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Pops huge success



Thousands pack Park for Independence Day celebration

BY LYNDEL MOODY
 Staff Writer

The night's sky was lit with colorful bursts of exploding fireworks Friday wowing the crowd attending the 18th annual Pops in the Park patriotic concert and fireworks display at the Big Spring Amphitheater.

"This was a successful pops," said Debbye ValVerde, Pops in the Park committee member. "I feel like the fireworks were bigger and better. Those were awesome fireworks this year. I feel like everyone enjoyed the show and the amphitheater was packed."

A few miscued fireworks and a stubborn flag display that decided not to light at the right time did not take away from the grandeur of the evening festivities.

"Sometimes when things (fireworks) get rolling, you can't stop it," Big Spring Symphony conductor Dr. Keith Graumann said to the crowd adding a little humor after a series of fireworks exploded sometime following the end of the accompanying musical piece.

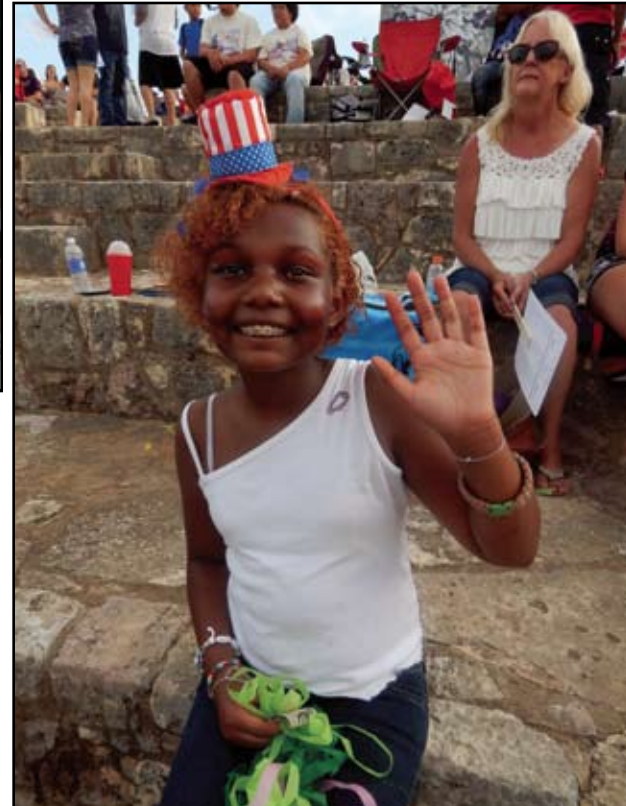
An estimated 10,000 to 12,000 people packed the Comanche Trail Park Friday night for the city's annual celebration of the Fourth of July. Spectators from around the Permian Basin and even a bus load of 60 plus travelers from Dallas drove in to enjoy the celebration.

Zach Johnson was one of the fireworks crew who had been at the park since 6 a.m. in the morning carefully laying out and hooking up trigger lines to the explosives. The crew finished the 11-hour set up job about 15 minutes to 5 p.m., Johnson said.

"It's an adrenaline rush," said Johnson, who is also a Howard County Volunteer firefighter. "Being under here and watching all this work we've done for the past two or three weeks go off. Seeing it, smelling it, it is just a rush."



ValVerde



Herald photos by Lyndel Moody and Julie Bass

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Obituaries

Patrick Hernandez Parras



Patrick Hernandez Parras, 50, passed away on June 15, 2015 in the presence of family and friends at CaroMont Medical Center in Gastonia, North Carolina. He is now joined in Heaven by his late father and mother Juan and Francisca Parras.

Patrick was a hardworking family man with a heart of gold. He spent his life with his loving wife, Alison Edinger always by his side. He raised four beautiful children: Dominique Parras Mendoza, Anissa Lerma, Patrick Parras Jr., and Chelsie Parras.

Patrick was the light of our lives. His stories filled us with laughter and his kindness towards others filled us with joy. He dedicated his life to helping others and he always made sure his family knew how much they were loved. He lived his life with passion. He could make you mad and laugh all in the same sentence.

He is survived by seven brothers and two sisters, Juan Parras Jr., Arturo Parras, Raul Parras, Alicia Parras Hewtty, Louis Parras, Lithia Parras Ayala, Frank Parras, David Parras and Thomas Parras. In addition to his children, he is survived by three grandchildren, Addison Parras, Dominique Parras, and London Parras. Services will be held at Holy Trinity Church in Big Spring on Saturday July 11th at 10am followed by interment at Mount Olive cemetery.

Paid obituary

Ella Seidenberger



Ella Seidenberger of Andrews, Texas, formerly of Garden City, Texas, went on to meet the Lord on July 2, 2015.

Ella was born in Hermleigh, Texas on Dec. 11, 1921 to parents Albert and Isabella Kuss. She married the love of her life, B.R. "Benny" Seidenberger on July 5, 1943 in Greenville, Texas.

They moved to Glasscock County in 1959 where they established their family farm that is still in operation by the family. She was born and raised as part of a farming family and continued this way of life until moving to Andrews in 2005. Upon moving to Andrews Ella became an integral part of our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church in Andrews.

Ella was an avid sports enthusiast and rooted for all Texas based teams religiously, regardless of the sport or season. Her personal favorite was the Dallas Cowboys and she made sure to tune in every Sunday after Mass to cheer for the "Boys."

She loved to quilt and embroider in her free time and many of her beautiful handmade pieces are adored by family and friends. The way she lived her life mimicked the artwork she created and was a portrait of her grace, beauty and elegance. She enjoyed to cook, and did it well, and took great pleasure in preparing large family feasts for all to enjoy during the holidays and family gatherings.

Her passion in the kitchen was centered around sweets and her motto was "Life is Short, Eat Dessert First." Ella was a woman of tremendous faith and acted as a spiritual leader for multiple generations of her family and friends.

During her many years in the St. Lawrence community she was very involved in all of the activities and

functions of the St. Lawrence Catholic Church, which included her involvement in the St. Theresa's alter society.

Ella is preceded in death by her husband; two infant daughters; her parents; her brother, Ed Kuss, sister Gertrude McFaul; and daughter-in-law Carla Seidenberger.

She is survived by her children Bernard Seidenberger and wife, Dorothea, of Midland, Dennis Seidenberger and wife, Ellen, of St. Lawrence, James Seidenberger and wife, Marian, of San Angelo, and Cecilia Livingston and husband, Jerry, of Andrews, sister Gladys Light of Abilene, 12 grandchildren, Robbie Seidenberger, Mark Seidenberger, Phillip Seidenberger, John Seidenberger, Eric Seidenberger, Ryan Seidenberger, Sally Frierson, Ginger Langdon, Grant Seidenberger, Misty Maxell, Carrie Hernandez, and Keith Livingston, in addition to 25 great grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

A visitation and rosary service will be held at Nalley-Pickle & Welch funeral home in Midland, Texas on Sunday, July 5, 2015 from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. with the rosary beginning at 7 p.m.. A Mass of Christian burial will be held at St. Lawrence Catholic Church in Saint Lawrence, Texas at 10 a.m. on Monday, July 6, 2015 with Rev. Arockiaraj Gali serving as celebrant. Interment will follow at St. Lawrence Catholic Church Cemetery. Pallbearers will be Ella's eight grandsons.

The family would like to express our most sincere gratitude for the care given to Ella by Star Hospice, Permian Regional Care Center, Dr. Nayak and his staff and Father Joseph Ogbonna of Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory. Online condolences can be made at www.npwelch.com

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Support Groups

MONDAY

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

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

- Stepping Stone Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at Spring Town Plaza (inside the mall, next to Attitudes Hair Salon, down by Bealls).

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 Sympathetic Dystrophy) a chronic pain disease, a 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.

Local 5-Day Forecast

Sat 7/4	Sun 7/5	Mon 7/6	Tue 7/7	Wed 7/8
93/72 Sunshine and clouds mixed. High 93F. Winds SSE at 10 to 15 mph.	94/73 Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 90s and lows in the low 70s.	96/75 Mostly sunny. Highs in the mid 90s and lows in the mid 70s.	99/73 Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 90s and lows in the low 70s.	91/72 Scattered thunderstorms possible.
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Texas At A Glance



Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	94	72	pt sunny	Kingsville	93	76	pt sunny
Amarillo	87	65	t-storm	Livingston	93	75	t-storm
Austin	91	73	pt sunny	Longview	90	74	cloudy
Beaumont	92	75	pt sunny	Lubbock	90	70	pt sunny
Brownsville	92	77	pt sunny	Lufkin	94	76	pt sunny
Brownwood	94	70	pt sunny	Midland	93	72	pt sunny
Corpus Christi	89	79	pt sunny	Raymondville	93	77	pt sunny
Corsicana	93	74	pt sunny	Rosenberg	92	76	pt sunny
Dallas	95	76	cloudy	San Antonio	91	73	pt sunny
Del Rio	93	74	pt sunny	San Marcos	92	74	cloudy
El Paso	94	73	pt sunny	Sulphur Springs	89	74	t-storm
Fort Stockton	90	69	pt sunny	Sweetwater	92	71	pt sunny
Gainesville	90	72	t-storm	Tyler	92	75	pt sunny
Greenville	91	73	cloudy	Weatherford	95	73	pt sunny
Houston	94	77	pt sunny	Wichita Falls	92	72	pt sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	83	69	t-storm	Minneapolis	85	64	mst sunny
Boston	77	60	mst sunny	New York	79	66	pt sunny
Chicago	76	58	pt sunny	Phoenix	105	79	mst sunny
Dallas	95	76	cloudy	San Francisco	71	58	pt sunny
Denver	84	60	t-storm	Seattle	89	62	sunny
Houston	94	77	pt sunny	St. Louis	83	65	pt sunny
Los Angeles	79	63	pt sunny	Washington, DC	80	68	cloudy
Miami	90	79	pt sunny				

Moon Phases



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Cooking up some burgers for a good cause



HERALD Photo/Julie Bass

Spring of Faith Cooking Team volunteer, Jeff Reed (left), talks to a customer during Pops in the Park.

By JULIE BASS

Staff Writer

Spring of Faith Cooking Team spent a busy Friday evening taking care of long lines of people waiting to taste

the teams hamburger and special smoky fries.

The team was one of several vendors hawking food or novelty items at the annual Pops in the Park patriotic

concert and fireworks display.

Reneah and James Statham are in charge of the Spring of Faith Cooking team which goes around to different events throughout the year to raise money for their ministry.

"We are connected to the Spring Creek Church and this is our ministry to help those in need," said James Statham. "All of our profits go back into the ministry to help the homeless, those in need and those who have been in a disaster."

James said that the group went to West, Texas during that fertilizer plant explosion and they have traveled as far as Oklahoma to help after the tornados that devastated the Oklahoma City area.

"During the fertilizer plant aftermath, we were passing out 900 to 1,000 meals per day, at no charge, for two

and a half days," said Statham

The group raises funds by participating in events like Funtastic Fourth and Pops in the Park and through donations.

"Pops in the Park is the biggest fundraiser we do. We go other places and we are out there, but this is our biggest event," stated Statham.

"The cooking team is all volunteers, none of us get any money from this," said Brandy Reed, a member of the cooking team.

Statham said that the ministry has received calls in the middle of the night before asking for help with food.

"Grandparents will call up telling us that the parents are gone and now they are taking care of these kids with no food," he said. "We helped pay for gas for a guy to get to his son's surgery out of town. We help however we can, these funds are used for whatever they are needed for."

For more information the group has a group page on Facebook which can be found by searching for Spring of Faith Cooking Team.

POPS

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For spectator Viola Barraza, the evening was just one big birthday bash although technically her birthday is on July 4.

"I came into the world with a bang," Barraza said laughing.

Donny Green the Los GREENgos kicked off the evening energizing the crowd with their 90-minute set of 70s rock songs and blues.

The main event began at 8 p.m. when the Big Spring Symphony and Chorus begin the patriotic portion of the evening with the presentation of the colors. The Howard County Honor Guard with the assistance of the area Boy Scouts posted the colors and Howard County Judge Kathryn Wiseman led the crowd in the Pledge of Allegiance. The night activities also included a fly over by the Commemorative Air Force and a video presentation honoring local active military personnel and veterans. In a solemn moment, the crowd of thousands in the Amphitheater stood up to honor the military service personnel who were killed in action in the last 13 years.

"Pops happens because of the community," ValVerde said. "It's funded totally through donations from the community and the board are all volunteers giving our time freely."

The committee is already accepting donations for the 2016 show. For more information, call ValVerde at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, 263-7641.

Major contributors that helped fund the 2015 show include the Dora Roberts Foundation, ALON USA, H-E-B and The Geo Group, Inc. Also contributing greatly were Citizen's FCU, Worthy Company, Superod, Howard County Volunteer Fire Department, Days Inn, Sid Richardson, Prescription Services, M. Weaver, Guthrie Oil & Gas, Big Spring Collusion Center and the Paint & Safety Store.

Pops in the Park was presented by the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, the Big Spring Herald, the Big Spring Symphony Association, City of Big Spring, 93.3 - the Fuse, KBST 95.7 and 1490, KBest Media, Weeks Broadcasting, KBYG 1400 AM and 106.3, and FM-KXCS 105.5 FM.

Andrews Hwy to get receive facelift



BY LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

A Howard County road will be receiving a facelift Monday when Price Construction commences an \$8.7 million, multi-month project.

According to the Texas Department of Transportation, crews will begin work on state highway 176 from the Martin County line to approximately one mile east of FM 2599 near Big Spring. The highway is also known locally as Andrew's Highway.

"The five-mile project will consist of planing the existing travel lanes, bridge rail upgrade and asphalt concrete pavement overlay," said MaryBelle Turner, public information officer from the Abilene TxDOT office. "It also requires an eight-foot width restriction, so wide loads are encouraged to seek alternate routes."

TxDOT cautions driv-

ers to be careful when traveling along this construction site.

"Drivers can expect various intermittent lane closures during this construction project, and should be watchful of crew members and large, slow moving equipment in the work zone," Turner said.

The project is estimated to be completed in the fall of 2015, TxDOT said.

Price Construction, a local business, is one of the companies building the new Highway 87 truck relief route skirting the west side of Big Spring. According to Turner, the project is about 50 percent

complete and on budget with an expected finish date of summer 2016.

At that time, traffic is expected to return to the main lanes of I-20 on the west side of Big Spring and the reliever route will be open for truck traffic to pass the town without having to travel through downtown Big Spring.

Lyndel Moody can be contacted at 263-7331.



Zach Johnson

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—FIRST AMENDMENT

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Walking the Red Road:

The way of the wolf 2

Welcome back to the wolf den. In my last article, part one, I gave you some basic information on wolves. I also promised you some Native American stories for part two.

I have heard a story about a wolf leading a band of Cheyenne to safety when they were pursued by U.S. forces.

I do not know if this is a true story or not.

One of my favorites is a Cherokee story involving wolves. A young boy and his grandfather were walking in the woods one day. The grandfather told the boy that there were two wolves fighting inside the you. The old man told him that one was evil. The wolf was mean, hateful and selfish. It carried only about itself.

He told the boy that the other wolf was good. It was kind, loving and caring. It is selfless and cares more about others than itself. They walked on as the young boy thought about his grandfathers words.

Finally the boy spoke, asking his grandfather, which wolf wins? The old man replied, the one you feed, boy, the one you feed.

The Kiowa are credited with the origin of the Gourd Dance. The following is their story of how the dance came to be. An old warrior was walking in the fields one day. He was saddened because he could no longer dance the dances the young warriors did.

A wolf came to the old warrior and told the man about a new dance for the older warriors. The wolf also gave him the first Gourd Dance songs. The old warrior shared this with his people and the Gourd Dance came to be.

The Sioux tell the following story. A woman from one band had married into a different band of Sioux. However she became unhappy and decided to return to her own people. It was late fall and a blizzard set in. She became lost but found shelter in a small cave.

A family of wolves found her in the cave. The wolves did not attack her, the wolves knew she was in trouble. The wolves brought her food the entire time she was in the cave. When the blizzard ceased and the snow began to clear she continued her journey.

Upon reaching her own people she told them the story. No one in the tribe disbelieved her.

Moving into the present, a Sioux called John Marshall III tells his personal story. John is an author, speaker, historian and has acted in movies. He tells the following story.

When he was a young boy, he had a dream. In his dream he was setting on the bank of a stream. A wolf appeared on the other side and began to drink. The wolf was very cautious and continually looked both ways along the stream. When the wolf finished drinking it looked straight at the boy. The wolf spoke, in Sioux, saying tell the story of my people.

When young John told his grandfather about the dream John asked what it meant. His grandfather told him that he would know when the time has come.

Later in life John was one of the people involved in the return of wolves to Yellowstone National Park. In this way he not only told the story of the wolf people but also insured their story would continue.

Now I will share my own story with you. Several years ago I got a Husky puppy that had some wolf in her blood line. Spooky became pregnant two times in her life. Both times she began digging a den to have her puppies in.

Spooky was the most intelligent dog I have ever known. I did not have to teach her much, she learned most things on her own. She went everywhere that I did. Occasionally I would think, I wonder where Spooky is. I did not have to call her, she would just show up. We had a bond that was unbelievable.

One day I got home from work and forgot to tell her to get out of the truck. I walked by the window and saw her still in the bed of my truck. Even in my own drive way she would not get out until told to do so. She had incredible word recognition. We had to spell words around her. Then, one day,

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Return to the battlefield

Austin Steen of Crosbyton was a teenager when he parachuted into a barrage of German gunfire during World War II.

"We were shot at all the way down," says Austin. "We lost 65 percent of our division." Another enemy was the two feet of snow that covered the ground in 1945. Austin fought in the Battle of the Bulge, which had the highest casualties during the war. In March of this year, Bastogne, a city in Belgium where the battle was centered, staged a 70-year commemoration to honor veterans who fought there. Austin went over there with his two daughters and five grandchildren.

At the Frankfurt airport where the group landed, when the customs agent learned that Austin was a veteran of World War II, he shook his hand and said, "Thank you for saving the world."

That set the stage for the rest of the trip. Everywhere the group went they were treated with respect and appreciation.

"We didn't go anywhere that he wasn't treated like a king," says Vicki Cole of Big Spring, Austin's daughter. "A lot of people in Belgium called him a rock star."

The group thought the 90-year old Austin would like to get some rest occasionally because he's usually in bed by 6 p.m. "But he wore us out wanting to go to all the places he remembered," says Dusty Cornelius, Austin's grandson. "When we would go into a café the manager would come over and visit with us." On the wall of one restaurant there was a picture of Austin taken during his war years. A tree was planted in his honor. Vicki says the people in Belgium and Luxembourg are extremely appreciative of Americans. "Everywhere we went they would say 'thank you, America. You saved our life. You've given our children their freedom.'"

Austin signed more than a hundred autographs a day. Lots of people brought him military helmets or articles of clothing to sign.

Some would shake his hand and cry. Austin and three other veterans went to an elementary school where the students asked questions and listened intently to the answers.

Austin told how he could dig a

foxhole Three feet deep in just a few minutes.

The eight members of the group all wore matching shirts with "team granddad" printed on them. They created quite a spectacle during the 12-day trip. Austin brought home a bag of souvenirs that people gave him, which he keeps on display in his living room along with his two purple hearts and bronze stars.

Austin suffered frostbite and was in the hospital a month. "It makes your feet turn black," says Austin. "If they turn black all the way to the heel, they take your feet off. Mine just reached halfway and finally healed." When he entered the Army he chose to be a paratrooper because it doubled his pay from \$50 to \$100 a month.

His landing in Germany on March 24, 1945 was the largest airborne operation in the war. It involved 10,000 paratroopers and thousands of aircraft. Germany surrendered on May 7, 1945. A few months later, Austin was on a troop ship headed for Japan when he learned the war had ended.

Tumbleweed Smith has a curiosity that takes him to some of the most interesting people and places in Texas. Contact him at ts@tumbleweedsmith.com



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RANDY MCKINNEY



'Non-profit' for 103 years

Predicting my Uncle Mort will ever succeed with his zany, "off-the-wall" ideas is the rough equivalent to believing that one day, Wile E. Coyote will outsmart the Roadrunner. It's not going to happen, even in dreams — wildest or tamest.

On the cusp of his 103rd birthday — one he observes on Independence Day — he phoned feverishly, hoping I'd have a "straight line" to Southwest Airlines. "You know — the kind of line a big bass stretches tight trying to get rid of a lure."

He claimed he had few hours until unveiling his latest project at his birthday party in the thicket. "Don't bring a present, but be sure to bring your handgun and iPhone," he advised.

I didn't tell him the only gun I own is a gag gift that has a yellow flag with "BANG!" written thereon, falling limply from the barrel's end when triggered. Or that I've drawn the line on the new cell phones, doggedly clinging to my old flip-top. (Further, I want to learn a few more of its features before my bucket list is replaced by my bucket kick.)

Excitedly, he told me how he could "help out" Southwest—the airline that lightened its load and saved \$100 grand annually with elimination of lemon wedges served with drinks until five years ago. Now, it is making charitable use of leather taken from 80,000 plane seats — some

500 planes — donating the 43 acres of leather to non-profit and social enterprise organizations for conversion to handbags, soccer balls and such.

"I didn't plan it that way, but I've managed to remain 'non-profit' my entire life," Mort joked. He wanted to see if SWA has any remnants left; he's "heck-bent" for leather needed to make his "six-in-one" handgun holsters.

"It's a 'one-size-fits all' concept," he said. "It has side pockets where cell phones of all sizes slide right in. Another pocket holds fingernail and toenail clipper. Still another has fold-out mesquite limbs with iPhone attachment for making 'selfies.'"

As usual, I made the mistake of offering a correction. "If my count is correct, that's a 'five-in-one' item."

"I plumb forgot," he explained. "I'm going to use mesquite limbs with mistletoe on 'em; that should pump up pre-Christmas sales. I'm gonna give AT&T a shot at 'em first; they're always looking for other things to sell."...

As he droned on — he does so easily without a plane — it dawned on me why guests were asked to bring their handguns and cellphones.

"When we serve ice cream, cake and punch, they won't know what to do with their side arms and phones," he said. "That's when I'll roll out the sales pitch urging them to be the first to own six-in-one handgun holsters," he laughed.

He claims they'll never become obsolete, but forever practical, since size/shape changes in iPhones will still fit in the spacious

pocket.

Mort hopes to "makes good" on a seventh feature that might be worth touting.

He's working on a toggle switch with dual use — turned one way, it silences the gun, and the other, the phone.

"If I can figure out how to attach it, I'll throw it in at no extra charge," Mort promised.

Somewhere in the background, Aunt Maude — a few months short of her 103rd birthday — shakes her head. Whatever keeps him busy without harming himself or others is OK, she always claims.

She's been at his side for more than 80 years, watching his "inventions" fail — one after the other. "I've seen so many 'plosions'," she said. "Plosions?" I questioned.

"Yep, both implosions and explosions," she cackled, comparing his enthusiasm to an "Amway salesman on steroids."

Maude claimed to be ready for the party, the giant cake still warm from the oven. She's going to serve Blue Bell ice cream she's been saving, and lemonade won't take long to prepare.

"I've still got to paint a sign Mort wants nailed on the gate," she said.

The sign reads. "Open carry is permitted here. If you don't have a gun, I'll rent you one." It'll be nailed next to the sign with this wordage: "When crossbows are outlawed, only outlaws will have crossbows."

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DR. DON NEWBURY

Winton's rescue of Jewish children revealed after 50 years

NAOMI KOPPEL

Associated Press

LONDON (AP) — "Is there anyone in our audience tonight who owes their life to Nicholas Winton?" asked the presenter of the popular BBC magazine program "That's Life".

Around the elderly man, sitting with his wife in the front row of the audience, more than 30 people got to their feet. The man stood to acknowledge them, wiping tears from his eyes.

It was 1988, some 50 years since young stockbroker Nicholas Winton found himself in Prague as the Nazis marched on Czechoslovakia and all around him Jewish parents desperately looked for a means of escape, if not for themselves then at least for their children.

Virtually single-handedly, Winton saved more than 650 of those children from almost certain death in the Holocaust. But he didn't talk about it for decades, until his wife discovered documents in their attic that revealed the story and for the first time allowed the rescued children to know and thank their savior.

"There are all kinds of things you don't talk about, even with your family," Winton said later. "Everything that happened before the war actually didn't feel important in the light of the war itself."

Winton's death Wednesday at the age of 106 brought tributes from leaders and Jewish

groups in Britain, the Czech Republic and Israel.

"In a world plagued by evil and indifference, Winton dedicated himself to saving the innocent and the defenseless. His exceptional moral leadership serves as an example to all humanity," Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said Thursday.

"Winton knew how to correctly read the harsh reality and chose to leave his comfortable life and follow the voice of his conscience," added Avner Shalev, chairman of the Yad Vashem Holocaust memorial in Jerusalem.

The story of Winton's exploits led former British Prime Minister Tony Blair to dub him "Britain's Schindler," in reference to the German businessman Oskar Schindler, who famously saved Jewish lives during the war.

Returning to Britain and finding there was no one working on the problem of how to get the children out, Winton borrowed the headed paper of the British Committee for Refugees from Czechoslovakia and underneath typed the words "Children's Section."

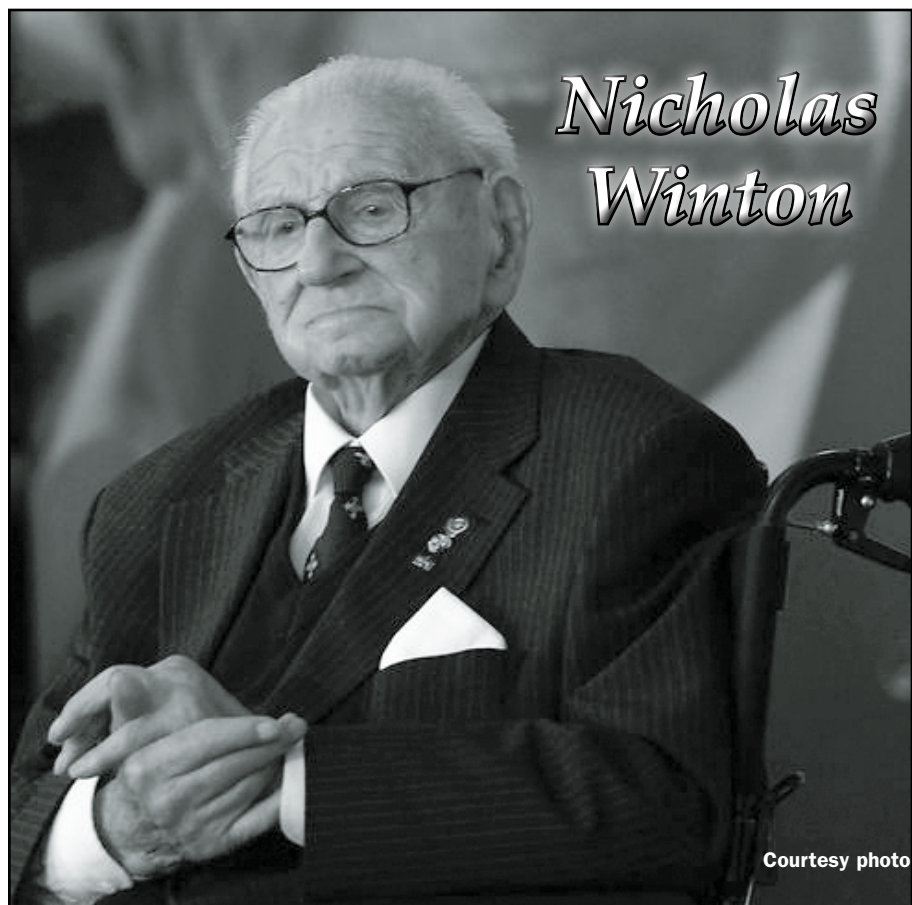
He approached the British government, and eventually got a promise that it would let the children in, provided he had a foster home arranged for each of them, and upon payment of a guarantee — the substantial sum of 50 pounds per child.

He drew up lists of some 6,000 suitable children, publishing their photographs to try to encourage British families to agree to take them. He arranged trains from Prague to the Netherlands, ferries to take the children across the North Sea.

Eight trains and one plane carried 669 children to Britain in the months before the outbreak of war. The largest evacuation was scheduled for Sept. 3, 1939, the day Britain declared war on Germany. That train never left, and almost none of the 250 children trying to flee that day survived the war.

"At the time, everybody said, 'Isn't it wonderful what you've done for the Jews? You saved all these Jewish people,'" Winton said. "When it was first said to me, it came almost as a revelation because I didn't do it particularly for that reason. I was there to save children."

The children from Prague were among some 10,000 mostly Jewish children who made it to Britain on what were known as the Kindertransports (children's transports). Few of them would see their parents again.



Nicholas Winton

Courtesy photo

Though many more children were saved from Berlin and Vienna, those operations were better-organized and better-financed. Winton's operation was unique because he worked almost alone.

"Maybe a lot more could have been done, but much more time would have been needed, much more help would have been needed from other countries, much more money would have been needed, much more organization," Winton later said.

He also acknowledged that not all the children who made it to Britain were well-treated

in their foster homes, and some foster parents used them as cheap domestic servants. He also faced criticism in some quarters for placing Jewish children with Christian families.

"I wouldn't claim that it was 100 percent successful, but I would claim that everybody who came over was alive at the end of the war," he said, quoted in the book "Into the Arms of Strangers."

After the story came to light, Winton's wife Grete persuaded him to talk about what had happened.

WOLF

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my wife asked when I had taught my dog to spell. Spooky had picked up on that as well.

She took excellent care of her puppies. Once when nursing her litter of pups I found a stray puppy and

took it home. Spooky took it in even allowing it to nurse although it was older than hers and even had teeth. She helped raise several litters of kittens. She would watch over them, clean the kittens and play with them.

Once some friends brought their newborn baby to the house. Spooky had a fit. She wanted to get to the infant so she could care for it. Spookys' motherly instincts were that of a

female wolf.

I hope these two articles have given you a new perspective on wolves. Wolves could easily survive on their own if it were not for mans interference. However if wolves are to survive they will need our help to do so. If you feel inclined to help them please do as I did many years ago. Contact Defenders of Wildlife. This organization does a lot to help wolves

survive. Contact them at www.defenders.org or call 1-800-915-6789.

Please join me in the effort to keep our wolf brother alive. By doing this we will insure that the story of the wolf people continues.

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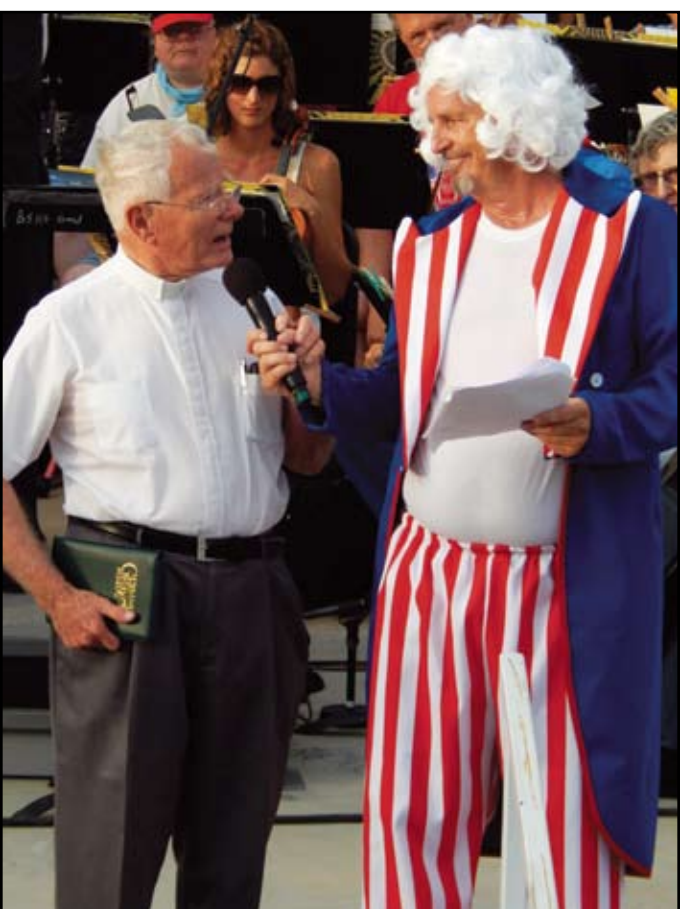
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Houston Astros' Jon Singleton hits a two-run single during the 10th inning of a baseball game against the Boston Red Sox at Fenway Park in Boston Friday.

One goal

Wambach: Winning World Cup all that matters

VANCOUVER, British Columbia. (AP) — With the title match looming, Abby Wambach isn't mincing words.

"All I care about is winning this World Cup," she said.

The star U.S. forward is playing in her fourth Women's World Cup, and she says it will be her last. A victory Sunday in the final against Japan would be the perfect ending to her World Cup career.

It would also solidify a legacy. Wambach, who has been on the national team for 15 years, has scored 183 goals, more than any other player, male or female, in the world. Of those, 77 have come on headers.

She was the 2012 FIFA Women's World Player of the Year, the game's highest honor. And she has two Olympic gold medals.

What she doesn't have is a World Cup title.

"For this being her last one, I will do whatever it takes to get the job done," vowed midfielder Carli Lloyd, who leads the Americans with three goals.

The 35-year old Wambach has seen her role change at this World Cup. She isn't starting every match, at times coming in off the bench. She has just one goal so far in the month-long event, the lone goal in a 1-0 victory over Nigeria in the group stage.

The United States, ranked No. 2 in the world, finished atop its group in Canada before victories over Colombia and China set up a thrilling 2-0 semifinal victory over top-ranked Germany on Tuesday night.

Against Japan at Vancouver's BC Place is a rematch of the 2011 championship match in German.

So far it's been an eventful tournament for Wambach.

She's started three matches and come off the bench for three. She hadn't played as a substitute in a World Cup match since her first tournament appearance in 2003.

Coming in as a sub in a 0-0 draw with Sweden during the group stage, she gave the Americans one of their best scoring chances, a header that goalkeeper Hedvig Lindahl popped up and over the crossbar.

Surging Astros win in extra innings

BOSTON (AP) — The Houston Astros seem to turn every little break into a victory.

First baseman Mike Napoli allowed Preston Tucker's hard grounder to bounce past him for an error, and Carlos Correa followed with a tiebreaking single in a four-run 10th inning that lifted the Astros over the Boston Red Sox 12-8 on Friday night for their fifth straight win.

"There was a full moon. The game was a unique one. We had just enough at the end," Houston manager A.J. Hinch said. "It was going to take a big inning like that to win a game like this."

Jose Altuve had three hits and two RBIs for the AL West-leading Astros, who won after wasting three leads in four innings. Correa also added a solo homer in his stellar start to his big league career.

Noe Ramirez (0-1), making his major league debut, hit Altuve with a pitch leading off the 10th, and Altuve advanced on Napoli's error.

Correa singled for a 9-8 lead,

Jon Singleton added a two-run single and Domingo Santana stole home on the back end of a double steal.

"It's a fun game, and that's why we love it," Correa said.

Ramirez, selected earlier in the day from Triple-A Pawtucket, was charged with four runs — two earned — and gave up three hits.

"I wasn't really feeling too many nerves out there," he said. "I left too many balls up in the zone."

Ramirez came in after Koji Uehara worked a perfect ninth, throwing just 11 pitches.

"In a tie game, not going to pitch two innings," Boston manager John Farrell said.

Farrell said Junichi Tazawa, the only other reliever left in the bullpen, threw a side session before the game and was unavailable.

Roberto Hernandez (3-5) pitched a perfect inning, and Luke Gregerson got the final three outs.

Hanley Ramirez hit his 17th homer for the Red Sox, who returned home following a 5-2

trip.

Dan Straily, recalled from Triple-A Fresno and making his first start for Houston, allowed five runs — four earned — six hits and three walks in 4 2-3 innings.

Red Sox starter Justin Masterson gave up five runs and eight hits in 3 2-3 innings.

After Correa's solo homer gave the Astros an 8-7 in the eighth, the Red Sox tied it on David Ortiz's RBI double.

With runners on first and third in the fifth, Ortiz was hit on the top of helmet sliding into second by Altuve's throw from second while attempting to complete an inning-ending double play on Ramirez's grounder. The ball caromed into the stands on the fly, allowing a run to score. Altuve was charged with an error and Ramirez advanced to second.

TRAINER'S ROOM

Astros: It was their first game following an injury to outfielder George Springer, who was placed on the 15-day DL with a fractured right wrist Thursday. He was injured on a

95 mph fastball thrown by Edinson Volquez in a win over Kansas City on Wednesday. "Some guys have to step up with George's absence," Correa said after the game.

Red Sox: OF Daniel Nava, on the 15-day DL since May 26 with a strained left thumb, is on a rehab stint with Triple-A Pawtucket.

FORGETFUL

Both teams forgot how many outs there were on one play in the seventh. Astros first baseman Chris Carter threw across the diamond attempting to get Alejandro De Aza, who was racing from second on a two-out grounder. De Aza went headfirst into third, where Luis Valbuena made a tag. Earlier in the inning, Ramirez took a 3-2 pitch for a ball, stood at the plate and had was told to go to first by plate umpire Cory Blaser.

NICE START

Correa has six homers in 23 games.

STREAKING

Altuve extended his hitting streak to 11 games.

Angels easily handle Rangers, 8-2

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — The way Angels manager Mike Scioscia looked at things, there really wasn't anything unusual seeing Josh Hamilton playing for the other team.

"I don't think any of us gave it a thought," Scioscia said after the Angels' 8-2 win at Texas on Friday night. "Really, we played against Josh for a long time, it's not like this is something new. He's been a Ranger longer than any other team he's played with."

Garrett Richards won his sixth consecutive start against Texas, Erick Aybar had his first five-hit game, and Kole Calhoun drove in four runs with a pair of early doubles in the Angels' first game against Texas since trading Hamilton back to the Rangers.

"To me it was just another hitter, but obviously he used to be with us," Richards said.

Hamilton, who insisted beforehand he had no extra emotions facing the Angels, went 1 for 3 with a double and two strikeouts — all against Richards (9-5), who struck out six and allowed one run over 7 2-3 innings.

Hamilton played only his 10th game this season for Texas, his third since being activated this week after a month on the disabled list with a left hamstring strain. He is hitting .303 (10 for 33) with two home runs.

His double was Texas' third consecutive two-out hit in the sixth, following Prince Fielder's double and Adrian Beltre's RBI single. All that came when Richards had problems gripping his slider on a hot sticky night.

"I was sweating a lot, so I couldn't really get a grip on my slider," Richards said. "So I got a couple and that obviously led to the run."

Aybar's second hit in the second inning was a two-run single that made it 6-0 before Hamilton even got an at-bat for Texas. Aybar also scored twice for the Angels, who matched a season high with 15 hits.

Rangers rookie right-hander Chi Chi Gonzalez (2-4) gave up six runs.

Calhoun's three-run double in the second ended an Angels slide of 25 hitless at-bats with runners in scoring position. He added an RBI double in the third on a play when leadoff hitter Johnny Giavotella was also thrown out trying to score from first.

Ryan Rua replaced Hamilton in the field to start the eighth, then homered.

"We're going to continue to evaluate that daily. We have to be mindful of how he comes out of it each game," Rangers manager Jeff Banister said of Hamilton's hamstring.

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Former NFL star struggles to keep inner-city football camp alive and well

BY COREY WILLIAMS
Associated Press

HIGHLAND PARK, Mich. — The weeds and wild grass rose well above Reggie McKenzie's knees as the former NFL star walked the field bearing his name in the small Detroit enclave of Highland Park. With two weeks until the start of the youth football camp he's been running for four decades, the city-owned field had yet to be mowed — and something had to be done.

McKenzie, who starred on the gridiron at Highland Park

High School and the University of Michigan before spending 13 years in the NFL, said he spent about \$700 to make the field usable in time for the 3-day camp for several dozen teens and pre-teens.

"If I gotta get it cut to have my program, well, I got to get it cut," said McKenzie, whose camp counts NFL players as alumni.

Highland Park has more pressing needs. The 3-square-mile city, the birthplace of Henry Ford's as-

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sembly line, is among the poorest communities in the U.S. Drowning in millions of dollars in water debt to Detroit, it was determined last year to be in a financial emergency.

It is among several Michigan cities struggling to pay off mountains of debt while providing basic city services. Highland Park recreation director Michael Drain said public works crews typically cut the grass every week and a half and showed up after McKenzie had the field mowed.

"They are really short-staffed, and there are so many vacant lots in the

city and they have to get to those," Drain said.

Highland Park rose and fell with Detroit's auto industry. By 1919, half the cars in the world were Model T's, many of them built in Highland Park. Business leaders lived in spacious homes on tree-lined streets.

But the population has dwindled from about 35,000 in 1970 to about 10,400 in 2013. With only 160 students returning next fall, the school district shuttered its only high school.

McKenzie, 64, said he understands Highland Park's troubles. But he added: "Sometimes people make things seem that they are harder than they really are."

"You've got to want to," he said. "It's just like foot-

"You've got to want to. It's just like football. You've got to want to play."

Reggie McKenzie

ball. You've got to want to play. When I need the grass cut, I get it cut. Does it bother me? Yeah, that they kind of let it run down. You don't get mad. You just go and do something about it."

The field is still far from manicured. The former press box is likely beyond saving. Birds nest in the broken plywood flooring, sharing the two-story cinderblock building with the occasional homeless per-

son. Basketball courts are overgrown with cracked hardtop.

But that didn't stop this year's camp participants. "Everybody's out here working," said 14-year-old Baron Sholar. "Lot of sweat going on. Little kids working out. I like it."

The camp's alumni include former NFL players, including Pittsburgh Steeler Jerome Bettis, Green Bay Packer Gilbert Brown

and Pepper Johnson, who played for several teams.

McKenzie, a member of Buffalo's famed "Electric Company" offensive line, finished his playing career in Seattle and later worked in the team's front office.

He now runs an industrial materials business and a foundation focused on education and sports for young people, both of which bear his name.

He also wants to make sure kids have something more than what he did as a youth.

"Whenever we got a little piece of grass when we were growing up, we would go play tackle. Back then, it wasn't a whole lot of grass," he said. "Football was fun and that's why I still do the football camp."

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Baltimore	42	38	.525	1
Tampa Bay	42	40	.512	2
Toronto	42	40	.512	2
Boston	37	45	.451	7

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Kansas City	45	32	.584	—
Minnesota	42	38	.525	4½
Detroit	40	39	.506	6
Cleveland	38	41	.481	8
Chicago	35	42	.455	10

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	48	34	.585	—
Los Angeles	42	38	.525	5
Texas	41	40	.506	6½
Seattle	37	43	.463	10
Oakland	37	46	.446	11½

Kansas City (D.Duffy 2-4), 2:10 p.m.
Seattle (Montgomery 3-2) at Oakland (Bassitt 0-1), 4:05 p.m.
L.A. Angels (C.Wilson 6-6) at Texas (Lewis 8-3), 7:05 p.m.

Monday's Games
Houston (Keuchel 10-3) at Cleveland (Carrasco 10-6), 7:10 p.m.
Baltimore (Mi.Gonzalez 6-5) at Minnesota (P.Hughes 7-6), 8:10 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Colome 3-4) at Kansas City (Volquez 8-4), 8:10 p.m.
Toronto (Buehrle 9-4) at Chicago (White Sox (Sale 6-4), 8:10 p.m.
Detroit (Simon 7-5) at Seattle (T.Walker 7-6), 10:10 p.m.

Philadelphia (Hamels 5-6) at Atlanta (S.Miller 5-4), 1:35 p.m.
San Diego (Kennedy 4-7) at St. Louis (Lynn 5-4), 2:15 p.m.
Miami (Latos 3-5) at Chicago Cubs (Hendricks 3-4), 2:20 p.m.
Colorado (J.De La Rosa 5-3) at Arizona (R.De La Rosa 6-3), 4:10 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Matz 1-0) at L.A. Dodgers (Bolsinger 4-2), 4:10 p.m.
San Francisco (Vogelsong 6-6) at Washington (Zimmermann 6-5), 8:08 p.m.

day DL, retroactive to July 1. Optioned OF Taylor Dugas to Scranton/Wilkes-Barre.
OAKLAND ATHLETICS — Agreed to terms with RHP Boomer Biegalski on a minor league contract.
TAMPA BAY RAYS — Activated 1B James Loney from the 15-day DL. Optioned RHP Preston Guilmet to Durham (IL).
TEXAS RANGERS — Traded OF Jake Skole to the New York Yankees for cash considerations. Signed SS Adrian Peralta, RHP Rodolfo Garcia and C Max Morales.
TORONTO BLUE JAYS — Selected the contract of LHP Felix Doubront and recalled RHP Ryan Tepera from Buffalo (IL).

RHP Daniel Carela to Rockland for a player to be named and cash.
Atlantic League
LONG ISLAND DUCKS — Signed C Greg DePalma. Placed C Jose Morales on the disabled list.
Can-Am League
NEW JERSEY JACKALS — Signed RHP Brady Adamek.
QUEBEC CAPITALS — Released INF Ben Bostick and LHP Dan Meyer.
SUSSEX COUNTY MINERS — Signed INF Jon Dziomba.
Frontier League
FLORENCE FREEDOM — Activated RHP Austin Delmotte from the injured list.
NORMAL CORNBELTERS — Signed RHP Jon Pusatari.
RIVER CITY RASCALS — Released RHP Clint Wright.
ROCKFORD AVIATORS — Signed INF Cody Lenahan and INF Danny Stienstra. Released INF Will DuPont and OF JaRon Shepherd.

NEW JERSEY DEVILS — Signed D Marc-Andre Gragnani and G Yann Danis to one-year contracts.
NEW YORK RANGERS — Agreed to terms with F Luke Adam.
OTTAWA SENATORS — Named Andre Tourigny assistant head coach.
SAN JOSE SHARKS — Signed F Joel Ward to a three-year contract.
American Hockey League
TORONTO MARLIES — Agreed to terms with D Andrew Campbell, D Brenden Miller and F Christopher Clapperton, Brett Findlay and Patrick Watling.
ECHL
READING ROYALS — Announced the retirement of F Ryan Cruthers to become coach and assistant general manager of Charlotte (USPHL).

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	44	36	.550	—
New York	41	40	.506	3½
Atlanta	39	41	.488	5
Miami	35	46	.432	9½
Philadelphia	27	55	.329	18

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
St. Louis	51	28	.646	—
Pittsburgh	45	34	.570	6
Chicago	42	36	.538	8½
Cincinnati	36	42	.462	14½
Milwaukee	34	48	.415	18½

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	45	36	.556	—
San Francisco	42	39	.519	3
Arizona	39	41	.488	5½
San Diego	39	43	.476	6½
Colorado	34	46	.425	10½

Monday's Games
Cincinnati at Washington, 7:05 p.m.
San Diego at Pittsburgh, 7:05 p.m.
St. Louis at Chicago Cubs, 8:05 p.m.
Atlanta at Milwaukee, 8:10 p.m.
Philadelphia at L.A. Dodgers, 10:10 p.m.
N.Y. Mets at San Francisco, 10:15 p.m.

National League
ATLANTA BRAVES — Agreed to terms with SS Derian Cruz and OF Cristian Pache.
CHICAGO CUBS — Acquired LHP Manny Rondon and international slot number four from the Los Angeles Angels for C Rafael Lopez. Acquired LHP Clayton Richard from Pittsburgh for cash considerations. Optioned RHP Donn Roach to Iowa (PCL).
CINCINNATI REDS — Placed assistant hitting coach Lee Tinsley on administrative leave.
MILWAUKEE BREWERS — Recalled RHPs Tyler Cravy and David Goforth from Colorado Springs (PCL). Optioned INF-OF Jason Rogers and RHP Corey Knebel to Colorado Springs.
SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS — Activated RHP Jake Peavy from the 15-day DL. Placed RHP Tim Hudson on the 15-day DL, retroactive to June 27. Purchased the contracts of LHP Josh Osich and OF Ryan Lolis from Sacramento (PCL). Designated 1B-OF Travis Ishikawa and RHP Brett Bochy for assignment. Optioned RHP Mike Broadway to Sacramento.
ST. LOUIS CARDINALS — Optioned LHP Tim Cooney to Memphis (PCL). Recalled OF Tommy Pham from Memphis.


BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
WASHINGTON WIZARDS — Agreed to terms with G Gary Neal on a one-year contract.
HOCKEY
National Hockey League
ANAHEIM DUCKS — Agreed to terms with C Shawn Horcoff on a one-year contract. Named Dave Nonis front office as a special assignment scout and consultant to general manager.
ARIZONA COYOTES — Signed D Alex Grant, D Derek Smith and F Eric Selleck to one-year contracts.
BUFFALO SABRES — Signed F Ryan O'Reilly to a seven-year contract extension.
CAROLINA HURRICANES — Named Mark Morris coach of Charlotte (AHL).
CHICAGO BLACKHAWKS — Agreed to terms with F Andrew Desjardins on a two-year contract.
COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS — Signed LW Brandon Saad to a six-year contract through the 2020-21 season and D John Ramage to one-year contract.
DETROIT RED WINGS — Signed D Vili Saarijarvi to a three-year entry-level contract.
EDMONTON OILERS — Agreed to terms with C Connor McDavid on a three-year entry-level contract.
LOS ANGELES KINGS — Agreed to terms with D Jamie McBain on a one-year contract.

SOCCER
WOMEN'S WORLD CUP
QUARTERFINALS
Friday, June 26
At Montreal
Germany 1, France 1, Germany won 5-4 on penalty kicks
At Ottawa, Ontario
United States 1, China 0
Saturday, June 27
At Edmonton, Alberta
Japan 1, Australia 0
At Vancouver, British Columbia
England 2, Canada 1
SEMIFINALS
Tuesday, June 30
At Montreal
United States 2, Germany 0
Wednesday, July 1
At Edmonton, Alberta
Japan 2, England 1
THIRD PLACE
Saturday, July 4
At Edmonton, Alberta
Germany vs. England, 4 p.m.
CHAMPIONSHIP
Sunday, July 5
At Vancouver, British Columbia
United States vs. Japan, 7 p.m.
Major League Soccer
COLUMBUS CREW — Loaned G Matt Lampson to Charlotte (USL) for six matches.

TRANSACTIONS
BASEBALL
American League
BOSTON RED SOX — Activated OF Shane Victorino from the 15-day DL. Optioned OF Jackie Bradley Jr. to Pawtucket (IL). Placed C Blake Swihart on the 15-day DL, retroactive to July 1. Selected the contract of RHP Noe Ramirez from Pawtucket. Designated RHP Zeke Spruill for assignment.
CHICAGO WHITE SOX — Signed RHP Carson Fulmer to a minor league contract.
DETROIT TIGERS — Designated RHP Joba Chamberlain and LHP Tom Gorzelanny for assignment. Recalled RHP Drew Verhagen from Erie (EL) and RHP Jeff Ferrell from Toledo (IL). Activated C Alex Avila from the 15-day DL. Optioned C Bryan Holaday to Toledo.
HOUSTON ASTROS — Recalled RHP Dan Straily from Fresno (PCL). Optioned RHP Michael Feliz to Fresno.
KANSAS CITY ROYALS — Selected the contract of INF Dusty Coleman from Omaha (PCL). Optioned INF Christian Colon to Omaha.
MINNESOTA TWINS — Placed OF Shane Robinson on the family emergency list. Activated OF Aaron Hicks from the 15-day DL. Optioned RHP Alex Meyer to Rochester (IL).
NEW YORK YANKEES — Recalled OF Ramon Flores and INF Gregorio Petit from Scranton/Wilkes-Barre (IL). Placed OF Carlos Beltran on the 15-

Friday's Games
Miami 2, Chicago Cubs 1
Washington 2, San Francisco 1
Cleveland 5, Pittsburgh 2
Milwaukee 12, Cincinnati 1
Atlanta 2, Philadelphia 1
San Diego 2, St. Louis 1
Arizona 4, Colorado 3, 10 innings
N.Y. Mets 2, L.A. Dodgers 1
Saturday's Games
San Francisco at Washington, 11:05 a.m.
San Diego at St. Louis, 2:15 p.m.
Cleveland at Pittsburgh, 4:05 p.m.
Miami at Chicago Cubs, 7:15 p.m.
Milwaukee at Cincinnati, 7:15 p.m.
N.Y. Mets at L.A. Dodgers, 7:15 p.m.
Philadelphia at Atlanta, 7:15 p.m.
Colorado at Arizona, 10:10 p.m.
Sunday's Games
Milwaukee (Jungmann 2-1) at Cincinnati (Leake 5-4), 1:10 p.m.
Cleveland (Salazar 7-3) at Pittsburgh (G.Cole 11-3), 1:35 p.m.

Friday's Games
Cleveland 5, Pittsburgh 2
N.Y. Yankees 7, Tampa Bay 5, 12 innings
Detroit 8, Toronto 6
Houston 12, Boston 8, 10 innings
L.A. Angels 8, Texas 2
Chicago White Sox 1, Baltimore 0
Kansas City 3, Minnesota 2, 10 innings
Seattle 9, Oakland 5
Saturday's Games
Tampa Bay (Karns 4-4) at N.Y. Yankees (Pineda 8-5), 1:05 p.m.
Toronto (Dickey 3-8) at Detroit (Price 7-2), 1:08 p.m.
Houston (McHugh 9-3) at Boston (Buchholz 6-6), 1:35 p.m.
Baltimore (Tillman 6-7) at Chicago White Sox (Samardzija 5-4), 2:10 p.m.
Cleveland (Co.Anderson 1-0) at Pittsburgh (Locke 4-4), 4:05 p.m.
Seattle (F.Hernandez 10-4) at Oakland (Graveman 5-4), 4:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Pelfrey 5-5) at Kansas City (Blanton 2-1), 7:15 p.m.
L.A. Angels (Santiago 4-4) at Texas (W.Rodriguez 5-3), 9:05 p.m.
Sunday's Games
Tampa Bay (E.Ramirez 6-3) at N.Y. Yankees (Undecided), 1:05 p.m.
Toronto (Estrada 5-4) at Detroit (Verlander 0-1), 1:08 p.m.
Cleveland (Salazar 7-3) at Pittsburgh (G.Cole 11-3), 1:35 p.m.
Houston (McCullers 4-2) at Boston (E.Rodriguez 4-2), 1:35 p.m.
Baltimore (B.Norris 2-1) at Chicago White Sox (Rodon 3-1), 2:10 p.m.
Minnesota (E.Santana 0-0) at



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Weddings



Mr. and Mrs. Michael Ryan

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Ms. Nicole Rene Zamora and Mr. Michael Devin Ryan, both of Big Spring, exchanged wedding vows March 21, 2015, at First Church of the Nazarene with the ceremony officiated by Rev. Calvary Callender. A reception with dinner and dancing followed and was held at the Dora Roberts Community Center.

Nicole is the daughter of Michael and Anastasia Zamora of Big Spring. She is the granddaughter of Lilia Uribe of Big Spring and Guadalupe Viasana of Big Spring. She graduated concurrently from Big Spring High School and Howard College in 2014 with a certificate in Cosmetology. In 2015 she graduated from the National Laser Institute in Dallas as a certified medical laser technician. She is a hairstylist for the Hotel Settles Salon and Spa in Big Spring, and laser technician and skin care specialist for Body Focus Medical Spa in Midland.

Michael is the son of Darrell and Traci Ryan of Big Spring, and Nicholas Lara of Greenville, Texas. He is the grandson of Wendell and Glenda Ellis of Big Spring and Hector and Dina Lara of Greenville, Texas. He graduated from Big Spring High School in 2013 and decided to pursue a career as an electrician. He is an electrician's apprentice for Crossroads Electric in Big Spring and will test for his Journeyman's license in 2017.

Escorted by her father, and given in marriage by her parents, Nicole looked beautiful as she made her entrance in an Oleg Cassini wedding gown. The ball gown had an organza ruffled skirt in pale ivory featuring a chapel-length train, and a strapless bodice intricately designed

with beaded Venice lace applique and corset detailing in an elegant champagne color. Her veil was an ivory cathedral-length veil with champagne colored applique that perfectly complemented her dress. Her bouquet included a mixture of white calla lilies; carnations and roses in shades of white, ivory, and pale taupe; as well as dark blue Siberian squill accented with pearl and crystal beads and sparkling royal blue tulle. The stems were hand-tied in white satin ribbon encircled in a rhinestone band.

Nicole was attended by maid of honor Heather Zamora, sister of the bride, of Big Spring. Bridesmaids were Miranda Viasana Trevino, sister of the bride, of La Jolla, Calif.; Anastasia Trevino, sister of the bride, of San Diego, Calif.; Odalis Perez, friend of the bride, and Allie Perez, cousin of the bride, both of Big Spring. Each attendant wore a long royal blue satin dress in a design of their choosing and carried hand-tied bouquets of white roses and carnations accented with dark blue Siberian squill accented with royal blue tulle. Abby Quiroz, niece of the bride, of San Diego, Calif., served as flower girl and wore a white satin A-line gown with beaded metallic embroidery, cap sleeves, and a chiffon split front and carried a white flower basket with rhinestone accents filled with blue and ivory rose petals. She also wore a wristlet of white rose buds, dark blue Siberian squill and royal blue ribbon.

Attending Michael was best man Mathew Ryan, brother of the groom, of Olympia, Wash. Groomsmen were Kevin Balzer, nephew of the groom, of Anthem, Ariz.; Brandon Carruth, Nickolas Rodriguez, and Michael Waight, friends of the groom, of Big Spring. The groom honored both families by escorting each parent and grandparent into the church for the ceremony.

emony. Michael wore a black Joseph Abboud tuxedo, light ivory shirt, royal blue vest and bowtie. His boutonniere was fashioned from a pale ivory rose bud with dark blue Siberian squill and royal blue tulle ribbon. The groomsmen wore black tuxedos pinned with a pale ivory rose boutonniere with royal blue accents, light ivory shirts, royal blue vests and neckties. Michael Zamora Jr., brother of the bride, of Big Spring, acted as ring bearer, carrying a white satin ring pillow with rhinestone accents. He wore a black tuxedo with a white shirt, royal blue bowtie, and a boutonniere that matched the groom's.

Parents and grandparents entered the sanctuary to Tidus' Theme from Final Fantasy X piano collection playing. The bridal party advanced to Zanarkand from the Final Fantasy X piano collection. The bride progressed to the Bridal March by the O'Neill Brothers. The music for the recessional was Shut Up and Dance by Walk the Moon.

During the nuptials the couple participated in a unity candle ceremony with music performed by Kevin Balzer who played guitar and sang Say I Do by Kyle Jacobs; candles were lit by mother of the bride, Anastasia Zamora, and mother of the groom, Traci Ryan. They also chose to incorporate a Wedding Wine Box/ Love Letter ceremony.

During the ceremony Darrell Ryan, father of the groom, read a selection he wrote for the couple entitled What is Love?

The couple spent their honeymoon at the El Conquistador Resort in Fajardo, Puerto Rico and now reside in Big Spring.

MENUS

Big Spring Senior Center

Monday
Oven baked chicken, macaroni and tomatoes, peas, pineapple chunks, bread and milk

Tuesday
Cheeseburger, sweet potato fries, lettuce/tomato/onion, oatmeal raisin cookie and v8/milk

Wednesday
Green chili stew, vegetables, flour tortilla, lemon bars and milk

Thursday
Turkey with cranberry glaze, cornbread dressing with gravy, green beans, mixed fruit with whipped topping, rolls and milk

Friday
Chicken fajita, flour tortillas, refried beans, guacamole salad, chips and salsa and tropical fruit/milk

Who's Who in Howard County

Name: Anthony Bass
Where do you work: Ryder Truckin
Where were you born: Moberly, Missouri
City you live in: Big Spring, Texas
Family: Wife - Julie, Daughters - Skyler and Alynsia
Hobbies, Organizations, Clubs: Member of Big Spring Kiwanis club, bowling, anything outdoors
Favorite book: Ted Dekker books
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Favorite movie: Tombstone
Where would you visit if you could go anywhere: Scotland



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Kiwanis Club of Big Spring thanks Veterans sweetly



By Julie Bass

Staff Writer

Sweet cupcakes for sweet heroes. On Thursday the Kiwanis club of Big Spring delivered red and blue frosted cupcakes to the residents of the Lamun-Lusk Sanchez Texas State Veterans Home to thank them for their service and patriotism.

The Kiwanis club focuses on the children in the community, but the group thought that showing their respect and appreciation to local veterans would make for a fun afternoon.

"They are sweet people and this gives them a chance to be thanked and socialize a little," said Lavern Dean, Kiwanis club member.

The Kiwanis members let three young girls, who had been volunteering at the home Thursday, help pass out the cupcakes.

Kiwanis club members present at the cupcake party were Floyd Green, Lavern Dean and Francis Bristow.

Contact Staff Writer Julie Bass at 263-7331 ext 232



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Top: Helpful volunteers pass out cupcakes to veterans at Lamun-Lusk Sanchez Texas State Veterans Home.

Left: Kiwanis Club member Lavern Dean visits with a veteran.

Right: Floyd Green, Kiwanis Club member, visits with veterans during the cupcake get-together.



Words of Hate

A racial slur, an unkind word can wound the heart of man.
Why can't we learn that words can hurt? Words can wound the heart of man.
Sticks and stones may break my bones. Words can break and wound the heart of man.
May we do God's will and help heal the hurt within.
May we all join hands. It is time we love our fellow man.
May our words no longer scorn and harm the heart of man.

~ Fannie Price

Navy triples paid maternity leave to 18 weeks

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. Navy is tripling the amount of paid maternity leave that female sailors and Marines can take after the birth of a child, and will now provide a total of 18 weeks off.

The change, directed by Navy Secretary Ray Mabus, makes the Navy the first of the military services to provide more than the current six weeks of leave.

According to the Navy, about 5,000 women would be eligible

for the benefit each year, including 500 officers.

The actual order extends convalescent leave for maternity cases only, and is effective immediately. Service secretaries have the authority to make the change themselves, and no change of law is required.

In a statement, Mabus said that the Navy and Marine Corps are routinely looking for ways to recruit and retain good people.

"We have incredibly talented

women who want to serve, and they also want to be mothers and have the time to fulfill that important role the right way," said Mabus. "Meaningful maternity leave when it matters most is one of the best ways that we can support the women who serve our county."

The Navy said there shouldn't be any significant personnel costs associated with the change.

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Emma Krabill, CEO of Scenic Mountain Medical Center, has recruited Dr. Vernon Johnson, MD, a family physician to help care for the patient currently being seen by Dr. Long. As this process gets finalized, notifications will be sent out by Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Dr. Johnson will be located at this clinic.

In the meantime, if you are wanting to pick up a copy of your medical records you may do so at our current location at 910 S. Main Street. A release will be available when you come to pick up a copy of your records.

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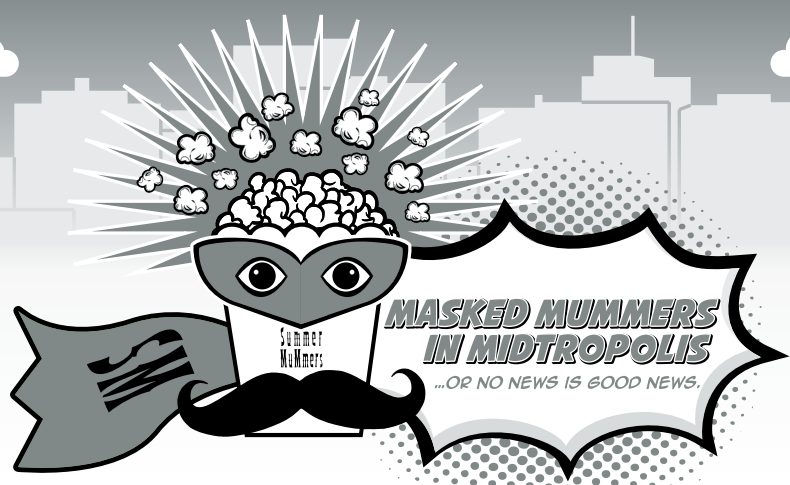
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Truffle dogs sniff out pungent fungus prized by foodies



Bill Collins follows his Italian water dog, Rico, while hunting for truffles at the Robert Sinskey Vineyards Truffle Orchard in Napa, Calif.

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BY TERENCE CHEA

Associated Press

CARNEROS, Calif. (AP) — The growing appetite for truffles is feeding demand for dogs trained to sniff out the pungent fungus prized by chefs and foodies.

As more landowners plant orchards in hopes of harvesting truffles, more dogs are being trained to detect the earthy delicacies, which take several years to ripen on tree roots underground.

“There is huge demand for truffle dogs right now,” said Alana McGee, co-founder of the Truffle Dog Company, which helps orchard own-

ers search for truffles and trains dogs how to find them in orchards or in the wild.

“Truffle-hunting is right up their alley. It’s fun for the dogs. They get rewarded for using their noses, which is how they see the world,” she said.

On a recent morning, McGee’s dog Lolo, a brown and white Lagotto Romagnolo, sniffed for signs of Perigord and burgundy truffles on the roots of oak and hazelnut trees planted next to Robert Sinskey’s vineyards in Carneros, Calif.

Sinskey was the first Napa Valley winemaker to plant a truffle orchard five years ago and wants to be the

first California grower to harvest truffles, hopefully next year. He plans to have McGee teach his dogs the art of truffle-hunting.

“I hope my dogs will finally be able to earn their keep,” Sinskey said. “It will be nice to see them actually work.”

Lolo is an Italian breed commonly used to hunt truffles, but McGee said any dog can be trained. “It’s about working with the dogs’ personalities and different learning styles.”

In Europe, truffle hunters traditionally used pigs, but in recent years the job has gone to the dogs, which are easier to manage, less conspicuous and less likely to eat the tasty tubers or bite a hand trying to snatch one from its mouth.

Known as the diamonds of the culinary world, most black truffles come from Europe or Australia and cost \$800 to \$1,200 per pound, but supplies are shrinking while appetites are expanding worldwide, said Robert Chang, chief truffle officer of the American Truffle Company.

“As people get richer all the time, the demand for truffles will continue to grow,” Chang said. “Ten years ago, you mention the word truffles, and people think, ‘Oh, it’s the chocolate truffles.’”

European black truffles, the ones most coveted for their powerful taste and aroma, are notoriously fickle. Few in North America have successfully harvested them, but many are trying because the crop could be highly profitable.

The American Truffle Company is working with dozens of landowners across the U.S. to grow European black truffles commercially. It’s still too early to judge their success since the orchards were planted less than five years ago, and it takes at least that long for truffles to ripen.

But in March, Chang’s colleague, Paul Thomas, said he harvested Britain’s first cultivated black truffle from fungus he planted in Leicestershire six years ago, using the same techniques their company is using in the U.S. and other countries.

In California’s wine-growing regions of Napa and Sonoma valleys, the American Truffle Company is working with several winemakers, including Sinskey, Rocca Family Vineyards, former Intel Corp. CEO Paul Otellini and most recently Peju Province Winery.

The trees don’t require much water, so they haven’t been affected by California’s record drought, which has forced farmers to tear out orchards and reduce crop plantings.

Napa Valley Chef Ken Frank, widely regarded as America’s top truffle chef, imports the delectable fungus from Italy, France and Australia. He loves the idea of serving fresh, locally grown truffles at his restaurant La Toque.

“To be able to get a truffle that was dug in Carneros this morning for me to put on the menu tonight, that’s a game changer,” Frank said. “That’s a big deal and we’re very excited about it.”

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Judgments

The State of Texas vs. Dusty R. Baiza, resisting arrest/search/transport. \$500 fine, court costs, 180 days in jail and probated 12 months.
 The State of Texas vs. Keith Allen Myrick, possession of marijuana. \$100 fine, court costs and 10 days in jail.
 The State of Texas vs. Porfirio E. Hernandez-Faz, theft of property. \$500, court costs, 180 days in jail and probated 12 months.
 The State of Texas vs. Candi Rene Garza, theft of property. \$300 fine, court costs and probated 12 months.
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Filings

Tu-King Transport vs. Jesus Martinez, Znergen Logistics LLC and Znergen Operating, contract – consumer/commercial/debt.
 Maleah Lloyd vs. Farley Lloyd, divorce
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 Enlink Midstream Operating, LP, Enlink North Texas Gatherings, LP vs. U.S. Trinity Energy Services, LLC, Fasterra Group, LP, Fasterra Group, LLC, civil case – other.
 Melora Wiesner, Melia Wiesner vs. Bandera Drilling Company, Inc, et al, injury/damage – other injury or damage.
 Phillip A. Welch vs. Ernest Welch Jr., Linda Brown, civil case – other.

Marriage Licenses

Edward Ellsworth Jenkins, 78, and Dina Munoz Payne-Harper, 51, both of Big Spring
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Well levels trending down in Howard, Martin counties

Special to the Herald

STANTON — Each year the Permian Basin Underground Water Conservation District (PBUWCD) conducts measurements on observation wells in Martin and Howard Counties. The results of those measurements help determine the annual

change of the aquifers in this area.

The 2015 numbers reflect average measurements of 115 observation wells for the 2014 year. The average change for 2015 in Martin County is -0.41 ft. and Howard County is -1.63 ft., PBUWCD figures show.

In addition, the District calculates a cumulative average draw-

down, which is found by taking the average change of the beginning year 2012 and adding in the next five years. The cumulative average from years 2012 to 2015 in Martin County is -4.59 and Howard County is -4.64.

For more information regarding water levels, please call the PBUWCD office at 432-756-2136.

Permits

Stephanie S. Piercefield, 2307 Morrison Dr. Res Re-roof; Val: \$5,200 Fee: \$40.
 Lisa A. Campa, 1601 Robin St. Res Re-roof; Val: \$2,800 Fee: \$25.
 Jack Carr, 2403 Brent Dr. Res Re-roof; Val: \$4,700 Fee: \$35.
 Carolyn Elizabe Loya, 803 E. 18th St. Res elec; Val: \$0 Fee: \$25.
 RWRC Inc, 704 W. 3rd St. Com elec; Val: \$0 Fee: \$25.
 Michael Robinson, 801 Anna St. Res addition; Val: \$1,200 Fee: \$25.
 Eliseo Badillo Gamboa Jr., 1411 Scurry St. Res elec; Val: \$0 Fee: \$25.
 Paul Adair, 814 W. 8th St. Res Re-roof; Val: \$2,000 Fee: \$25.
 Bartlett & West, 217 E. 3rd St. Com elec; Val: \$0 Fee: \$25.
 Edwin Althof, 2613 Rebecca Dr. Res Re-roof; Val: \$7,000 Fee: \$45.
 C. Wyrick, 602 Bucknell Ave. Res gas; Val: \$2,000 Fee: \$32.
 First United Methodist, 400 Scurry St. Com Re-roof; Val: \$2,800 Fee: \$25.
 Thomas Welch, 1512 Harding St. Structure other; Val: \$2,500 Fee: \$25.
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#4713 Taylor, drill, El: NA, API #42-227-38568
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#4 Guitar Gibson "23", drill, El: NA, API #42-227-38507
 Cedar Flats (Mississippian) Field
 6.40 miles south of Knott
 A-572, Section 23, Block A, Bauer & Cockrell survey
 Total Depth: 12,000 feet
 475' FWL, 1600' FNL of 323.3-acre lease
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#1R Leatherwood "20", drill, El: NA
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 A-1121, Section 20, Block 33, T&P RR Co. survey
 Total Depth: 9717 feet
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#363 Tubb "A", drill, El: NA
 Cedar Flats (Mississippian) Field
 2.40 miles east of Elbow
 A-653, Section 36, Block 31, T&P RR Co. survey
 Total Depth: 12,000 feet
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Proposals will be opened July 15th at 3PM in Templeton Construction's offices located at 521 W. Beauregard Ave., San Angelo, Texas

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The City of Big Spring Zoning Board of Adjustments and Appeals will hold a meeting on Wednesday, July 15, 2015 at 5:30 pm in the City Council Chambers, located at 307 E. 4th Street Big Spring, Texas to consider the following:

Daniel Garcia, LT 1 BK 3 of College Heights Addition, Located at 1800 Johnson St, is requesting a variance for a side yard setback for a carport.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

Spirit Moon

The river of thought flows so deep and wide under the Pisces moon

that it might be questioned whether it's really thought at all; there is something stronger than intellect pulling at us from the inside while pushing us magnetically forward. It's no coincidence when we wind up in a group of kindred spirits. All answered the same summons.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). People whose faces are lit by glowing screens look like zombies. It's not a good social front. Your charisma secret: keeping the technology out of your personal interactions.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You belong to you. No one else gets your time and energy by merely demanding it. Only commit to the things you truly want to give your life force to, otherwise you'll feel enslaved and depleted.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). In the effort to simplify, sometimes people oversimplify, which does absolutely no good. It can strip the meaning and specificity from an interaction. Find the middle ground.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Resist manipulation. One of the worst manipulators out there is the commercial market. The money and space-saving question of the day is: Would you really buy it if it weren't on sale?

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You're so creative that it's easy for you to imagine hypothetical situations in your potential future life. It's healthy to spend a few minutes in this land of imagination, but allow yourself no more than 10 today. The "now" needs you!

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Your confidence comes from knowing that you can handle a whole host of outcomes. That's why if things don't turn out as you plan, you'll be open to a range options.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). People will offer invites, open doors and entreat you to take advantage of opportunities. Be wary. Today's best opportunity will be the one you create for yourself.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). The thing that most often ends major relationships is minor disputes. It's the law of accumulation. The whole universe is made up of tiny things. You'll be mindful of the minutiae of each interaction.

SAGITTARIUS

(Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Your style is evolving, sometimes haphazardly, sometimes deliberately. As raw and awkward as you feel in the in-between stages, know that you're beautiful. Maybe it's all an in-between stage.

CAPRICORN

(Dec. 22-Jan. 19). The little that you do often does more to define you than the big, but rare, events. Today you'll work on changing something small and daily. This might have to do with the words or the foods you choose.

AQUARIUS

(Jan. 20-Feb. 18). This will be a productive day if you make sure you have something to do while you're waiting around for the others to catch up. The ones who are running behind may be your greatest blessing.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20).

Forgiving people have more friends. Then again, these days your goal isn't to have more friends. A few quality people will make you happier than dozens of flaky ones.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (JULY 5).

Applying what you learned last year gives you a winning edge this year. August features nerve-wracking work. The butterflies in your stomach are a positive sign that you're pushing yourself to grow. Someone pays you sweet, heartwarming attention. October through December is your biggest earning time. Libra and Gemini adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 10, 32, 14, 40 and 45.

FORECAST FOR THE WEEK AHEAD:

Hammocks, lemonade, beach sand, blue skies times infinity, work... WORK? Work doesn't make the short list. It doesn't even make the long list as we laze through the summery haze of the sun and Mars in Cancer. Top off the mood with love planet Venus in playful Leo and it's a miracle anyone even shows up for a nine to five shift. However, this week's yearly opposition of the sun and Pluto should shed some much-needed reality on the situation. The opposition suggests that we cannot be our best without taking on unpleasant tasks and people. The things we don't want to do or face are exactly the things we must do to become the people we ultimately want to be. This means handling the jerks with grace (or at least tolerating them without getting arrested). Instead of doing the job in front of you, do more than is required. Maybe the extra work is what it will take to be successful. Maybe it will prove unnecessary. But even if you do the extra work and it turns out to go thankless, unnoticed or uncompensated,

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♠Q J
♥K 7 5 3 2
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♦A K 10 7 2
♣A 7

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1 ♠ Pass 2 ♠ Pass
4 ♠

Opening lead — four of diamonds.

This deal occurred in a national mixed-pair championship some years ago.

Our sympathy is extended to the West player in this deal, who was the victim of a foul deed perpetrated by South, a member of the fair sex.

West's name must remain anonymous, though it can be stated that he ranks among the mightiest of the mighty.

West led a diamond against four spades, South winning East's queen with the ace. Declarer cashed the K-A of trumps and, after finding the suit divided 2-2, made the diabolical lead of the deuce of diamonds toward dummy's nine.

Poor West could not believe declarer would make such a play holding the K-10 of diamonds. Anxious to get a club return from partner, West played his eight, expecting East to win with the ten or king.

One can only imagine West's shock when the nine won the trick, and his further chagrin when South next led a club to the ace and discarded dummy's 9-6-5 of clubs on the K-10-7 of diamonds. When the smoke cleared, South had made all 13 tricks for a top score.

The architect of this fine play, which might lose a trick but might also gain one, was Mrs. Godfrey Stone of Detroit. West, as we said before, shall remain nameless.

Tomorrow: Famous Hand.
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A world apart: 2 women with birthdates in 1800s still alive



Emma Morano



Susannah Mushatt Jones

BY ANTONIO CALANNI

Associated Press

When Susannah Mushatt Jones and Emma Morano were born in 1899, there was not yet world war or penicillin, and electricity was still considered a marvel. The women are believed to be the last two in the world with birthdates in the 1800s.

The world has multiplied and changed drastically in their lifetimes. They have seen war destroy landmarks and cities and have seen them rebuilt. They witnessed the Gilded Age, a term coined by Mark Twain, and the dawn of civil rights, the rise and fall of the fascists and Benito Mussolini, the first polio vaccines and the first black president of the United States.

Jones, who lives in New York, currently tops a list of supercentenarians, or people who have lived past 110, which is maintained by Los Angeles-based Gerontology Research Group. The organization tracks and maintains a database of the world's longest-living people. Morano, of Verbania, Italy, is just a few months younger than Jones and is Europe's oldest person, according to the group. The group knows of no others born in the 1800s.

Emma Morano
Born: Nov. 29, 1899
Verbania, Italy

Morano has lived on her own ever since she left her husband in 1938 because he beat her. Now 115, she resides in a neat one-room apartment in Verbania, a mountain town overlooking Lake Major in northwest Italy. She is cared for by her village: The mayor gave her a TV set, her niece stops in twice a day and her adoring physician of more than 25 years checks up on her regularly.

Morano attributes her longevity to her unusual diet: Three raw eggs a day (now two raw eggs and 150 grams of raw steak after a bout of anemia) — a diet she's been on for decades after a sickly childhood.

"My father brought me to the doctor, and when he saw me he said, 'Such a beautiful girl. If you had come just two days later, I would have not been able to save you.' He told me to eat two or three eggs a day, so I eat two eggs a day."

Her physician today, Dr. Carlo Bava, is convinced there's a genetic component as well.

"From a strictly medical and scientific point of view, she can be considered a phenomenon," he said, noting that Morano takes no medication and has been in stable, good health for years.

Italy is known for its centenarians — many of whom live in Sardinia — and gerontologists at the University of Milan are studying Morano, along with a handful of Italians over age 105, to try to figure out why they live so long.

"Emma seems to go against everything that could be considered the guidelines for correct nutrition: She has always eaten what she wants, with a diet that is absolutely repetitive," Bava said. "For years, she has eaten the same thing every day, not much vegetables or fruit. But she's gotten this far."

Morano's sister, whom Bava cared for as well,

died at 97. On a recent visit, Morano was in feisty spirits, displaying the sharp wit and fine voice that used to stop men in their tracks.

"I sang in my house, and people on the road stopped to hear me singing. And then they had to run because they were late and should go to work," she recalled, before breaking into a round of the 1930s Italian love song "Parlami d'amore Mariu."

"Ahh, I don't have my voice anymore," she lamented at the end.

Bava also credits Morano's longevity to her outlook: She is positive — "She never says, 'I've had enough,'" he said — but stubborn. He recalled that when she needed blood transfusions a few years ago, she refused to go to the hospital. When he warned her that she would die without them, "Her response was 'That means my time has come. If you want, care for me at home; otherwise, I'll die.'"

And even though her movements now are limited — she gets out of bed and into her armchair and back again, her eyesight is bad and hearing weak — she does seem to sneak around at night.

"Her niece and I leave some biscuits and chocolates out at night in the kitchen. And in the morning they're gone, which means someone has gotten up during the night and eaten them," he said.

Susannah Mushatt Jones
Born: July 6, 1899
New York

Now 115 years old, Jones spends her days in her one-bedroom apartment in a public housing facility for seniors in Brooklyn, where she has lived for more than three decades.

She sticks to a strict daily routine: Every morning she wakes up around 9 a.m., takes a bath and then eats several slices of bacon, scrambled eggs and grits. On a recent day, Jones said little, but family members said she spends her days reflecting on her life and embracing what's left of it. "A one day at a time. Her living room walls are adorned with family photos and birthday cards made by children in the community.

"Hey, Tee," Jones' niece, Lois Judge, said to her aunt using a family nickname, "How old are you?"

"I don't know," the frail Jones responded.

Jones, who wears a yellow turban on her head and a nightgown most days, watches the world from a small recliner. Posters from past birthday parties, letters from local elected officials and a note from President Barack Obama fill the surfaces. A sign in the kitchen reads: "Bacon makes everything better."

She was born in a small farm town near Montgomery, Alabama. She was one of 11 siblings and attended a special school for young black girls. When she graduated from high school in 1922, Jones worked full time helping family members pick crops. She left after a year to begin working as a nanny, heading north to New Jersey and eventually making her way to New York.

"She adored kids," Judge said of her aunt, though Jones never had any children of her own and was married for only a few years. Family members say there is no medical reason for her long life, crediting it to her love of family and generosity to others. Judge said she also believes her aunt's longevity is thanks to growing up on a rural farm where she ate fresh fruits and vegetables that she picked herself.

After she moved to New York, Jones worked with a group of her fellow high school graduates to start a scholarship fund for young African-American women to go to college. She was also active in her public housing building's tenant patrol until she was 106.

Despite her age, she only sees a doctor once every four months and takes medication for high blood pressure and a multivitamin every day. Aside from that, she has had a clean bill of health for years, Judge said. Jones is blind after glaucoma claimed her eyesight 15 years ago and is also hard of hearing.

She will turn 116 next week. Family members plan to throw her a party.

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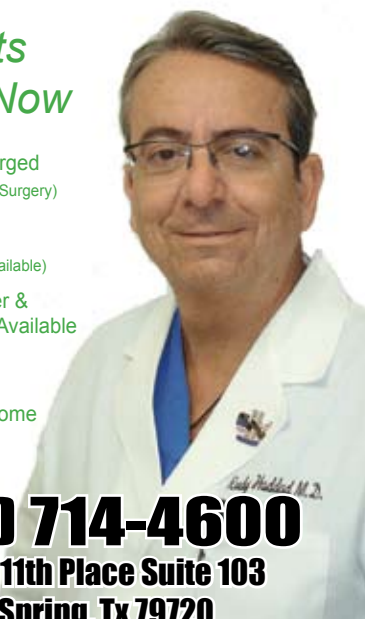
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DSSH state volunteer local award recipients



BSSH Superintendent Lorie Dunnam (right) presented Muffet Bomar with the 2014 Department of State Health Services State Hospital Volunteer Recognition Community Leader Award recently. Bomar received the statewide award for being the brainchild of Spa Day which bring volunteers to the hospital to give female patients facials and manicures. (Courtesy photo)



Big Spring State Hospital Superintendent Lorie Dunnam (right) presented Chalet Co-Director Ruth Nanny and The Chalet with the 2014 Department of State Health Services State Hospital Volunteer Recognition Group Service Award. (Courtesy photo)



BSSH Volunteer Services Council Chairman Steve Smith presented Muffet Bomar with the 2014 Jack Y. Smith The award is the most prestigious award presented to a volunteer at Big Spring State Hospital and is named after Steve Smith's father, who was one of the hospital's earliest and strongest volunteers. (Courtesy photo)



Big Spring State Hospital Superintendent Lorie Dunnam (right) presented Pat Hardison with the 2014 Department of State Health Services State Hospital Volunteer Recognition Rookie of the Year Award during the Volunteer Services Luncheon held at recently.

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