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## 22 Clinton emails declared 'top secret'

By **BRADLEY KLAPPER**  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Obama administration has confirmed for the first time that Hillary Clinton's home server contained closely guarded government secrets, censoring 22 emails that contained material requiring one of the highest levels of classification. The revelation came three days before the former secretary of state and current Democratic presidential candidate competes in the Iowa caucuses.



Clinton

State Department officials also said the agency's Diplomatic Security and Intelligence and Research

bureaus are investigating if any of the information was classified at the time of transmission, going to the heart of Clinton's defense of her email practices.

The department on Friday evening published its latest batch of emails from her time as America's top diplomat.

But *The Associated Press* learned ahead of the release that seven email chains would be withheld in full for containing "top secret" information. The 37 pages include messages a key intelligence official recently said concerned "special access programs" — highly restricted, classified material that could point to confidential sources or clandestine programs like

drone strikes. "The documents are being upgraded at the request of the



intelligence community because they contain a category of top secret infor-

mation," State Department spokesman John Kirby told the AP, calling the withholding of documents in full "not unusual." That means they won't be published online with others being released, even with blacked-out boxes.

Department officials wouldn't describe the substance of the emails, or say if Clinton sent any herself.

Clinton insists she never sent or received information on her personal email account that was classified at the time. No emails released so far were marked classified, but reviewers previously designated more than 1,000 messages at lower classification

levels. Friday's will be the first at top secret level.

Even if Clinton didn't write or forward the messages, she still would have been required to report any classification slippages she recognized in emails she received. But without classification markings, that may have been difficult, especially if the information was publicly available.

"We firmly oppose the complete blocking of the release of these emails," Clinton campaign spokesman Brian Fallon said. "Since first providing her emails to the State Department more than one year ago, Hillary Clinton has urged that they be made available to the public. We feel no differently today."

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HERALD photo/Steve Reagan

Howard County Director Hollis McCright is leaving her position to assume the directorship of Comanche Public Library. She is a Comanche native.

## Homeward bound

McCright departs local library after long tenure

By **STEVE REAGAN**  
Staff Writer

Hollis McCright, who has directed the Howard County Library for the past 15 years, is going home.

The Comanche native will assume the directorship of the Comanche Public Library effective March 1. Her last day at the Howard library will be Monday.

"The job just kind of fell into my lap," McCright said.

"They called me asked if I was interested and I talked it over with my husband. I grew up in Comanche and I have family members down there. Our grandkids are in Aledo, so now, they'll only be 90 miles, rather than four hours, away."

McCright became director of the county library in 2001, following a one-year stint at the Lubbock Public Library.

During her tenure, circulation has increased at the library, but the thing she is most proud of can't be measured on ledger sheets.

"I'd say our staff is

very helpful and goes out of its way to help people," she said. "We serve the citizens of Howard County equally. We're here to serve the public."

McCright is also optimistic about the planned Overdrive program, which can be downloaded onto computers, iPads or e-readers so users can read books free of charge. That program, however, has been delayed until a new library director is named.

Johnny Schafer and Shannon Davis will share interim director duties until a new director is named, McCright said.

No timetable for hiring a new director has been set, county officials said.

Contact Staff Writer Steve Reagan at 263-7331 ext. 235 or by e-mail at reporter@big-springherald.com

## Election

City, school board filing slow

By **STEVE REAGAN**  
Staff Writer

As the first week of candidate filing for Big Spring municipal and school races ends, it's fair to say the elections are not drawing much interest.

In fact, it's impossible to say otherwise.

As of Friday afternoon, only one candidate, has filed for either the Big Spring mayoral or District 5 city council races, according to Tami Davis, assistant city secretary. District 5 incumbent Raul Benavides has formally launched his campaign for a

second three-year term on the council.

Incumbent Mayor Larry McLellan has indicated he will run for a second term, but has not yet picked up his filing papers, Davis said.

Persons interested in running for either position must have lived within the city limits for a period of at least one year prior to the May 9 election, although they do not have to live within the district they want to represent. Filing applications can be obtained in Davis' office at city hall.

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## Cash in the pocket



HERALD Photo/Julie Bass

H&R Block of Big Spring had another winner Friday for the \$1,000 for 1,000 people a day promotion. Bruce Bernal received a check from H&R Block's Barbara Richmond.

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# Obituaries

## Nell Mow



Nell Mow, 79, of Big Spring, died Tuesday, Jan. 26, 2016, at her residence. No services are planned at this time.

Nell was born April 9, 1936, in Marianna, Ark. and married Milton Mow, Jan. 18, 1967, in Big Lake, Texas. She worked in the check verification department for a Midland bank before moving to Big Spring in 1989.

Nell is survived by her daughter, Heather Gutierrez, and husband, Junior, of Big

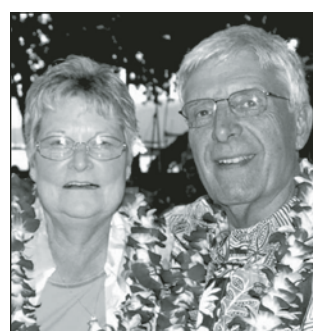
Spring; two granddaughters, Lilly Gutierrez and Lani Mow of Big Spring; three great-grandchildren, Mason, Khloe, and Laila Franco, along with their father Chris Franco of Big Spring and two sisters, Wilma Dean McClendon of Texarkana, Ark. and Clo Ann Daniels of Eldorado, Ark.

In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by her parents, James and Eula Caloway Benson.

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

*Paid Obituary*

## John Gordon



John Gordon, 68, of Big Spring, passed away Friday, Jan. 29, 2016, at his residence. A private memorial service will be held at a later date.

He was born Oct. 7, 1947, in Cedar Vale, Kan. to Martha (Bohannon) and Rollin Gordon. He graduated from Syracuse High School in 1965.

He married Vivian R. Register on Feb. 11, 1983. He was an avid Native American Artifact hunter and Native American Jewelry enthusiast. Among his passions were spending time with his children and his precious grandchildren. He retired from retail management and was a member of Trinity

Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife of the home, Vivian Gordon; one daughter: Kristi Cruz and husband Rick of Lubbock and one son: Brian Gordon and wife Leah of Big Spring; four grandchildren: Matthew Ramirez of Wolfforth, Kaelie Grosse, Brylea and Brynlea Gordon, all of Big Spring; two sisters: Deborah Moore and husband Chuck of Summerville, Ga. and Barbara Land and husband Greg of Atlanta, GA: two nieces and a nephew. He's also survived by his faithful companion, Toto.

The family suggests memorials to Wounded Warrior Project; Hope Lodge, 3511 10th Street, Lubbock, TX 79415; Southwest Cancer Center, 602 Indiana, Lubbock, TX 79415.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother Gary Gordon.

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

*Paid Obituary*

# Support Groups

### MONDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous, As Bill Sees it, 615 Settles, 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

- 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.

### 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.; newcomers 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.

### THURSDAY

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

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

- Weight Watchers meets at 6 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church. Weigh-in is at 5:30 p.m. Weigh-in is confidential and you don't have to talk if you don't want to. Flexible payment options.

- A Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder support group meeting is at 6:30 p.m. at the VA Medical Center Veteran's Healing Center.

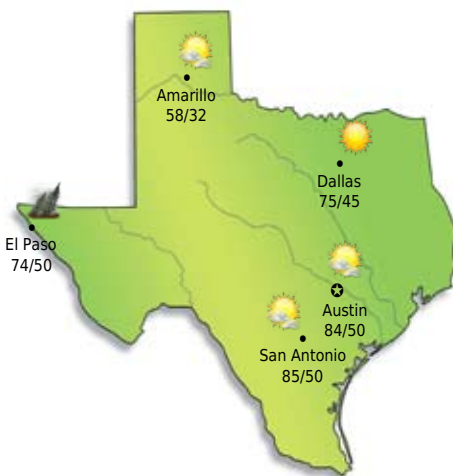
### FRIDAY

- AA open discussion meeting from noon until 1 p.m. at 605 Settles. Open Big Book study meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

### Local 5-Day Forecast

Sun 1/31	Mon 2/1	Tue 2/2	Wed 2/3	Thu 2/4
<b>76/42</b> Mainly sunny. High 76F. Winds WSW at 10 to 20 mph.	<b>74/38</b> Windy with sunshine. Highs in the mid 70s and lows in the upper 30s.	<b>55/24</b> Windy with sunshine. Highs in the mid 50s and lows in the mid 20s.	<b>49/25</b> Sunshine. Highs in the upper 40s and lows in the mid 20s.	<b>52/27</b> Abundant sunshine. Highs in the low 50s and lows in the upper 20s.
Sunrise: 7:41 AM Sunset: 6:18 PM	Sunrise: 7:40 AM Sunset: 6:19 PM	Sunrise: 7:39 AM Sunset: 6:20 PM	Sunrise: 7:39 AM Sunset: 6:20 PM	Sunrise: 7:38 AM Sunset: 6:21 PM

### Texas at a Glance



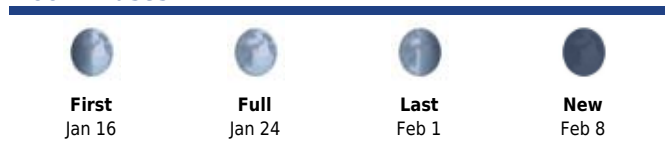
### Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	81	52	P Cloudy	Kingsville	81	58	Sunny
Amarillo	75	40	P Cloudy	Livingston	76	57	P Cloudy
Austin	77	55	Sunny	Longview	74	56	Sunny
Beaumont	72	60	P Cloudy	Lubbock	78	43	M Cloudy
Brownsville	75	60	Sunny	Lufkin	75	57	Sunny
Brownwood	82	48	P Cloudy	Midland	80	54	P Cloudy
Corpus Christi	75	58	M Sunny	Raymondville	80	59	Sunny
Corsicana	74	55	Sunny	Rosenberg	74	60	Cloudy
Dallas	75	54	Sunny	San Antonio	78	50	Sunny
Del Rio	80	44	P Cloudy	San Marcos	76	51	Sunny
El Paso	73	50	P Cloudy	Sulphur Springs	73	56	Sunny
Fort Stockton	79	51	Sunny	Sweetwater	80	52	P Cloudy
Gainesville	72	50	Sunny	Tyler	74	57	Sunny
Greenville	72	54	Sunny	Weatherford	78	52	Sunny
Houston	75	60	Cloudy	Wichita Falls	78	54	P Cloudy

### National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	63	43	Sunny	Miami	72	65	M Cloudy
Boston	40	34	Sunny	Minneapolis	39	29	M Cloudy
Chicago	47	39	P Cloudy	New York	40	35	Sunny
Dallas	75	54	Sunny	Phoenix	76	51	Clear
Denver	60	28	P Cloudy	San Francisco	56	46	Cloudy
Houston	66	48	Sunny	Seattle	47	38	Cloudy
Los Angeles	68	52	M Cloudy	Saint Louis	64	46	Sunny

### Moon Phases



### UV Index

Sun 1/31	Mon 2/1	Tue 2/2	Wed 2/3	Thu 2/4
4	4	4	4	4
Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate

# Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- DESIREE RUIZ**, 18, of 306 N.W. 5th St. was arrested on warrants for no driver's license and failure to appear.

- BOBBY JOE GARRETT JR.**, 27, of 705 E. 13th St. was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

- ELIAS JUNIOR BUSTAMANTE III**, 23, of 1007 N.W. 1st St. was arrested on a warrant for duty on striking unattended vehicle.

- DARNICE CHRYDE VALENTINE**, 29, of 1810 Donley was arrested on a warrant from another agency.

- DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 1000 block of N. Main St.

- THEFT** was reported in the 3600 block of Calvin St.

- MINOR ACCIDENT** was reported in the 600 block of E. FM 700, th 2400 block of S. Gregg St. the 1000 block of S. Johnson St. and the intersection of Main St. and 6th St.

- DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 1500 block of Sycamore St.

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# Take Note

## 4-H Clothing and Textile kick off.

The Howard County Clothing and Textile kick off will be held at 5:15 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 2, at the G.C. Broughton Ag Complex located on the Howard College campus, 1001 Birdwell Lane. The program is for students in grade three through high school interested in the fashion industry. For more information, contact Melissa Deeter, Howard County Extension Agent for Family Consumer Science, at 432-364-2236.

• Big Spring Little League will be holding signups for the upcoming season each Saturday on Jan. 16, Jan. 23, Jan. 30, and Feb. 6 at the Springtown Plaza right next to the movie theater from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Also Monday - Friday, Feb. 1 to Feb. 5 from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. Cost is \$90 per child, ages 4 - 16 and you must provide a birth certificate.

## Meetings

• The Big Spring Art Association meets every third Tuesday, September through May at 7 p.m. in the basement of the Howard County Library. Everyone is welcome to attend. Memberships are available. The annual dues are \$20.

• The Big Spring Symphony Board of Directors meets every first Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. at the symphony office, 808 Scurry Street.

• The Kiwanis Club of Big Spring meets at noon every Thursday in the Cactus Room at Howard College. Visitors are welcome.

• Order of the Eastern Star Big

Spring Chapter 67 meets the third Tuesday of each month at 219 Main St. Dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. Lodge meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome. For more information, contact Jimmy Ruth at 271-2176.

• Staked Plains Masonic Lodge No. 598 meets the second Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. (dinner is at 6 p.m.) at 219 1/2 Main St. All Masons are welcome.

## Volunteer opportunities

• 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.

• Mobile meals is in need of volunteer delivery drivers. If you donate one hour per week to help deliver meals to the elderly, call Kim Plew at 263-4016 or 213-7960.

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

• Victim Services is a non-profit independent community-based program serving victims of all violent crime, including, but not limited to, assault, sexual assault and domestic violence. Victim Services advocates are available 24 hours of day, 365 days a year to provide crisis intervention or accompaniment to the hospital and law enforcement agencies as needed. If you can commit to 30-hour training, an interview process and a background check, we need you. For more

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• Big Spring and surrounding counties are in need of foster families. Foster parents are the caretakers for the children in the community who have been abused or neglected. For more information on becoming foster parents or adoptive families, call the Children's Protective Services office at 432-263-9669.

• Food 2 Kids Big Spring Needs You! It is time to start sacking food for Big Spring elementary students who do not receive adequate food over the weekends. Members of the community can be a part by volunteering to sack the food. It just takes a couple hours of your time and the work is very rewarding. To volunteer, just show up at the time and dates listed. For more information, call, 432-935-3998.

Sacking dates are as follows (please note the group starts at 5:30 p.m.) Feb. 1 and 2.

Our sacking location has moved to the Lakeview High School gym located at 1107 NW 7th. To get there take Gregg Street north and turn left on Delaney which is the block just past the Salvation Army Store. Delaney turns into 7th Street, you will go over the railroad tracks and the

school is on the left.

Currently we are distributing food at Goliad, Marcy and Moss Elementary Schools. If you want additional information about getting your child on this program please contact your child's school.

• Spring Tabernacle Ministries, 1209 Wright St., has a brief, inspirational message before giving away food and clothing on Thursday mornings. It's a great way to work off community service and get help, too. Be there at 9-11 a.m. and get two for one, plus a rehab meeting.

## FILING

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The story is much the same at Big Spring Independent School District, as Chief Financial Officer Debbie Green said no one, as of Friday, has filed for any of the four seats up for election this year.

School district voters in districts 5, 6, and 7 will elect trustees to three-year terms, while District 3 voters will elect a trustee to fill the remaining two years of the term vacated by former school board member Ken McIntosh, who resigned last year.

The four incumbents whose school board terms are up this year include Julie Harris (District 3), Chad Wash (District 5), Jeff Brorman (District 6) and Fabian Serrano (District 7).

Unlike the municipal races, school board candidates must live in the district they choose to represent, Green said. Candidacy applications can be obtained at the BSISD business office on 11th Place across from the high school.

Candidacy filing for the municipal and school races ends Feb. 19, officials said.

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## CLINTON

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Fallon accused the "loudest and leakiest participants" in a process of bureaucratic infighting for withholding the exchanges. The documents, he said, originated in the State Department's unclassified system before they ever reached Clinton, and "in at least one case, the emails appear to involve information from a published news article."

"This appears to be overclassification run amok," Fallon said.

Kirby said the State Department was focused, as part of a Freedom of Information Act review of Clinton's emails, on "whether they need to be classified today." Past classification questions, he said, "are being, and will be, handled separately by the State Department." It is the first indication of such a probe.

Department responses for classification infractions could include counseling, warnings or other action, officials said. They wouldn't say if Clinton or senior aides who've since left government could face penalties. The officials weren't authorized to speak on the matter and

demanded anonymity.

Separately, Kirby said the department withheld eight email chains, totaling 18 messages, between President Barack Obama and Clinton. These are remaining confidential "to protect the president's ability to receive unvarnished advice and counsel," and will be released eventually like other presidential records.

The emails have been a Clinton campaign issue since 10 months ago, when the AP discovered her exclusive use while in office of a homebrew email server in the basement of her family's New York home. Doing so wasn't expressly forbidden. Clinton first called the decision a matter of convenience, then a mistake.

Last March, Clinton and the State Department said no business conducted in the emails included top-secret matters. Both said her account was never hacked or compromised, which security experts assess as unlikely.

Clinton and the State Department also claimed the vast majority of her emails were preserved properly for archiving because she corresponded mainly

with government accounts. They've backtracked from that claim in recent months.

The special access programs emails surfaced last week, when Charles I. McCullough, lead auditor for U.S. intelligence agencies, told Congress he found some in Clinton's account.

Kirby confirmed the "denied-in-full emails" are among those McCullough recently cited. He said one was among those McCullough identified last summer as possibly containing top secret information.

The AP reported last August that one focused on a forwarded news article about the CIA's classified U.S. drone program. Such operations are widely discussed publicly, including by top U.S. officials, and State Department officials debated McCullough's claim. The other concerned North Korean nuclear

weapons programs, according to officials.

At the time, several officials from different agencies suggested the disagreement over the drone emails reflected a tendency to overclassify material, and a lack of consistent classification policies across government.

The FBI also is looking into Clinton's email setup, but has said nothing about the nature of its probe. Independent experts say it's unlikely Clinton will be charged with wrongdoing, based on details that have surfaced so far and the lack

of indications she intended to break laws.

"What I would hope comes out of all of this is a bit of humility" and Clinton's acknowledgement that "I made some serious mistakes," said Bradley Moss, a Washington lawyer specializing in security clearance matters.

Legal questions aside, it's the potential political costs that probably more concern Clinton. She has struggled in surveys measuring perceived trustworthiness and any investigation, buoyed by evidence of top secret material coursing through her

account, could negate a main selling point for her becoming commander in chief: her national security resume.

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Chris Limon, 56, died Thursday. Funeral Mass will be at 11:00 AM Saturday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church.

Glenn Phillippe, 95, died Wednesday, January 27, 2016. Funeral services will be at 2:00 PM Saturday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial will be at 2:00 PM Monday at Texas State Veterans Cemetery in Abilene.

John Gordon, 68, died Friday. Private memorial services will be at a later date.

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# 2016 BEST LOSER CHALLENGE

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### Let the losing begin!

Losers can be winners. That's the over-riding theme of this year's Best Loser Challenge, sponsored by the Big Spring Herald and Back In Motion Chiropractic: The more weight you and your team loses, the better your chances of winning prizes.

Seventeen two-person teams have signed up for this year's challenge. Over the course of the next several weeks, team members will walk, jog, exercise, and diet their way to shedding unwanted pounds. The end result should be a group of people who are leaner, fitter, and healthier — and in one case, a little better off, financially.

The team that loses the most aggregate weight will win a cash prize, while the top runners-up will receive certificates for massages at Serenity Spa.

There will be two more weigh-in dates — Feb. 22-26 and March 21-25 — before final results are published April 3. Team members will officially weigh in at Back In Motion.

The idea behind the challenge is to promote better eating habits, exercise, and a healthy lifestyle. If you are overweight, losing just 10 per-

cent of your body weight is associated with a host of health benefits, including lowered blood pressure, blood cholesterol, and blood sugar.

Why two-person teams? Because studies show that the more support you have, the more successful you're likely to be. Team members can walk or work out together or simply be available for moral encouragement.

Only a team's weight loss percentage is noted during the weigh-ins, not the individual. That way, no one will be embarrassed.

Team photos were taken before the contest began and they appear in today's issue of the Herald. Photos also will be taken before the end of the event.

If you know any of the contestants, we hope you'll encourage them in their efforts. As anyone can attest, losing weight is tough work, and friendly pats on the back or praise for their endeavors can only serve to make the task just a little easier.

Winners will be announced in a special supplement of the Herald at the end of the contest.

Let's go, losers!

### Top dieting tips from webMD.com

**Drink plenty of water or other calorie-free beverages — Before you tear into that bag of potato chips, drink a glass of water first.**

**Be choosy about nighttime snacks — Snacking in front of the TV is one of the easiest ways to throw your diet off course. Either close down the kitchen after a certain hour, or allow yourself a low-calorie snack.**

**You can still enjoy your favorite foods. The key is moderation.**

**Eat protein at every meal — Protein is the ultimate fill-me-up food — it's more satisfying than carbs or fats and keeps you feeling full for longer.**

**Spice it up — Add spices or chilies to your food for a flavor boost that can help you feel satisfied.**

**Stock your kitchen with healthy, convenient foods — Having ready-to-eat snacks and meals-in-minutes on hand sets you up for success. You'll be less likely to hit the drive-through or order a pizza if you can throw together a healthy meal in five or 10 minutes.**

**Order children's portions at restaurants — Ordering a child-size entree is a great way to cut calories and keep your portions reasonable.**

**Swap a cup of pasta for a cup of vegetables — Simply by eating less pasta or bread and more veggies, you could lose a dress or pants size in a year.**



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## The bee man of Hardin

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A long time ago we had a swing set in our backyard. One afternoon our boys went out to play on it. They heard a buzzing and looked down to see a swarm of bees dangling from the seat of one of the swings. The huge swarm formed a triangle, with the short side extending down from the seat and the long sides reaching all the way to the end of the seat. The boys didn't swing. They came in the house and told us about the bees.

I went out and looked and sure enough there were the bees. Fascinating. But I didn't want them around our family. I called the radio station and told the announcer about our situation. "If anyone wants a swarm of bees, they can have it at no charge," I told the DJ. It wasn't long before an experienced beekeeper came over and carefully and slowly put the bees into a box. It looked like he was scraping things off a table.



TUMBLEWEED SMITH

When I was in Liberty recently, I heard an ad for a beekeeper on the local radio station. It may have been the first time I had heard a radio spot for a beekeeper. I found out whose ad it was and called the guy. He said yes when I asked him for an interview. His name is Juvenal Torres and lives in Hardin. He calls himself "the bee man" and has a business of removing swarms of bees from people's houses.

"The reason I advertise on the radio is because so many people need help. When they have bees in their houses, they can just call me and I'll get rid of them. I can do all types of carpenter work, so when I remove the bees I put everything back like I found it. You can never tell that I was there, even though sometimes I have to make a mess to get the bees."

He enjoys getting rid of bees for people and does it as a hobby. He has a fulltime job with a construction company that builds highways. He was working as the foreman of a highway project when I visited with him. He works with bees in the evenings.

"Sometimes I have to work from six PM until midnight

or one o'clock in the morning removing bees. I find them in the walls, between floors in a two-story house and last Sunday I found one on a flowerpot that had a plant in it. The lady told me she could not get close to it without being stung. When I got there I just put the bees in a box and took it to my house. I have several beehives at my place and sometimes I sell honey."

Juvenal has been fooling with bees for a long time. He grew up around them.

"When I was little, my family always had some bees. My mama took care of about two hundred beehives. When I started my bee business seven years ago I had no idea I would have so many customers. Every week I have at least two bee jobs. I go to Katy, Galveston, Jasper, Baytown, Conroe, Houston, wherever the customer needs me. I take the wax, the comb, honey, everything away so the bees will not come back. I want the customer to be happy with my work. I've made lot of friends."

Contact Tumbleweed Smith at: [ts@tumbleweedsmith.com](mailto:ts@tumbleweedsmith.com)

### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

#### Texas Congressional Representative

To the Editor:

Now that Randy Neugebauer is no longer running as our Congressional representative from the 19th District, candidates are coming out of the woodwork in large numbers. They all say they are conservative, but how do we know that they are conservatives?

I have been in Lubbock more than eleven years. During that time I have been fairly active in the Republican party and conservative groups and activities. I do not recall seeing many of the local candidates at these functions except after they have announced for office. In my opinion, they have done nothing to demonstrate that they are really conservatives. How do we know that they will not go to Washington and become RINO's supporting the Republican national leadership that has

betrayed us time and time again? My answer is that we can't with one exception.

That exception is Dr. Donald May. He has written conservative articles and blogs in the Avalanche Journal for years as Mr. Conservative. So we know what his positions on the issues are. Because of his strong beliefs in conservatism, he had the courage to run against Randy Neugebauer in previous elections when the others wouldn't. To my knowledge, he is the only candidate to regularly attend the Lubbock County Conventions and the State Republican conventions. He was elected as the lead delegate from the Texas 19th District to the RNC conventions in both 2008 and 2012.

If you vote for anyone other than Dr. Donald May, you may be voting for a RINO.

Burley Owen  
Lubbock, TX

## When truth trumped all

He may have said them with tongue firmly cheek-implanted, but the late Will Rogers' gentle observations of the world made the medicines of life go down smoother.

Many of his draws--in print or in person--included this observation: "All I know is what I read in the papers."

Rogers--like the rest of us--now would be hard pressed to properly attribute "all we know," or, better stated, what we think we know. Better he lived when he did. Social media and other instant communications have weakened commitment to proper attribution.

Could it be this is what has happened to our screaming world? Maybe attribution has become too much trouble, and truth at its core is hard to find among avalanches of words that aren't.

What a privilege has been mine to know some newspaper figures committed to truth and "settled in to serve" in editors' roles. Seasoned editors--almost without exception--first were seasoned reporters. And the late Wacil McNair, editor of the Snyder Daily News for a quarter-century, was so seasoned. (He and two of his three brothers--all graduates of Hardin-Simmons University--became journalists.)

"Wacil stories" still abound in Snyder, despite the passing of three decades since he served there. Readers greatly respected this journalist who sought the truth, defending it both in print and in person. Friends noticed he always first cleared his throat when conversing, perhaps buy-

ing a few more seconds to make correct word choices.

Though mild-mannered, there were points beyond which he wouldn't budge. And, like Rogers, he often relied on humor to reduce tensions.

Sometimes it meant defending reporters. One day, an oil field roughneck took umbrage to an SDN story written by a fledgling reporter, fresh from journalism school. He phoned Wacil, indicating he was en route to the newspaper to "whup up" on that no-account writer who got it all wrong. And if I have any 'whup' left, I'll take you on, too," the roughneck threatened.

Wacil--agreeing that he and the young reporter likely would be easy prey for being "whupped up" on--told the guy if he'd come

ment.

Tributes abounded at the dinner. One of the highest compliments came from Bill J. Hood, late superintendent of schools in Snyder.

"We'll miss Wacil," he drawled. "In fact, our board secretary will have to go to work. Wacil has covered all of our monthly meetings so well that we've been careful not to write up the minutes until after the paper comes out the next day."

Wacil looked for the best in every situation, and his stories were slanted that way. Oh, he never described snow as being whiter than it was, but his bent was to take the high road whenever one could be found.

Speaking of snow, Dallas' colorful Blackie Sherrrod--as good a writer as ever wielded a pen--once said someone was "as pure as driven slush."

Wacil, though, might have reasoned that slush started out as white. He might have added that snow likely would come this way again, glistening in purity. And, when flakes fell this time, they'd float down, coating the limbs of trees, far above slush formations below.

McNair adhered to the admonition of Lord Byron. The British poet penned a line journalists do well taking to heart. "Without or with offense to friends or foes, I sketch your world exactly as it goes."

The Snyder editor did just that--with fairness and honesty toward all, but always with a smile. It wasn't in him to yield to temptations he no doubt sometimes confronted, when he might have preferred to write--or say--what he really thought!

When critical situations came up, Snyder folks could count on Wacil to keep rough-necks--and other occasional critics--at bay.

*Wacil - agreeing that he and the young reporter likely would be easy prey for being "whupped up" on - told the guy if he'd come on down to the newspaper office, it could result in a fine headline for the next edition.*

on down to the newspaper office, it could result in a fine headline for the next edition. Huh?

"Roughneck Whups Up on Skinny College Grad." That's the headline Wacil foresaw. His problem diffused, the roughneck broke into laughter, forgoing "whupping up" that day.

Then publisher Roy McQueen threw a retirement dinner for Wacil prior to his move back to Gilmer, where his weekly column appeared weekly in the Mirror during his retire-

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### DAILY PRAYER

May our heart and mind be with you, Lord.  
Amen



# Weekly oil activity report

## New Locations: Glasscock County

<p>Energen Resources Corporation 3510 N. "A" St., Bldgs. A and B Midland, TX 79705-0000 Vonda Freeman, Regulatory Analyst (432) 684-3693</p>	<p>#201H Pecos "SN 43-31 01", drill horizontal, EI: NA Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, API #42-173-37284 13.87 miles southeast of Garden City A-190, Section 43, Block 33, T-5-S, T&amp;P RR Co. survey Total Depth: 9500 feet 200' FNL, 710' FWL of 771.14-acre lease 200' FNL, 710' FWL of the survey</p>
<p>Trilogy Operating, Inc. P.O. Box 7606 Midland, TX 79708-0000 Ryan Bergeron, Consultant (512) 478-3456</p>	<p>#2 Quahadi, drill, EI: NA, API #42-173-37334 Jailhouse (Fusselman) Field 12 miles north of Garden City A-115, Section 33, Block 33, T-2-S, T&amp;P RR Co. survey Total Depth: 11,000 feet 467' FEL, 2500' FSL of 640-acre lease 467' FEL, 2500' FSL of the survey SWR 36 (H2S)</p>

## Howard County

<p>Diamondback E&amp;P, LLC 500 W. Texas Ave., Suite 1200 Midland, TX 79701-4203 Paula Brunson, Regulatory Specialist (432) 221-7442</p>	<p>#2WA Bullfrog "47" South Unit, drill horizontal, EI: NA Spraberry (Trend Area) Field 3.09 miles northwest of Knott A-511, Section 47, Block 34, T-3-N, T&amp;P RR Co. survey Total Depth: 9350 feet 642' FEL, 210' FNL of 240-acre lease 642' FEL, 2429' FSL of the survey</p>
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<p>CrownQuest Operating, LLC P.O. Box 53310 Midland, TX 79710-0000</p>	<p>#1HA Tubb "A", drill horizontal, EI: NA Spraberry (Trend Area) Field 2.80 miles southeast of Elbow</p>

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AP File Photo



## David Bowie wanted ashes scattered in Bali

NEW YORK (AP) — Rock legend David Bowie wanted his ashes scattered in Bali "in accordance with the Buddhist rituals," and he left most of his estate to his two children and his widow, the super-model Iman, according to his will filed Friday in Manhattan.

The 20-page document, filed under his legal name David Robert Jones, said the estate was worth about \$100 million, but didn't break down the finances.

The "Fame" singer left his SoHo home he shared with Iman to her, and half of the rest of his worth. His son Duncan Jones from a previous marriage received 25 percent and his daughter Alexandria also received 25 percent as well as his Ulster County mountain home. Bowie left \$2 million to his long-time personal assistant Corinne Schwab and left her shares he owned in a company called Oppossum Inc. He left \$1 million to Marion Skene, Alexandria's nanny.

The chameleon-like star transformed the sound — and the look — of rock with his audacious creativity and his sexually ambiguous makeup and costumes. His hits included "Space Oddity," "Golden Years," "Heroes" and "Let's Dance." He had cancer about 18 months before he died Jan. 10. He was 69.

Bowie prepared the will in 2004. He said if cremation in the Indonesian island was "not practical" then he wanted his remains cremated and his ashes scattered there still. According to the death certificate, filed with the will, his body was cremated Jan. 12 in New Jersey.

Long before alter egos and wild outfits became commonplace in pop, Bowie turned the music world upside down with the release of the 1972 album, "The Rise and Fall of Ziggy Stardust and the Spiders from Mars," which introduced one of music's most famous personas. "Ziggy Stardust" was a concept album that imagined a rock star from outer space trying to make his way in the music world.

Bowie re-imagined himself over and over again with personas like the "Thin White Duke" and "Aladdin Sane." Two weeks ago, his new album "Blackstar" was released.

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Big Star Oil & Gas, LLC P.O. Box 51470 Midland, TX 79710-0000 Crystal Casas, Regulatory Analyst (432) 687-4900	#1H Colonial Unit "A", drill horizontal, API #42-227-38705 Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, EI: NA 2.70 miles north of Big Spring A-1630, Section 30, Block 32, T&P RR Co. survey Total Depth: 10,000 feet 600' FSL, 660' FEL of 480.3-acre lease 600' FSL, 660' FEL of the survey
Oxy USA, Inc. P.O. Box 4294 Houston, TX 77210-0000 Amanda Maxian, Reg. Coordinator (713) 840-3036	#1WA Turnberry "2701", drill horizontal, API #42-227-38710 Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, EI: NA 4.90 miles southwest of Big Spring Section 27, Block 33, T&P RR Co. survey Total Depth: 12,500 feet 531' FNL, 1152' FWL of 906.03-acre lease 2137' FSL, 1152' FWL of the survey

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XTO Energy, Inc. 500 West Illinois, Suite 100 Midland, TX 79701-0000 (432) 682-8873	#4705 Zant, API #42-173-36496 Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, new well, EI: 2582' GR 5.60 miles northeast of Spraberry A-393, Section 47, Block 36, T-2-S, T&P RR Co. survey 2173' FN L, 2173' FEL of the survey Total Depth: 10,534 feet. PBDT: 10,520 feet. Logs: Gamma Ray Daily Potential: 72 Bbls 43.5 gravity oil w/ 187 BWPD Pumping. GOR: 1666 Spud: 11-27-14. Completed: 9-05-15. Pay: NA 8-5/8" @ 4638 feet w/ 1,120 sx. 5-1/2" @ 10,634 feet w/ 1,165 sx.; 2-7/8" @ 9618 feet Perfs: 7750-10,086
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*Obama wants \$4B to help students learn computer science*

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Barack Obama said Saturday he'll ask Congress for billions of dollars to help students learn computer science skills and prepare for jobs in a changing economy.

"In the new economy, computer science isn't an optional skill. It's a basic skill, right along with the three Rs," Obama said in his weekly radio and Internet address.

Obama said only about one-fourth of K-12 schools offer computer science instruction, but that most parents want their children to develop analytical and coding skills.

"Today's auto mechanics aren't just sliding under cars to change the oil. They're working on machines that run on as many as 100 million lines of code," Obama said. "That's 100 times more than the Space Shuttle. Nurses are analyzing data and managing electronic health records. Machinists are writing computer programs."

The federal budget proposal for 2017 that Obama plans to send Congress on Feb. 9 will seek \$4 billion for grants to states and \$100 million for competitive grants for school districts over the next three years to teach computer science in elementary, middle and high schools, administration officials said.

Separately, the National Science Foundation and the Corporation for National and Community Service this year will start spending \$135 million to train teachers over five years.

Obama said he'll also be asking governors, mayors, business leaders and tech entrepreneurs to become advocates for more widespread computer science education.

Brad Smith, president of Microsoft, said computer science education is an "economic and social imperative for the next generation of American students."

Smith, who spoke on a media call arranged by the White House, said up to a million U.S. technology jobs could be left unfilled by the end of the decade. Meanwhile, countries as large as China and as small as Estonia are expanding computer science education, Smith said, but in the U.S. "we're moving, frankly, just more slowly than we need."



Monks delivered via Amazon as role of Japanese temples fade



(AP Photo/Eugene Hoshiko)

YACHIYO, Japan (AP) — In Japan, where communal ties to local Buddhist temples are fading, families have in recent years been able to go online to find a Buddhist monk to perform funerals and other rituals.

But when Amazon Japan allowed a provider to offer "Obo-san bin," or "Mr. Monk Delivery," on its website, it shone a spotlight on the emerging trend and prompted a major Buddhist organization to criticize the Internet marketer of commercializing religion.

A basic plan for monk, transportation and a donation offered by the Tokyo-based provider, Minrevi Co.,

one of dozens of emerging budget companies, costs 35,000 yen (\$300). Three other options are available for more money. The monks would typically go to a home, funeral hall or a grave to perform the requested ceremony.

"Such a thing is allowed in no other country in the world. In this regard, we must say we are disappointed by an attitude toward religion by Amazon," Akisato Saito, director of the Japan Buddhist Association, said in a statement.

Many Japanese, however, welcome the service as a consumer-friendly approach to Buddhist rituals, whose cost is often perceived as murky and overpriced. Buddhist-style memorial services offered by temples comparable to the "monk delivery" could cost as 100,000 yen (\$830). Funerals are even

more expensive and can cost well over 1 million yen (\$8,500).

Monk delivery services have emerged as many of Japan's 75,000 temples are losing offerings and business with hereditary members in their communities which traditionally have been the main source of financial support.

That is threatening the survival of many temples in rural areas. In fact, some experts predict that the majority of Japanese temples without income from tourism and other businesses are expected to close over the next several decades.

Minrevi spokesman Jumpei Masano says the service seems to attract those who want to have Buddhist funerals but are uneasy about pricing system, and want to keep their distance from temples.

"Many people don't have ties with temples and they have no idea where and how to arrange Buddhist rituals, while monks are increasingly concerned about their declining temple membership," Masano said. "We can cater to the needs on both sides and hopefully we can bring them together."

Some monks acknowledge that the growing business highlight the Buddhist temples' complacency and their failure to reach out and adapt to the people's needs.

"We do understand there are criticisms of us as well and we take them seriously. And we must ask ourselves if and how we can change," said Hanyu Kakubo, public relations secretary for the Japan Buddhist Association.

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**Papa John's Pizza joins Midland's south side businesses**

By Trent Johnson

Midland Reporter-Telegram

Residents may have noticed there soon will be a couple of changes to the city's restaurant scene: The south side is getting a Papa John's Pizza, and one of the Taco Villa locations is taking a step back.

"We're just glad to be going in, and serving the other side of Midland," said Jeff Lakin, owner and operating partner of the Papa John's Pizza in Big Spring. "We canvassed the area and heard that people wished the current store delivered to them, so they wouldn't have to drive across town. We felt there was a good demand for another (Papa John's) in Midland."

The new store is to be located at 1901 Rankin Highway, Suite 110 (near Melrose Family Fashions), and is scheduled to open on Feb. 25. Plans for a grand opening will be announced in the coming weeks, Lakin said.

"We've been planning a move into Midland for a few years," he said. "The strip there was already constructed, and it only took us a little while to move in. We started minimal construction on the inside about a week ago."

Lakin's location will serve the southeast side of Midland and will provide deliveries to homes that were out of the zone for the Papa John's on the north side of the city.

Meanwhile, the Taco Villa located on the corner of Andrews Highway and Midland will be replaced by a new building located behind the parking lot.

"We're basically building a new store off the intersection," said Michael Lynch, Bobby Cox Cos. construction project manager. "We're selling that corner."

Lynch said a new building is being erected because customers had difficulty pulling in and out of the current location due to its proximity to the intersection.

"The store is so close to the road, that it can get hectic for people pulling in and out," Lynch said. "We'd figure we would make the corner location available to someone else."

The new building will have a similar look and size and is expected to be completed in April. The plan is to move into the new building before tearing down the old one, he said.

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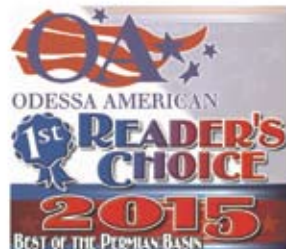
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When Yutaka Uematsu's 17-year-old son Kakeru died just over a month ago after battling cancer, he searched on the Internet for a funeral service provider.

Uematsu didn't consider asking his father's family temple as he had heard the prices charged for a family member's funeral were "outrageous."

So he and his wife went to the Minrevi website and picked for their son a package at a price less than half or even cheaper than an average, conventional service.

"Honestly, the cost was my biggest concern," Uematsu said. "I liked its price system that was simple and clear."

At first, he was worried about the quality of the service he might get, but that wasn't a problem. A 24-hour customer service line was also helpful for the couple emotionally devastated by the loss of their son. While it didn't offer counseling services, representatives could be reached regarding funeral details at any time, helping them feel more at ease during a

painful time. Uematsu also arranged the traditional 49th-day posthumous ritual for his son using the same service.

Amazon declined to comment, saying it's only renting the space to Minrevi to promote the service, which offers only for monk delivery and a separate 20,000-yen (\$170) charge for a posthumous Buddhist title, not funeral packages.

Minrevi, whose orders for the monk delivery service has tripled over the past five years, said Internet-based inquiries and phone calls surged after it placed the service on Amazon. More surprisingly, some 100 monks came forward to register for the delivery service. The company already has contracts with 400 monks nationwide, said Masano, the spokesman.

Kaichi Watanabe, the 40-year-old monk dispatched to a memorial ceremony for the Uematsu family recently, said he had been looking ways to perform rituals to earn a living and meet more people to share Buddha's teachings.

His elder brother had succeeded the temple founded by their grandfather, also a monk, in Fukushima prefecture, so Watanabe had to go

elsewhere. About a year ago, he found Minrevi and signed a contract.

"Today, nobody comes to temples asking for us to perform funerals for their parents," Watanabe said in an interview before the service, at which he chanted in front of an altar decorated with chrysanthemum flowers and Kakeru's photo in a black frame. "I'm hoping that a service like this, a brainchild of the Internet age, could make Buddhist temples a more approachable place for everyone."

"There is no point being a monk," he said, "if we can't offer a helping hand when someone needs us."

# Oddities

## Satanists to do invocation at

**Phoenix City Council meeting**  
PHOENIX (AP) —Members of a satanic group will give the opening prayer at an upcoming Phoenix City Council meeting.

Some council members have objected, but city attorney Brad Holm says the government cannot exclude a religion from praying under such circumstances.

Satanic Temple member Stu de Haan says the group doesn't intend to do anything offensive. He says the Satanic Temple doesn't believe in a literal Satan but see the biblical Satan as a metaphor for rebellion against tyranny.

The Arizona Republic reports that the temple will perform the invocation on Feb. 17.

The city's invocation has been delivered by Christians, Jews, Muslims, Sikhs and people of other faiths. The temple submitted a request in

December to give the prayer.

## Fugitive found in 'elaborate tunnel system' at trailer park

SITKA, Alaska (AP) — Authorities arrested a fugitive convicted on drug and theft charges after finding him hiding this week in what they called an "elaborate tunnel system" dug underneath a trailer home in Alaska.

The tunnels narrowed as officers walked further in, forcing them to trudge through on their knees and then on their stomachs. Police in the city of Sitka say they eventually spotted Jeremy Beebe's foot sticking out of another hidden entrance, catching him after an officer pulled back the skirting around the trailer.

Police Lt. Lance Ewers said Beebe, 42, had failed to report to the police department on Jan. 12 after he was sentenced to nearly two years in prison, the Sitka Sentinel reported.

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Big Spring's Israel O'guin (32) puts up a shot under pressure from three Lubbock Estacado defenders during the Steers' 109-69 loss in Steer Gym Friday night.

Friday roundup:

## Stanton downs 'Dogs, FHS wins

### BOYS

**Stanton 80, Coahoma 44**

STANTON — The Stanton Buffalos started strong and never looked back as they downed Coahoma, 80-44, in boys' basketball action Friday.

The Buffalos jumped out to a 26-9 lead after one quarter and were never threatened after that.

Leading the way for Stanton was Tristan Graves, who scored 22 points, and Sebastian Escamilla, who added 17 points. Jon Bermea and Mason Moore led Coahoma with 14 and 11 points, respectively.

Coahoma plays Tues-

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Big Spring's Tiffani Ruiz pulls down a rebound during the Lady Steers' 52-44 loss to Lubbock Estacado Friday.

## HC softball splits DH with Temple

TEMPLE — No one can accuse the Howard College softball program of scheduling pushovers.

The Hawks opened their season by splitting a doubleheader against No. 1 ranked Temple. Howard dropped the opener, 6-4, before taking the nightcap, 8-7, in nine innings.

Howard was no slacker in the rankings, either, coming into Friday's games ranked No. 7 in the country, and the two games were as close as the rankings suggested.

In the first game, the Hawks rallied to take a late lead before being victimized by a rally on Temple's part.

"After we saw their pitcher a couple of times through the order, we started getting some hits," HC Coach Kelly Raines said. "But we weren't able to hold onto the lead."

Arielle Charuk took the loss for Howard in Game One.

The second game was a back-and-forth affair which the Hawks finally nailed down in extra innings.

"We did a little better job of hitting in the second game," Raines said. "It just took us nine innings to figure it out."

Celeste Villagrana was the winning pitcher for Howard.

The Hawks returned to action Saturday in Waco, facing McLennan College in a doubleheader.

## Peyton a Panther? Carolina tried to make a deal for Manning in '98

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — If the Carolina Panthers had their way, maybe Peyton Manning would be playing for them — not against them — in the Super Bowl.

When Manning was coming out for the 1998 draft, the Panthers approached Indianapolis Colts general manager Bill Polian with a mega-deal offer.

It included trading fourth-year quarterback Kerry Collins and multiple draft picks, including their first-round selection that year, for the right to take Manning with the No. 1 overall selection.

Carolina was hoping Polian, who had drafted Collins just three years before while working as the GM for the Panthers, would pull the trigger on the deal.

Problem was, Polian wouldn't even consider the offer.

"Bill was dead set against it," said Dom Capers, Carolina's head coach at the time who

was also given control of personnel decisions when Polian left the team after the 1997 season.

"He was set on keeping the pick. You never know on those kinds of things — but sometimes you have to try."

Polian said he had his heart setting on drafting Manning.

"There wasn't anything they could give us that was going to replace Peyton Manning," Polian said.

Capers, now the defensive coordinator with the Green Bay Packers, said he was "blown away" after meeting Manning at the NFL scouting combine in Indianapolis in February 1998.

Manning walked into the interview with a yellow notepad, sat down and started asking Capers questions.

"He left the room and I sat there in amazement," Capers said. "It was like he was interviewing me for an hour. He was incredibly professional, fo-

cused and you just knew right then he was going to be a player."

Apparently, so did Polian.

The Colts at the time already had running back Marshall Faulk, wide receiver Marvin Harrison and offensive tackle Tarik Glenn on the roster and Polian felt all they needed was a quarterback.

He liked Manning over Collins, whom he selected with the fifth overall pick in 1995.

"We liked Kerry, but we didn't feel like it was a fair return," Polian said. "We felt Peyton had so much potential. Honestly, there was nothing anybody could have offered us that would have made us decide to move the pick."

Said Capers: "Bill knew what he had with the No. 1 pick in Peyton. We tried. We talked with Bill, but Bill just wasn't going to do it. He thought Peyton was going to be something special — and he proved him right."

Manning is expected

to be a first-ballot Hall of Famer.

The five-time league MVP will be playing in his fourth Super Bowl when the Denver Broncos meet the Panthers on Feb. 7 in Santa Clara, California.

"He's going to go down if not the greatest, one of the greatest quarterbacks to ever play this game," Panthers linebacker Thomas Davis said.

Said Capers: "If you took one of the top five offensive coordinators and put him under center that is what it would be like. He's so cerebral."

Not long after Polian selected Manning over Ryan Leaf with the No. 1 pick, the Colts and Panthers organizations headed in two different directions.

The Colts became a mainstay in the playoffs, reaching the postseason 11 of the next 13 seasons under Manning and won the Super Bowl after the 2006 season.

The Panthers would go

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### Australian Open:

## Kerber upsets Williams to win women's title

MELBOURNE, Australia (AP) — Serena Williams put up both hands after sending a forehand long and high over the baseline in the first set. She wanted nothing to do with yet another unforced error in her Australian Open final against Angelique Kerber.

For the second time in as many majors, Williams fell short of equalling Steffi Graf's Open-era record of 22 Grand Slam singles titles.

No. 7-seeded Kerber had never played in a major final and had lost five of her six previous career meetings with Williams, but she responded with a stunning 6-4, 3-6, 6-4 upset win over the six-time Australian Open champion.

Williams had the title every previous time she'd reached

the final at Melbourne Park, and was overwhelming favorite to continue that streak against Kerber, who joked she was "one leg in the plane to Germany" when she faced match point in her first-round win over Misaki Doi.

"I mean, every time I walk in this room, everyone expects me to win every single match, every single day of my life," Williams said in her post-match news conference. "As much as I would like to be a robot, I'm not."

The 28-year-old Kerber used acute angles to keep Williams guessing, tossed in two drop shots for a crucial break in the long sixth game of the third set, and continually tried to pass the 21-time major winner or forced errors at the net.

And she had five service breaks — two in the first, and three in third set — against the top-ranked Williams, who hadn't dropped a set in the previous six rounds.

"My whole life I was working really hard and now I'm here and I can say I'm a Grand Slam champion," said Kerber, who had only reached the semifinals twice at the majors and hadn't been beyond the quarterfinals since Wimbledon in 2012. "It sounds really crazy and unbelievable."

She is the first German woman to win the Australian title since Graf in 1994, and is projected to rise to No. 2 in the rankings next week.

German Chancellor Angela

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## Sports Calendar

### SATURDAY

**Women's softball**  
Howard College at McLennan College (DH), 1 p.m.

### TUESDAY

**Girls' basketball**  
Big Spring at Levelland, 6:30 p.m.  
Sonora at Coahoma, 6:30 p.m.  
Forsan at Ozona, 6:30 p.m.  
Garden City at Robert Lee, 6:30 p.m.  
Sands at Dawson, 6:30 p.m.

**Boys' basketball**  
Big Spring at Levelland, 8 p.m.  
Sonora at Coahoma, 8 p.m.  
Forsan at Ozona, 8 p.m.  
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**PEYTON**

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five seasons before even making the playoffs.

They selected defensive end Jason Peter with the 14th overall pick in 1998. But he retired after the 2001 season.

Collins, who had been accused of using a racial slur by a teammate in 1997, found more problems on and off the field.

He was cut by the Panthers midway through the 1998 season after Capers told reporters the quarterback walked into his office and told him he'd lost the desire to play.

A year later, Collins was arrested

for DUI while a member of the New Orleans Saints.

Collins would get things straightened out though and play 17 seasons in the NFL, leading the New York Giants to an appearance in the Super Bowl.

As for Capers, he handed the job to Steve Beuerlein after Collins was released, but the Panthers finished 4-12 in 1998 and he was fired by owner Jerry Richardson.

Capers laughed when asked if the deal for Manning had gone through if his tenure in Carolina might have been longer.

"You never know," Capers said. "That is one thing about this business — you just never know. Those kinds of decisions have tremendous impacts on an organization."

**KERBER**

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Merkel was quick to respond, saying "It was fascinating to see how courageously and with such nerves of steel how you prevailed against arguably the best player in the world."

And other congratulatory messages poured in.

"My phone is exploding right now," Kerber said. "It's so good also for German tennis. After Steffi, now somebody won a Grand Slam."

It took her 33 majors to win the title — sixth on the list for longest waits that is topped by 2015 U.S. Open champion Flavia Pennetta's 49.

Williams admitted previously she became nervous and was stalled for a while trying to get to 18 major titles, to equal Chris Evert and

Martina Navratilova's career marks in second spot in the Open era. For three majors, Williams didn't reach the quarterfinals, but when she finally won her 18th, it triggered a roll of four straight major titles.

Now she's on 21. "I was nervous before the match," Williams said. "Once it got started, it was so intense ... I didn't really have time to be nervous."

Williams won the Australian Open, French Open and Wimbledon titles last year before losing to Roberta Vinci in the U.S. Open semifinals.

After being so close to a calendar-year Grand Slam in 2015, she has no chance to push for that honor in 2016 after losing the season's first major.

Despite a rash of uncharacteristic unforced errors, Williams pushed Kerber all the way. She

had never lost a major final that went three sets, and she had only lost to three players — twice to her sister Venus (U.S. Open2001, Wimbledon 2008), and once each to Maria Sharapova (Wimbledon 2004) and Sam Stosur (U.S. Open2011).

Kerber had a chance to serve for the match at 5-3 in the third but couldn't hold.

Williams had a chance to level but dropped her serve, too. It finished when she hit a forehand volley long on championship point, her 46th unforced error.

Kerber dropped her racket on the court and lay flat on her back as Williams walked around the net to embrace her.

"She had an attitude that I think a lot of people can learn from — to always stay positive and never give up," Williams said. "If I couldn't win, I'm happy she did."

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day at home against Sonora, while Stanton is at Reagan County. Both games begin at 8 p.m.

**Forsan 41, Ozona 23**

FORSAN — The Forsan Buffaloes turned up the defensive pressure to earn a 41-23 win over Ozona Friday night.

The Buffaloes, who remained unbeaten in district play, limited Ozona to single digit scoring in three of the four quarters played Friday, including allowing only 2 points scored in the second and fourth quarter. Forsan put the game out of reach by outscoring Ozona, 12-2, in the final quarter.

"Ozona had a solid defense but the guys kept their composure and found what would work," FHS Coach Gary Huckabee said.

Josh Evans was the only player in double figures, scoring 11 points, while Garrett Evans and Ben Mikeska each had 8

points for the Buffaloes. Forsan returns to action Tuesday at Eldorado. Game time is 8 p.m.

**Grady 72, Dawson 49**

LENORAH — The No. 3 ranked Grady Wildcats had little trouble with Dawson Friday, taking a 72-49 win in district action.

The Wildcats jumped out to an 11-point lead after one quarter and were never threatened after that.

Leading the way for Grady was Kyle Garza, who scored a game-high 23 points, and Jaylen Short and Cole Avery, who added 20 and 14 points, respectively.

Grady returns to action Tuesday at Klondike. Game time is 8 p.m.

**GIRLS**

**Stanton 56, Coahoma 40**

STANTON — The Stanton Lady Buffalos used a big third quarter to down the Coahoma Bulldogettes in girls' district basketball action Friday night.

Leading 29-23 at the half, the Lady Buffs tamped down on defense, outscoring Coahoma 18-5 in the third quarter to take control of the game.

Payge Grable scored 19 points and Miranda Myrick added 15 to lead Stanton. The Bulldogettes, who fell to 2-4 in district play, were led by Lauren Simer's 23 points.

Coahoma hosts Sonora, while Stanton is at Reagan County Tuesday. Game time for both contests is 6:30 p.m.

**Grady 84, Dawson 27**

LENORAH — The Grady Lady Wildcats dominated in all phases of the game as they took an easy 84-27 decision over Dawson Friday.

Grady was led by Emily Glaze, who scored 22 points. Other is double figures for the Lady Wildcats included Carli Richards with 18 points, Brittany Garza with 16 and Emilee Vogler with 12.

Grady's next game is Tuesday at Klondike. Game time is 6:30 p.m.



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# Williams struggles, but Mavs defeat Nets

DALLAS (AP) — For Chandler Parsons, it was just another game in his recovery from offseason knee surgery. Same for Deron Williams when it came to facing his former team for the first time.

Parsons had 19 points and a season-high 10 rebounds while Williams struggled against his old teammates, and the Dallas Mavericks beat the Brooklyn Nets 91-79 Friday night.

Parsons led the Mavericks in scoring for the fifth time in six games and is averaging 24 points during that span. It's a strong step in his recovery from a procedure that has forced him to ease into his second season in Dallas. But he's not quite ready to say he's fully recovered.

"This whole process has been one day at a time for me," said Parsons, who was 8 of 15 from the field and is shooting 57 percent over the past seven games. "Good game, bad game, hot streak, playing horrible. I just take it day by day, try not to look ahead."

Williams, who sat out a visit to Brooklyn in December with a left hamstring strain, scored eight points on 3-of-14 shooting, although he finished with a game-high six assists after struggling to distribute the ball in the first half.

"I'm just happy we got a win," Williams said. "That's all it's about right now."

Brook Lopez had 28 points and 12 rebounds to lead the Nets, who had a four-game winning streak in Dallas snapped.

Brooklyn is 3-12 in January with one game remaining in the month, which included the firing of coach Lionel Hollins.

Thaddeus Young also had a double-double for Brooklyn with 11 points and 10 rebounds.

"I've been in situations before, so I know how to stay positive," Young said. "I know how to continue to play, and how to keep willing my team on. That's what I'm going to do."

Dirk Nowitzki had 12 points,

eight rebounds and a season-high four blocks, and the Mavericks built an 18-point lead in the first half and didn't let the Nets get closer than seven in the second half.

Dallas center Zaza Pachulia matched a career high with his 21st double-double in his return after missing three games with a sore right Achilles tendon.

The 13-year veteran from the republic of Georgia had 16 points and 12 rebounds, but his highlight might have been going to the floor for a loose ball and passing to Justin Anderson as he rolled over after Lopez blocked a driving layup by Parsons.

Anderson found Parsons in the corner for a 3-pointer over Lopez.

"He's a walking double-double," Parsons said of Pachulia. "It's definitely good to have him back and get our normal starting lineup again."

Williams said after the morning shootaround that he wasn't planning to treat this game any differently, but betrayed his words once he was

on the floor against the team that bought out his max contract after three disappointing, injury-plagued seasons.

The former Dallas-area high schooler seemed anxious in the first quarter, forcing shots and at times keeping the ball too long. Williams matched his season average for attempts in the first half, going 3 of 11 with eight points and two assists.

"I loved the way he just stayed aggressive throughout the game," Dallas coach Rick Carlisle said. "His shooting numbers don't look great, but he made a couple of key hoops in our run in the second quarter and he battled on defense all night."

## UNEVEN BENCHES

The Brooklyn bench scored just two points — a jumper early in the fourth quarter by Andrea Bargnani — while all five starters finished in double figures. Joe Johnson and Donald Sloan scored 13 apiece. The Dallas reserves scored 34 points, led by J.J. Barea with 13 points and 3-of-3 shooting from long range.

"Our second unit, we're still trying to find a rhythm there," Nets interim coach Tony Brown said after the bench went 1 of 14 from the field. "We seem to have turnovers, or we had shots but wouldn't take it."

## TIP-INS

Nets: Brown spent three seasons as an assistant under Rick Carlisle in Dallas before joining Brooklyn for the 2014-15 season. Brown was still an assistant for the Mavericks' visit to Brooklyn in December. Hollins was fired Jan. 10. ... Former Maverick Wayne Ellington scored 12 points.

Mavericks: Pachulia had 21 double-doubles with Atlanta in 2005-06. ... The Mavericks picked up just the second win by the home team in the past 10 games in the series. ... Dallas gave up its second-fewest points this season. The Mavericks beat Chicago 83-77 on Jan. 15.

## UP NEXT:

Nets: At New Orleans on Saturday.

Mavericks: Host Phoenix on Sunday.

# Thunder rolls: Westbrook leads OKC past Houston

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — Russell Westbrook once again did a little bit of everything for the Thunder.

He finished Friday night with 26 points, 14 assists and 10 rebounds, his sixth triple-double of the season, the third in his past nine games and the 25th of the Oklahoma City point guard's career.

It also was the seventh time in nine games Westbrook has had 10 or more assists as the Thunder took advantage of center Dwight Howard's ejection and beat the Houston Rockets 116-108.

"It's part of my job, man," Westbrook said. "Just trying to find guys, getting the ball where they can score,

keep the pace up."

Howard was ejected in the third quarter after picking up his second technical foul. Kanter scored 20 of his 22 points after that to help the Thunder gain control.

Kevin Durant had 33 points and 12 rebounds for the Thunder, who have won 10 of 11 and six straight at home.

James Harden had 33 points, seven rebounds and seven assists, but he made just 2 of 10 field goals in the second half. Corey Brewer added 17 points for the Rockets, who shot 38 percent overall and made just 9 of 39 3-pointers and 27 of 43 free throws.

"They want to shoot threes and get layups, and I think we closed all of that off tonight,"

Durant said. "We were there on the catch for them guys and we didn't just let them play freely. When we do that, we're a scary team."

Bickerstaff said shots simply weren't falling.

"We've got to take those shots with confidence and we believe in the guys that are taking those shots," he said. "Tonight they didn't go. The past few weeks they've been falling and they'll go again. Guys work on it. They've got to trust their training, shoot them with confidence and we'll get them."

The Rockets led 58-55 at halftime. They led by as many as 12 points in the second quarter, but Howard made just 2 of 9 free throws in the pe-

riod to help the Thunder creep back into the game.

Howard was ejected with 7:06 left in the third quarter — Bickerstaff said after the game he was told it was for something Howard said. The Thunder finally took

the lead on a putback by Kanter, and a dunk by Durant on an assist from Westbrook put Oklahoma City ahead 80-76.

The Thunder led 89-83 at the end of the third quarter.

Westbrook got his

triple-double on an assist to Kyle Singler, who scored and was fouled. Singler's free throw put Oklahoma City ahead 101-92.

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Howard missed 11 free throws in the game, despite leaving early.



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1. What venue and city will host Super LII?
2. Which player has won the most Super Bowls?
3. Who is the only player to win the Super Bowl MVP award playing for the losing team?
4. Who connected on the longest touchdown pass in Super Bowl history?
5. Who is the only player to score three touchdowns in a Super Bowl game twice?
6. Which kicker holds the records for most field goals attempted (10) and made (7) in the Super Bowl?
7. Who kicked the longest field goal in Super Bowl history?
8. Who is the only player to rush for three touchdowns in a Super Bowl game?
9. Which quarterback threw the most passes in a Super Bowl game?
10. Who are the only Co-MVPs in superbowl History?
11. What three players have scored touchdown in the Super Bowl for two different teams?
12. Of the nine players to return kickoffs for touchdowns, only one won the MVP in that game. Who was it?
13. Has there ever been a punt returned for a touchdown in a Super Bowl?
14. Who is the only player with three interceptions in a Super Bowl game?
15. List the highest-scoring and lowest-scoring Super Bowls and the combined points scored in each games?
16. In Super Bowl XVIII, which two little-known L.A. Raiders scored return touchdowns, one on a recovery of a blocked punt in the end zone, and the other on a 5-yard interception return of Joe Theismann?
17. Who were the two head coaches in Super Bowl I?
18. Which Redskin fumble recovery Dolphin Garo Yepremian's infamous throw on a botched field goal and raced 49 yards for a touchdown in Super Bowl VII?
19. Which Jets DB had two interceptions in Super Bowl III?
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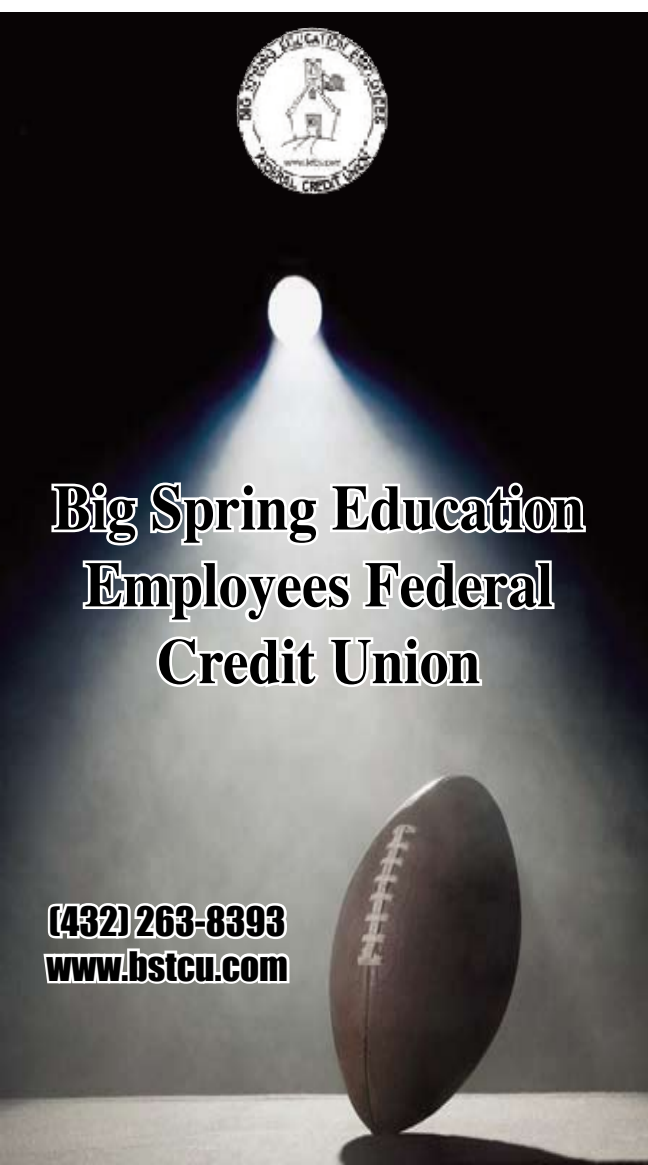

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5. Jerry Rice (San Francisco, SB 26 vs. Denver and 29 vs. San Diego)
6. Adam Vinatieri (New England, Indianapolis)
7. Steve Christie (Buffalo, 54 yards, SB 28 vs. Dallas)
8. Terrell Davis (Denver vs. Green Bay, SB 32)
9. Jim Kelly 58 (Buffalo vs. Washington, SB 26)
10. Harvey Martin and Randy White (SB 7)
11. Jerry Rice - San Francisco XXIII - Oakland Raiders XXXVII, Ricky Proehl - Carolina Panthers XXXVIII - Chicago Bears XLVII
12. Desmond Howard (Green Bay vs. New England, SB 31)
13. No
14. Rod Martin (Oakland vs. Philadelphia, SB 15)
15. Most 75 (San Francisco 49, San Diego 26, SB 29), least 21 (Miami 14, Washington 7 in SB 7)
16. Derrick Jensen (punt recovery), Jack Squirek (pick six)
17. Hank Stram, Kansas City Chiefs and Vince Lombardi, Green Bay Packers,
18. Jan. 15, 1967. The Packers won, 35-10. The game was billed as the "First World Championship Game."
19. Mike Bass
20. Randy Beverly
20. Matt Bahr (Steelers, SB 14; Giants, SB 25)

## SUPER SUNDAY - TRIVIA QUESTIONS:



# Hangar 25 Silver Wings Ball takes flight

The Hotel Settles played host to some of Big Spring's best dressed recently during the Hangar 25 Museum's 18th Annual Silver Wings Ball.

Ladies and gentlemen alike wore stunning attire as they enjoyed champagne, hors' d'oeuvres, live jazz music, dinner, fun, and laughter while raising money for the continued support of Hangar 25.

"The Hangar 25 Museum has been admission free for 18 years. The Silver Wings Annual Ball is the fundraiser that makes it possible to keep it admission free all of these years," said Amber Stokes, director of the museum.

Thanks to sponsors who donated towards the ball itself, money raised during the ball was able to go directly to the cost of running the facility. Sponsors with Wing status were Alon USA and Price Construction. Squadron level sponsors were Brint Ryan, Judy Little, Gloria McDonald, and Bruce Schooler. Flight sponsors

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"Thank you to all of our sponsors for their generous support," said Stokes.

The music was provided by the South Plains Jazz Band who livened up the event with their music and a dance floor.

Cash Berry did the honors of auctioning off donated items such as jewelry, a deer hunt, helicopter rides, a reclining chair, wine and cheese tasting, a one night stay in a suite at the Hotel Settles, and other various items.

"The auction raised almost \$15,000. We were very pleased with how the evening went," said Stokes.

Throughout the evening there was a lot of laughter, visiting, dancing and money raised for a local gem.



Top: Amber Stokes and Gloria McDonald enjoying the Silver Wings Ball.

Right: The guests were all dressed up and enjoying the evening.

Below: Guests take

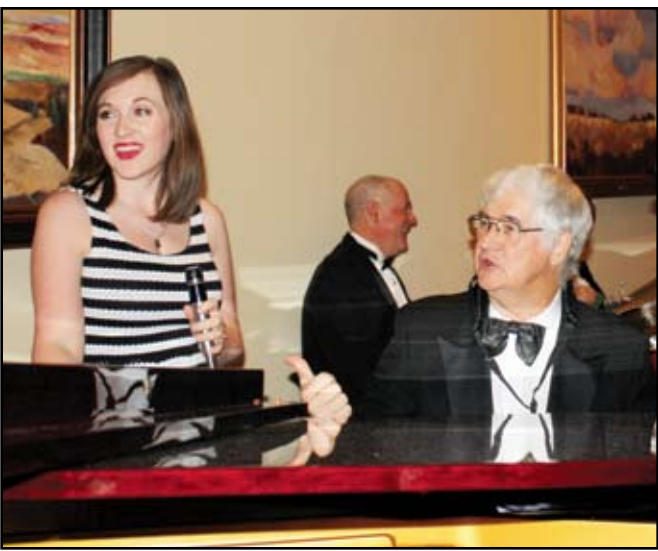
a break from their visiting for a quick picture with friends.

Bottom Right: People browse tables of items for the silent auction.

Bottom Middle: The South Plains

Jazz Band kept guests moving and smiling.

Bottom Left: The process was quick and easy to sign up to participate in the auctions during the Ball.



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From left to right: Marylou Gonzalez, Juana Rocha holding baby Adam Andrade, Gwen Andrade and Gustabo Andrade.

# Menus

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**Tuesday**

Breakfast: biscuits and scrambled eggs; Lunch: spaghetti bowl, breadstick, garden salad, Tus-

can veggies, peaches and pudding.

**Wednesday**

Breakfast: pancake and bacon; Lunch: Mexican combo plate, spanish rice, seasoned corn, charro beans, salsa and cinnamon applesauce.

**Thursday**

Breakfast: sausage, egg and cheese pretzel sandwich; Lunch: chili

cornbread, broccoli bites, garden salad and orange smiles.

**Friday**

Breakfast: breakfast pizza; Lunch: popcorn chicken, roll, sweet potato fries, cucumber dippers, fruit cup and cookie.

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# Angelo State University Dean's List includes students from Big Spring

Students achieving the Dean's List for the 2015 fall semester have been announced by Angelo State University in San Angelo, Texas. To be eligible for the Dean's List, students must be enrolled fulltime at ASU and must maintain a 3.25 or better grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

Big Spring: Hope S. Allen, Dillon J. Bagnall, Trevin D. Cherry, Cheyenne N. Galloway, Madeline F. Gibson, Lindsey N. Jones, Kaitlyn A. Nichols, Sara D. Overby, Mindy L. Ralston, Cerbi T. Ritchey, Cindy M. Saenz, Kelli D. Schaedel, Taylor L. Seaton, Kolten S. Self, Pamela B. Upton, and Brady L. Weber.



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# Pentagon chief seeks to improve family leave, child care

WASHINGTON (AP) – Defense Secretary Ash Carter on Thursday unveiled a series of family-friendly proposals for the military that would increase parental leave, child care and health care coverage to bolster efforts to recruit and retain high-quality service members.

Carter told a Pentagon news conference that he will double the length of fully paid maternity leave for female service members and work with Congress to boost time off for paternity leave and adoptions.

He said he also intends to expand health care coverage to include more benefits for women trying to get pregnant. And he is directing the military services to expand the hours that military child care facilities are open and the number of children that can be accommodated.

The changes, which will cost an estimated cost of \$385 million over the next five years, are part of Carter's ongoing effort to modernize the military and make it more attractive to job seekers. He's already pushed past Marine Corps objections to allowing women to apply for combat jobs and has expressed a willingness to consider allowing transgender people serve openly.

The new initiatives, said Carter, "will strengthen our competitive position in the battle for top talent, in turn guaranteeing our competitive position against potential adversaries."

But, he added, any adjustments had to be balanced against the need to maintain a strong and ready fighting force. "Fairness is important, but always, always the mission effectiveness of our force comes first," he said. "We are not Google. We are not Walmart. We're war fighters."

Pregnancy is a key issue for military women, who often have to deploy for months at a time and try to plan childbirth around their more stable duty assignments. And men worry about injuries during their deployments to warzones that might impair their abilities to father children.

Officials said the military service chiefs and leaders largely endorsed the changes. There were concerns, however, expressed mainly by the Army and Marine Corps about the impact of any significant increase in maternity leave.

The maternity leave issue is complicated by the fact that Navy Secretary Ray Mabus already increased paid time-off for Navy and Marine Corps forces to 18 weeks. His decision last July tripled the current military leave of six weeks. The Marine Corps and Army, however, raised worries about extending leave to 18 weeks, saying it would keep key combat support troops off their jobs for too long and make it difficult to cover their posts by shifting personnel around.

Carter's decision to settle on 12 weeks would force the Navy to scale back its 18-week leave and make accommodations for those who may already have planned the longer time off. Carter said that any Navy or Marine Corps service members who are pregnant would get the 18 weeks they expected.

The health care coverage proposal is complex, but would involve increased benefits for women seeking more extensive fertility and pregnancy assistance. Specifically he called for a pilot program that would extend health care coverage to active duty women seeking to freeze their eggs and men who wanted to freeze their

sperm.

"As a profession of arms, we ask our men and women to make incomparable sacrifices," Carter said. "We ask them, potentially, to place themselves at risk of sacrificing their ability to have children when they return home. It's clear that the benefits we offer our troops can better account for this."

The planned increase for paternity leave would go from 10 days to two full weeks. And officials said Carter wants to expand the current three-week leave for an adoptive parent, and allow the second parent to take two weeks off, if that person is also in the military. The paternity and adoption leave changes would require approval from Congress.

The child care plan would increase the minimum time the facilities are open to 14 hours, from the current 12. Carter also wants the services to modernize and improve the child care system to reduce waiting lists and increase the number of children who can be served.

One of the more flexible changes unveiled Thursday, Carter said, would allow service members to stay at a particular base or duty station for a longer time, and in exchange they would commit to a longer time in the service. Such decisions would be at the discretion of commanders who would consider the military needs of the unit.

According to Carter, 52 percent of

# Menus

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  - Wednesday**  
Philly steak sandwich with onions and peppers, peas and mushrooms, tossed salad, sliced peaches and milk.
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the military's enlisted force and 70 percent of its officers are married, and there are about 84,000 marriages where both are in the service.

The expansion of family leave benefits is the second phase in a broader campaign by Carter to modernize the military and help troops better balance their family commitments with their desire to serve their country.

Last November he rolled out a series of initiatives aimed at attracting and retaining quality service members. They ranged from increasing internships to changing the retirement system to allow investments in a 401(k)-type retirement plan.

Many of the changes are an effort to align the Pentagon with the corporate world, strengthen ties with high-tech companies and bring the best from that field into the Defense Department.

# Carrie Underwood to honor military families during tour

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) – Country star Carrie Underwood is working with Carnival Cruise Line and Operation Homefront to honor military families throughout her upcoming "Storyteller" tour.

Underwood will meet with selected military families in 10 cities, and she'll perform a free concert for hundreds of military families onboard the Carnival Vista in New York on Nov. 4.

Her tour begins Saturday in Jacksonville, Florida.

The Grammy-winning singer said in a phone interview that meeting military families is a special experience.

"As an entertainer I get to be onstage and everybody has to listen to me, well, hopefully they want to listen to me," Underwood said. "But it's really nice to get to talk to people and get to hear their stories."

Fans can purchase commemorative dog tags throughout the tour, with all proceeds going to Operation Homefront, a nonprofit organization that provides emergency and financial assistance

to families of service members and wounded warriors.

"I feel country music has always been very close and very supportive of military members and their families," Underwood said. "I feel like this is just another really cool opportunity to say thank you."

During the tour, Underwood will be performing in the round for the first time, with the crowds surrounding the stage.

"One amazing thing about having it in the round is I just get to see so many more faces," she said. "It's nice to have moments ... and look into people's faces and see them having fun and see them singing along."

She'll have a special guest along for most of the tour – her 11-month-old son Isaiah.

"This will be the first that we've been out for any length of time with him," Underwood said. "It's interesting with a baby. I am going to have to figure out this sleep thing. Being on the road, hotels rooms and stuff like that. It's not his space, but he'll get used to that."

# Broadway Week ticket deal extended following snowstorm

NEW YORK (AP) – New York's massive snowfall might have a silver lining on Broadway.

Dozens of shows have agreed to extend their two-for-one tickets deal an extra few days to make up for lost business after Saturday's cancellations. Broadway Week, currently in effect, will now run to Feb. 7.

The participating shows extending are "Aladdin," "Allegiance," "An American in Paris," "Beautiful: The Carole King Musical," "Chicago," "The Color Purple," "The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time," "Fiddler on the Roof," "Finding Neverland," "Fun Home," "The Humans," "Jersey Boys," "The King and I," "Kinky Boots," "Les Miserables," "Matilda the Musical," "On Your Feet!" "Our Mother's Brief Affair," "The Phantom of the Opera," "School of Rock," "Something Rotten!" "A View From the Bridge" and "Wicked."

# For the world's most scrutinized body, Barbie has a new look

NEW YORK (AP) – Poor Barbie. She had plastic surgery to become more socially acceptable. But a lot of her critics still don't like her.

Barbie's manufacturer, Mattel, announced Thursday that the doll has three new body types – curvy, tall and petite. Barbie will also now come in seven skin tones, 22 eye colors and 24 hairstyles. Mattel spokeswoman Michelle Chidoni said the product is evolving to "offer more choices" to make "the line more reflective of the world girls see around them."

But Kris Macomber, who teaches sociology at Meredith College in Raleigh, North Carolina, says she's "reluctant to celebrate Barbie's new strategy because it doesn't change the fact that Barbie dolls and other kinds of fashion dolls still over-emphasize female beauty. Sure, all body types

should be valued. And, sure, all skin colors should be valued equally. But why must we keep sending girls the message that being beautiful is so important?"

Josh Golin, executive director of the Campaign for a Commercial-Free Childhood, said Barbie's changes are a testament to activists who for years have challenged her "unrealistic and harmful body type." But body type "was only one of the criticisms," he said. "The other was the brand's relentless focus on appearance and fashion."

Kumea Shorter-Gooden, co-author of "Shifting: The Double Lives of Black Women in America," has said in the past that Barbie has a bigger impact on black girls struggling with messages about skin color and hair. Shorter-Gooden applauded Mattel "for diversifying the size and look of

Barbie," but noted that "European-American hair still prevails," and that the dolls' outfits still "convey a traditional and constraining gender norm about how girls and women should look."

Aside from whether Barbie's looks will ever

measure up to society's changing expectations, another question worth asking is whether kids still want to play with Barbies. Barbie sales fell 14 percent in the most recently reported quarter, with worldwide sales falling every year since 2012.

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# Stocks jump as Microsoft leads technology surge

NEW YORK (AP) — U.S. stocks are rising sharply on Friday, led by a big gain in technology companies after Microsoft posted a strong fourth quarter, as did Visa and MasterCard. Global stock indexes also rallied. Asian markets climbed after Japan's central bank announced more aggressive moves to stimulate that country's economy.

**KEEPING SCORE:** The Dow Jones industrial average rose 303 points, or 1.9 percent, to 16,374 as of 1:45 p.m. Eastern time. The Standard & Poor's 500 index added 34 points, or 1.8 percent, to 1,928. The Nasdaq composite picked up 73 points, or 1.6 percent, to 4,580.

**OPENING WINDOWS:** Microsoft added \$2.85, or 5.6 percent, to \$54.91 after its fourth-quarter profit and revenue beat expectations. The company posted strong results from its cloud computing business and the unit that sells PC software and Surface tablets and Xbox gaming consoles.

**COSTS FLOOD AMAZON:** The e-commerce company said its profit more than doubled, but it still fell short of Wall

Street forecasts because of increased costs. Some of those related to its Fulfillment by Amazon service, which handles shipping for sellers and makes them eligible for Amazon Prime shipping. The stock lost \$50.49, or 7.9 percent, to \$584.46.

**XEROX MAKES A COPY:** Xerox said it will split into two publicly traded companies after pressure from activist investor Carl Icahn. One of the new companies will focus on document technology, handling document management and outsourcing. The other will be a business process outsourcing company, helping companies with automate and simplify business processes. Xerox gained 60 cents, or 6.5 percent, to \$9.83.

**CHARGE IT:** Visa and MasterCard both rose after reporting solid results. Visa, a Dow component, climbed \$3.56, or 5.1 percent, to \$72.89 and MasterCard picked up \$4.34, or 5.2 percent, to \$87.77.

**HEAVY INDUSTRY:** Honeywell advanced \$3.87, or 4 percent, to \$101.84 following its fourth-quarter report, and General Electric

added 74 cents, or 2.6 percent, to \$28.95.

**THE ECONOMY:** The Commerce Department said U.S. gross domestic product slowed down in the fourth quarter and grew only 0.7 percent. The agency said consumers spent less, businesses invested less, and exports were down because of global instability.

The U.S. economy has been expanding for six and a half years, and experts think growth will pick up in the current quarter. Economists estimate the U.S. economy grew 2.3 percent in 2015, about the same as 2.4 percent in 2014.

**GOOGLE THIS:** Google's parent, Alphabet, might soon overtake Apple as the world's most valuable publicly traded company. Alphabet stock surged over the last year while Apple has struggled. Both companies are valued at more than \$500 billion, and Apple is currently about \$10 billion above Alphabet.

**IT'S A TRAP:** Electronic Arts traded lower. Its profit and revenue forecasts fell a bit short of Wall Street estimates. The video game maker said sales of its

"Star Wars: Battlefront" game were strong, but analysts said investors were disappointed with the number of downloads, which are more profitable than sales of physical games.

The stock gave up \$6.24, or 8.9 percent, to \$63.55. As of Thursday's close, it was up 26 percent over the last 12 months.

**SEAGATE RISES:** Electronic storage maker Seagate Technology stock climbed \$2.54, or 9.4 percent, to \$29.28 after its profit and sales surpassed estimates.

**INTEREST RATES CUTS:** The Bank of Japan said it will charge money to banks that leave large amounts of cash parked at the central bank. The policy is intended to encourage commercial banks to lend more money. That could stimulate investment and growth in Japan's struggling economy.

Asian markets rallied. Japanese bonds fell the dollar got stronger compared to the yen. Friday afternoon the dollar traded at 121.19 yen, a huge move for the currency, which traded at 118.78 yen late Thursday.

## Advice for purchasing Super Bowl 50 tickets

Super Bowl 50 is only a week away, and football fans everywhere are starting to make their predictions. The final two teams will compete for the championship title on Sunday, Feb. 7, in Santa Clara, California. If you are heading to the Super Bowl game this year, Better Business Bureau serving Central, Coastal, Southwest Texas and the Permian Basin advises you to be on alert for ticket scams.

There are currently thousands of game day tickets listed on classifieds websites, and it can be great for non-season ticket holders, occasional fans or those making a last-minute decision to see the big game. However, these sites offer no guarantees and do not require identification from sellers. Buying tickets in person is not always a sure thing either, as it has become easier for scammers to make fake tickets look real.

If you do go online to purchase a Super Bowl ticket, BBB recommends purchasing from a trustworthy seller or website. Some websites offer opportunities to purchase tickets before box office sales start, buyer protections and money-back guarantees.

Last year, BBB received nearly 2,000 complaints against event ticket sales and ticket brokers nationwide. Complainants allege they paid for invalid tickets or paid in advance for tickets that never arrived. Legitimate ticket brokers should be happy to answer questions, send a receipt and verify business information.

BBB offers the following tips for safely purchasing Super Bowl tickets:

- Do your research. When purchasing tickets through an online broker, check out their BBB Business Review at [bbb.org](http://bbb.org) for details about the company, history of complaints and customer reviews. You can also check to see if they are a member of the National Association of Ticket Brokers, an organization that works with law enforcement agencies, professional sports teams and other organizations to fight against counterfeit tickets.

- Verify the tickets are real. Search for guidance online about how the tickets should look and compare them to the ones you want to buy. Also, compare the price of the tickets to the price of others being sold. Scammers will often list tickets at a very low price to lure victims. Remember, if it sounds too good to be true, it probably is.

- Check the ticket broker's refund policy. Research the ticket broker's refund policy before purchasing, and make sure it provides clear details about the terms of the transaction. Assess the company's policy for customer satisfaction and details on reimbursement for cancelled events.

- Watch for hidden fees. Some websites include service charges and additional shipping fees. While these charges should be identified on the website and disclosed to you before the transaction is finalized, read the fine print to make sure you know the total cost that will be billed to your account.

- Pay with a credit card. Always use a credit card as additional protection. Also, never wire money to someone you don't know. Money sent via wire transfer is extremely difficult to retrieve. Once the scammers have picked it up, there is little recourse, if any, for getting your money back.

Additionally, BBB advises you to watch out for these red flags:

- The ticket seller prefers to communicate via email. If the seller doesn't provide a physical address or phone number as another option to communicate, that's a red flag. With email, there's no way to tell where the person is emailing from, or who the person is. Ask questions!

- The ticket seller can't provide additional photos or information. Request more photos of the property, or ask to be given a virtual tour via webcam. Ask for specific details about the package or tickets you are purchasing. Legitimate owners and/or sellers will be happy to oblige.

For more consumer information, BBB Business Reviews or to file a complaint, visit your local Better Business Bureau online at [bbb.org/central-texas](http://bbb.org/central-texas).



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Rennee Kyoko Martinez, 507 E. 17<sup>th</sup> St. Res elec; Val: \$0 Fee: \$25.  
Spring Creek Fellowship, 1801 E. FM 700. Com elec; Val: \$500 Fee: \$25.  
Douglas Bailey, 1508 Bluebird St. Res elec; Val: \$500 Fee: \$25.  
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Gregg St. Com Re-roof; Val: \$2,000 Fee: \$25.  
Bryan Herr, 100 N. Goliad. Com plumb; Val: \$1,000 Fee: \$32. Com Sewer tap; Val: \$265 Fee: \$265.  
Nastor Morales, 1501 W. 5<sup>th</sup> St. Mobile home; Val: \$1,000 Fee: \$32. Res elec; Val: \$500 Fee: \$25.  
Elaine Puckett Moore, 2414 Scurry St. Com Curb Cut; Val: \$400 Fee: \$25.  
Amie Taft, 4105 Parkway Rd. Res

add; Val: \$3,000 Fee: \$25.  
Humberto Barreto, 1605 W. 1<sup>st</sup> St. Res add; 2,500 Fee: \$25.  
Ester Hilario Calderon, 1111 W. 5<sup>th</sup> St. Res gas; Val: \$700 Fee: \$32.  
Alberto Reyes, 626 N.W. 3<sup>rd</sup> St. Mobile home; Val: \$6,500 Fee: \$45.  
Alberto Garza, 507 Douglas St. Structure; Val: \$1,000 Fee: \$25.  
CDR Properties, 704 S. Main St. Com elec; Val: \$1 Fee: \$25.

## Public Records

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Elda Melina Bernal, 1311 Mobile, Big Spring  
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Vanessa Malu Calderon, 2600

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Jason Canales, 612 Drake Rd., Big Spring  
Raymond Carroll, 712 E. 17<sup>th</sup> St., Big Spring  
Pedro Chavarria, 1404 Wood St., Big Spring  
Tonya Renea Cogburn, 1610 Johnson St., 2000 S. Main St., Big Spring  
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Matilda Cortez, 302 N. Saint Teresa, Stanton  
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**News in brief**

**US rig count down 18 this week to 619;**

**Texas down 13**

HOUSTON (AP) — Oilfield services company Baker Hughes Inc. says the number of rigs exploring for oil and natural gas in the U.S. declined by 18 this week to 619. The Houston firm said Friday 498 rigs sought oil and 121 explored for natural gas amid depressed energy prices. A year ago, 1,543 rigs were active. Among major oil- and gas-producing states, Texas declined by 13 rigs, New Mexico was down four, Louisiana dropped three and Kansas, North Dakota and Pennsylvania were off one apiece. Alaska and Colorado each increased by two rigs and Oklahoma was up one. Arkansas, California, Ohio, Utah, West Virginia and Wyoming were all unchanged. The U.S. rig count peaked at

4,530 in 1981 and bottomed at 488 in 1999.

**Falling oil prices push Chevron to first loss since 2002**

DALLAS (AP) — Chevron suffered its first money-losing quarter since 2002 in the final three months of last year, as plunging crude prices chopped more than one-third from its revenue. Oil traded this month at levels not seen since 2003, although it has rebounded slightly in the last few days. Cheaper energy is great for consumers, who save with every fill-up, but oil-producing nations and big exploration companies like Chevron and Exxon are paying the price. Chevron is cutting spending, laying off workers, and looking to sell even more of its assets. The problem with that strategy: It's a buyer's market

right now for oil facilities, with too many for-sale signs. The company has sold off \$11 billion worth of facilities such as pipelines over the past two years and hopes to raise up to \$10 billion more with sales through 2017. Company executives say, however, that they won't unload assets at fire-sale prices just to get rid of them. Oil prices are down because growth in demand has slowed and cannot absorb a glut of oil on the market. On a conference call with analysts, Chevron CEO John Watson said he thinks energy demand will grow but that supply is a wild card. Watson pointed to forecasts that predict increasing cuts in production by non-OPEC nations could restore the market to balance this year. But until that happens, he said, prices will stay low "and the financial damage to the energy sector seen in 2015 will continue."

Watson said Chevron is managing through the downturn by cutting spending and investment — it cut fourth-quarter spending by about \$9 billion compared with a year earlier. He said the company will finish projects under construction but won't start new long-term projects and will be judicious with short-term ones.

**Obama: More to do to close the pay gap for women, minorities**

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Barack Obama sought to showcase progress on his watch on closing the pay gap for women while keeping up the pressure on business, Congress and individuals to tackle an issue he said was still far from being solved. Marking the seventh anniversary of signing the Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act, Obama said more must be done to get women into high-paying jobs, including those in science, technology, math and engineering. In recent years, the pay disparity has narrowed slightly, but a woman in the U.S. still makes 79 cents to a man's dollar, the White House said. "This will be a long haul," Obama said. Working to ferret out abuses of equal pay laws, Obama announced that his administration will expand its collection of data from businesses about what they pay. In 2014 Obama directed the Labor Department to collect data from federal contractors about what they pay employees, sorted by gender, race and ethnicity. The revised proposal will cover all businesses with 100 or more employees, regardless of whether they contract with the government.

**RECORDS**

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George Anthony Robinson Jr., 1905 Wasson Rd. #14, Big Spring  
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Christina M. Rodriguez, 624 State Street, Big Spring  
Linda Eva Rodriguez, 2519 Gunter Circle, Big Spring  
Juan Romero, 2504 March Circle, Big Spring  
Veronica Romero, 103 Becker Road, Big Spring  
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Spring  
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Tamara Ruth Whitt, 3706 Connley, Big Spring  
Jamie Wiggins, 1905 Wasson Rd. Apt. #28, Big Spring

**Marriage Licenses**  
Roe Kenneth Fulgham, 80, and Paulette Isabelle Lindsey, 71, both of Big Spring.  
Blas Torres Jr., 36, Chanel Ashley Burger, 25, both of Big Spring.

**Filings**  
Howard County, et al vs. J.R. Coats, et al, tax cases  
Howard County, et al vs. Mary Thomas Estate, tax cases  
Howard County, et al vs. John F. Thomas Family Trust, tax cases  
Howard County, et al vs. Ramona Navarette, tax cases  
Howard County, et al vs. Cornelia Barlow, tax cases  
Howard County, et al vs. James Nipp, et al, tax cases  
Howard County, et al vs. Allison Hendricks, tax cases  
Howard County, et al vs. Bervin Hatton, tax cases  
Howard County, et al vs. Chad Hall, tax cases  
Trevor Fortner vs. Erica

Kinney, divorce  
Tanya Jewett vs. Jeremy Jewett, divorce  
Alyssa Rivas, Conner Garrett vs. Cindy Willis, injury/damage — motor vehicle  
Erik Flores vs. Eugenia Cantu, divorce  
Ronda Kilgore vs. Oran Kilgore, divorce  
The State of Texas vs. Shannon Bourdeaux, civil cases relating to criminal matters  
**Judgments**  
The State of Texas vs. Ivy Lynn Ledesma, theft of property. \$100 fine, court costs and 30 days in jail.  
The State of Texas vs. Juan G. Hinojosa Jr., theft of property. \$750 fine, court costs, 180 days in jail and 24 months probation.  
The State of Texas vs.

James L. Ingram, violation of protective order. \$100 fine, court costs and 30 days in jail.  
The State of Texas vs. Deangelo Depaul Gray, possession of marijuana. \$500 fine, court costs and 60 days in jail.  
**Warranty Deeds**  
Grantor: Weldon Martin  
Grantee: Marcellous Weaver  
Property: Lot 1 and W. 40 feet of lot 2, block 17, Cole and Strayhorn addition  
Date: Jan. 11, 2016  
Grantor: Jeff C. Morton and Mavis Morton  
Grantee: J. Hopper Homes, INC  
Property: A tract of land in the northwest quarter of sec. 1, block 32 T-1-S T&P Ry. Co.

Date: Jan. 15, 2016  
Grantor: Rick Washburn  
Grantee: Gerald Lee Harris III  
Property: All land in Sec 45, block 32, T-1-N, T&P Ry. Co.  
Date: Jan. 14, 2016  
**Warranty Deeds with lien**  
Grantor: Elda Gomez  
Grantee: Rita Moreno  
Property: Lot 8, block 6, Avion Village subdivision  
Date: Jan. 4, 2016  
Grantor: Lee Boyd Montgomery III  
Grantee: Joe Woodcox Sr. and Sandra Woodcox  
Property: Lots 9-11, block 46 of original town of Forsan  
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# Lawmakers consider bill inspired by the late Peter Falk

AUGUSTA, Maine (AP)—Lawmakers in Maine and other states are considering legislation stemming from a dispute among family members of actor Peter Falk near the end of his life.

The bill, crafted by Falk's daughter, protects family members' rights to visit ailing or incapacitated loved ones. Catherine Falk became an advocate for family members' rights after taking legal action to see her father before his death. Peter Falk, who starred in the hit TV series "Columbo," died in 2011.

Catherine Falk told The Associated Press on Thursday that lawmakers in

more than 20 states, including Vermont, New Hampshire, Connecticut and Rhode Island, are considering similar bills.

"I am doing this to honor my father but most importantly to help protect people across the country who suffer in terrible isolation," she said.

The bill's sponsor, Arthur Verow, D-Brewer, introduced the measure after meeting with Catherine Falk last month at a conference for state lawmakers in Washington, D.C.

Verow missed a deadline for submitting bills, but legislative leaders will decide Feb. 25 whether the bill can go forward as an emergency mea-

sure.

Under current Maine law, a spouse or the closest family member generally makes decisions for the person if he or she becomes incapacitated. When disputes exist or arise among family members, legal guardians sometimes block some relatives' access to the person, Verow said.

The bill requires a guardian to inform immediate family members of their relative's hospitalization or death. It also allows immediate family members recourse through the court system if they believe they are being unreasonably prevented from seeing the person.

In her written testimony to the Legislative Council, Falk said Peter Falk's guardian would not give her access to him when he was suffering from dementia. She said she spent more than \$100,000 in legal costs so she could see him before he died.

Peter Falk, who died at 83, had a long career in film, stage and television. He is best known for his role as Columbo, a seemingly distracted homicide detective in the Los Angeles Police Department who appeared at crime scenes in a rumpled raincoat. The show originally aired on NBC from 1971 to 1978.

## Robert Frank makes brief remarks to mark new retrospective

NEW YORK (AP) — At age 91, Robert Frank is happy to let others talk about his past.

Hundreds gathered at New York University's Tisch School of the Arts on Thursday night to celebrate the opening of a new retrospective for the renowned photographer and filmmaker.

Making a rare public appearance, Frank spoke briefly, saying he was gratified to see so many people turn out. But Frank added that he preferred thinking about the future. That's one reason he left his native Switzerland and settled in the U.S. in 1947.

"I'm glad I stayed," he said during a rare public appearance, his voice still bearing the rich accent of the country he left behind. "It's a good thing not to go back in your life."

"You could be free," Frank added about the U.S. "You could become

something you couldn't become in Switzerland."

"Robert Frank: Books and Films, 1947-2016," which runs through Feb. 11, was arranged very much in the unpretentious and improvisatory spirit that Frank brought to the visual arts.

Instead of a museum, his work hangs in the lobby and on the eighth floor of the Tisch school. Unframed banners of his pictures and proof sheets from his landmark "The Americans" fill the walls and copies of his books dangle from the ceiling. The exhibit's catalog is designed like a newspaper, featuring essays about Frank and an interview in which he spoke of the bond he felt with the poor and working class people of "The Americans" and other works.

"It was very important that I could put myself

in their shoes, so that I could feel something," he said. "It's the same way for me now, maybe even more so. I know that life can be hard."

The retrospective also includes copies of his correspondence and pictures of some famous people he befriended, including Yoko Ono and Allen Ginsberg. Some of Frank's movies, including the Beat classic "Pull My Daisy," will be screened at NYU.

Wearing a camouflage jacket and dark trousers, Frank looked as if he had just arrived from a field assignment. He said that he enjoyed seeing his old pictures if only because they reminded him how long an image could last. The room was filled with photography students and faculty and an audience member asked Frank what advice he might have.

"Keep your eyes open," he responded.

## Harvey Weinstein honored at amfAR New York Fashion Week gala

NEW YORK (AP) — The Foundation for AIDS Research is recognizing film producer Harvey Weinstein at its annual New York Fashion Week gala.

The organization, known as amfAR, announced Thursday that Weinstein will be the guest of honor at a black-tie dinner on Feb. 10, describing the

Oscar winner as a "longtime amfAR supporter and friend."

The amfAR New York Fashion Week gala has kicked off fashion week for 17 years and has helped raise millions of dollars for AIDS research. Previous honorees include Bill Clinton, Elizabeth Taylor, Clive Davis, Whoopi Goldberg and Quincy Jones.

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## Instagrams of 'Dog Named Jimmy' turned owner's life around

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Rafael Mantesso turned 30 in an empty New York apartment after divorce left every wall, floor, closet and shelf bare. The only things he had left were his cellphone and a pit bull named Jimmy Choo that his neighbors went out of their way to avoid.

When he turned 33 on Jan. 14, Mantesso still owned that apartment and it's still vacant. But it's for sale now. And people can't get enough of his 6-year-old bull terrier — from the Instagram sketches-plus-photos of Jimmy that went viral, the book "A Dog Named Jimmy" and a collection of Jimmy-inspired bags and purses for the high-end fashion brand Jimmy Choo. (Mantesso's ex-wife had named the dog for her favorite shoes.)

There are future plans too: a calendar, endorsements and launching the charitable Jimmy Foundation. Meanwhile, Mantesso is working at an advertising agency in Sao Paulo in his native Brazil, and doing the occasional photo shoot.

The first night they were alone in the "naked" apartment three years ago, Jimmy did a happy dance through all the rooms. Mantesso picked up his phone and started

shooting photos of Jimmy's contagious dance of joy.

"When I sat in my empty living room, Jimmy was happy, running from one side to the other side, in circles, crazy. The apartment was a playground to him. He was loving that empty place. That energy was amazing. I looked at him and said to myself, 'Oh my God, I was thinking everything was lost and I had the most important thing in the house.' 'Jimmy,'" Mantesso said in his Portuguese accented-English.

Jimmy is a white dog but his ginger and red ears contrasted with the white walls, floors and ceilings. At some point, Mantesso picked up a piece of white cardboard, drew a skeleton with a red heart on it, put it in front of Jimmy and took a photo.

He liked it, put it on Instagram (#jimmythebull) and they were in business.

The ideas came fast. Mantesso would put Jimmy in a pose and the dog would freeze while he took photos. "Everyone ask, 'How do you make a crazy dog freeze in position you want?' I think Jimmy knows that I want him in that position and he just stay," Mantesso said.

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# Norwegian preschool drops carnival over gender stereotypes

STAVANGER, Norway (AP) – A preschool in egalitarian Norway has canceled its traditional carnival celebration saying it encourages gender stereotypes, with boys dressing up in macho superhero costumes and girls in frilly princess dresses.

Renate Kvivesen, the principal of the Vikaasen preschool near Trondheim, told The Associated Press on Wednesday that “we don’t think it fits our values to host an event where children feel it’s important to fit into specific gender roles.”

The preschool has children from 0 to 6 years old.

Parents were informed by email that the annual dress-up for carnival,

held just ahead of Lent in the Christian calendar, would not be taking place as usual this year after a split decision by the parent-teacher board.

Kvivesen said some parents were disappointed but added “the nature of the celebration has changed in recent years so we felt we needed to look again at the arrangements.”

Norwegians are proud of their record in promoting women’s rights. Some 40 percent of Norwegian lawmakers are women, including the prime minister and finance minister, while company boardrooms are required to have a female quota of four in every 10.

Still, some are sensitive about letting gender politics affect the upbringing of their children.

One of those who disagreed with the decision to cancel the dress-up was Sarah Askim, a Swiss-born mother of three boys, the youngest of which attends the preschool.

“I appreciate that they try to open the kids’ minds,” she said. “I am happy if the girls play with cars and the boys play with kitchen stuff. But I won’t dress my boys later on with a skirt. I believe at one point we have to admit that there is difference between girls and boys.”

While referencing gender-stereo-

typed costumes, the email to parents also added concern at the commercialization of the holiday. “Not all children experience this day as something positive,” it said.

Hilde Noest, who had planned to send her 18-month-old daughter to preschool in a piglet costume, said some might think of Norway as “the crazy equality country,” but added the decision would help protect children.

“It’s OK if all of the boys want to be Batman and all of the girls want to be princesses,” she said. “But maybe some of them feel differently and they should not be made to feel left out.”

# Panel proposes ban on air shipments of batteries

WASHINGTON (AP) – A U.N. panel has recommended that cargo shipments of rechargeable lithium batteries be banned from passenger airliners because the batteries can create fires capable of destroying planes, said aviation officials familiar with the decision.

The International Civilian Aviation Organization’s air navigation commission, the agency’s highest technical body, also proposed in a closed-door meeting Wednesday that the ban be lifted if new packaging can be developed that provides an acceptable level of safety.

Final approval from the ICAO top-level council is still needed. The council is scheduled to take up the matter in late February.

The officials spoke on condition that they not be named because they weren’t authorized to speak publicly.

Lithium-ion batteries are used to power everything from cellphones and laptops to hybrid and all-electric cars. About 5.4 billion lithium-ion cells were manufactured worldwide in 2014. A battery is made up of two or more cells. A majority are transported on cargo ships, but about 30 percent are shipped by air.

Federal Aviation Administration tests show a single damaged or defective battery can experience uncontrolled temperature increases that can spread throughout a shipment. It’s not unusual for tens of thousands batteries to be shipped in a single cargo container.

In FAA tests, the overheating batteries have released explosive gases that, when ignited, have

blown the doors off cargo containers and sent boxes of batteries hurtling through the air before becoming engulfed in flames.

Engineers from FAA’s technical center told a public meeting last year that the explosions are forceful enough to knock the interior panels off cargo compartment walls. That would allow halon, the fire suppression agent used in airliners, to escape, leaving nothing to prevent fires from spreading unchecked.

Safety experts believe at least three cargo planes have been destroyed by lithium battery fires since 2006. Four pilots died in those accidents.

The proposed ban wouldn’t apply to cargo planes despite efforts by the International Federation of Air Line Pilot Associations to include cargo operations.

George Kerchner, a rechargeable battery industry official, said the commission ignored other possible solutions short of a ban to make shipments safer like more stringent packaging, limiting the batteries’ state of charge, and new labeling requirements.

A ban could hinder “the ability of medical device manufacturers to ship lifesaving medical device batteries,” said Kerchner, executive director of PRBA – The Rechargeable Battery Association.

Last March, an organization that represents aircraft manufacturers, including the world’s two largest, Boeing and Airbus told ICAO that airliners aren’t designed to withstand lithium battery fires and that continuing to accept battery ship-

ments is “an unacceptable risk.”

Six months later the U.S. decided to back a ban. But the battery industry, shippers and the International Air Transport Association, a global airline trade group, have strongly resisted. They say the risk is primarily due to shady manufacturers, mostly in China, that evade packaging and handling regulations.

The Transportation Department is barred from imposing its own ban under a 2012 law Congress passed at the behest of industry.

In late October, an ICAO panel on the transport of dangerous goods voted 11-7 against a ban. The U.S., Russia, Brazil, China and Spain, as well as organizations representing airline pilots and aircraft manufacturers, voted for it. The Netherlands, Canada, France, Germany, Australia, Italy, United Arab Emirates, South Korea, Japan and the United Kingdom, as well as the airline trade group, voted against it.

In early December another safety panel voted to recommend a ban, presenting conflicting advice.

Aviation officials interviewed by The Associated Press said they couldn’t predict whether the council, which has 36 members, will ultimately agree to a ban.

The Montreal-based ICAO sent an alert to airlines this summer urging that they conduct risk assessments on how to safely handle the shipments. At least 20 airlines that fly internationally have voluntarily decided to no longer accept battery shipments.

# UK couple loses civil partnership court challenge

LONDON (AP) – A British couple who wanted their relationship recognized as a civil partnership instead of a marriage lost their case Friday at the High Court.

Rebecca Steinfeld, 34, and Charles Keidan, 39, said they objected to the history and institution of marriage and argued that they and others faced discrimination because the law says only same-sex couples are eligible for civil partnerships.

But the British government’s

lawyers said since gay marriage became legal in 2014, civil partnerships may be abolished or phased out in a few years. The government wants to wait and see the impact of gay marriage before deciding on the future of civil partnerships.

Judge Geraldine Andrews dismissed the couple’s claim for judicial review Friday, saying that opposite-sex couples are not disadvantaged compared with gay couples just because the latter have two ways to legally rec-

ognize their relationship. She said heterosexual couples can achieve exactly the same rights and protections by getting married.

The judge said while many people may also have “deeply held objections” to marriage and sympathize with Steinfeld and Keidan’s view, “unfairness does not necessarily equate to incompatibility” with European human rights law.

The couple said they planned to appeal.

# Terrorism ruled out in gun arrest at Disneyland Paris

PARIS (AP) – A French prosecutor says terrorism has been ruled out in the arrest of a man who tried to bring two handguns into a hotel at Disneyland Paris.

The Meaux prosecutor Dominique Laurens said Friday that searches of the man’s phone records and various locations turned up no link with terrorism. She said the man was moving house and feared his weapons would be misplaced or taken.

The man was detained Thursday along with his female partner, who was cleared of complicity, the statement said. He remained jailed Friday.

No one was hurt, and the park, Europe’s most-visited tourist attraction, remained open after the arrests at the New York Hotel.

France is under a state of emergency since Islamic extremist attacks around Paris in November that killed 130 people.

# FTC sues for-profit DeVry University for job, earning claims

WASHINGTON (AP) – Another large for-profit college is under government scrutiny – this time, it’s DeVry University.

The Federal Trade Commission on Wednesday sued DeVry, alleging that it misled consumers about students’ job and earnings prospects.

Illinois-based DeVry has more than 55 campuses across the country and offers online or on-campus degree programs in business, technology and health care technology.

In its complaint, the commission alleged that DeVry deceived students in its advertising and marketing by claiming that 90 percent of its graduates actively seeking employment landed jobs in their fields within six months of graduation. The agency also says DeVry was misleading when it claimed

its graduates had 15 percent higher incomes one year after graduation on average than graduates of all other colleges or universities.

Both representations, the commission said, were false and unsubstantiated.

Instead of landing jobs in their field of study, FTC Chairwoman Edith Ramirez said, some graduates found themselves working as delivery drivers or restaurant servers. She said anywhere from 30,000 to 50,000 students may have been affected by the alleged deceptive

advertising.

DeVry said the allegations are “without a valid legal basis” and that it will “vigorously contest” the complaint.

“There is no national standard for calculating employment statistics among higher education institutions, and the measures and standards used by DeVry University to support its statistics are appropriate,” a statement from the company said.

The commission is seeking a court order to stop DeVry from making the advertising claims, via TV, radio,

social media and elsewhere. Ramirez said she hopes to seek monetary relief for students.

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Date/Time: Monday, February 16, 2016, at 2:00 p.m., for the following:

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Proposals are to be opened and read aloud in the City Council Chambers at 307 East 4th Street, Big Spring, Texas 79720, with award to be made at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Big Spring City Council. Proposal information and specifications may be obtained from the Office of the Purchasing Agent, 1380 Airpark Drive East, Bldg. #19, Big Spring, Texas 79720. All proposals must be marked with the date of the proposals and a general description of the proposal item(s).

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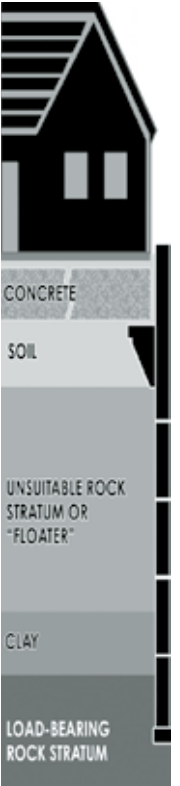
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tion for 2016. If you are 65 this year, you may file for the age 65 or older exemption up to one year after the date you turned 65. And if you became disabled, you need to file for the disabled person's exemption.

**When and where should I file?**

File applications by April 30 at your appraisal district office. If you need more time, contact your appraisal district at:

Howard County Appraisal District  
 315 Main Street  
 Big Spring, TX 79720  
 432 263-8301

Your Appraisal District can answer any questions you may have and provide you a free copy of:

"Texas Property Taxes: Taxpayers' Rights, Remedies and Responsibilities"

**Or Contact:**

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#8944 January 29 - February 10, 2016

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Advertisement for Greenhouse Demolition & Removal

The Howard County Junior College District is now accepting proposals for the following:

**RFP# 16-002 GREENHOUSE DEMOLITION & REMOVAL**

Howard College is seeking an interested Service Provider to demolish a campus greenhouse. The greenhouse, greenhouse equipment and all other associated items are to be removed from the college campus, including the greenhouse perimeter chain-link fence. The greenhouse foundation slab is to remain intact. Upon job completion, the demolition site is to be clean and free of all debris.

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The Service Provider must submit current liability insurance and worker's compensation insurance certificates prior to beginning work.

All questions should be directed to Steven A. Smith, Chief Business Officer, 1001 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring, TX 79720, (432) 264.5175.

Proposal should be submitted to Steven A. Smith, Chief Business Officer, Howard College, 1001 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring, TX 79720, (432) 264.5175. Proposals will be accepted through 2:00 PM, Tuesday, February 23, 2016, in Old Main South Annex, Room 131, Howard College, 1001 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring, TX 79720, at which time they will be read into record. Howard College retains the right to negotiate terms and conditions and to reject any and all responses.

#8955 January 31 & February 7, 2016

Howard County Invitation to Bid

Howard County will be accepting sealed bids on 1 Lot of lighting fixtures. There are 40 fixtures in the Lot and each fixture measures 2x4 with 4 lights per fixture. The Lot will go to the highest bidder for only the full Lot and not by individual fixture. Sealed bids will be accepted through 10:00 a.m. February 5, 2016 at which time they will be opened. Please note on the outside of your envelope, "Bid for Fixtures" and address them to the Howard County Auditor, 300 S. Main Street Suite 202 Big Spring, TX 79720

#8954 January 31, 2016

**Public Notice**

Don't get hit with a penalty! "Render" your taxable Property by April 15th.

A "rendition" is a report to the appraisal district that lists all the taxable property you owned or controlled on January 1st of this year.

**Who must file a rendition?**

You must file a rendition if you own tangible personal property that is used to produce income - such as the inventory and equipment used by a business. If you render late, do not render or file an incomplete or false rendition, a 10 percent to 50 percent penalty may be imposed.

**Are there any advantages to you?**

The advantages of filing a rendition are:  
 • You give your opinion of your property's value. The appraisal district must notify you in writing of any value change and explain how you can protest that value to the appraisal review board.  
 • You record your correct mailing address so your tax bills will go to the right address. If your bill is mailed to the wrong address, the law still holds you responsible for paying your taxes on time or paying extra charges for late payments.  
 • You can also file a "report of decreased value" to notify the appraisal district of significant depreciation of the value of your property in 2015. The district will look at your property before assigning a value in 2016.

**When is the deadline to file?**

The last day for filing 2016 renditions is April 15. You can get an automatic extension to May 15 (or the next business day if a weekend) if you ask for it in writing on or before the April 15 deadline. The chief appraiser may grant an additional 15 days after May 15 for an owner who shows good cause in writing.

**Where do you file?**

File renditions at your local appraisal district:  
**Howard County Appraisal District**  
 315 Main Street  
 Big Spring, TX 79720  
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Your Appraisal District can answer any questions you may have and provide you a free copy of:

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**Or Contact:**

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#8946 January 29 - February 10, 2016

**ELDERLY OR DISABLED HOMEOWNERS MAY DEFER PROPERTY TAXES**

Texans who are 65 or older or who are disabled may postpone paying current and delinquent property taxes on their homes by signing a tax deferral affidavit at the Howard County Appraisal District Office.

Once the affidavit is on file, taxes are deferred - but not cancelled- as long as the owner continues to own and live in the home. Taxes continue to add up, along with 8 percent interest per year. The law extends the tax deferral to the surviving spouse of the person who deferred taxes on the homestead if the surviving spouse was at least 55 years old when the deceased spouse died.

If a tax deferral affidavit is on file, an older homeowner or one who is disabled cannot lose a homestead because of delinquent property taxes. A homeowner can halt a

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pending sale to foreclose on the homestead's tax lien. No taxing unit can start or continue a lawsuit to collect delinquent taxes. There are no penalties or delinquent taxes during the deferral period; however, a tax deferral does not cancel penalties that were already due.

All deferred taxes and interest become due when the homeowner or surviving spouse no longer own and live in the home. If the tax debt remains unpaid, penalties may be imposed and taxing units may take legal action to collect the past due amount.

For further details about property tax deferral contact Howard County Appraisal District at:

Howard County Appraisal District  
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 Further information is also available on the Comptroller's website, [www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/proptax/](http://www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/proptax/) or by calling the Comptroller's Property Tax Assistance Division at (800) 252-9121 ex. 2.

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**PRODUCTIVITY APPRAISAL MAY LOWER THE PROPERTY TAXES ON YOUR FARM, OR RANCH!**

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**When is the application deadline?**

If your land has never had a productivity appraisal or you are a new owner, you must apply to your local appraisal district by April 30 to take advantage of this benefit on your 2016 property taxes. You may get up to 60 extra days if you have a good reason and ask for it by April 30. If you miss this deadline, you may still be able to apply, but you will pay a penalty. Check with your appraisal district office.

**Do you need to reapply annually?**

If your land already receives agricultural or timber productivity appraisal, you normally don't need to reapply unless the chief appraiser requires you to do so. If a new application is required, the appraisal district will notify you by mail.

For more information, call or come by:

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The suit is numbered 6926 and is styled "Plaintiff's Original Petition." The petition in this cause was filed on December 31, 2015 in the 118th Judicial District Court of Martin County, Texas. This lawsuit is requesting a Declaratory Judgement.

Plaintiff's Attorney Name and Address:

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Sharon Jones  
 Clerk of the 118TH Judicial District Court  
 301 St. Peter St., Stanton, TX 79782  
 Martin County, Texas

By: Sharon Jones  
 #8938 January 10, 17, 24, & 31, 2016

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT**

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Tomorrow's Horoscope



Scorpio Lunar Flirtation

The Scorpio moon will favor the dreamers and imaginative ones as she flirts shamelessly with Neptune in the early hours this morning. Evening brings less auspicious aspects, though they may provide just the kind of vinegar that elevates the soup. The lesson is in using what you have to its greatest advantage instead of wishing for something else.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). Finances won't pan out as planned this week, so be sure you have a plan. What helps is someone who knows this road and knows it well. You may find this person is an air sign (Gemini, Libra, Aquarius).

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). The order of the day: Expand and embrace. There's a lot to be gained from widening your circle. What if you saw the whole world as your own? What would you do then?

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). It's actually pretty easy to heal an ailing relationship now, if you feel moved to take on that sort of thing. The instructions

for doing so are simple and short: Own up to your part of it.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). When you give to others, you are giving to the very nature of goodness. This is especially true when you have nothing to gain, the reasons for giving are not obvious and the giving is completely optional.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). When you get the chance to connect with a certain someone, it seems, for those moments, that you live in a secret, private world together, and maybe you do. Even if the others knew about it, they wouldn't be able to get in.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You feel that you are more or less like your environment, but it's not really the case. You are capable of doing more and being bigger and different from what you're seeing to your left and right.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). There are many forms of enslavement, the most insidious being the one that happens within a person's own head.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Fantastic circumstances will be part of your day, causing you to wonder, (SET ITAL) Is this a game? Is it a joke? Is it destiny? (END ITAL)

Whatever you think of it, it's what happens to be occurring, so you may as well watch, participate and enjoy.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). While striving for absolute understanding and knowledge you will not even get close -- beside the point. You'll get further than the others; but that's still not the point. You'll get further than you would have otherwise. There it is!

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). The one who wants you to think of him or her to the exclusion of all else is, of course, being egocentric and unreasonable, but that's not to say you won't get a kind of spiritual high from the discipline of this level of devotion.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You will not allow yourself to be overjoyed by your gains; nor will your losses cause you terrible heartache. Your focus on what matters most to you will keep your mind balanced.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). As for the credit, well, it doesn't belong to one person. It doesn't even belong to all the people. It belongs to all of the people plus all of the great mysterious forces that work through and around them.

TODAY'S BIRTH-

**DAY** (Jan. 31). A new group will open their arms and aid in your personal and spiritual development. You'll give much and joyfully to this collaboration without feeling the least bit put out. Lighthearted endeavors lead to serious money in March. Relationships are a ride and part of the fun is that you're not sure where it's going. Pisces and Gemini adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 2, 27, 48, 32 and 5.

**FORECAST FOR THE WEEK AHEAD:** Usually this is the part of the column in which we explore the planetary players involved in the current cosmic drama. This week, perhaps the better question to ask would be: "Who isn't involved?" Saturday boasts complicated and intense alignments involving the moon, volatile Uranus, powerful Pluto, Venus and the sun. Toss in a rather agreeable Mercury and Jupiter (who just happens to be in a jolly old mood these days), and this becomes the kind of hand that could be the best blessing or the worst regret, depending on how it's played. Since so much depends on your individual attitude, that's the best place to focus. So, how's your attitude? Frankly, it will be

a hard thing to freshen up from the inside out these days. But as the planets jockey for position, environmental shifts will provide a perfect springboard for change. It's mainly about the right social influences. Whether it's one inspiring person in your midst or a strongly positive group culture, sticking near a healthy crew is the single best thing you can do to improve your life under the Aquarian sun. This solar influence wants us to remember that we are all in this together.

**CELEBRITY PROFILES:** Later this year, Justin Timberlake will star with Anna Kendrick in the upcoming animated musical "Trolls." Expect to see more family-friendly works from the Aquarius pop daddy. Timberlake was born when Mars was also in futuristic and social-conscious Aquarius and has natal Mercury in Pisces, a highly artistic and intuitive placement. Venus in Capricorn suggests financial wizardry.

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Legals

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

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EAST  
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SOUTH  
♠ 7 4  
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The bidding:  
South West North East  
1♦ Dble All Pass

Opening lead — two of diamonds.  
When a player makes a takeout double of a suit — as West did in this case — he announces the values for an opening bid and asks his partner to respond in one of the other three suits.

However, the responder has the option of passing the double when he has a very strong holding — three tricks or more — in the opener's suit. In such a case, he can elect to convert the takeout double into a penalty double by passing.

That is exactly what happened here when East decided that one diamond doubled, played by South, was

the best contract for his side.  
It is nearly always right to lead a trump when a one-level takeout double is passed by the responder, and West saw no reason to deviate from that principle. Declarer won East's nine of diamonds with the king and returned a low heart to dummy's king.  
East took the ace and led the queen of trumps to South's ace. Declarer could now have saved a trick by cashing the club ace, but he not unreasonably continued with the jack of hearts, hoping to secure a heart ruff in dummy. West took the jack with the queen and cashed the king of spades, on which East played the queen. West then continued with a low spade to East's jack.  
East continued the devastating defense when he drew both of South's remaining trumps and returned the nine of spades. West cashed the A-10 of spades, East discarding his one remaining club, and East won the remaining tricks with his fifth trump and the 10-9 of hearts.  
So South went down five — 1,400 points — as a result of East's flawless defense. Had West started out by leading the K-A and another spade instead of a trump, South might have held the loss to 500 points. West's trump lead turned out to be worth an additional 800 points.

Tomorrow: Famous Hand.

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Newsday Crossword SATURDAY STUMPER by Lars G. Doubleday Edited by Stanley Newman www.stanxwords.com

- ACROSS**
- 1 Salad staple
  - 9 Album keeper
  - 15 Clever timesaver
  - 16 Top name on Rolling Stone's Greatest Singers list
  - 17 On the patio, perhaps
  - 18 Tintin butler
  - 19 Middle of a medieval century
  - 20 Varsity
  - 22 Hard to move
  - 23 Lines on planes
  - 25 Welcome
  - 27 Ingredient in Hershey's Whoppers
  - 29 Plane domain
  - 30 "America the Beautiful" pronoun
  - 32 Coca-Cola sub-brand
  - 35 Luau serving
  - 36 "It's been real!"
  - 37 Majestic work with a five-theme finale
  - 40 Prescription for an academic omission
  - 41 Remove unceremoniously
  - 42 Film portrayer of Antony and Napoleon
  - 43 Any interlocutor with Bugs
  - 44 Frequent preceder of a dollar amount
  - 45 Talks cajolingly
  - 46 Project Runway rarity
  - 49 Winner of five 2015 Primetime Emmys
  - 52 Maker of the first watch with GPS
  - 53 Pool adjunct
  - 55 Bumed beginning
  - 57 Done with a commute
  - 59 Possible drink-declining comment
  - 61 Southern snack morsel
  - 62 Quest for a recreational navigator
  - 63 Decides to play
  - 64 Like Rebecca's narrator
  - 10 Smart
  - 11 Sporting gear strapped to the hand
  - 12 Notice
  - 13 Writings in Pepys' diary
  - 14 Qualify for
  - 21 Chiffonlike
  - 24 Astronaut capability since 1991
  - 26 Word from Old Norse for "bent into a crook"
  - 28 Try to avoid
  - 12 Down
  - 31 Be of two minds
  - 32 Worked a party, perhaps
  - 33 Clock's cuckoo, technically
  - 34 Goal for some pilots
  - 35 Raiders of the Lost Ark menace
  - 36 "Merry" waste of time
  - 38 Notorious operators
  - 39 Cézanne's birthplace
  - 44 Methylopropane, vis-à-vis butane
  - 45 Signatory on a controversial 2014 treaty
  - 47 Queen mentioned in Hamlet's soliloquy
  - 48 Join with others in a cause
  - 50 Bring forth
  - 51 Multitude in a maze
  - 52 Presley ex
  - 54 Chicken Little's preoccupation
  - 56 Essence of highlights
  - 58 It comes after 49
  - 60 It's near FTW

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# Apple's iPhone is slumping. What's next?

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) – The bloom may be off Apple's iPhone, at least for now. So now the pressure is on the iconic Silicon Valley company to come up with its next big thing.

On Tuesday, Apple acknowledged that it's likely to see an uncharacteristic sales decline this spring, amid signs of global economic weakness and slowing overall demand for new smartphones. That drove Apple shares down more than 6.5 percent Wednesday, extending a months-long slide.

It's almost certainly too soon to expect an Apple Car or even some yet-to-be-named, virtual reality iDevice to turn things around. Apple said it wouldn't comment on its plans beyond what its executives said Tuesday. But among some analysts, hope springs eternal for what the next generation of iPhones – successors to the current 6S and 6S Plus – might bring.

Tech blogs have hinted at a thinner iPhone 7 with dual cameras and wireless earbuds – and minus the familiar headphone jack – to be released this fall. Other reports suggest Apple might also go back to the future with a 4-inch phone – last seen in Apple's 2013 iPhone 5S – as a companion to the next generation of bigger-screen iPhones.

Apple faces “a few tough quarters ahead until we get to the build-up around iPhone 7 later this year,” said Daniel Ives of FBR Capital Markets, in a research note Wednesday. He suggested the next iPhones will “turn this ship back into growth waters.”

But others warn that even new phones may not be enough to spark the kind of sales frenzy Apple experienced after it launched the iPhone 6 and 6 Plus models with 4.7- and 5.5-inch screens in 2014. “We are not seeing any meaningful upgrades” or

significant new features, wrote Rosenblatt Securities analyst Jun Zhang. “It is in our view that iPhone 7 will not sell as well as the iPhone 6.”

Apple doesn't have many alternatives for near term growth. Sales of iPads and Mac computers both dipped in the last three months of 2015. In an interview, Chief Financial Officer Luca Maestri said the new Apple Watch had its strongest sales ever in the holiday quarter, but wouldn't provide numbers.

Maestri and other executives say they expect sales of iPads, Macs and Apple Watches to grow in the future. And the company is widely believed to be working on other new products.

While an Apple car isn't expected for several years, CEO Tim Cook may have hinted at another product category Wednesday, when he told analysts he doesn't view virtual reality as a “niche” product.

“It's really cool and has some interesting applications,” Cook added, without elaborating. Apple also recently hired virtual reality expert Doug Bowman, a Virginia Tech computer science professor, according to reports last week.

Apple, meanwhile, stressed this week that it's making more money nearly \$5 billion last quarter, from a growing stable of online services, from the App Store to Apple Music and Apple Pay. The message seemed aimed at reassuring investors who worry that Apple relies on the iPhone for two-thirds of its revenue, but several analysts said it was a positive sign.

New products and services may not replace the iPhone as Apple's central revenue source, but they could provide the additional growth that investors want, said analyst Walter Piecyk at BTIG

Research.

While the next iPhone could help Apple improve this year's sales figures, he added, “I don't think anyone's expecting the return to hyper-growth that Apple saw in 2015.”

## United, American offering refunds for travel to Zika areas

Two major U.S. airlines are offering refunds to passengers worried about the Zika virus outbreak in many tropical countries.

United Airlines says customers booked to fly to areas affected by the virus can reschedule or get refunds. American Airlines says it will give refunds to pregnant women who were planning to travel to parts of Central America.

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention have warned pregnant women to take precautions against mosquito bites when traveling to areas in Latin America and the Caribbean where there have been Zika outbreaks. The CDC says the mosquito-borne illness could be linked to a birth defect of the brain.

The United Airlines offer began Tuesday and includes any country covered by a CDC travel notice, an airline spokesman said. American Airlines began refunds Monday for pregnant passengers holding tickets to El Salvador, Honduras, Panama or Guatemala, according to a spokesman.

A spokesman for Delta Air Lines said the carrier was monitoring the situation but not yet offering waivers.

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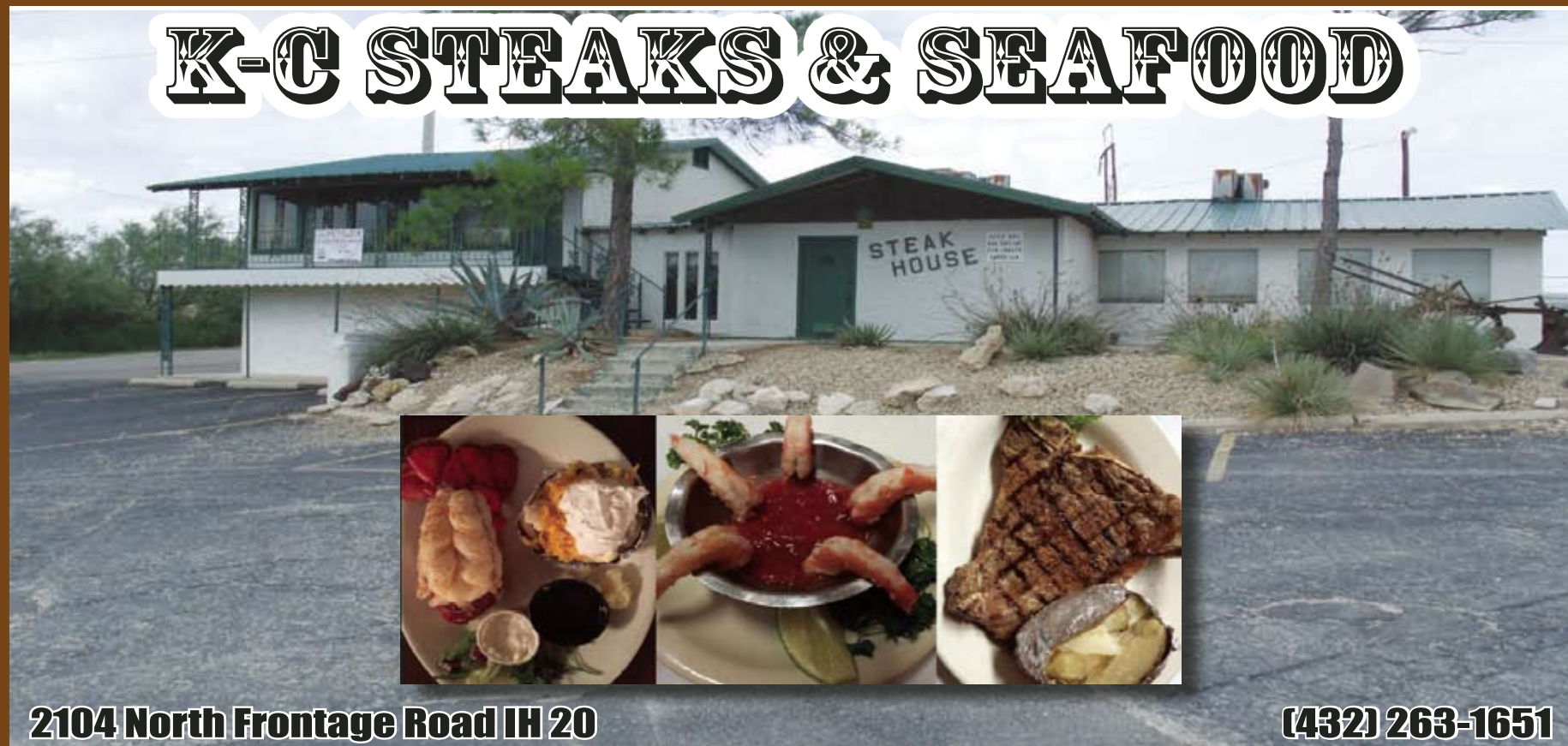
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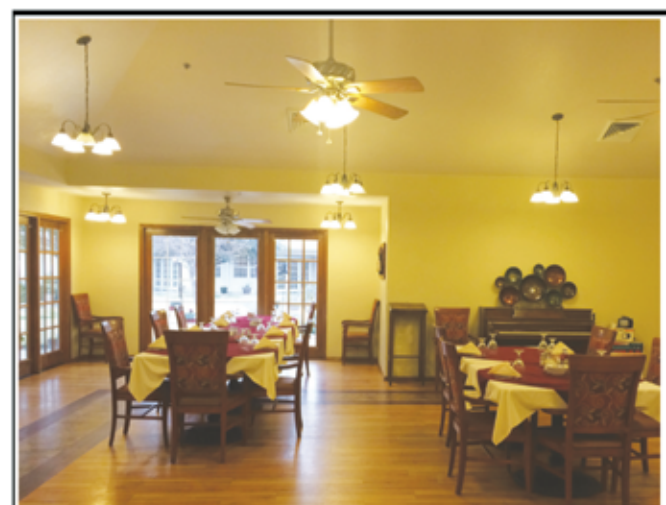
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