rose 0.7 percent to 4,759. Britain's FTSE 100 gained 0.7 percent to 6,873.

ENERGY: Benchmark U.S. crude rose \$1.45 to \$52.65 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange. Brent crude climbed \$1.98 to \$61.24 a barrel in London.

BONDS AND CUR-RENCIES: In U.S. government bond trading, prices fell slightly. The yield on the 10-year benchmark government note edged up to 2.02 percent from 1.99 percent on Tuesday. The dollar was little

changed against the Japanese yen and the euro. The dollar traded at 118.75 yen, down from 118.85 yen the previous day. The euro was flat at \$1.1406.

METALS: Precious

and industrial metals futures closed higher. Gold rose \$6.40 to \$1,227.10 an ounce, silver jumped 50 cents to \$17.29 an ounce and copper edged up less than a

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Analysis: With NATO expansion at heart of Ukraine crisis, Russia determined to stop it

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Cold War didn't end. It just took on a 24-year pause. The East-West showdown over Ukraine makes that clear.

As the non-Russian republics broke free in the Soviet collapse and Eastern European Soviet satellite countries snapped the chains of Moscow's dominion, common wisdom held that the Cold War was over. The victors: The United States and its European allies, bound together in the NATO alliance to block further Soviet expansion in Europe after

Since the Soviet collapse — as Moscow had feared that alliance has spread eastward, expanding along a line from Estonia in the north to Romania and Bulgaria in the south. The Kremlin claims it had Western assurances that would not happen. Now, Moscow's only buffers to a complete NATO encirclement on its western border are Finland, Belarus and Ukraine.

The Kremlin would not have to be paranoid to look at that map with concern. And Russia reacted dramatically early last year. U.S.-Russian relations have fallen back into the dangerous nuclear and political standoff of the Cold War years before the Soviet collapse

It began with prolonged pro-Western demonstrations in the Ukrainian capital. The upheaval caused corrupt, Russia-friendly President Viktor Yanukovych to flee to Moscow nearly a year ago.

Fighting in Ukraine persists in day before cease-fire is to take effect

KIEV, Ukraine (AP) — Officials in the Ukrainian port city of Mariupol say an array of artillery attacks hit areas near the city during the morning, as the deadline for a cease-fire creeps closer.

The city's press service reported a half-dozen rocket and mortar attacks on outlying areas Saturday morning. There was no immediate information on casualties.

Mariupol is on the Azov Sea and concerns are strong that Russian-backed separatists aim to seize it as a step toward establishing a corridor between mainland Russia and the Crimean Peninsula that Russia annexed 11 months ago.

Under an agreement reached this week, rebels and Ukrainian forces were to observe a cease-fire beginning at midnight (2200 GMT, 5 p.m. EST).

As long as there have been vaccines, some people have feared and hated them, historians say

NEW YORK (AP) — They're considered one of mankind's greatest medical achievements, yet people have balked at vaccines almost since the time

of the first vaccination — in 1796, when an English country doctor named Edward Jenner inoculated an 8-year-old boy against smallpox.

In the mid-1800s, people protested in the streets of Victorian England after the British government began requiring citizens to get the vaccination. Many opponents mistrusted doctors and were wary of a medical treatment they didn't understand. In the early days, the closely related cowpox virus was used to immunize people against smallpox.

"People were afraid that if you got the cowpox vaccine you would turn into a cow," said Dr. Paul Offit, a vaccine researcher at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia who is an outspoken critic of antivaccination groups.

More than a century and a half later, there's still an undercurrent of vaccine dislike and distrust in the United States as illustrated by the measles outbreak that started in December at Disneyland — likely brought in from overseas as has been the case in recent years. Many of those who got and spread the highly contagious illness hadn't gotten the childhood shots.

All this despite medical science's proven successes in wiping out not only the much-feared smallpox and polio, but nearly eliminating other serious illnesses like diphtheria, German measles, lockjaw and mumps in the United States. Through it all, anti-vaccine sentiments have ebbed and flowed.

Iran's president retains top ayatollah's backing despite criticism as nuclear deadline nears

DUBAI, United Arab Emirates (AP) — Throughout the long negotiations over the fate of Iran's nuclear program, President Hassan Rouhani has withstood scathing criticism from hard-liners at home by sticking to his case that a deal with his country's longtime enemies will bring peace and

So the political stakes are high for the moderate president as talks enter their homestretch toward a June deadline.

If he succeeds in sealing an agreement, Iran could see much-hoped-for relief from withering sanctions that are dragging down the economy at a time when the OPEC producer is trying to ride out a severe slump in oil prices.

An improvement in the economy could translate into a broader boost in domestic support for Rouhani and strengthen the moderate camp gain in parliamentary elections next year.

Moderates are pushing for a less confrontational relationship with the West — a break from the eight-year tenure of predecessor Mahmoud Ahmadinejad — and seek more freedoms at home, including greater freedom of expression and easing of social restrictions.

Failure, however, only will bolster his hard-line opponents who are against that entire agenda.

US Attorney issues subpoena for records pertaining to departing Oregon governor and fiancee SALEM, Ore. (AP) — Oregon Gov. John Kitzhab-

er announced his resignation Friday over a deepening influence-peddling scandal surrounding his fiancée and on the same day the U.S. Attorney's Office issued a subpoena demanding records and electronic communications pertaining to the pair. The subpoena was the first acknowledgment of

a federal investigation against Kitzhaber and Cylvia Hayes. It marks yet another turn in a scandal that brought down Oregon's longest-serving chief

Kitzhaber's resignation, which is to take effect Wednesday, cleared the way for Secretary of State Kate Brown to assume Oregon's highest office and become the nation's first openly bisexual gover-

Kitzhaber insisted he broke no laws.

"Nonetheless, I understand that I have become a liability to the very institutions and policies to which I have dedicated my career and, indeed, my entire adult life," he said in a statement.

Pope delivers tough love message to new cardinals: Put aside your pride, jealousy and anger

VATICAN CITY (AP) — Pope Francis is delivering a tough-love message to his new cardinals, telling them to put aside their pride, jealousy, selfinterests and anger since such sins are "unacceptable in a man of the church."

Instead, Francis called for the 20 new members of the College of Cardinals to exercise perfect charity, kindness and justice, ready to trust and forgive.

Francis delivered the marching orders during a ceremony Saturday to elevate the new "princes of the church" into the club of red-hatted churchmen who will eventually elect Francis' successor.

Suspect in Halifax plot confessed to wanting to attack mall

TORONTO (AP) — A senior police official said that police foiled a plot by two suspects who were planning on going to a mall and killing as many people as they could before committing suicide on Valentine's Day in Halifax.

The official told The Associated Press on Friday the suspects were on a chat stream and were apparently obsessed with death and had many photos of mass killings. Police and other officials said it was not related to Islamic terrorism.

The official said one of the two suspects, a 23-yearold American woman from Geneva, Illinois, was arrested at Halifax's airport and confessed to the plot. The official said she prewrote a number of pronouncements to be tweeted after her death.

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Researchers test device to help deaf children hear sounds

WASHINGTON (AP) - At age 3, Angelica Lopez is helping to break a sound barrier for deaf children.

Born without working auditory nerves, she can detect sounds for the first time — and start to mimic them — after undergoing brain surgery to implant a device that bypasses missing wiring in her inner ears.

Angelica is one of a small number of U.S. children who are testing what's called an auditory brainstem implant, or ABI. The device goes beyond cochlear implants that have brought hearing to many deaf children but that don't work for tots who lack their hearing

When the ABI is first turned on, "she isn't going to be hearing like a 3-year-old. She'll be hearing like a newborn," audiologist Laurie Eisenberg of the University of Southern California tells parents. She outlined the research Friday at a meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

The children don't magically understand and use those sounds. "It's going to take a lot of work," Eisenberg cautioned.

Angelica cried when ABI first was switched on, scared by the sounds. But five months later, her mother says the youngster uses sign language to identify some sounds that was a cough, that's a dog barking. And she's beginning to babble like hearing babies do, as therapists work to teach

her oral speech. "It's just so awesome to hear her little voice," said Julie Lopez of Big Spring, Texas, who enrolled her daughter in the study at USC, where researchers say she's progressing well.

Many children born deaf benefit from cochlear implants, electrodes that send impulses to the auditory nerve, where they're relayed to the brain and recognized as sound. But the small fraction born without a working hearing nerve can't make that brain connection.

The ABI attempts to fill that gap by delivering electrical stimulation directly to the neurons on the brainstem the nerve normally would have targeted. Here's how it works: The person wears a microphone on the ear to detect sound, and a processer changes it to electrical signals. Those are beamed to a stimulator under the skin, which sends the signals snaking through a wire to electrodes surgically placed on the brain-

The Food and Drug Administration approved the device in 2000 specifically for adults and teenagers whose hearing nerves had been destroyed by surgery for a rare type of tumor. It doesn't restore normal hearing, but can help to varying degrees.

Then about a decade ago, an Italian surgeon started trying the ABI in deaf children, whose younger brains more flexible and might better adapt to this artificial way of delivering sound.

Now, spurred by some successes abroad, the first U.S. studies

young children are underway at a handful of hospitals. Hearing specialists are watching the work closely.

There are children "who are not being helped in any other way," said Dr. Gordon Hughes of the National Institutes of Health, which is funding Eisenberg's study. And co-

chlear implants proved "there's a critical time window when the brain is very receptive to auditory stimulation and can develop speech communication in ways that are surprisingly good, if the stimulation is started early enough."

The studies are small, each enrolling 10 to 20 children. Ages vary; the Los Angeles study will implant starting at age 2, while some others try earlier. Children then receive intensive therapy, to learn to hear.

The studies must prove safety, since the ABI requires delicate brain surgery in healthy children.

"We're talking about real surgery to go into a deep area of the brain,' said Dr. Marc Schwartz, a neurosurgeon with the House Clinic and Huntington Medical Research Institutes in Los Angeles, who is part of

the USC study. In skilled hands, complications appear rare, said Robert Shannon, a USC professor of otolar-

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Stevens to be inducted into WJCAC HOF

Howard College's former Hawk women's basketball coach Don Stevens was among those recognized as the Western Junior College Athletic Conference (WJCAC) recently announced its latest inductees to the WJCAC Hall of Fame. Stevens, who retired from Howard College in 1989, was nominated by Howard College for his direct impact on student athletes at Howard College and women's basketball across the state and nation.

A recognition ceremony

will be held to honor Don Stevens between the men's and women's Hawk basketball games vs. Odessa College on Monday at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum on the campus of Howard College. The women's game begins at 5:45 p.m. with the ceremony following at approximately 7:30 p.m. prior to the men's game, which is slated to begin at 7:45 p.m.

Stevens was at the helm of Hawk women's basketball from 1976-1989, tallying a record of 262 wins and 130 losses. During his tenure with Howard College, he led the Hawks to several conference championships and regional championships, in addition to NJCAA National Tournament appearances.

"Don Stevens was an integral part of the history and tradition of women's basketball for Howard College," said Dr. Cheryl T. Sparks, HC president. "We are honored to recognize his legacy and the impact that he has had on our college and our athletic programs as well as the athletic programs in the region and state."

Stevens was a graduate of Lamesa High School and Texas Tech University. After graduating from high school, he brought his basketball talent to Howard College, where he played as a Hawk for two years and followed that up with one year at Corpus Christi University before transferring to Texas Tech to finish his education. He spent two years in the military and was a player/coach of the First Infantry Division

basketball team in Fort Riley,

Howard County schools are no stranger to Stevens as he began his coaching career in the Big Spring Junior High program, coaching all sports. From there, he spent an additional 10 years at Forsan High School where he coached both boy's and girl's basketball where he left an impressive legacy.

Not only has Stevens coached at the state-side lev-

See **STEVENS**, Page 10A

Lamesa nets 72-69 win over BS in OT

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

The Lamesa Golden Tors pushed in 16 points in overtime on Friday and raced to a nail-biting 72-69 victory over the Big Spring High School Steers in District 2-4A action.

With the victory, Lamesa clinched the district's runnerup playoff berth by improving to 6-3. The Golden Tors, who split the district matchups with Big Spring, ran its season record to 18-9.

Big Spring, despite getting double-digit performances from four starters, struggled to match Lamesa in the overtime. The Steers managed to score just 13 points in the extra frame.

The Steers, now 17-11 overall, grabbed an early lead. Kei'Shawn Broussard helped Big Spring pound out a 13-11 advantage in the initial eight minutes of the game.

The Steers tacked on a 16-13 spree in the second quarter and took a 29-24 cushion into the half.

Lamesa stormed back in the third. The Ors pushed in 25 points in the period and caried a 50-39 lead at the start of the fourth. Broussard led all BSHS scorers with 16 points. Ty Sealy and Tyler Bryan added 15 and 14 points, respectively, while Tobyn Tannehill contributed 10.

Dre Smiley pushed in 18 for Lamesa.

Tony Claxton photo (www.claxtonphotography.com) Howard College's Jarret DeHart launches a home run during the first game of the Hawks' Friday afternoon doubleheader with El Paso Community College. HC split the two games, losing Game 1 by an 11-9 margin and winning Game 2, 12-11.

Hawks rally for split with Tejanos

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

Matt Holcumbe blasted a two-run home run and the Howard College Hawks scored three more runs on an error in the bottom of the seventh inning on Friday and rallied to claim a wild 12-11 victory over the El Paso Community Christian Tejanos in

the second game of a Friday doubleheader at Jack Barber

With the win, the Hawks salvaged a split of the first of back-to-back doubleheaders with EPCC this weekend. The two teams were scheduled to wrap up the non-conference series on Saturday afternoon.

The Hawks went into their

final at-bat in Game 2 needing big hits and some help. They got both. After Brandon Wagner had led off the inning with a single, Holcombe launched a long home run that hit off the scoreboard in right-center to pull HC to within 11-9.

The Hawks' next batter, Jarret DeHart kept the rally alive with a single. Two batters later, Eddie Paparella blooped a single into left to put two runners on. Sklyer Bean then followed with a walk that loaded the bases.

The Tejanos self-destructed from there. The EPCC shortstop fielded a ball of the bat of Howard's James Davidson moments later and uncorked

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Lucas scores 17 in Grady's 66-40 win over O'Donnell

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

The Grady High School Wildcats continued to run roughshod over the rest of the District 11-A field on Friday by grinding out a 66-40 victory over the O'Donnell Ea-

With the win, the fourth-ranked Wildcats improved to 25-2 for the season and, more importantly, remained unbeaten in 11-A action with a perfect 10-0 mark.

O'Donnell managed to hold the GHS offense in check for much of the first two quarters. The Eagles held Grady to

just 10 points in the first eight minutes of the contest and rolled into the half down by just seven, at 27-20.

The Wildcats managed to get their offense in gear in the third. Grady posted a 27-7 run in the frame and built a commanding 54-27 advantage heading into the fourth.

Lucas finished the game as Grady's top offensive weapon. He netted 17 points - 15 of which came ion a teamhigh five three-point shots. Cole Avery and Kyle Garza also hit double figures, tallying 16 and 12, respectively.



Herald photo/Tommy Wells)

Stanton's Lacey Long and Kaitlin Nichols strip the ball from Colorado City's Baylie Lindsey during the second half of their district playoff game on Friday in Forsan.

Stanton slips by C-City in District 5-3A playoff

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

STANTON - Amber Peterson knocked down two free throws with 5.5 seconds left in regulation and helped lift the Stanton Lady Buffaloes to a 48-46 win over the Colorado City Lady Wolves in a District 5-3A

playoff game in Forsan. With the win, Stanton secured the runner-up berth in the 5-3A standings. Colorado City will enter the postseason as the district's third seed.

Stanton got off to a quick start. Madison Graves and Shelby Holland combined for 11

points in the first quar-

ter and sparked the Lady Buffs to a 15-6 lead. Colorado City stormed back in the second. Kait-

lin Kimbrell pushed in

eight points in the sec-

ond and keyed a 16-10 run that cut Stanton's lead to 25-22 at the half. The Lady Wolves battled back to tie the game

at 46-46 with 28 seconds left in the game. Stanton will advance to face Ballinger in the bi-district round on Monday in Sweetwater.

Colorado City will play Jim Ned on Monday at the Junnell Center in San Angelo.

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The Reagan County Owls took another step toward the postseason on Friday by grabbing a tough 64-54 overtime win over the Coahoma Bulldogs in District 5-3A play. The Owls, after fighting

to a 53-53 deadlock at the end of the fourth quarter, netted the win by staging an 11-1 run in the extra frame.

With the win, Reagan County improved to 20-9 and to 6-2 in district. Coahoma fell to 10-14 and 1-6.

The Bulldogs more than held their own early on. Coahoma outscored Reagan County by a 29-27 clip in the first half.

Braxton Iden led all Coahoma scorers with a game-high 24 points. Kyler Franks added 13 more, while Cade Ramsev and Mason Moore added seven apiece.

HAWKS

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throw to first that sailed into the Hawks dugout, allowing all three HC runners to score.

El Paso looked as if it had wrapped up a sweep of the Hawks in the top of the sixth. The Tejanos scored three runs in the frame and took an 11-7 lead.

El Paso had no shortage of offensive fireworks early in the game. The Tejanos scored three runs in the first inning and then tacked on two in the second and third en route to building a 7-4



Up, up and away ...

Forsan's Ryan Pearson leaps into the air for a shot during the Buffaloes' game against the Iraan Braves on Friday in Forsan. The Braves used a 7-0 run in the final 2:26 of play to notch a 63-53 win in District 8-2A action.

Wagner named National JUCO Player of the Week

Howard College sophomore Brandon Wagner was named the National Junior College Player of the Week on Thursday.

Wagner helped HC open the year at 6-0 by hitting .526, scoring nine runs and driving in 13 runs.

During his 10-for-19 start, he hit three



Brandon Wagner

home runs and four doubles.

cushion.

HC rallied back with a pair of runs and trailed by just one, at 7-6, heading into the sixth.

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EPCC, despite a towering home run from De-Hart, opened the twinbill by taking an 11-9 win in Game 1.

Scoreboard

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point for overtime loss.

San Jose 4, Arizona 2 Vancouver 5, Boston 2 Saturday's Games

Dallas at Colorado, 9 p.m. Vancouver at Calgary, 10 p.m. Washington at Los Angeles, 10 p.m. **BOXING** Fight Schedule

Friday's Games No games scheduled Saturday's Games

Sunday's Games All-Star Game at New York, 8 p.m.

BIG 12 CONFERENCE Men's Standings

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Saturday's Games Baylor at Kansas, 1 p.m.

West Virginia at Iowa St., 4 p.m. Oklahoma St. at TCU, 6 p.m. Oklahoma at Kansas St., 8 p.m. Texas Tech at Texas, 8 p.m.

HOCKEY National Hockey League **Atlantic Division**

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Central Division

Pacific Division

NOTE: Two points for a win, one

Friday's Games Columbus 4, Philadelphia 3, OT Chicago 3, New Jersey 1 Dallas 2, Florida 0

Edmonton at Ottawa, 2 p.m. Toronto at Montreal, 7 p.m. Winnipeg at Detroit, 7 p.m. Columbus at N.Y. Islanders, 7 p.m New Jersey at Nashville, 8 p.m. Carolina at Minnesota, 8 p.m. N.Y. Rangers at Arizona, 8 p.m.

Feb. 14 – At Tepic, Mexico, David Sanchez vs. Juan Alberto Rosas, 12, for the interim WBA super flyweight

At Resorts World Casino, New York, Derric Rossy vs. Akhror Muralimov, 10, for the IBF North American heavyweight title

Feb. 20 - At Turning Stone Resort Casino in Verona, N.Y. (ESPN2), Boxcino Quarterfinals-Heavyweights: Donovan Dennis vs. Steve Vukosa; Razvan Cojano vs. Ed Fountain; Andrey Fedosov vs. Nate Heaven; Mario Heredia vs. Lenroy Thomas.

April 24 - At Madison Square Garden, N.Y. (HBO), Wladimir Klitschko vs. Bryant Jennings, 12, for Klitschko's IBF/ WBA/WBO/IBO heavyweight titles.

TRANSACTIONS BASEBALL Major League Baseball

OF THE COMMISSIONER OF BASEBALL — Suspended Tampa Bay OF Spencer Edwards (Bowling Green-MWL) and Cleveland OF Brian Ruiz (Lake County-MWL) 80 games each after positive tests for performance-enhancing substances; and free agent RHP Joseph Gardner-Prophet 50 games following a second positive test for a drug of abuse in violation of the Minor League Drug Prevention and Treatment Program. American League

CHICAGO WHITE $SO\bar{X}$ — Agreed to terms with RHP Matt Albers on a minor league contract. KANSAS CITY ROYALS — Agreed

to terms with RHP Greg Holland on a one-year contract and with RHP Joe Blanton on a minor league contract. Purchased the contract of RHP Derek Gordon from Kansas City (AA).

SEATTLE MARINERS — Agreed to terms with INF-OF Rickie Weeks on a one-year contract. Designated LHP Edgar Olmos for assignment.

National League

ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS Agreed to terms with RHP Addison Reed on a one-year contract.

ATLANTA BRAVES — Announced the resignation of minor league hitting coordinator Ronnie Ortegano. Agreed

to terms with OF Eric Young Jr. on a CINCINNATI REDS — Agreed to terms with LHP Aroldis Chapman on a one-year contract. Announced LHP Is-

mael Guillon cleared waivers and was sent outright to Louisville (IL).
HOUSTON ASTROS — A - Agreed to

terms with LHP Joe Thatcher on a minor league contract.

FOOTBALL National Football League ATLANTA FALCONS — Signed LB

CLEVELAND BROWNS - Terminated the contract of OL Paul Mc-

DALLAS COWBOYS — Signed LB Cameron Lawrence and DT Davon

DENVER BRONCOS - Named Marc Lubick assistant wide receivers

coach and Samson Brown as assistant defensive backs coach Canadian Football League

EDMONTON ESKIMOS — Signed LB Shane Horton and WR-KR Eric

National Hockey League
CAROLINA HURRICANES — Recalled D Michal Jordan from Charlotte

NASHVILLE PREDATORS - Re-

called F Viktor Stalberg from Milwaukee (AHL). Reassigned D Taylor Aronson to Milwaukee. NEW JERSEY DEVILS - Reas-

signed G Maxime Clermont from Albany (AHL) to Orlando (ECHL). SOCCER

Maior League Soccer NEW YORK RED BULLS — Waived

SPORTING KANSAS CITY Signed MF Soni Mustivar.

North American Soccer League NEW YORK COSMOS — Signed D Samuel Caceres on loan from Nueva Chicago (Argentina)

COLLEGE HAWAII — Named Tom Mason defensive coordinator and Don Bailey offensive coordinator.

ILLINOIS - Named Mike Phair codefensive coordinator/defensive line

ST. ANDREWS - Named Aaron **CLOSER TO HOME**

The Big Spring Country Club will be holding a 4-person scramble on Feb. 21-22 The entry fee for the event is \$120

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The field will be flighted by first round scores. The number of flights will be determined by the number of

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The Coahoma High School Lady Bulldogs will kick off their postseason basketball schedule on Monday when they face Wall, in a bi-district matchup played at the Scurry County Coliseum in Snyder. The game will start



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naturalcza y e significado de esta violacion, puede llamar a Johnny Womack, Public Works Director al (432) 264-2392. Por favor comparta esta informacion con todas las demas personas memte aquellas que quizas no

Si desea mas informacion sobra la

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Spring, Texas. Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court on the 12/04/2014, cause number 50140. A brief statement of the nature of

Court of Howard County, at 312

Scurry Street in said County in Big

this suit is as follows, to wit: IN THE ESTATE OF MEREDITH ANNE KENDALL, DECEASED as is more fully shown by the Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit. Issued and given under my hand

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Assume you get to five clubs and

diamond right away. When you do, West follows low, and you must then decide whether to play the jack or king from dummy. This is not really a difficult decision. You play the king on the basis that East presumably

or six spades headed by at least the After the king wins, your only

sibility that the trumps are not divided 2-2 and the hearts are not divided 3-3. It is only after thinking along these lines that you realize the best method of play is a dummy reversal. You therefore ruff dummy's last

and, let's say, returns a heart. You win with dummy's queen, ruff the four of diamonds with the ace of trumps, lead a low trump to dummy's nine and ruff the jack of diamonds with the queen of trumps.

card the six of hearts. You then take the last two tricks with the A-K of hearts to make the contract. Your 11 tricks consist of seven trumps (rather than the obvious six), a diamond and the Q-K-A of hearts.

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remaining concern is the possibility of losing a heart trick. This danger does not exist if the missing hearts are divided 3-3, or if the adverse trumps are 2-2, in which case you can ruff your fourth heart in dummy. As a good technician, however, you should also try to cover the pos-

spade at trick four and exit with a diamond. East wins with the queen

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BSJHS Steers to close out '15 season against Lamesa

The Big Spring Junior High School seventh and eighth grade teams both turned in strong performances earlier this week against Sweetwater in junior high achis own. Overall the Steer took

The Big Spring seventh grade B picked up a stellar outing from Hizaka McNally and raced to a 34-11 victory over the Mustangs.

McNally scored team-high 12 points, while Isaac Murillo added six points followed by the Zarraga brothers

– Brandon and Marcus, who scored five points apiece. Michael Munoz came off the bench and joined the scoring affair by adding four points of

advantage of the Mustang's turnovers to take the game. With the win, t Steers

record moves to 10-2 for the season.

The seventh grade A team turned in an amazing performance on Monday, winning an impressive margin.

benefitted from the return of Dadrian Moore, garnered a stellar outing from C.J. Moore, who led the Steers on both ends of the court by throwing in 11 points and grabbing 14 rebounds. Nathan Hilario and Abel Clark both had 10 points, while Jordan Voight, John Prado, and Gabe Gomez all had four.

The BSJHS eighth grade B team had a rough night against Sweetwater, start-

Big Spring, which ing out in a hole they couldn't quite climb out of. Battling back from double-digit deficits on multiple occasions, the Steers dropped a 37-33 decision.

Martinez Brendon led the scoring with 12 points. Jacob Hernandez and Jason Miramontez both popped the net for six, while Jaiden Walker added four. Brett Beringer and Calen Rodriguez chipped in three and two points, respectively.

The B team now stands

8-4 on the season.

The eighth grade A team claimed a 43-28 victory over Sweetwater.

Leading the Steers was AJ Gonzales with 13 points, 15 rebounds and four assist.

Others scoring for the Steers were Jeremiah Cooley and Kobe Gutierrez each with nine apiece, Elijah Munoz

with five and Jaiden Ludington with three. Jack Everrett and Bryson Van Vleet contributed two apiece.

The Steers look to close out the 2014-2015 basketball season on Monday night with a win against the Lamesa Golden Tornadoes Tip off time is set for 5 p.m.



Tony Claxton photo (www.claxtonphotography.com)

Playoff time ...

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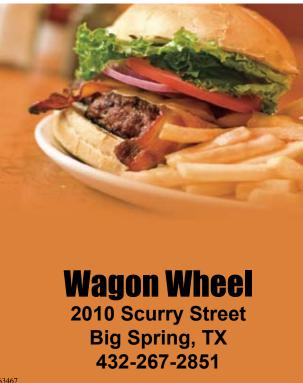
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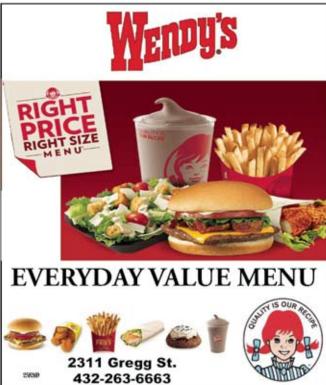
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Cavaliers winning as All-Star break arrives

CLEVELAND (AP) - As LeBron James dressed following a dominating win over Miami, the team he fled to return home, he pushed play on the stereo in his corner

the volume. Suddenly, the Cavaliers' locker room, still filled with reporters, was alive with thumping music, turning the space into a postgame dance

club. With rapper Lupe Fiasco's "Deliver" providing the beat, James bobbed his head and spit lyrics as if he had written them himself. Cavs guard Iman Shumpert, too, began to bounce and it wasn't long before normally reserved guard Kyrie Irving showed off a few moves, grooving his way around reporters and toward the door.

As he left, James, Shumpert and J.R. Smith smiled and laughed.

The Cavaliers have found their rhythm after a clumsy start.

Entering the All-Star break with 14 wins in 16 games following a 113-98 loss to the Bulls in Chicago on Thursday night, the Cavs, revamped by two trades and James' two-week wellness break, have put a turmoil-filled few months behind them. They again look like a team capable of winning an NBA title.

They've found harmony on and off the floor, recubicle and cranked up flected Wednesday night in 32 assists in 44 field goals against the Heat, who could do little about a high-flying Cleveland team that took turns offering up lob passes for

dunks. "It's the team," said James, re-energized by a recent hiatus. "We all care about the team and we all care about each other right now. We're still growing, obviously. But it's fun basketball when everyone feels in a rhythm. When the ball is popping from one side to the other, that's important to our success."

Nothing has meant more to Cleveland's success than James. The 30-year-old looks refreshed after resting a troublesome back and knee. More importantly, James appears confident that Cleveland's roster, bolstered by the acquisitions of Smith, Shumpert and 7-foot-1 center Timofey Mozgov, a Russian wrecking ball at both ends, can make a run at a championship.

STEVENS

Continued from Page 8A level, he was also chosen as one of seven American coaches in 1973 to lead coaching clinics in Mexico City, Vera Cruz, and other Mexican cities. While there, he was privileged to work with the women's Olympic team.

Coach Stevens has been honored at several levels across high school and college level combined for his dedi-

cation to improving the lives of students and promotion of the game of basketball.

"It is a privilege to be able to give credit where credit it due and honor Coach Don Stevens for his many years of service and dedication to Howard College and our student athletes," said Sparks. "We hope the community will join us as we give him a long over due 'Thank You" for a fantastic job well done."

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Capricorn Moon

Like an older brother who got into an Ivy League school on a full scholarship while training for

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and researching the cure for cancer, the Capricorn moon sets a standard that's as inspiring as it is impossible to live up to. Don't get discouraged by the success of others. Judge yourself by your own standards, and you'll excel.

Olympics

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Someone is holding on to something of yours and is not aware that you long ago moved past that era and currently have no use for the thing in your world. Compassion, gratitude and good manners will be appreciated.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Maybe you don't have

sudoku

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to try hard. Before you go making a "thing" of it, consider that casual situations can also be rather inviting -- no pressure, low expectations and lots of room for people to be who

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Those who want to be liked by everyone respond to every request for their time no matter what it does to them. Name your terms of service, and then let others respond. Don't be overly concerned with being liked.

they really are.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You've relied on others to show you the ropes, and now you are quite ready to try it on your own. You may fear breaking out solo, but the fear will go away quickly, and your only regret will be that you didn't break out sooner.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). There's a revolution going on inside you. This is why you have less of an interest in external sources of entertainment. The changes are happening as they should. You're adjusting perfectly. Trust your natural process.

Answer to previous puzzle



VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). There are those close to you who would rather not face uncomfortable truths. Sensing where the sore spots are, you'll

tread lightly around those

areas. Why get into it?

Tomorrow's Horoscope

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You know bunk when you hear it. You don't have to call it out loud (and potentially hurt feelings), but you internally say, "That's not for me" -- and save yourself a lot of hassle in

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). People you haven't contacted in a long while will reach out to you -beautiful. It will help you see your life in the long view, which is a pretty interesting perspective, wouldn't you say?

the process.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Your father. That's where the day focuses. The things your dad did to influence you will be glaringly apparent, for better and for worse. For optimum results, see the "for better" part of it.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). It wouldn't hurt you to be a little less available to phone calls, emails and people wanting your attention in general. The thing that needs tending has to do with your inner dialogue.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Words, once they are printed, are more real than they were before. Therefore, if you want to make something real, print it out. Also, if

you don't want to make something real, don't write it down.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Bottom line: You have to recognize the opportunity when it's presented and take it. This is happening today. The rules are simple: Think about what's right, pay attention, and act.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY

(Feb. 15). Your life is your song, and this year you sing it out! Your commitment to live with integrity and not give in to peer pressure will form your experiences and make them great in the end. March is for money. May is for love. June is for study -- you need to learn skills that fit the current marketplace. Aries and Pisces people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 35, 2, 22, 29 and 1.

FORECAST FOR THE

WEEK AHEAD: Compared to the astrological calm of last week, this week is cosmically eventful. For starters, the new moon on February 18 will be a beacon of guidance and healing, as well as a signal to start the Chinese New Year celebration as the Year of the Sheep. Or is it the goat? Ram? Biologically, these creatures are not the same, but symbolically, they represent determination similar to that of the Earth sign Capricorn (a goat with the tail of a fish) and the fire sign

Aries (a ram). The Chinese connotation for the Year

of the Sheep has been a subject of interest lately, as some believe the herd mentality of the animal is an inauspicious omen for the year and those born in it. However, astrologically, this could not be further from the truth. Sheep, goats and the like do run in herds, but that does not make them individually weak. In fact, the Aries ram and Capricorn goat are among the strongest symbols of the zodiac, known for their individual tenacity and bravery. They belong to the group and draw from the group, and this makes them stronger as individuals. This is a year to affirm your affiliation with the "herd" you belong to, all the while asserting the individuality that makes your contribution unique.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Musical **Aquarius Amber Riley** auditioned for "American Idol," but was turned down by the show's producers, only to make her own way to stardom as the proud belter Mercedes Jones on the mega-hit television series "Glee." Riley was born when the moon was in Taurus, an astrological aspect not uncommon for stellar singers. Taurus rules the throat.

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ACROSS

- 1 Morning matchup
- 11 Household scrap, perhaps
- 15 It may make
- your face red 16 İnflexible one
- 17 Flat that needs
- changing? 18 Seagoer with a
- white eye patch
- 19 Not catch on
- **20** Clown character inspired by
- Chaplin 21 Big cheese
- 23 Compression letters
- 24 Evinced enthusiasm, with "up"
- 26 Israel Philharmonic's Music Director
- for Life 27 Presidents'
- subordinates 29 Diamond of minimal value
- **31** Security specialist, for short
- 32 Quickly heat up
- **34** Move a little, or move a lot 35 Paradise of a
- 1957 novel **36** Secondary
- entrance
- 39 Apply 41 Contest
- conclusion
- 42 Money-making machines
- **44** Perfect example 45 Place to order
- a wrap **46** Not easily broken
- **48** Melancholy
- feeling
- 51 "Don't Cry for Me Argentiná," e.g.
- 53 Hardly big pictures

- 55 Common 3 No-win situation
- competitiveeating fare 56 They might was a '71
 - be standing or marching
- 58 Chickamauga
- Dam operator
- **59** What's put into
- a washer
- 60 Hair extension? **61** It's made to
- take a spill
- 64 Fiat sister brand,
- for short
- 65 Object of
- preservation
- 66 Split
- 67 Blowout follower

DOWN

1 Gave a mighty

3

- blow
- 2 Handle a chopper

2

- 4 Double
- **5** Its first broadcast
- Senate hearing
- 6 Question
- **7** Made out
- 8 Rainbow fish **9** U. administration
- **10** Grunt of the past
- 11 Gave a mighty
- blow
- 12 Erosion concern 13 Site of the West Coast's
- first lighthouse **14** Social setting
- 22 New World 24 Sought
- 25 Mini often taken
- for a spin
- **28** Buff

6

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- 30 Big Four
- US bank 33 Where Perry
- Square is

8

- **36** Country
- 37 Conditionally out
- 38 Super Soaker
- brand 40 One of MGM's biggest names
- of the '20s
- **43** Crystal collection
- site **47** Candy heart line
- 49 Omitting mention, as in
- a contract 50 British Blend
- seller
- 52 Intimate **54** Stripping
- device

<u>11</u>

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- 57 Rescue org. 59 City where
- IBM developed the PC
- 62 "Take me out!"
- **63** Eight dashes: Abbr.

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Dog lovers all over world log in to watch Westminster show



FILE - This Feb. 11, 2014, file photo shows Matisse, a Portuguese water dog, competing in the working group during the Westminster Kennel Club dog show in New York. The Westminster Kennel Club show starts next week in New York and dog lovers all over the world can step right into the judging ring, thanks to the newest tech piece at America's top pooch pageant.



FILE Photo/AP

Swagger, an Old English Sheep Dog, is posed for photographs after winning the herding group during the Westminster Kennel Club dog show at Madison Square Garden in New York.

BY BEN WALKER

AP Sports Writer NEW YORK (AP) —

Macarena Robledo loves hounds. All of 'em, especially petit basset griffon Vendeens.

So she fully intends to plop down for a frontrow look Monday when the beagles, whippets and Plotts enter the judging ring at the Westminster Kennel Club dog show.

Her view comes with a nice summer breeze, too – from the garden at home in Rancagua, a copper mining city in central Chile.

Robledo and others around the globe will be watching thanks to new tech at America's top pooch pageant, Westminster app designed to give each of the 2,711 dogs its own

live shot. "You get the illusion that you are actually attending the show, even if you are miles away from it," she wrote by email. "In my case, it would imply an almost 12-hour flight that costs way more than the mobile app."

From a small island off the coast of Australia, to a hotel veranda overlooking the Pacific Ocean in Nicaragua to an accountant's office near the fjords of TV viewers in the early Norway, far-flung fans say they're planning to pay \$1.99 to virtually sit ringside.

Julia Thomas will be studying her smartphone while on vacation in Osaka, Japan.

"For as long as I can remember, it's been a tradition to watch the show with my family. I hope the new app helps us to keep the tradition alive, even when we're on opposite sides of the planet!" she wrote.

It's sure a long way from how things ran at the first Westminster show. That was in 1877, a year after Alexander Graham Bell was credited with inventing the

telephone.

Going into the 21st century, Westminster wanted to become more tech savvy.

"Our audience has always skewed relatively old," said David Frei, set to host Westminster telecast for the 26th time. "Our 2000s were in their mid-50s and gaining each

ensuing year." "With social media, understandably, our goal was to try to get younger. So we got into Facebook in 2010 and then Twitter when we could. That really took off," said Frei, who doubles as director of communications for the

WKC. Last year, the show added Instagram and hired a social media company to oversee its

online presence. Westminster said fans watched streaming video on its website last February from 168 countries, including Kenya,

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Libya and Uzbekistan. Overall, the site got 4 million hits. "We wanted

to broaden the umbrella of the sport of dogs," WKC President McCarthy Thursday. "Social media was a way to do that."

The best in show winner will be picked Tuesday night on the Network, with Portuguese

water dog and an old English sheepdog as the top contenders Madison Square Garden. CNBC televises the group judging Monday night.

For many fanciers, the chance watch any of the 192 breeds and varieties is the biggest draw of the app. Viewers switch between the nine judging rings to see, all

golden retrievers or the 15 boxers. There's no commentary, only dogs.

This is the third year of the Westminster app, the first time with a price tag. Along with better camera angles and enhanced coverage, there's a full show guide.

Be it a few blocks away at Columbus Circle or up near the Arctic Circle, dog lovers are eager to watch.

Iselin Wang plans to follow the Belgian Tervurens from her office chair in Bergen, Norway. The accountant admits she'll be "howling" if her favorite does well.

"My co-workers know how crazy I am about the fur-kids, so they will probably not even notice," she wrote.

nature-filled On Island in Phillip Australia, Tabitha Parfitt is ready to see the bloodhounds. They show at 8:30 a.m. Monday in New York — that's 12:30 a.m. Tuesday at her home, which she shares with six dogs.

"I will probably be glued to my screen surrounded by my pups in my lounge. By that time, the penguins will be in their nests, the wallabies will be out," she

Most recently from Palm Desert, California, Terry Robbins is now all set up at the Playa Roca Beach Hotel in Las Penitas, Nicaragua. She and her pals usually bring a big flat-screen TV onto the veranda for Westminster nights. This year, they might even watch the popular mockumentary "Best in Show" as a prelude.

Robbins said she's "getting to know" her new app as the show approaches.

"Being an expat, I find that these American events become much more special, or at least we make them more special. So we intend to try to watch the breed judging this year and the finals," she said. "We appreciate tech even more being away."

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Locusts on the menu at adventurous 'Game of Thrones' feast



In this image taken Thursday Feb. 12, 2015 Chef Jamie Hazeel prepares smoked eel for a Game of Thrones-themed banquet at Andaz Hotel, in London Thursday Feb. 12, 2015. The "All Men Must Dine" event features a feast inspired by the HBO fantasy series.

BY JILL LAWLESS

Associated Press LONDON (AP) — It takes a strong stomach to be a fan of "Game of

Thrones," a blood-

soaked saga set in a bru-

tal fantasy kingdom.

It also takes a strong imagination to design a mouth-watering menu based on the television show. Chef Jamie Hazeel has done it, and he says creating delicacies such

as traitor's tongue and smoked serpent was a challenge.

"Python is a bit of a tricky meat," Hazeel said, deftly slicing a long piece of pinkish flesh. "So we're using

smoked eel instead."

A temporary restaurant, punningly titled "All Men Must Dine," opens in London Friday to mark the DVD release of season four of the HBO series. Over three nights, fans chosen from 12,000 competition entrants will be served a 10-course meal in surroundings inspired by a council chamber at King's Landing, capital of the program's Seven Kingdoms.

Hazeel, co-owner of catering company The Wandering Chef, is also a fan, and has let his imagination run free for a menu that draws on medieval recipes and dishes mentioned in the TV series.

"Honeyed fowl is a big thing in the show, the taste of luxury," he said. "I wanted to recreate

what I thought the taste of honeyed fowl would be."

The result is honey and lemon-glazed quail, stuffed with apricots, almonds and sultanas, one of several dishes on the menu rich in fruits and spices. Other courses "may be slightly offputting to a modern audience," he admitted, including honey-fried locusts and a dish of poached calf tongue titled "the lies of Tyrion Lannister."

The dinner invitation warned that the meal is not suitable for vegetarians. No kidding. It's a riot of fish, flesh and fowl, including pigeon pie, a "dinosaur Scotch egg" — it's really from an emu, and enormous and a roast suckling

pig on a pyre. Dessert is bone-marcreme brulee, served in a real bone dripping with blood-red

"We wanted the food to be really theatrical," Hazeel said.

Based on novels by George R.R. Martin, "Game of Thrones" has won a coveted mix of fan adulation and critical praise with its blend of fantasy, realpolitik, violence and sex.

A marble-clad former Masonic temple incongruously located inside a Victorian-era London hotel — has been lit with candles and adorned with the flags of "Game of Thrones" Baratheon Lannister to serve the feast. Guests can also expect a knight, a contortionist, live music and a pair of wandering jesters singing a jaunty ditty titled "Incest is

Best." Feasts in the "Game of Thrones" universe don't always end well ,Äî as anyone who has seen the infamous "Red Wedding" episode can attest. But Lalie Jacout, Hazeel's business partner, says his guests have nothing to fear.

"We have a lot of surprises in store, but they will leave safely," she said.

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