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Man arrested for arson at scene of structure fire

Herald Staff Report

A 42-year-old man was arrested by Big Spring police Friday on a charge of arson after being found on the scene



Rodriguez

of a structure fire. According to Big Spring Police Sgt. Tony Everett, the Big Spring Fire Department was dispatched to a structure fire call at 5:45 a.m. Friday in at 1413 Wood St. "When fire personnel arrived it was found that a storage building behind the residence was fully engulfed," Everett said. "During the fire investigation, it was found that the person responsible for starting the fire was still on scene."

After speaking to Steven Rodriguez, police said he admitted to starting the fire which resulted in the damage to the property. "It was also found that Rodriguez had an active criminal trespass warning for 1413 Wood," Everett said. "When officers attempted to take Rodriguez into custody, he resisted their efforts. Rodriguez has been charged with arson, criminal trespass and resisting arrest."

HC enrollment numbers continues downward trend

Trustees to meet Monday

BY LYNDEL MOODY
 Staff Writer

Enrollment for Howard College continues to decline slightly across the district according to the Spring enrollment/contact hour report. "We are seeing about a three percent decrease across the district," said Dr. Cheryl Sparks, Howard College President. "If we include SWCID (SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf) into those numbers, we see about a 4 percent decrease." Howard College officials are expected to present a See, **HC**, Page 3A



DRA brings in Country Music stars for Funtastic Fourth



Tracy Lawrence

BY LYNDEL MOODY
 Staff Writer

Call it getting a little bit bigger and a little bit more country this year. OK, how about it's a whole lot bigger

with some big name country stars attached. Tracy Lawrence and Restless Heart will headline this year's Alon USA/7-11 annual Funtastic 4th Celebration

set for Saturday and Sunday, June 26th and June 27th. Lawrence has released nine studio albums in his long career in country music which has accounted for more than 30 singles on Billboard country music charts, eight of these have reached number one. Some of his top songs are "If the Good Die Young," "Texas Tornado," and "Time Marches On." Established in the 1980s, Restless Heart has had 26 singles enter the Billboard country charts with six number one hits. Some of their number one hits are "The Bluest Eyes in Texas," and "When She Cries." The annual Funtastic Fourth is organized by the Downtown Revitalization Association whose aim is to support downtown businesses and promote Big Spring as a tourist destination. Last year, more than 20,000 people attended the two-day festival which See, **DRA**, Page 3A

Candidate filing wrapped up Friday

Big Spring municipal positions draws only one contested race

By STEVE REAGAN
 Staff Writer

There will be a definite lack of contested city council races this year. At the close of the filing period Friday, city officials said only one of the three council seats up for election this year will be contested. That will be in District 2, where incumbent Carmen Harbour will square off against challenger Thomas Padilla. Harbour is seeking her second term on the city council. See, **CITY**, Page 3A

Coahoma City Council draws three-person race

Wallace stands as lone candidate for Mayor

Herald Staff Report

The race is on in the Coahoma municipal council race. Three people have filed to run in the May 9 election for two at-large spots on the Coahoma City Council. Incumbents Ronnie Dodson and Jay Holt are joined by Brandy Manning in the race. Current city Mayor Warren Wallace drew no opposition in his bid for another term as he is the lone candidate for the position. The official last day to file as a candidate in municipal and school board trustee races was Friday.

Big Spring, Coahoma ISD to hold trustee elections

BY LYNDEL MOODY
 Staff Writer

Last minute filings have assured at least two contested races for the May 9 election in the Big Spring and Coahoma ISD trustee positions. Kyle Carroll filed to run as a candidate for District 4 position on the Big Spring ISD board of trustees. He challenges incumbent Tony Kennedy, who announced in January he would seek another term. See, **TRUSTEE**, Page 3A



HC King and Queen

Howard College held homecoming activities Thursday night in front of a large crowd attending Hawk basketball in the Dorothy Garret Coliseum. Pictured are Homecoming Queen and King Corinna Liscano and Caleb Thompson. The night also included the last game of the year for the HC Lady Hawks. The men's team continues on to play in the Region V tournament.

(HERALD photo/Tommy Wells)



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Obituaries

Mary Ethel Pratt



Mary Ethel Pratt, 99, of Fort Worth, formerly of Big Spring, died Saturday, Feb. 21, 2015, in a Fort Worth nursing home. Grave-side funeral services will be held at 10 a.m., Tuesday, March 3, 2015, at the Peace Chapel at Trinity Memorial Park in Big Spring.

She was born Oct. 12, 1915, in Commerce, Texas, to Louis and Effie (Rainey) Pratt. She graduated from East Texas State Uni-

versity, now Texas A&M University in Commerce. She received her master's degree in education and taught first grade for 30 years, most of them in the Forsan ISD. She moved to Big Spring in 1956. She was a Baptist and a member of Alpha Chi.

She is survived by several nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by two brothers, John Pratt and Bill Pratt; and four sisters, Fama Sparkman, Patti Rogers, Pauline Flewharty and Wynelle McMillan.

The family requests that memorials be made to the Big Spring Humane Society, P.O. Box 823, Big Spring, Texas 79721.

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

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- STEVEN ANTHONY RODRIGUEZ, 42, of 1715 E. Hwy 350 was arrested on charges of arson of building/habitat/vehicle reckless damage, criminal trespass of property/building/aircraft/vehicle, and resist arrest/search/transport.
- EDUARDO GALLARDO JR., 28, of 1606 Canary St. was arrested on charges of driving while license suspended/invalid no insurance.
- RICKIE DELL HAIR, 41, of 1007 S. Nolan St. was arrested on charges of driving while license suspended/invalid with previous conviction.
- THEFT was reported in the 1700 block of E. 3rd St.
- SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY was reported in the 2300 block of S. Gregg St.
- MINOR ACCIDENT was reported in the 300 block of S. Owens St., the 900 block of E. 2nd St., the 2000 block of Alabama St., and the intersection of Tulane and South Service Rd.

- The Kiwanis Club of Big Spring will have its annual Pancake Supper March 13, from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., at the Howard College cafeteria. Cost is \$6 per person and proceeds go to fund club projects throughout the year. For more information, call 432-270-2218.

- All Coahoma school graduates are invited to join the Coahoma Alumni Association in planning this summer's All School Reunion at a meeting to be held at 6 p.m. Tuesday in the Coahoma Community Center. Light snacks will be available. The All-School CHS Reunion date has been scheduled for Saturday, July 25, 2015. This year's focus will be on recognizing and honoring Coahoma ISD teachers from throughout the years.

- In honor of Texas Independence Day, members of the Texas Nationalist Movement will read the Texas Declaration of Independence and William B. Travis' "Victory or Death" letter of appeal for the Alamo on the east lawn of the Howard County Courthouse by the War Monument. The event will be held Sat-

urday, March 7, from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Texas Independence Day is Monday, March 2.

- 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.

- 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

Icy road conditions...



Courtesy Photo

A vehicle rolled over Friday afternoon at the intersection of Tulane and Frontage Road. More information about the incident was not available by press time.

Support Groups

MONDAY

- VA Alcoholics Anonymous support group, 7-8 p.m., Veterans Healing Center.

- Reformers Unanimous International is a faith-based addictions program helping people find freedom from addiction. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Mondays at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Enter at the main entrance of the church.

- SteppingStone Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at Spring Town Plaza (inside the mall, across from the movie box office, next to Sears).

Open meeting at 7 p.m.

TUESDAY

- Big Spring and Snyder Parkinsons Support Group meeting at the Big Spring Senior Center at 10:30 a.m. the second Tuesday of the month.

This is a group for all Parkinson's disease patients, spouses and caregivers.

For more information about the support group or about Parkinson's Disease, contact Jo Bidwell at the Lubbock APDA office at 806-785-0942.

- VA Alcoholics Anonymous support group, 7:30-8:30 p.m., Veterans Healing Center.

- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; closed discussion meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

- Al-Anon, 615 Settles for family members and friends of alcoholics meets at 8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

- RSD (Reflex Symptomatic Dystrophy, a chronic pain disease), a new support and informative group meets at 213 Circle. Call Lucy at (432) 517-9207 for more information.

- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; open 12 & 12 study meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

THURSDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, open discussion noon to 1 p.m.; women's meeting; 6:30 until 7:30 p.m. Non-smoking closed discussion meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

- Spring Tabernacle Ministries has a faith-based support group for those who need help finding and continuing to walk down the path God has for each of us. Meetings are at 11 a.m. until noon and again at 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.. The classes take place at Spring Tabernacle Ministries, located at 1209 Wright St.

Local 5-Day Forecast

Sat 2/28	Sun 3/1	Mon 3/2	Tue 3/3	Wed 3/4
31/25 Cloudy with snow showers mainly during the morning. High 31F.	52/43 Mix of rain and ice in the morning.	72/44 Morning clouds followed by afternoon sun.	66/52 Chance of showers. Highs in the mid 60s and lows in the low 50s.	75/45 Windy with times of sun and clouds.
Sunrise: 7:16 AM Sunset: 6:41 PM	Sunrise: 7:15 AM Sunset: 6:42 PM	Sunrise: 7:13 AM Sunset: 6:43 PM	Sunrise: 7:12 AM Sunset: 6:44 PM	Sunrise: 7:11 AM Sunset: 6:44 PM

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BSISD's Rodriguez named President-elect of MASBA

Irene Galan-Rodriguez of Big Spring was named president-elect of the Mexican American School Board Members Association following officer elections held late last January.

Rodriguez is a member of the Big Spring Independent School District and has served in that position for more than 20 years. Also during her lengthy tenure, she has served as board president several times.

The Mexican-American School



GALAN-RODRIGUEZ

Board Members Association (MASBA) consists of members who serve on Texas school district board members that pool resources to find solutions, discuss legislature and current affairs as it relates to education and the Mexican-American culture. MASBA holds a conference each January for Texas school board members to discuss challenges and find ways to school board districts as a whole, or as individuals, to present, discuss, promote the advancement and relevance of the Mexican-American culture in public education as it impacts your local school operations and administrative growth.

CITY

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"I had a lot of constituents contacting me, wanting me to run again," Harbour said. "I hadn't intended on running again ... but we're starting to build a better Big Spring, and I want to be part of that. I feel there's a lot we've accomplished, but there's a lot more to do, and I want to see this through."

Padilla, who is retired from Oncor, said he is running for the council to "give back" to the community.

"I am retired and I thought maybe I can give back something to the community," Padilla said. "I've lived here most of my life and I think its time to do something."

The other two council seats up for election this year, Districts 4 and 6,

each had one candidate file, officials said.

Steve Waggoner, a retired educator, is seeking the District 4 seat vacated by Bobby McDonald. Waggoner spent a large part of his career in the Big Spring ISD school district. He served as an instructor in the district band program and 14 years at the administration level as principal first at Kentwood Elementary, then at Anderson Kindergarten and finally ending his career at Washington Elementary.

In District 6, Jim DePauw, a certified public accountant, has announced his candidacy to succeed Marvin Boyd, who announced he would not seek a second term.

Contact Staff Writer Steve Reagan at 263-7331 ext. 234 or by e-mail at reporter@bigspringherald.com

HC

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full report to college trustees when they meet Monday for their monthly meeting. The college district which includes the main campus in Big Spring plus sites at Lamesa and San Angelo has seen enrollment trending downward for several years after record highs right after the

years when the U.S. economy tanked in 2008.

"Traditionally, community college's enrollment is tied to health of the local economy," Sparks said. "If the economy is in down turn then you begin to see increases in student enrollment."

Trustees will meet at 12:30 p.m. in the Tumbleweed Room located in the college's Student Union Building, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

Also on the agenda: trustees will consider:

- A resolution to the Dora Roberts Foundation.
- Financial and personal matters.
- Catalog and handbook changes.



DRA

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included not only musical talent on stage, but vendors from around the area, games for children and many more activities. During the two days, the city closes down several downtown streets off from vehicle traffic for the event.

Currently the group is seeking sponsors, vendors and volunteers to help pull off the two-

day festival. According to Allan Johnson of the DRA, vendor space is going quickly. To sign up, visit the DRA website www.bigspringdra.

For more information, contact Christy Broman, 432-466-2268, Ida Chavire 915-613-9357 or Allan Johnson 432-267-6278.

The schedule of events for bands are:

- Friday
- Opening ceremonies at 5:30 p.m.
 - Sam Riggs at 6 p.m.
 - Highway Run at 7:30 p.m.

- Curtis Grimes at 9 p.m.
- Tracy Lawrence at 10:30 p.m.
- Saturday
- A military tribute at 5:30 p.m.
- Jody Nix at 6 p.m.
- Corey Michael at 7:15 p.m.
- Mark McKinney at 8:45 p.m.
- Restless Heart at 10:30 p.m.

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

TRUSTEE

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Kennedy has served on the board since 2003.

In the District 2 race, Maria Padilla looks to be returning as a trustee as she is the only candidate to file for this position. The current representative Pat DeAnda opted not to seek another term.

Interest in the Coahoma ISD race picked up quickly in the last few days before the filing deadline on Friday

as five candidates have tossed their hat into the race. Incumbents Jody Ried, Brian Moore and Alan Wright are joined by Melissa Sanchez and Dicky Stone in a race to fill three at-large spots on the Coahoma ISD board of trustees.

It looks as if Forsan ISD can skip this election cycle as only incumbents Lewis Boeker and Chris Olsen have filed

paperwork to seek an additional term.

Early voting for the May 9 election will begin April 27.

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Marmaduke still doing new tricks

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DAILY PRAYER

May we remain diligent about reading Your word, Lord, for our life.

Amen

Brad Anderson of Montgomery started drawing the cartoon Marmaduke in 1954. “It has been syndicated for over 60 years in nearly 600 newspapers around the world,” says Brad, who has been cartooning all his life and has won numerous awards for his work. His mother told him his first word was “pencil.” “I wanted a pencil so I could draw a picture of a truck. I went outside to the sidewalk and tried to draw a truck on it. But the lead wore out so fast on the pencil I couldn’t finish the drawing.”



TUMBLEWEED SMITH

He sold his first cartoon to a model airplane magazine called “Flying Aces” when he was a teenager. He had planned to buy a car with the income he was expecting from the magazine. “They ran two of my cartoons and paid me three dollars apiece for them. At least I could take a date for hamburgers and malts.”

Soon he was getting \$25 for each cartoon. That was a lot of money back in the late 1930s. While serving in the Navy he

earned a reputation as someone who could draw a humorous poster. He enjoyed that and felt encouraged that people got a kick out of his work. After serving in the Navy he attended Syracuse University where he studied industrial design. He then started selling his cartoons to magazines in New York City. The subject matter covered nearly everything.

“The guys at the post office got to know me because I would bring in these big envelopes with cartoons in them and mail them to ‘Saturday Evening Post,’ ‘Collier’s,’ ‘True Magazine’ and others. Soon I was getting \$250 for each cartoon. Then I got a contract with ‘Saturday Evening Post.’ One day they sent me a letter saying they were going to hand out 10 contracts and they wanted me to have one of them. I had to send them a batch of cartoons every week and they paid me even if they didn’t use any. They usually used a few of them. It was worth a bunch of money.”

Brad grew up near Buffalo, N.Y. and spent most of his adult life in California. He moved to Montgomery, Texas in 1992. He got the idea for Marmaduke from a gag writer friend who wrote funny things about dogs. He patterned Marmaduke after

his puppy, a Great Dane. The name came from an early cartoon mouse that was called Marmaduke.

“I can’t give up the cartoon,” says Brad. “I’m 90 years old and still like to come up with ideas and do sketches. So I lay out Sunday pages and dailies. I do a panel cartoon six days a week and a strip for Sunday. And every Sunday I have what’s called ‘Doggone Funny.’ I had so many people writing me letters telling about their dogs I thought I should share some of those with readers. It’s amazing how people respond to that Marmaduke cartoon.”

A 3-D digital movie titled “Marmaduke” came out two years ago.

“They tell me at Universal Syndicate that we’ve held our numbers. We haven’t had the cancelations we were expecting. We’re doing very well. Let me put it that way.”

Brad Anderson’s son is helping his dad and making sure the cartoon continues.

Tumbleweed Smith is a speaker, writer, broadcaster, oral historian, humorist, folklorist and loves to hear how Texans enjoy themselves. Contact him at ts@tumbleweedsmith.com

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Please fix senior center

To the Editor:

So, now our Senior Center is moving to the Dora Roberts Community Center because it is \$36,000 in the hole for last year?

If one of our ball fields was \$36,000 in the red, the city would already be soliciting estimates for improvements to make it more attractive. Senior centers are not intended to be money making investments. Their purpose is to provide places older people can meet to enjoy activities.

Fix our Center and leave it where it is!

Juana Rocha
Big Spring

Is Big Spring a retirement community?

To the Editor:

See **LETTERS**, Page 5A

You can always tell a Texan

Who could have guessed that cruise ships might be largely responsible for restoring Texans’ longstanding boasts? Our superiority claims haven’t been the same since Alaska became a state in 1959.

Upon becoming the 49th state, Alaskans seized “bragging rights” on biggest/tallest/grandest topics formerly claimed by Texans. We may also have been loudest, too — some contend we still are — but the enormity of “things Alaskan” has reduced our boasts to a wheeze.

After all, whimpering about how we’d take over top spots again when Alaska had a big thaw has a “broken record” sound after a few years. Seems like Texans’ post-Alaska claims have been ever-dwindling-too often qualified by the word “IF” — as boasts spiral downward.

We aren’t there yet, but advancing to a number two position means we’re back in the race. We should think like Avis Rent-A-Car, which says as No. 2, it tries harder. How about Pet Milk’s claim that their cows are NOT contented but always “striving to do better?” (Carnation says its milk is from contented cows.)

Galvestonians have had pedal to the metal-uh, maybe prop to the brine-since scheduled cruising began with Carnival’s Celebration’s arrival in 2000. So, we have them to thank for the port’s ascent to #2 in boardings-second only to Miami-of CCL’s 11 year-round home ports.

Auto speedsters brag of “zero to 60” in warp speed; Galveston can emphasize Carnival’s “zero to 2nd” in 15 years!

Galveston has always had plenty of water, but it took a while to gain a foothold in the cruise industry—until Carnival came calling in 2000, that is.

With numerous land attractions to offer visitors, Galveston has multiple reasons for storybook success, and has set new boarding records set annually.

Thanks to the arrival of the Freedom this month, Galveston is now home to a trio of Carnival vessels, including the Magic and the Triumph. More than 600,000 cruise vacationers will board CCL vessels in Galveston this year — more than five times the 2000 number.

The Freedom’s maiden voyage was a red, white and blue extravaganza. In cooperation with “Operation Homefront,” Carnival welcomed several hundred military personnel and their families for an overnight event on board the vessel which has undergone a \$70 million upgrade. Featured were numerous activities, including a performance by country music superstar Martina McBride.

At concert’s end, CCL presented a \$100,000 check to “Operation Homefront,” a volunteer organization that aids military families.

While cruise ships offer wall-to-wall entertainment and activities, I’m always intrigued by “regular people” with stories to tell and/or talents to share.

I was struck by a Washington state party of 12. Of the dozen, 10 were family, including two sisters, three brothers and their spouses. Several of them hung out many afternoons to play their ukuleles.

They claim to be “ordinary”

musicians who simply love to play. Still, folks stopped by — some requesting songs from a small hymnal.

It was their second cruise to bring ukuleles along for impromptu sessions.

A new initiative — Camp Ocean — is offered for children ages 2-11, and trappings of Dr. Seuss abound. A parade featured several dozen pre-schoolers marching the length of the ship with assorted bells and whistles.

Parents who might have snagged the “instruments” from them at home eagerly watched, offering, “That’s my boy,” or, “That’s my girl” brags.

On the final sea day, they joined 300 children for breakfasts of green eggs and ham, ordered from clever menus written rhyme-like by an aficionado of the good doctor. Throughout the week, Seuss characters — The Cat in the Hat, Sam I Am, Thing One and Thing Two — were on hand for photographs. The Cat had the hardest time. His hat spanned nearly half of the character’s almost 10-foot height, necessitating knee-bending through most doorways.

Always welcome are the smiles and helpful countenance of ship personnel who hail from throughout the world. They are genuinely happy to be there, and so are we.

City leaders claim Galveston to be in its “second golden era.”

We should be grateful that the horrific flood of 1900 and the ravages of Hurricane Ike in 2008 didn’t cause them to throw in towels. And that Carnival took a chance on Texans.

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LETTERS

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More than a place to eat

To the Editor:
Just saw a story about the city of Midland planning to spend \$400,000 for brush removal because of the damage caused by ice. The city of Big Spring complains that the Senior Center was \$36,000 in the red last year, so they plan to move it to another location.

Nobody likes to lose money. Maybe the city should re-think their management strategy, compare costs of repair and relocation and weigh the benefits of each before making a decision. Does anyone in City Hall actually know what a Senior Center does or what its purpose is? Or do they all think it is just a place for old people to eat?

**Anita Morris
Big Spring**

You'll be a senior someday

To the Editor:
This is in regard to the Big Spring Senior Center move and the activities that are held there or once were available.

Many changes have taken place over the years. Attendance has dropped, activities have been eliminated — such as line dancing — pool tables have been removed, exercise equipment put away, TV out of sight. Many of these things were donated. Where are they?

Now, the ones responsible want to make changes for the Friday night dances. They have been held there for many, many years. You cannot get a band to play at the drop of a hat. Every dancer pays to get in; do all the people who eat pay?

If the city wants Big Spring to be a retirement community, there must be things for the retired people to do.

Yes, the aquatic center has been built, but it's use is limited to the summer months — unless you have a wet suit. How much did this cost?

People come to the dances from surrounding towns. When they come, they patronize local businesses, grocery stores, eating establishments and gas stations. This is on a regular basis — weekly.

Doctors recommend dancing to get exercise and for socializing. Both have health benefits.

Seniors pay taxes, and have for

years, and spend their money at home. Some are unable to drive to nearby towns. Some day, the ones who make the decisions may not be able to go out of town for their supplies and entertainment.

Think of the future: Someday, you will be a senior citizen and want something to do and a place to go for entertainment.

Wake up before it is too late. The next step is they will probably want to take is to close the center.

**May Ann Fincher
Coahoma**

A traffic nightmare

To the Editor:
Just wondering if our city or Tx-DOT might have a plan to help the traffic on Highway 87 south (Gregg Street) between Walmart and McDonald's? Traffic there at certain times of the day is really dangerous and now there will be even more visitors in the new strip mall area on this stretch of road.

The main problem is allowing cars to turn south when they come out of the west side of Walmart ... We live south of town and never turn south from this area because of safety concerns.

I'm no expert in traffic issues, but I do drive this way daily. It seems the best thing to do is place an angled curb on the west side of Walmart that blocks traffic from pulling out onto Gregg and heading south. I think it would still be OK to enter from the west side and exit going north, but the south exit needs to be stopped.

A well-placed angled curb would go a long way to making this area safer. If you make the curb angled toward the north when you come out the west side, it would force traffic back toward town (north) — place a sign there indicating "right turn only," and with the curb there, a left turn would not be possible without driving over the angled curb.

I realize that the reliever route will help ease some of the truck traffic in this area, but we are probably a year or so away from completion, and even then, turning left there is still going to cause issues.

Like I said, I'm no expert, but I can certainly see a way to make the area safer. Yes, it takes a little extra time to exit from the east side of Walmart and go back around through the lights, but to me, it's worth it until a safer alternative is found.

**Delynda Reed
Big Spring**

Fun at the Lake this Spring Break

Lake Colorado City will the site of two educational classes held during area school Spring Break vacations.

Geocaching 101, Saturday, March 7

Geocaching 101 is a basic introduction to geocaching. The class provides preset GPS units and is geared to families. The program is offered in the morning, from 10 a.m. until noon, and in the afternoon, from 1 p.m. until 3 p.m.

Basic Photography, Saturday, March 14

With the assistance of Lulu Boyd Photography, this course will

cover basics of aperture, shutter speed, and ISO and go over how they can affect the quality of a photograph. The course will also provide helpful tips on capturing a landscape, portrait, or action and during the class participants will have a chance to enjoy a short trip outdoors to practice photography in nature. The class will held from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Class size is limited for both courses, so please call the park to make a reservation, 325-728-3931. There is no cost for either pro-



gram however you will still need to pay daily entrance fees of \$4 per adult and children 12 younger are free. If you have a valid Texas State Park Pass there is no charge.

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Labs extend record as US top dog, but bulldogs make waves

BY JENNIFER PELTZ

Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — America's fondness for Labrador retrievers is still setting records, but bulldogs are breaking new ground.

Labs reigned as the nation's top dog last year for the 24th year after breaking poodles'

decades-old record in 2013, according to American Kennel Club rankings set to be released Thursday. But bulldogs have hit a new high — No. 4 — and their bat-eared cousins, French bulldogs, sauntered into the top 10 for the first time in nearly a century.

German shepherds, golden retrievers and beagles are holding their own in the top five, with Yorkshire terriers, poodles, boxers and Rottweilers filling out the top 10. Dachshunds slipped from 10th to 11th.

Bulldogs' rise is no surprise to fans who



AP Photos

At top, Four Labrador retrievers line up for a photograph with their handlers before entering the ring for competition at the Westminster Kennel Club dog show at Madison Square Garden in New York. At right, a bulldog named Munch, left, and a puppy named Dominique attend a news conference at the American Kennel Club in New York.



1910s, but their prevalence later waned. Then appearances in movies, TV shows and advertising raised their profile in recent years.

Labrador retrievers hit the top 10 in the 1970s and haven't left since.

Originally bred to fetch game, Labs have proven able and willing to play virtually any canine role: search-and-rescue and police work, agility and other dog sports, guide and therapy dog work, and sensitive family companion. Breeder Micki Beerman recalls one of her Labs winning over a hesitant child by gradually moving closer, until the child began to pet the dog.

"They're just very intuitive," said

Beerman, of Brooklyn. "They kind of know when you need them."

The AKC doesn't release raw numbers, only rankings. They reflect puppies and other newly registered dogs.

Dog breeding draws criticism from animal-rights activists who feel it ends up fueling puppy mills, siphons attention from mixed-breed dogs that need homes and sometimes propagates unhealthy traits.

The AKC says that its breed standards and recommended health testing help responsible people breed healthy dogs and that knowing breed characteristics helps owners choose a pet that's right for them.



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Lady Hawks claim 4 wins in Weatherford

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor
The Howard College Lady Hawks' women's softball team continued its hot start to the 2015 season this past weekend with a stellar showing at the Weatherford College Classic. The HC women won the tournament by posting a 4-0 mark in the two-day event.
With the four wins, Howard College rolls into the start of Western Junior College Ath-

letic Conference play sporting a 17-2 record.

The Lady Hawks tipped off play in the Weatherford College Classic on Feb. 20 by claiming a narrow win over Neosho County Community College. HC claimed a 4-2 win over NCCC.

Following their win over Neosho County CC, the Howard women posted back-to-back win over Paris Junior College. They won the first game by a 5-3 margin, and the took a 4-2

decision in the second match.

The Lady Hawks closed out the tournament with a huge win over Trinity Valley Community College on Feb. 21. The HC bats pounded out a 9-4 victory.

Howard College is scheduled to begin WJCAC play on March 6 when they host the Frank Phillips College Lady Plainsmen in a doubleheader at Foundation Field. The contests will start an 8-game home stand.

Weather forces Hawks to postpone WJCAC opener

Inclement weather over the weekend forced the Howard College Hawks baseball team to delay the start of the Western Junior College Athletic Conference season by a few days. The Hawks were scheduled

to play Luna Community College in a doubleheader on Feb. 29 at Jack Barber Field.

The Hawks, who split a pair of games with McLennan last weekend, will host Frank Phillips on March 6.

Godwin K's 13 in win over Caprock

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor
The only thing cooling off more things in West Texas over the past few days more than Old Man Winter was the right arm of Big Spring pitcher Anthony Godwin.

The BSHS junior struck out a season-high 13 batters en route to tossing a complete game shutout. His effort led the Steers to a 5-0 victory over Amarillo Caprock in the first game of the weather-shortened Wood Bat Classic in Pecos.

Inclement weather forced tournament officials to scratch much of the rest of the tournament. According to BSHS head coach Jeff Lane, officials were working early Saturday morning to make the field playable.

Big Spring, 1-2 overall, jumped on top of Caprock early. The Steers gave Godwin all the run support he would need by scratching out a run in the top of the first.

The Steers stretched their lead to 4-0 in the top of the fifth by reeling off three runs.

As a team, Big Spring collected nine hits in the contest, including two apiece from Godwin and Garrett Wigginton.

In addition to starring on the mound, Godwin had two hits and drove in a pair of runs. Brycen Kiker and Gary Watkins also drove in runs for the Steers.

Grady, Sands notch key playoff wins

The Grady Wildcats and Sands Mustangs both posted playoff victories in Class A basketball action.

Grady, sparked by 16 three-point shots, rolled to an 89-65 victory over Wink in an area playoff game held in Andrews on Thursday.

With the victory, the fourth-ranked Wildcats will now advance to face Borden County on Tuesday, in Lamesa, in the regional quarterfinals.

Sands also walked away with a key win on Thursday, downing Rankin, 67-56.

Sands will play Ira on Tuesday in Post.



Tony Claxton photo (www.claxtonphotography.com)

Howard College Hawks' head coach Scott Raines talks to his team during a time out in their game against Western Texas on Thursday. The HC men lost a coin-flip with South Plains on Friday to determine the top seed in the upcoming Region V Basketball Tournament in Brownwood. The Hawks, 22-7 overall, will be the No. 2 seed in the WJCAC.

Hawks lose coin flip, get No.2 seed at Region V tournament

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

The South Plains College Texans won a coin flip on Friday morning and earned the right to represent the Western Junior College Athletic Conference as the No. 1 seed at the upcoming Region V Basketball Tournament.

The bad news, if there is any, is that the Howard College Hawks will be the No. 2 seed.

After tying for the WJCAC championship on Thursday, South Plains and Howard College needed a coin toss to determine the seeding arrangement for the next weekend's tournament at the Brownwood Coliseum. Despite the coin-toss decision, South Plains and Howard College will share the conference championship honors with identical 11-3 marks.

With the flip, Howard College will begin the Region V tournament on Thursday afternoon against Weatherford College, beginning at 5 p.m. Weatherford, 19-11, enters into the tournament as the No. 3 seed from the North Texas Junior College Athletic Conference.

The Coyotes finished 7-5 in NTJCAC play.

Howard College goes into the tournament at 22-7.

HC head coach Scott Raines said his team wasn't overly concerned with the results of the coin toss, saying they were more interested in beginning preparations for a

Region V Tournament

**2015 Region V Basketball Tournament
March 4-7 at the Brownwood Coliseum**

**Men's Division
March 5**

South Plains vs. Temple College, noon
McLennan vs. Weatherford, 2 p.m.
Odessa vs. Hill, 5 p.m.
Hill vs. New Mexico Military Institute, 7 p.m.

March 6

SPC-Temple winner vs. McLennan-NMJC winner, 5 p.m.
Howard-Weatherford winner vs. Hill-NMJC winner, 7 p.m.

**March 7
Championship**

Finals to start at 4:30 p.m.

**Women's Division
March 4**

New Mexico JC vs. Weatherford, noon
Temple vs. Midland, 2 p.m.
Odessa vs. Hill, 5 p.m.
Collin CCC vs. *TBA, 7 p.m.

March 6

NMJC-Weatherford vs. Temple-Midland, noon
Odessa-Hill vs. Collin CCC-*TBA, 2 p.m.

**March 7
Championship**

Finals to start at 2 p.m.
* Frank Phillips and Western Texas are scheduled to hold a play-in game to determine the No. 4 seed from the WJCAC conference.

tough tournament.

"It's much more balanced than last year," said Raines. "Hill and McLennan are both good, and I think our four teams are pretty close. Really, I think the team that goes in

and gets a little momentum can go all the way."

"Records and rankings don't really mean that much now," he said. "Playoff basketball does funny things to teams," he said. "Everyone is hoping to take it to the next level. I think we have another level in us, so we just want to go out and play our game, regardless of who we draw."

South Plains College, which was ranked No. 25 in the latest NJCAA Division I basketball rankings, will take a 23-6 record into their first-round showdown against the Temple College Leopards.

Temple, despite a 111-76 win over ranger College on Wednesday, comes in at 20-10 and as the NTJCAC's No. 4 seed.

Other first-round matchups in the men's bracket will be McLennan Community College and New Mexico Junior College at 2 p.m. and No. 3-ranked Hill College and New Mexico Military Institute at 7 p.m.

The winner of the South Plains-Temple match-up will advance to the tournament semifinals on Friday to face either McLennan or NMJC at 5 p.m., while the winner of the Howard-Weatherford matchup will meet either Hill or NMMI on Friday at 7 p.m.

NMJC and Collin County highlight the women's bracket, which gets under way on March 4. The NMJC Lady Thunderbirds enter the Region V tournament as the WJCAC's top seed after finishing the regular season at 25-2.

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Pride of the Hawks ...

The Howard College cheerleading squad performed at the men's and women's basketball games all season. Members of the HC squad are from left Alyssa Williams, Jahnia Willard, Shelby Georgi, Hector Diaz and Ruth Pena.

REGION V

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NMJC will face Weatherford College in its opener, beginning at noon.
Collin County, which won the NTJCAC crown

with a 22-6 mark, will face either Frank Phillips or Western Texas in its first-round matchup.

Frank Phillips, 20-9, and Western College, 14-13, were scheduled to play a "play-in" game this weekend to determine the fourth-place

seed in the WJCAC. Both teams finished their conference schedules with 6-8 marks.

Other first-round games in the women's bracket include Temple facing Midland, and Odessa College meeting Hill College.

The winners of the men's and women's tournaments will advance to the national JUCO tournament. The women's national tournament will be held in Salina, Ks., while the men's event will be held in Hutchinson, Ks.

Lack of snow, warm weather plague Iditarod

FAIRBANKS, Alaska (AP) — Warm weather continues to play havoc for organizers of the world's most famous sled dog race.

A lack of snow in the greater Anchorage area already has forced the official start of the Iditarod Trail Sled Dog race to move 225 miles north from Willow to Fairbanks.

The ceremonial start of the race is still planned March 7 in Anchorage.

The plan in Fairbanks is to have the mushers start the race March 9 on the Chena River ice at Pike's Landing. From there, mushers would travel a few miles to the confluence with the Tanana River, which will become the mushers' main route for the new few hundred miles, the Fairbanks Daily News-Miner reported (<http://is.gd/DUuOM7>).

However, a string of days with temperatures hovering near the freezing mark has cast doubts that the Chena River ice could handle the weight of the mushers, dog teams and volunteers needed for the start.

If the warm temperatures continue, organizers will come up with a

Plan B. It will keep the official start in Fairbanks, but move it to land. Competitors will mush over trails until they reach the Tanana River.

"We're not hearing good things about what the river looks like today," Iditarod Chief Executive Officer Stan Hooley said. "I don't want to divert too much attention from Plan A here, but I also don't want us to be naive about what's happening out there."

Fairbanks organizer Howie Thies is confident the Chena River will be ready for the race.

"You never can tell what's going to happen in Fairbanks ... but I think we're fine," Thies said.

Volunteers spent much of the last week flooding water on top of the existing ice to shore up thickness. But that work was temporarily stopped with temperatures near the freezing mark. Thies said the flooding technique best works when the temperature is between 0 and 10 degrees.

Thies remains optimistic the ice will be ready for the start, though organizers continue to work on the backup plan.



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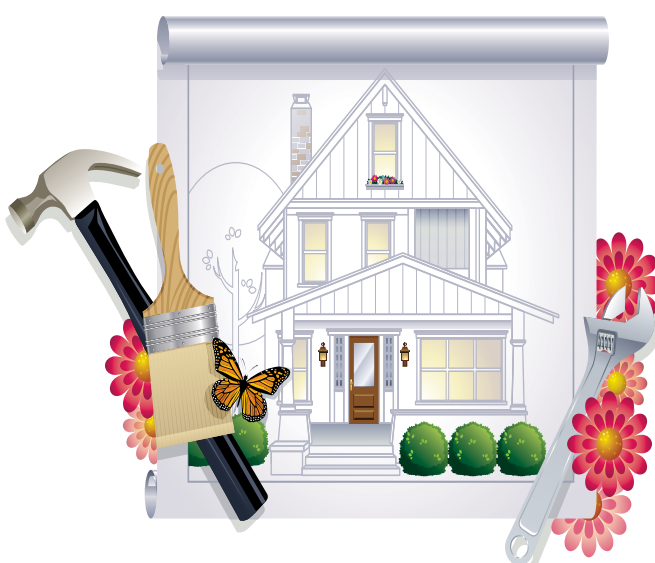
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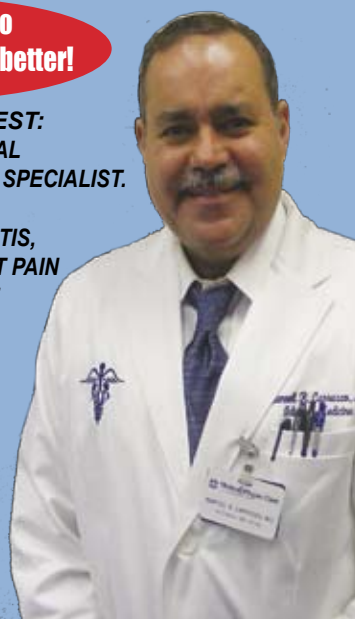
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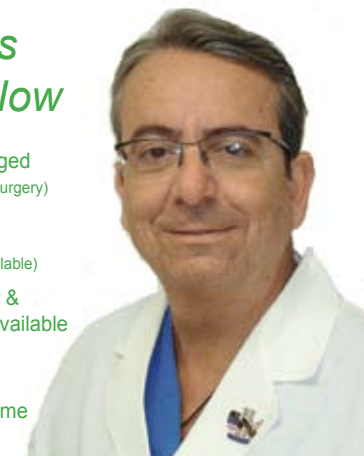
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- 2 eggs
- 1 1/4 cups buttermilk

Preheat oven to 350°F. Mix flour, sugar, baking powder, baking soda, salt and seasonings in large bowl. Stir in cheese. Set aside. Mix eggs and buttermilk in medium bowl. Add to dry ingredients; stir until well blended. Spread in lightly grease 9-inch round cake pan.

Bake 30–40 minutes or until toothpick inserted in center comes out clean. Cool in pan on wire rack 10 minutes. Remove from pan. Cool completely on wire rack.

Tip: Make muffins instead of bread. Prepare dough as directed and divide among 12 greased muffin cups. Bake 20–25 minutes or until toothpick inserted in center comes out clean.

Slow Cooker Corned Beef and Cabbage

Prep time: 10 minutes
Cook time: 8 hours
Servings: 12

- 8 small red potatoes
- 2 cups baby carrots
- 1 small onion, quartered
- 1 corned beef brisket (4 pounds), rinsed and trimmed
- 2 tablespoons McCormick Mixed Pickling Spice
- 1 teaspoon McCormick Minced Garlic
- 1/2 head cabbage, cored and cut into wedges

Place potatoes, carrots and onion in slow cooker. Place corned beef brisket over vegetables. Sprinkle with pickling spice and minced garlic. Add enough water (about 8 cups) to just cover meat. Cover.

Cook 7 hours on high. Add cabbage. Cover. Cook 1–2 hours on high or until cabbage is tender-crisp.

Remove corned beef brisket to serving platter. Slice thinly across grain. Serve with vegetables.

Tip: For best results, do not remove cover while cooking in slow cooker.

Mint Chocolate Chip Cookies

Prep time: 15 minutes
Cook time: 10 minutes
Servings: 3 dozen, or 36 (1 cookie) servings

- 2 1/2 cups flour
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 cup (2 sticks) butter, softened
- 1 1/4 cups sugar
- 2 eggs
- 1–1 1/2 teaspoons McCormick Green Food Color
- 1 teaspoon McCormick Pure Peppermint Extract
- 1 1/2 cups semi-sweet chocolate chips

Preheat oven to 375°F. Mix flour, baking soda and salt in medium bowl. Set aside. Beat butter and sugar in large bowl with electric mixer on medium speed until light and fluffy. Add eggs, food color and peppermint extract; mix well. Gradually beat in flour mixture on low speed until well mixed. Stir in chocolate chips.

Drop by heaping tablespoons about 2 inches apart onto ungreased baking sheets.

Bake 10–12 minutes or until edges are lightly browned. Cool on baking sheets 1 minute. Remove to wire racks; cool completely.



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Club news



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Pictured from left are Rainbow for Girls Lacy Clark-Chaplain, Dee Dee Villalobos-Charity, Elizabeth Dunlap-Worthy Adviser, Mrs. Eunice Thixton-Mother Adviser, and Bianca Villalobos-Drill Leader.

Rainbow For Girls No. 60

The Big Spring Order of the Rainbow for Girls No. 60 held a Tea and Open Installation of officers and board members at 2 p.m. Sunday, at the Masonic Hall, 219 Main Street.

Officers installed were Elizabeth Dunlap - Worthy Adviser, Dee Dee Villalobos - Charity, Lacy Clark - Chaplain, Bianca Villalobos - Drill Leader, and Mrs. Eunice Thixton - Mother Adviser.

Board Members installed were, Mr. Howard Stewart-Chairman, Mrs. Vicki Stewart, Mr. Valcee Cox, Mrs. Betty Cox, Mr. Randy Ruth, Mrs. Samantha Ruth, Mrs. Barbara Russell, Mrs. Erica Marques, and Mrs. Susan Dormady. All were installed by Mrs. Marlene Dibrell, PSI-House of Gold, International Order of the Rainbow For Girls and by Mrs. Joanne Weaver, Supreme Deputy.

Big Spring Order of the Rainbow for Girls No. 60 meets the second and fourth Tuesday night of each month, from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. Girls participating range in age of 11 to 21, and may petition to join. Rainbow Pledges are girls ages 7 to 11 that want to become Rainbow Girls. They meet on the second

Tuesday of each month from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. Mrs. Samantha Ruth is the pledge adviser. For more information or if interested in joining, please call Howard Stewart at 432-935-0582.

Capt. Elisha Mack Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution

The Capt. Elisha Mack Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution, met on Feb. 14, 2015, at 11:30 a.m. at the Big Spring County Club with Regent Hollis McCright presiding. Hostess Regent Hollis McCright decorated the tables in a red and white St. Valentine's Day theme.

Sue Ann Damron presented the program - DVF Encampment at Valley Forge which gave interesting historical insight into the many sacrifices, diseases and harsh weather conditions our great forefathers endured during the Revolutionary War.

Regent Hollis McCright led discussion regarding invitations from our sister chapters to join them in celebrating George Washington's Birthday. The Nathaniel Davis Chapter of Odessa, Texas will be hosting a luncheon at 11:30 a.m. Feb. 21, 2015 and the Permian Basin Chapter of Andrews, Texas will be hosting a Tea from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Feb. 22.

Beverly Logsdon was the winner of the door prize, a beautiful memo pad set for a Peacock design. Lori Pavlovsky won a Valentine table decoration. Thirteen members and one guest attended.

The club's next meeting will be at the 116th state conference in the Omni Colonnade in San Antonio on March 8.

Births



Harley Mae Hill
Feb. 3, 2015

Heather and Cory Hill of Coahoma announce the birth of their daughter, Harley Mae Hill, born Feb. 3, 2015, at Midland Memorial Hospital in Midland, weighing 6 pounds, 13 ounces and was 20 inches long.

Her maternal grandparents are Billy and Angela Newton and Katy Holmesly. Her paternal grandparents are Jackie and Elaine Hill.

Who's who

Big Spring student selected for Lone Star Leadership Academy

Rebecca Moore, daughter of Louie and Jackie Jackson and a student at Big Spring Intermediate School, has been selected to participate in a summer 2015 Lone Star Leadership Academy camp. Rebecca's selection was based on her outstanding academic success, demonstrated leadership ability, involvement in school and community activities, and successful completion of a previous Lone Star Leadership Academy camp.



Rebecca Moore

State representative Drew Darby and state senator Kel Seliger will be notified of Rebecca's accomplishment. During camp, she will visit the Austin offices of her state legislators.

Rebecca will join a delegation of outstanding students from across the state to develop leadership skills while learning about the great state of Texas and its leaders. She will visit significant sites in the

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Jennifer Rodriguez

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Kirk Allen

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Other Registrees Include:

- ♥ Berkie Pierce & Keaton Martin
- ♥ Nicole Zamora & Michael Ryan
- ♥ Jennifer Rodriguez & Kirk Allen
- ♥ Brenn Swinney & Beau Berend
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2016 United Way Agency Applications

United Way Agency Applications are available to be picked up at the United Way office at 215 West 3rd Street. Anyone wishing to apply to be an Agency for 2016 must complete an application and return it by April 2nd, 2015. Any organization that wishes to pick up an application must maintain a 501(c)(3) designation by the Internal Revenue Service.

Applications will be available for pick up Monday, March 2nd through Friday March 6th.

Any questions regarding the application may be addressed to Sandy Stewart, 432-267-5201 or coming by the United Way Office at 215 West 3rd Street.

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Austin/San Antonio area including the Bullock Texas State History Museum, LBJ Library and Museum, the Alamo, Institute of Texas Cultures, Witte Museum, Texas State Cemetery, Texas State Capitol, Supreme Court of Texas and the Meadows Center for Water and the Environment. Additional activities will include bat watching on the Lone Star Riverboat and a tour of Natural Bridge Caverns. Additionally, Rebecca will learn about future career and internship opportunities through career speaker presentations at sites visited.

Texas educators facilitate Lone Star Leadership Academy camps including leadership groups where Rebecca and other participants will examine qualities of effective leaders, practice leadership skills and discuss what they learn at sites visited.

Participants must be in the fourth to eighth grade, maintain an 85 or higher average, demonstrate leadership ability, be involved in the community or school activities and receive an educator recommendation.



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Big Spring Senior Citizen's Center

- Monday**
Sausage and red beans over white rice, okra and tomatoes, vanilla pudding, cornbread, milk.
- Tuesday**
Chicken fettuccine with Alfredo sauce, Italian vegetables, apple sauce, garlic bread, milk.
- Wednesday**
Posole, tortilla, guacamole salad, Jello with Mandarin oranges.
- Thursday**
Chili mac casserole, green salad, fruit cup, cornbread.
- Friday**
Crispy fish, corn on cob, coleslaw, cookies.

Big Spring ISD

- Monday**
Breakfast: baked cheese sticks, grapes, assorted fruit juice, milk; Lunch: steak fingers or chicken fajitas, rolls, baked potatoes, baby carrots, corn, pears, fresh fruit bowl, milk.
- Tuesday**
Breakfast: blueberry waffles, sausage patty, apples, assorted fruit juice, milk; Lunch, Asian teriyaki chicken or pig in a blanket, brown rice, broccoli, pineapple chunks, chocolate graham crackers, milk.
- Wednesday**
Breakfast: animal crackers, string cheese, peach cup, assorted fruit juice, milk; Lunch: Tex-Mex stack or toasted ham and cheese, tortilla chips, refried beans, garden salad, hot cinnamon apples, Spanish rice, milk.
- Thursday**
Breakfast: bacon scramble pizza, banana, assorted fruit juice, milk; Lunch, hamburger or cheeseburger or chicken patty, potato rounds, ranch beans, peaches, milk.
- Friday**
Breakfast: cinnamon mini rolls, mixed fruit cup, assorted fruit juice, milk; Lunch, chicken parmesan or cheese pizza or pepperoni pizza, breadsticks, garden salad, green beans, orange smiles, milk.

Sands CISD

- Monday**
Breakfast: muffin, yogurt, fruit, juice, milk; Lunch: steak fingers with gravy, rolls, fries, seasoned corn, baby carrot, fruit bowl.
- Tuesday**
Breakfast: waffles, sausage, fruit, juice, milk; Lunch: Asian chicken, brown rice, baby carrots, steamed broccoli, pineapple, cookie.
- Wednesday**
Breakfast: sliders, fruit juice, milk; Lunch: Tex-Mex stack, Spanish rice refried beans, salsa, garden salad, hot cinnamon apples.

- Thursday**
Breakfast: sausage biscuits, fruit, juice, milk; Lunch: chicken sandwiches, tater tots, Western beans, diced pears.
- Friday**
Breakfast: cinnamon rolls, fruit juice, milk; Lunch: chicken parmesan, bread sticks, savory green beans, garden salad, fresh apple slices.

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Pirkle-Weir Insurance Agency employees were joined by Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce representatives for a recent ribbon-cutting ceremony at the remodeled business.

Beware of scam calls claiming unpaid taxes

Most of us know it's not a good idea to get on the Internal Revenue Service's bad side, so a call from someone claiming to be an IRS agent would have to be rather scary. Unfortunately, scammers have taken advantage of that fear to steal money. Better Business Bureau serving Central, Coastal, Southwest Texas and the Permian Basin BBB urges you to make sure you're dealing with a real IRS representative, especially when they request personal information or a wire transfer.

The Treasury Inspector General for Taxpayer Administration (TIGTA) is reporting a scam that has become extremely pervasive throughout the United States. Victims of the scam are being told they owe the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) money, which must be paid immediately through a pre-loaded debit card or via wire transfer. The scammers threaten the victim with arrest, loss of a business or driver's license, or deportation if they refuse to cooperate.

According to the issued warning, the TIGTA has received reports of over 3,000 victims who have collectively paid over \$14 million as a result of the scam since 2013. The large number of unsolicited calls to taxpayers claiming to be IRS officials, makes it the largest scam of its kind.

Scammers sometimes use fake names and badge numbers, sometimes they even know the last four digits of a victim's Social Security number. They also use tricks like spoofing the IRS toll-free number on caller ID, sending bogus IRS emails and calling back pretending to be police or some other official.

Remember the IRS usually first contacts people by mail — not by phone — about unpaid taxes. And the IRS won't ask for payment using a pre-paid debit card or wire transfer. The IRS also won't ask for a credit card number over the phone.

If you receive a call from someone claiming to be from the IRS, BBB advises:

- Hang up and call the IRS at 1-800-829-1040 to be sure you are speaking with a real IRS employee.
- If you know you don't owe taxes, report the incident to the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration at 1-800-366-4484.

For more scam alerts and tips like this, check out your BBB at bbb.org.



Building Permits

Northeast Apartments, 1002 N. Main St. Commercial Alteration/addition. Com. HVAC Val: \$100,000 Fee: \$1,385.
Baymont Inn, 917 Lamesa Hwy. Commercial construction new. Com. HVAC Val: \$200,000 Fee: \$435.
Spring Creek Fellowship, 1801 E. FM 700. Commercial alteration/addition Com. HVAC Val: \$107,000 Fee: \$340.
J. Evans & J. Mize, LLC, 1207 Grafa. Residential construction, new. Res. Elec. Val: \$1,000 Fee: \$49. Res. HVAC Val: \$4,000 Fee: \$45.
Eagles Den Lodge, 901 E. I-20. Commercial construction, new. Com. HVAC Val: \$198,000 Fee: \$1665.
Dollar General, 2305 Wasson. Commercial

Construction new. Com Plumb Val: \$14,800 Fee: \$96. Signs Val: \$12,000 Fee: \$70. Com Sewer tap Val: \$265 Fee: \$265. Com Water Val: \$445 Fee: \$445.
J. Evans & J. Mize, 1209 Grafa. Residential construction new. Res. HVAC Val: \$4,000 Fee: \$45.
Rocky Evans Construction, 1103 Grafa. Residential construction new. Res elec Val: \$2,000 Fee: \$47. Res HVAC Val: \$4,200 Fee: \$45.
Cecilio Gonzalez, 1208 W. 2nd St. Residential alteration/addition. Res gas Val: \$1 Fee: \$32.
Larson Real Estate, INC, 305 W. 16th St. Commercial Electrical Safety. Com Elec Val: 0 Fee: \$25.
L.C. Big Spring, LLC,

601 S. Gregg St. Commercial alteration/addition. Nonresidential and Nonh Val: \$50,000 Fee: \$310.
Bowl-A-Rama, 3318 E. I-20. Commercial Electrical. Com Elec Val: \$500 Fee: \$25.
Tony Castillo, 1205 Ridgeroad Dr. Gas Val: \$500 Fee: \$32.
Western Office Group, LLC, 707 E. 3rd St. Commercial Electrical Safety Value: \$0 Fee: \$25
Anthony Rosario, 3604 Dixon St. Residential Electrical. Res Elec Val: \$500 Fee: \$25.
Marcy House, 2301 Wasson Rd. Sign Val: \$2,000 Fee: \$25
Richard Reeves Moren, 1504 Tucson Rd. Res Plumb. Val: \$500 Fee: \$32.
Ted M. Smauley, 2719 Lynn Dr. Res Gas Val:

\$500 Fee: \$32.
David Simpson, 3600 Calvin St. Residential Mechanical. Res HVAC Val: \$11,000 Fee: \$45.
Mixology, 2100 Scurry St. Sign Val: \$2,000 Fee: \$25.
Jordan Scott O'Connell, 1406 E. 11th Pl. Res Elec Val: \$4,000 Fee: \$25.
The Home Depot, 502 E. FM 700. Commercial Alteration/addition. Nonresidential & NONH, Val: \$900,000 Fee: \$2,510. Com Elec Val: \$229,000 Fee: \$476. Com Plumb Val: \$17,500 Fee: \$93. Com HVAC Val: \$60,000 Fee: \$165. Com Gas Val: \$1 Fee: \$32. Signs Val: \$7,500 Fee: \$50
Wesley Beauchamp State Farm, 2204 Gregg St. Sign Val: \$1,700 Fee: See PERMITS, Page 10A

Public Records

Howard County Justice of the Peace Outstanding IBC Warrants:

Steve Antoine, 1425 E. 6th St. no. 19, Big Spring
Katie Cole L. Baker, P.O. Box 3372, Big Spring
Wayne Richard Boyce, 4042 Morningside, Canyon
Raymond Carroll, 712 E. 17th St., Big Spring
Roy DeWayne Carter, 5320 Wasson, Big Spring
Susan Cheyanne Cearley, 4104 Muir, Big Spring
Pedro Chavarria, 1404 Wood, Big Spring
Tonya Renea Cogburn, 1610 Johnson, Big Spring
Okytra Larae Cole, 1903 Rannels, Big Spring
Matilda Cortez, 302 N. St. Teresa, Stanton
Hannah Deaton, 19634 Atasca Oaks Dr., Humble
Tina Marie Ellis, 4002 Austin Ave., Snyder
Brittany Vanessa Escanuela, 2521 Chanute, Big Spring
Jose Enrique Faz, 602 N.W. Seventh, Big Spring
Michael Dean Fleming, 5216 Tremont Ave., Midland
Andy Lee Flores, 1302 Kendall, Big Spring
James Michael Griffin, 303 Butler St. no. 502, Atlanta
Eugene Frank Gulley, 1201 Floydada, Wellington, Texas
Christina Nichole Gutierrez, 2809 25th St., Snyder
Dylan Hammons, 4404 E. 11th Pl., Big Spring
Matias Hernandez Jr., 620 E. 4th St., Big Spring
James Beauford Hodnett, 111 Merrick Road, Big Spring
Shatiya Lasha Jenkins, 4590

N. Texas no. 198, Odessa
Stephanie Ford Johnson, P.O. Box 483, Coahoma
Richard Leos, 509 W. 8th St., Big Spring
Jenny Marie Hamilton Lyon, 2609 Fairchild, Big Spring
Aaron Christopher Mack, 2134 Bonham Ave., Odessa
Michael Shane Martinez, P.O. Box 613, Coahoma
Lee Allen Mathis, 101 Falcon Ln., Hillsboro
Jonathan L. Michelsen, 2798 Simmons, Abilene
Willie Ray Myles Jr., 1220 Ross Ave., Waco, Texas
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Liza Leigh Rios, 1002 Main no. 30, Big Spring
Linda Eva Rodriguez, 2519 Gunter, Big Spring
Juan Romero, 2504 March Circle, Big Spring
Veronica Romero, 103 Becker Rd., Big Spring
Yuri Lozano Rubio, 421 Cedar, Colorado City
Brittany Nicole Savell, 425 E. Davits Rd., Big Spring
Ricky Lynn Waltenbaugh, 538 Westover Rd., apt. 133, Big Spring
Candida Lynn Whitehead, 3706 Connolly St., Big Spring
Tamara Ruth Whitt, 1909 Morrison, Big Spring
Jamie Wiggins, 1905 Wasson Rd. apt. 28, Big Spring
Cody K. Witt, 310 E. 21st, Big Spring

Marriage Licenses

Porfirio Rios Jr., 51 and Mary Alice Anglin, 35, both of Big Spring
Matthew Ryan Sound, 25, Erika Paula Mejia, 26, both of Big Spring
Matthew O'Brian Hernandez, 24, and Desarey Rene-Nicole Muniz, 22, both of Big Spring
Michael Wayne Suggs, 30, and Tiffany S. Dixon, 23, both of Big Spring

District Court Filings

Howard County, ET AL vs. Cervantes, Juan, also known as Tony Cervantes individually and doing business as cervantes contraction, ET AL, Tax
Kimberly Lathasa Dolloff vs. Jimmy Dale Dolloff, Divorce
Tammy Jean Newell vs. Brent Lee Marin, Divorce
Calina Velinga vs. Scott Valinga, Divorce
Anjelica Hernandez vs. Jose Gilbert Hernandez, Divorce

County Court Judgments

State of Texas vs. Ester Gutierrez, Hindering apprehension or prosecution, \$500 fine, court costs, and 45 days in jail.
State of Texas vs. Ester Gutierrez, Possession of marijuana. \$500 fines, court costs, and 45 days in jail
State of Texas vs. Gustabo Alfredo Rios, possession of

marijuana. \$100 fine, court costs and 120 days in jail.

State of Texas vs. Benardo Jacinto Hilario, Possession of marijuana. \$1048 fine and court costs

State of Texas vs. Rodney Earl Wright, Fail to give information/fugitive. \$100 fine, court costs and 45 days in jail.

State of Texas vs. Alfonso Baca III, Driving while license invalid with previous conviction. \$500 fine, court costs, 180 days probated 12 months.

State of Texas vs. Casimira Vega, Possession of marijuana. \$500 fine, court costs, Probated 12 months.

State of Texas vs. Mark Matthew Lindem, Theft of property.

\$100 fine, court costs, and 75 days in jail.

Warranty Deeds

Grantor: Mary Sneed (through executor Leonard Sneed)

Grantee: Ron Letcher
Property: East 30 of lot 7 and West 31 of lot 8 in block 1, Lahoma addition
Date: Feb. 17, 2015

Grantor: Willis Floyd Gillette Jr.

Grantee: Big Spring (Coahoma) DTP X, LLC
Property: Sec. 43, block 31, township 1 N. T&P RR Co. Survey
Date: Feb. 11, 2015

Grantor: Sulema DelGado

Grantee: Andy Gamboa
Property: Lot 1, block 8, Standard Park addition
Date: Feb 13, 2015

Grantor: Eugene M. Bryant
Grantee: Eugene W. Bryant
Property: SE quarter of Sec 29, block 32, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey
Date: Aug. 8, 2012

Grantor: Charlotte Welch
Grantee: David F. Morales
Property: SW quarter of Sec 19, block 37, T-2-N, T&P RR Co. Survey
Date: Feb. 9, 2015

Grantor: Gerald Richter
Grantee: Steve Higgins
Property: N.E. quarter of Sec. 45, block 31, T-1-N, T&P RR Co Survey
Date: Feb. 4, 2015

Grantor: Gary Turner and Lora Turner
Grantee: Kimberly Ann Stilwell
Property: Lots 12, 13, 14, and 15, block 23, Town of Forsan
Date: Feb. 10, 2015

Grantor: Robert W. Gill and Cheyenne Gill
Grantee: Marcus Porras and Chelby Porras
Property: Lot 19, block 3, replat of Wasson Place addition
Date: Feb. 6, 2015

Grantor: Jack D. Birdwell and Jennifer G. Birdwell
Grantee: Rocky Shipley and Joyce Wilson
Property: Lot 26, block 19, Edwards Heights addition
Date: Feb. 6, 2015

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AUCTION

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LOCATION: Ackerly, TX (Dawson Co.) From Intersection of US 87 and FM 2212, South 6.5 on FM 2212.

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AUCTION

RESCHEDULED DATE

TUESDAY, MARCH 10.....9:00 AM

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sudoku

ANSWERS

Sudoku grid with numbers: 2 4 3 9 6 5 7 8 1, 9 8 6 7 1 2 4 3 5, 5 7 1 4 3 8 9 6 2, 7 3 9 5 2 6 8 1 4, 8 6 5 1 4 3 2 7 9, 4 1 2 8 9 7 3 5 6, 3 9 8 2 5 1 6 4 7, 6 5 4 3 7 9 1 2 8, 1 2 7 6 8 4 5 9 3

Newsday Crossword

SATURDAY STUMPER by Anna Stiga Edited by Stanley Newman www.stanxwords.com

- ACROSS 1 Yiddish author with a New Testament trilogy 5 Publisher of Champion magazine 9 Includes, with "in" 13 Milton's word for "grimace" 14 Half-boxes 15 "Me no ___" (apt pan of I Am a Camera) 17 Source of failed-bank info 18 Burns, for instance 19 Viewable 20 Ski gear 21 Draw cleverly 22 What may be heard before a number 23 Office plant 26 Columbus, for instance 28 Burns, for instance 29 Name of the cover of Lyrics on Several Occasions 30 Beach bash of a sort 32 Shampoo category 36 Cover ___ 38 Georg known for his jointed arms 40 Nick Carraway alma mater 41 Unbroken 43 Obamacare selections 45 Start to stick 46 Give notice 48 Solo 50 Tops of some American food chains 54 Word from the Latin for "twelfth" 55 Undiscriminating, for short

- 56 Chapter 28 of Moby-Dick 59 "A Little Grouch Music" singer 60 Disquiet 61 Win wide acceptance 62 Trash talker's tactic 63 "Leia's Theme" soloist 64 Besides 65 Flew 66 Sites for many libraries 67 Dunce DOWN 1 ___ tuner 2 Another way to say "Na" 3 Griddler maker 4 Emphatic denial 5 High point 6 Film character based on Poirot 7 Give notice

- 8 Late-summer butterfly attractors 9 Traditional parting tune 10 What Bugs Bunny calls his antics 11 Reduced-fare programs 12 Doc's order 16 Firm figure: Abbr. 24 Where Kevlar was invented: Abbr. 25 Book about King David 26 Its most-Oscars record was broken by Ben-Hur 27 Veterinary center 31 "Horrors!" 33 Hollywood Bowl, essentially 34 Organic makeup remover

- 35 Impart 37 What spreaders are used for 39 Mayonnaise, e.g. 42 Babied, with "to" 44 It starts the Western Hemisphere's most populous city 47 Hunter descendant of Noah 49 Before you know it 50 Western sound effects 51 Dislodges 52 Free from limits 53 Mythical woman for whom element #41 was named 57 Besides 58 Lost integrity, as checks

13x13 crossword grid with numbers 1-67 indicating starting positions for clues.

Tomorrow's Horoscope

Sentimental Sky

If you find yourself crying during commercials featuring lost puppies or centenarians, chalk it up to effective marketing and a super-sentimental sky featuring the Pisces sun and the Cancer moon. This water-sign combo opens our hearts and tear ducts. It's the perfect time to say "I love you" to the one who probably doesn't hear it enough.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Don't worry so much about how long this good thing will last. You make it last longer when you honor it with your best efforts. Engaging with that good thing makes it even better.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You'll be involved in a project that requires you to think artistically. The end product must tell a story. In this matter, accuracy is not as important as keeping people entertained.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Self-discipline seems like one of the hardest things to acquire these days, but when you do acquire it, your life will expand. You might say it's the key to a new world.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Being outnumbered or unpopular may be part of the challenge, but it doesn't change anything. Also, it doesn't matter if the bad outweighs the good. You still have to take a stand for what's good.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). There's something false about sentimentality, and yet there's something true about it, too. You may sense the danger in wallowing in that syrupy feeling. If you indulge in it, make it brief.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Love is an expansive feeling. Love doesn't try to control or own or micro-manage. If you feel like someone is stifling you with their love, what they're projecting isn't really love at all.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). If a person can't really help you, then pretending to help is actually harmful. What matters in relationships today is usefulness and beneficence, and that's what you strive to offer.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Symbols matter. They are reminders of who you are and what you've done. Do not, however, confuse the symbol with what it represents. Material representations are nothing without the life behind them.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). The importance of listening to those around you cannot be overstressed. It's in our very biological makeup: Two ears and one mouth suggests we should listen twice as much as we talk.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). When faced with discouragement, think of it as a test to tease out your bravery. You are not a slave to your thought processes. You can change the thoughts, and what comes of them will change, too.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). People around you today are extra-touchy, but it's not your fault they

are so easily offended. Choose your kidding-around material carefully unless you're willing to deal with the fallout.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). When you grow older, the younger person is still inside. That's why you'll be able to relate so well to the younger people around you today. They don't want your advice, but they need your influence nonetheless.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (March 1). Branch out of your known realm to connect with people who live in a different world. Your loved ones respect you, and you'll make an even bigger impression on people of other cultures. There's money to be made there, too! April shows you performing or presenting. May and July are the most romantic months. Cancer and Capricorn people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 4, 25, 50, 19 and 38.

FORECAST FOR THE WEEK AHEAD: Jupiter in Leo lets us know that one of the most effective ways to influence others is through storytelling. Inside everything and everyone is a fascinating story for those who know how to tell it. Through the first part of the week, those who work on their storytelling skills will attract good luck in the form of better relationships, greater professional opportunities and more fun in general. This has to do with Jupiter traveling backward through Leo to form a lucky trine with Uranus in Aries. This fiery combination comes together perfectly on Tuesday and promises a pop of good luck, especially for those who enjoy entertaining others.

The Pisces solar journey is marked by idealism, imagination and spirituality. It's a time of building castles in the sky. The Virgo full moon on Thursday, March 5, encourages us to reinforce our ethereal notions with real-world foundation building. Fortune will favor those who take action to show their love and represent their beliefs and spirituality in practical, tangible and quantifiable ways. In the words of M. Scott Peck, "Love is as love does."

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Justin Bieber has publicly and sincerely apologized for his bad boy behavior of the past year and a half. The soulful Pisces pop prince was born under three artistic Pisces planets. His Scorpio moon adds the spice. Scorpio moon people like surprises and are constantly surprising themselves, too. Bieber is coming into a phase that will open his heart chakra, and his new music will reflect this.

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Circumventing a Guess

East dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ 9 8 4
♥ 10 3
♦ A J 8 5 2
♣ 10 4 2

WEST
♠ J 2
♥ K J 9 8 5
♦ 9 3
♣ K 9 6 3

EAST
♠ K 10 7 5 3
♥ Q 6
♦ 10 6 4
♣ J 7 5

SOUTH
♠ A Q 6
♥ A 7 4 2
♦ K Q 7
♣ A Q 8

The bidding:
East South West North
Pass 2 NT Pass 3 NT
Opening lead — eight of hearts.

The resourceful declarer is always on the lookout for a way to increase his chances of making the contract. Sometimes these extra chances are fairly obvious, but at other times they are more subtle.

Take this case where South was in three notrump and West led a heart. Declarer ducked the first two hearts and won the third with the ace as East discarded a low spade.

South now cashed five rounds of diamonds, discarding a club and a spade on the last two diamonds. East discarded a second spade and a club,

while West let go a club, a spade and then another club.

This brought declarer to a crucial decision — whether to finesse in spades or clubs for his ninth trick. With little to go on except that West had discarded two clubs and only one spade, he elected to lead a club to the queen, whereupon West won with the king and cashed two hearts for down one.

It might appear that South faced a pure guess as to which finesse to take, but he could have increased his chances substantially by altering his play slightly. Instead of cashing five diamonds immediately, it would have been better to cash only the K-Q — leaving the remaining diamonds for later — and then exit with a heart.

In the actual deal, West wins the heart and can cash his remaining heart, but, because he started with only two diamonds, he has to return a spade or a club, sparing South the guess as to which finesse to take.

Note that if West happened to have a third diamond to return after taking his hearts, declarer would be no worse off than he was before.

Note further that on the recommended line of play, South makes the contract even if West has both missing kings — provided, of course, that he started with no more than two diamonds.

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As tastes change, big food makers try hipster guises

HUNTINGTON BEACH, Calif. (AP)—At a taco shop in Southern California, milkshakes are served in mason jars and a chalkboard menu lists “The 1%er” made with lobster meat.

The logo is a pink skull and instead of buzzers, customers are given license plates so servers can identify them when bringing out orders.

Nowhere is it evident that the U.S. Taco Co. is an outpost of a chain better known for cheesy gut bombs: Taco Bell.

Major companies are testing whether it would pay to tuck away their world famous logos in favor of more hipster guises: PepsiCo, for instance, introduced a craft soda called Caleb’s last year and McDonald’s opened a cafe that lists lentils and eggplant on its menu. The stealth

efforts reflect the pressures on the country’s biggest food makers, which are contending with the surging popularity of smaller brands that position themselves as decidedly less corporate.

For big food companies, the low-key efforts are a way feel out changing tastes and cozy up to new customers, particularly those in their 20s and 30s. Among that age group, marketing experts say there’s a growing preference for qualities like “real” and “authentic.” Additionally, millennials aren’t as impressed by big brands when it comes to food, and instead take pride in discovering and sharing new places and products with friends on social media networks.

As such, Allen Adamson of Landor Associ-

ates, a brand consulting firm, said companies should keep the images for their latest efforts smaller and more niche: “You don’t want to scream from the mountain top that you’re Pepsi.”

Unlike Pepsi cola — which has suffered sales declines since 1998, according to Beverage Digest — PepsiCo’s Caleb’s Kola comes in a glass bottle and is sweetened with cane sugar instead of high-fructose corn syrup.

There are no signs the drink is from the maker of Mountain Dew and Gatorade, and the bottles bear the words “Honor In Craft.”

Nick Hammit, who heads Caleb’s Kola at PepsiCo, said Caleb’s was the creation of a group of “Kola Nuts” at the company who were

passionate about making a cola that “takes pride in every little aspect.”

McDonald’s also decided not to use its name recognition when it opened The Corner late last year.

The restaurant in Australia has a minimalist white exterior and serves dishes like Moroccan roast chicken, chipotle pulled pork and lentil and eggplant salad. The only sign it’s owned by McDonald’s is the “McCafe” in small print at the bottom of the restaurant logo.

McDonald’s spokeswoman Becca Hary said in an email the location is a “learning lab” for testing “new and different food and beverages never before seen in our restaurants.”

The Corner comes as McDonald’s suffers on-

going sales struggles, with global sales down 1 percent last year at established locations as customer visits declined in regions around the world.

For its part, Taco Bell said in an emailed statement that U.S. Taco’s opening was the result of a “segmentation study” that found some people just don’t want to eat at traditional fast-food chains.

So instead of trying to win them over with Taco Bell, a team known as “intrapreneurs” at the company came up with an entirely separate concept, which charges about \$3 to \$4 per taco.

The shop in Huntington Beach, California

caught the attention of Christina Kaoh, a 30-year-old research coordinator who was in the area paddle boarding with friends.

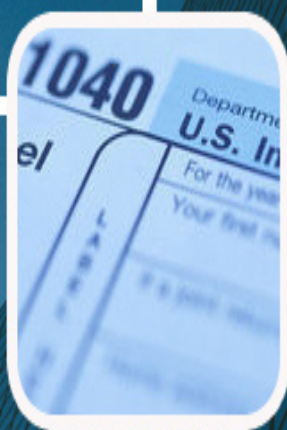
“I figured it’s going to be a hip version of tacos,” Kaoh said.

She only learned it was owned by Taco Bell after reading an article that mentioned the link in Mother Jones. Kaoh said she wouldn’t go back since she tries to support independent establishments.

The ownership of smaller brands by major corporations isn’t a deal breaker, of course. In the beer industry, Anheuser-Busch InBev in 2006 created Shock Top.

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