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Early voting

Balloting for city, school races slow so far, official says

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

Early voting in the municipal/college board trustee races have drawn some inter-

> In the first three days, 445 ballots have been cast with 221 in-person votes and 224 mailed in ballots, according to the Howard County Elections Administrator Saundra Bloom, who described the vote

est from community.

total as "slow".

Bloom

Early voting continues through Tuesday, May 3, at the county Election Administration Office on the first floor of the county courthouse. Voting hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, with the exception of today and Tuesday, when

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2 jailed in drug bust

Herald Staff Report

Big Spring police report two local men were in jail after their arrest on drug charges Tuesday afternoon.

Officers with the Big Spring Police Department Narcotics Unit and Criminal Investigations Division, along with the BSPD/Howard County Sheriff's Office SWAT team executed a narcotics search warrant at 609 N. Goliad St. at about 2:30 p.m. Tuesday.

During their search, narcotics officers seized slightly more than four ounces of cocaine, 15 grams of marijuana, six firearms — including an assault rifle — and more than \$2,000 in currency, a BSPD release stated.

Arrested during the incident were Abel Morelion, 50, who was charged with second-degree felony possession of a controlled substance, and David "Anthony" Juarez, 29, who was charged with state jail felony possession of a controlled substance.

Going for UIL gold



Courtesy photo Six BSHS students heading to state academic meet

Special to the Herald

Six Big Spring High School students have qualified for the University Interscholastic League Academic State Meet to be held on the campus of the University of Texas at the end

Senior Ethan Morelion will compete at the meet for an almost unheard of

fourth time.

"In the four years he's been with us, Ethan has qualified for the state meet every year and he has qualified for six events in those four years," Debate Coach and Academic Coordinator Jennifer Adams stated. "This is on top of the three times he has qualified for the Congressional Debate State Meet."

Ethan, the reigning 4A Lincoln-

Douglas State Champion, will attempt to defend his crown in that event. Morelion also finished fifth in informative speaking at last year's meet.

Joining Morelion for the second consecutive year is Alexess Sosa, who placed first in editorial writing at the regional meet, and Amber Monks, who placed third in persuasive

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HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

The New Mexico Military Institute concert band, jazz band, and drill team entertained the residents of Lamun-Lusk-Sanchez Texas State Veterans Home this week. The band, from Roswell, N.M., performed a variety of popular and patriotic songs.

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Please call 263-7331. Office hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

HC hosts scholarship fund run/walk Saturday

By LYNDEL MOODY Staff Writer

Howard College will host its first annual Hawk 5K Run/Walk on Saturday. "The proceeds will benefit a

scholarship fund to assist any student who needs assistance paying for tuition," said Vanessa Parra, co-organizer of the

Pre-registration is still being taken online at www.howardcollege.edu and the cost is \$20 to participate. Race day registration begins at 6:30 a.m. and continues through 7:30 a.m. at the Student Union Building. Registration fees for last minute runners or walkers on the morning of the race is \$30. Com-

petitors will receive a t-shirt for participating.

"The race is around and through campus, all the way down to Grafa St. and back up to Birdwell Lane," Parra said. Medals will be awarded to the

first, second, and third place in each age bracket. Craig Felty of Permian Basin Events will time the race.



Get your Cars, Stars & Handlebars Tickets here before May 14th

(Money benefits the patients of the Big Spring State Hospital)



267-6335 Hours:

Tuesday-Saturday 10:00 am-6:00 pm

Obituaries

Joseph W. Raczka



Joseph W. Raczka, 73, of Big Spring passed away Tuesday, April 26, 2016 at his residence. The family will receive friends Thursday, April 28, 2016 from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral services will be Friday, April 29, 2016 at 2 p.m. at Myers & Smith Chapel with Rick Cunningham of 14th & Main Church of Christ officiating. Burial will follow at Mount Olive

Memorial Park.

He was born Jan. 23,1943 to Lucy Lazzar Raczka and Walter Raczka in Manchester, N.H. He married Carol Dennis on March 10, 1966 in Big Spring. Joseph has been in the Big Spring community for more than 30 years. He worked for Union Pacific Railroad for many years retiring in 2010. He was also a union member of the Union Pacific Railroad until he retired. Joe was an avid gun collector, was a proud member of the NRA and loved riding motorcycles. He enjoyed watching baseball and was a huge Boston Red Sox fan. Joe also attended many gun shows and air shows.

Joe is survived by his wife of 50 years, Carol Raczka of Big Spring; one daughter, Kim Garrett and husband Joe of Texarkana; two grandchildren, Karissa and Keith Garrett of Texarkana; one sister, Gladys McGee of New Hampshire; one nephew, Kevin Raczka of New Hampshire; three nieces, Angela McGee of New Hampshire, Debbie Wylie of Paradise and Brandi Holguin of Big Spring and a very special sister-in-law, Betty Nelson of Big Spring.

In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by one brother, Stanley Raczka; one brother in law, Jim Nelson and one nephew.

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

Paid obituary

Police & Sheriff

The Big Spring Police Department reported the of W. Highway 80. following activity:

- RAY CARL MCGEE II, 39, of 307 Union St. was arrested on charges of public intoxication and interference with duties of a public officer.
- MELISSA GAY YOUNG, 46, of 704 Wyoming St. was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.
- DAVID GRIJALBA MORALES, 21, of 3304 W. Highway 80 was arrested on charges of expired registration, no driver's license and bail jumping/ failure to appear.
- RANDY ROBLEDO JR., 28, of 200 Oak St. in Stanton was arrested on a charge of harassment.
- A.L. THOMPSON III. 37, of 1201 Pickens was arrested on charges of failure to maintain financial responsibility, failure to appear, driving without lights when required and operating an unregistered motor vehicle.
- IESHIA RENEE MARTINEZ, 21, of 1101 E. 14th St. was arrested on charges of driving too fast for conditions, no driver's license and failure to maintain financial responsibility. • TIMOTHY EDWIN FANCHER, 32, of 2609
- Wasson Rd. was arrested on charges of possession of a controlled substance (less than 1 gram), possession of marijuana (less than 2 oz.) and possession of drug paraphernalia.
- ANDREW JOHN ROSENBERG, 44, of 1504 S. Main St. was arrested on a charge of assault (family violence/threat or offensive touch).
- CARL WILLIAM-TABOR WELLS, 33, of 102 Merrick Rd. was arrested on a charge of assault (family violence/threat or offensive touch).
- DONNI KAY ROBERTSON, 31, of 101 Apache St. in Coahoma was arrested on a charge of assault (family violence/threat or offensive touch).
- JAMIE LEE ATKINSON, 47, of 4202 Old Colorado City Highway was arrested on a charge of assault (family/household member and intentionally/recklessly impeding normal breathing or circulation).
- BRAD WAYNE DUGAN JR., 32, of 4614 Aspen was arrested on outstanding warrants.
- **CARL DALE REID**, 43, of 7901 E. Highway 350 was arrested on a charge of theft of property
- between \$100 and \$750. • **DISTURBANCES** were reported in the 1000 block of S. Scurry St., the 1600 block of Martin Luther King and the 3100 block of S. Highway 87.
- THEFT was reported in the 1200 block of E. 11th Place.
- **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCES** were reported in the 1500 block of Sycamore, the 100 block of Merrick, the 1900 block of Nolan and the 1500 block of S. Main St.
- MINOR ACCIDENT was reported in the 2300 block of S. Runnels St.
 - HARASSMENT was reported in the 3600 block

The Howard County Sheriff's Department reported the following activity:

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail

reported having 84 inmates at the time of this report. JAMIE LEE ATKINSON, 47, was booked by

- HCSO on a charge of assault (family/household member impeding breathing). • BOBBY R.V. CHURCHWELL, 58, was booked
- by HCSO on a charge of bondsman off bond/sex offenders duty to register. • BRAD WAYNE DUGAN JR., 32, was booked
- and failure to appear. • TIMOTHY EDWIN FANCHER, 32, was booked by BSPD on charges of possession of a controlled substance (less than 1 gram), possession of mari-

by HCSO on a charge of assault (family violence)

- juana (less than 2 oz.) and possession of drug paraphernalia. • IESHIA RENEE MARTINEZ, 21, was booked by BSPD on charges of unsafe speed, no driver's license and failure to maintain financial responsi-
- RAY CARL MCGEE JR., 39, was booked by BSPD on charges of public intoxication and interfering with public duties.
- DAVID GRIJALBA MORALES JR., 21, was booked by BSPD on charges of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, expired registration, no driver's license, and failure to appear.
- CARL DALE REID, 43, was booked by HCSO on a charge of theft of property (between \$100 and \$750).
- THEODORE RIOS JR., 24, was booked by HCSO on charges of possession of a controlled substance, expired registration, no driver's license and failure to appear.
- DONNI KAY ROBERTSON, 31, was booked by HCSO on a charge of assault (family violence).
- RANDY ROBLEDO JR., 28, was booked by BSPD on a charge of harassment.
- ANDREW JOHN ROSENBERG, 44, was booked by BSPD on a charge of assault (family violence/threat or offensive touch).
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- HCSO on a charge of assault (family violence).
- JOSEPH RAY WILLIAMS, 30, was booked by HCSO on a warrant for possession of a controlled substance (less than 1 gram).
- MELISSA GAY YOUNG, 46, was booked by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

Support Groups

Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, open dis-

cussion noon to 1 p.m.; women's meeting; 6:30

until 7:30 p.m. Newcomers' meeting, 8 p.m. until 9

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

• 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

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Mike Johnson

Mike Johnson, 57, died Wednesday, April 27, 2016, at his residence. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Randall Overton

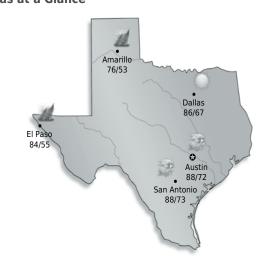
Randall Overton, 56, died Wednesday, April 27, 2016, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Rayford Harrison

Rayford Harrison, 74, of Big Spring died Wednesday, April 27, 2016 at his residence. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Crematory.

Local 5-Da	y Forecast					
Fri 4/29	Sat 4/30	Sun 5/1	Mon 5/2	Tue 5/3		
82/51	81/51	71/48	61/45	71/48		
Mostly sunny skies with gusty winds developing later in the day. High 82F. Winds WSW at 25 to 35 mph. Winds could occasionally gust over 40 mph.	Abundant sunshine. Highs in the low 80s and lows in the low 50s.	Mostly sunny and windy. Highs in the low 70s and lows in the upper 40s.	Light rain early. Highs in the low 60s and lows in the mid 40s.	Partly cloudy. Highs in the low 70s and lows in the upper 40s.		
Sunrise: 7:01 AM Sunset: 8:26 PM	Sunrise: 7:00 AM Sunset: 8:26 PM	Sunrise: 6:59 AM Sunset: 8:27 PM	Sunrise: 6:58 AM Sunset: 8:28 PM	Sunrise: 6:57 AM Sunset: 8:29 PM		

Texas at a Glance



Area Cities

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City	Hi Lo Cond.	City	Hi Lo Cond.
Abilene	84 66 P Cloudy	Kingsville	86 74 Cloudy
Amarillo	76 53 Sunny	Livingston	91 72 M Cloudy
Austin	88 72 Cloudy	Longview	87 68 Sunny
Beaumont	85 73 P Cloudy	Lubbock	85 60 P Cloudy
Brownsville	87 76 Cloudy	Lufkin	89 69 M Cloudy
Brownwood	84 67 Cloudy	Midland	91 66 Sunny
Corpus Christi	83 75 Cloudy	Raymondville	93 76 Cloudy
Corsicana	87 69 Sunny	Rosenberg	85 74 M Sunny
Dallas	86 67 Sunny	San Antonio	88 73 Cloudy
Del Rio	89 72 Cloudy	San Marcos	88 71 Cloudy
El Paso	84 55 M Sunny	Sulphur Springs	85 66 Sunny
Fort Stockton	92 60 Sunny	Sweetwater	85 66 Sunny
Gainesville	82 62 Sunny	Tyler	88 68 Sunny
Greenville	85 64 Sunny	Weatherford	84 65 Sunny
Houston	07 72 D Claudy	Wichita Falls	02 62 Cuppu

National Cities

City	Hi Lo Cond.	City	Hi Lo Cond.
Atlanta	84 60 Cloudy	Miami	85 74 Sunny
Boston	54 42 Sunny	Minneapolis	46 37 Showers
Chicago	49 44 Cloudy	New York	58 49 M Sunny
Dallas	86 67 Sunny	Phoenix	76 59 Sunny
Denver	48 34 Cloudy	San Francisco	66 51 Clear
Houston	87 73 P Cloudy	Seattle	67 48 Cloudy
Los Angeles	71 53 P Cloudy	Saint Louis	75 52 Sunny

Moon Phases

First

Apr 14	Apr 2	2 <i>l</i>	Apr 30	May 6
UV Index				
Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue
4/29	4/30	5/1	5/2	5/3
10	10	10	4	10
Van High	Von High	Von High	Moderate	Van High

higher UV Index showing the need for greater skin protection

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 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.

SATURDAY

 Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.

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Fire/EMS

The Big Spring Fire Department and Emergency Medical Services reported the following activity:

- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 3200 block of Avenue C. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center. • MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 300 block
- of Veteran's Blvd. TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported in the
- 1200 block of N. FM 700. • TRAUMA was reported in the 1100 block of
- Wood St. Transport was to Scenic Mountain Medical Center. • MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 3200 block of Parkway. Transport was to Scenic
- Mountain Medical Center. • MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 500 block of S Avenue in Coahoma. One person was trans-

ported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 1800 block of N. Highway 87. Transport was to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- MEDICAL CALL was reported at the intersection of Wasson and Longshore. Transport was to Scenic Mountain Medical Center. • TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported in the
- 1200 block of N. FM 700. Transport was refused. • MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 1900
- block of Wasson. Transport was to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **SMELL OF SMOKE** was reported in the 1000 block of S. Birdwell.

3200 Parkway Rd.

AND REHABILITATION CENTER

THURSDAY

p.m.

Wright St.

News in brief

Cruz makes VP pick as GOP race takes another unusual turn

WASHINGTON (AP) — An astonishing Republican presidential primary season has taken another unusual turn, with Texas Sen. Ted Cruz announcing Carly Fiorina as his running mate — even though he's mathematically unable to become the GOP nominee through the regular voting process.

It was the move of a candidate desperate to block Donald Trump, a front-runner who is only growing stronger as the primary contest presses deeper into the spring.

Trump now has 80 percent of the delegates he needs for the Republican nomination, though he could still fall short and have to battle Cruz for the nomination at a contested convention. Trump must win 48 percent of the remaining delegates to avoid that scenario. Cruz's White House hopes now rest largely on

Tuesday's primary in Indiana. That's where he announced that he was tapping Fiorina as his vice presidential pick, bringing aboard a prominent Republican woman who has been eager to take on both Trump and Democratic front-runner Hillary Clinton.

In fiery remarks, Fiorina panned Trump and Clinton as a pair of liberals who would do little to shake up Washington.

Deadly airstrikes hit MSF-supported hospital in Syrian city

BEIRUT (AP) — A wave of nighttime airstrikes hit a hospital in Syria supported by Doctors Without Borders and nearby buildings in the rebel-held part of the contested city of Aleppo, killing at least 27 people as the U.N. envoy for Syria appealed early Thursday on the U.S. and Russia to help revive the peace talks and a cease-fire, which he said "hangs by a thread."

Six hospital staff and three children were also among the casualties. The strikes, shortly before midnight Wednesday, hit the well-known al-Quds field hospital in the rebel-held district of Sukkari in Aleppo, according to opposition activists and res-

The chief Syrian opposition negotiator Mohammed Alloush blamed the government of President Bashar Assad for the deadly airstrikes. He told The Associated Press that the latest violence by government forces shows "the environment is not conducive to any political action."

The Civil Defense, a volunteer first-responders agency whose members went to the scene of the attack, put the death toll at 30 and said the dead included six hospital staff. Among those slain was one of the last pediatricians remaining in opposition-held areas of the contested city and a dentist.

South Korea: Suspected midrange North Korean missile crashes

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — A suspected powerful intermediate-range North Korean missile crashed moments after liftoff Thursday, South Korea's Defense Ministry said, in what would be the second such embarrassing failure in recent weeks.

The report of the North Korean launch failure is particularly humiliating as it comes ahead of a major North Korean ruling party meeting next week at which leader Kim Jong Un is believed to want to place his stamp more forcefully on a government he inherited after his dictator father's death in late

The launch was likely the second attempted test of a Musudan, a new intermediate-range missile that could one day be capable of reaching far-off U.S. military bases in Asia and the Pacific.

The projectile fired from a North Korean northeastern coastal town crashed a few seconds after liftoff, a South Korean Defense Ministry official said, requesting anonymity because of office rules. It wasn't immediately known whether it crashed on land or into the sea.

South Korea's Foreign Ministry called the launch a provocation and said it will try to increase international pressure on North Korea.

New killings in Bangladesh leave LGBT community full of fear

NEW DELHI (AP) — The killing of two gay rights activists in the Bangladeshi capital has driven the country's already secretive and small gay community underground, wondering if they can trust a government that considers their status to be criminal, rights groups said. Police detectives say they are working with evi-

dence including a mobile phone, documents and witness testimony to solve the case, in which a gang of young men fatally stabbed a theater actor and the editor of Bangladesh's only LGBT rights magazine, who also worked for the U.S. Agency for International Development.

But with these being the latest killings in an ongoing wave of violence targeting atheist writers and outspoken moderates, members of Bangladesh's minority groups and civil society worry they're not safe, while rights group question the government's repeated claims that the situation is under control.

Japan central bank holds fire on fresh monetary stimulus TOKYO (AP) — Japan's central bank stunned fi-

nancial markets Thursday with a decision not to splash out still more monetary stimulus for the ailing economy — apart from zero-interest loans for an earthquake zone. Share prices tumbled after the Bank of Japan

ended its policy meeting without stepping up asset purchases or cutting interest rates further into negative territory. The Nikkei 225 stock index gave up early gains to

close down 3.6 percent. The Japanese yen surged by nearly 3 percent. "The BOJ never fails to surprise us. It is probable

that the central bank is temporarily running out of tools to stimulate the economy, or they need more time to observe and assess the impact of negative interest rates," said Margaret Yang of CMC Mar-

But while markets were disappointed, analysts said the Bank of Japan could be biding its time out of both domestic and diplomatic considerations.

Take note

- Mitchell County will be holding a senior citizen dance on Thursday, April 28, 2016 from 7:00-10:00 p.m. The dance will be held at 157 E. 2nd Street in Colorado City. There will be live music and cost is \$5 per person. Bring a cover dish to share.
- Membership to the Big Spring Native American Association is open to the public. People interested in Native American culture are encouraged to find out more about the organization by calling Richard "Indio" Lesser at 432-935-0125,
- Photographs of area military personnel —currently on the job or veterans — going about their daily life are currently being sought by the July 3 Pops in the Park committee to be used in a military tribute during the event. The candid photos will be used during the photo-

graphic military salute portion of the Independence Day celebration.

Any wishing to provide photographs for the tribute can e-mail digital copies in a jpeg format to popsinthe park2016@yahoo.com. Submissions must be sent by June 15. Also, photographs can be dropped off at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, 215 West Third St. to be scanned in during normal business hours. The person must leave a name and contact number with each submission.

- •Dora Roberts Community Center is hosting a clinic on May 2nd, 2016 at 100 Whipkey Drive for Big Spring and Howard County residents to learn about their risk for cardiovascular disease, osteoporosis, diabetes, and other chronic, serious condition with affordable screenings by Life Line Screening. Screenings are affordable, convenient, and accessible for wheelchairs and those with trouble walking. Packages start at \$149, but consultants will work with you to create a package that is right for you based on your age and risk factors. Call 1-877-237-1287 for more information.
- The Howard County A&M Club is accepting applications from high school students who are graduating this May and have been accepted at Texas A&M University for the Fall 2016 semester. Students must be Howard county residents and will enroll for at least 12 hours. Application deadline is April 15.

Application deadline for current A&M students is June 1.

More information and the application can be found of the club webwww.westexags.

 Seniors and mature adults are invited to a dance on the first, third and fifth Friday of each month at the Dora Roberts Community Center.

Dances are from 7:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. with live bands. No alcohol or smoking permitted.

around championship

trophy at the regional

In speech and debate,

Big Spring finished sec-

ond behind Seminole

High School. Overall

at regionals, BSHS

placed third out of the

28 schools that scored

sweepstakes points be-

hind Abilene Wylie and

meet.

Seminole.

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

24th & Johnson 267-8288

Gary "Wolf" Flores, 49, died Saturday. A funeral service will be held this morning at 11:00 AM at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Marilee "MJ" Drummond, 61, died Monday. A funeral service will be today at 2:30 PM at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Trinity Memorial

Park.

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speaking at regionals. "I'm excited to be go-

ing to the state meet again," Sosa said, "and I am working to finish better than I placed last year."

Sosa placed fourth in

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voting hours are extend-

ed from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Election Day is Satur-

Howard County voters

are deciding the follow-

• Big Spring City

Council. Mayor, Larry McLellan (I) and Shan-

non Thomason; District 5 Race, Raul Benavides

(I) and Becky Winters.

Howard College trustees race. Precinct 1,

Michael Flores (I) and Steve Escanuelas; Pre-

cinct 2, Mark Morgan and Greg Moore; At-

Ryan Williams, (I), and

Coahoma voters will

also decide on a propo-

sition whether to allow beer and wine sales for

According to the state

of Texas election laws,

voters must show valid photo identification in

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Large Positions

Adriel Saldivar,

Patricia Bennett.

off-premise

tion in the city.

VOTE

day, May 7.

ing races:

editorial writing last year.

Monks, who placed fifth in ready writing last year, will compete in persuasive speaking for the first time.

Joining the trio will be speech and debate team members Kelli Ruth and Aliscia Brorman. Both are no stranger to a state meet, with Ruth hav-

order to participate.

• Texas driver license

issued by the Texas De-

partment of Public Safe-

• Texas Election Iden-

• Texas personal iden-

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Texas

ing placed third at the 2016 Cross-Examination State Meet and Brorman making the finals at this Congressional year's Debate State Meet.

Ruth qualified for the UIL State Meet via a second place finish in persuasive speaking while Brorman placed third in Lincoln-Douglas Debate. Brorman also fin-

handgun license issued

· United States mili-

tary identification card

containing the person's

• United States citizen-

ship certificate contain-

ing the person's photo-

United States pass-

With the exception of

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photograph

ished fourth in informative speaking. Sophomore Britney

Tan rounds out the BSHS state contingent by qualifying in news writing. Her second place finish in news, as well as a sixth place finish in feature writing added to the points accrued by Sosa to give the journalism team the all-

the U.S. citizenship certificate, the identification must be current or have expired no more than 60 days before being presented for voter qualification at the polling place.

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

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STEVE

CHAPMAN

Opinion A

"Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances."

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Why felons should be allowed to vote

merica has 2.2 million jail and prison inmates, and everyone worries about what will happen when they get out. Some of us worry that they will seek out new victims and commit new crimes. Some of us

worry that they will head to the nearest courthouse and register to vote.

Last week, Virginia Gov. Terry McAuliffe signed an order restoring voting rights to convicted felons once they are no longer in prison, on parole or on probation.

Previously, they were barred from voting for life. He made his decision out to be one of simple humanity. "I

want you back in society," he said of ex-convicts. "I want you voting, getting a job, paying taxes.' Republicans, however, saw

nakedly partisan motives. "The singular purpose of Terry McAuliffe's governorship is to elect Hillary Clinton president of the United States," said Virginia House Speaker William J. Howell. How would changing the

rules on voting help Clinton and other Democrats? The thinking is that ex-convicts, who are disproportionately black and poor, would vote much like other low-income African-Americans.

As Ted Cruz has put it, "the overwhelming majority of violent criminals are Democrats" (a claim PolitiFact rated "mostly false"). So adding them to the rolls would penalize Republicans.

McAuliffe is shocked at the idea that he would consciously strive to increase the number of Democratic votes. "Honestly, I haven't thought about it," he said.

This profession of ignorance came from a man who served as chairman of the Democratic National Committee. His partisan devotion is so intense that he once wrestled an alligator in exchange for a \$15,000 donation to Jimmy Carter's presidential

campaign. If McAuliffe didn't think about the electoral effects of his decision, it's for the same reason he doesn't think about gravity.

Those effects, however, are smaller than the GOP fears. Plenty of states that let former prison inmates vote are solidly Republican — including Alaska, Georgia, Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas and Utah. Felons may make as little difference in Virginia as they do in those places.

The number is not that big anyway.

McAuliffe's order affected 200,000 people in a state where 3.9 million people voted in the 2012 presidential election. If these felons all voted, they'd

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increase the total number of votes cast by just 5 percent. Even that figure greatly over-

states their impact, because most will never go near a polling place.

Oddly enough, many convicted felons do not feel a solemn duty to exercise the franchise. In places where they are allowed to vote, turnout rates are even lower than in the public at large.

Republicans are right that McAuliffe's order suits his political interests. But his possibly cynical motives shouldn't be the end of the discussion. The Ku Klux Klan values the First Amendment, but that doesn't make free expression a bad thing.

The test in a case like this is to ask what policy would be wise if there were no partisan

consequences. By that yardstick, restoring the voting rights of criminals once they've paid their debt to society makes far more sense than excluding them for life.

As McAuliffe noted, Virginia's ban had unsavory purposes.

It was adopted in 1902 along with poll taxes and literacy tests in a determined effort to preserve white supremacy. Back then, a state senator noted approvingly that the restrictions would "eliminate the darky as a political factor" in the state. The racial impact of such bans is still lopsided.

Even more important is that they provide nothing of value. If the prospect of incarceration doesn't deter criminals, losing the right to vote certainly doesn't.

We don't permanently strip

criminals of freedom of speech or religion, the right not to be subjected to unreasonable searches or the right against self-incrimination. Why deprive them of the vote? The obvious exception is the

Second Amendment right to own a gun, which felons lose. But firearms, unlike ballots, can be highly useful in criminal activities.

The chief result of disenfranchising former inmates is to discourage them from changing their ways and fully integrating into society.

The people likely to be obstructed from voting are not the incorrigible criminals but the reformed ones. They get jobs, pay taxes and keep their noses clean — the sort of behavior that Republicans, as well as Democrats, should want to encourage.

There are lots of bad things criminals can do once they're released back into society. Voting isn't one of them.

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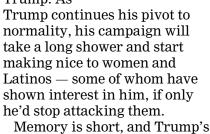
Let's break from identity politics

oth parties sort voters by color and gender. Though there's nothing new about promoting

One sees some utility in this brand of politicking, especially for Democrats.

The party of Donald Trump has done its darnedelectorate. But Republicans will get smart about this and reverse

Even Trump? Especially Trump. As



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skill at self-mockery could ease the transition. With his support of programs that help the working class, Trump could pick off chunks of the Democratic coali-Note that the U.S. Hispanic

Chamber of Commerce invited Trump to join a candidates forum in Washington (which he did not attend). While in no way an endorsement, this is not how one treats the devil.

Democratic strategists expect America's rapidly growing Latino and Asian populations to guarantee their electoral success. But history shows Amen demographic firewalls crum-

bling as descendants of recent immigrants become culturally indistinguishable from the older European stock.

Meanwhile, the seeming obsession with minorities and women sends a "don't bother" sign to the white working class. Hostility toward dark people doesn't adequately explain why so many struggling whites have decamped for the Republican side.

Consider how a white working guy might respond to a headline like this one: "White Man or Black Woman? Senate Race Tears at Maryland Democrats." The subject is the Democratic

Senate primary race pitting Rep. Donna Edwards against Rep. Chris Van Hollen. The "conflict": Edwards, a black single mother, may be an attractive candidate, but Van Hollen has a long record as an effective progressive in Washington. There is no reason for liberals to abandon him unless they think race and gender are reason enough. EMILY's List apparently

thinks so. Dedicated to promoting female candidates who support abortion rights, EMILY's List has put its resources behind Edwards. Many contributors who've worked with Van Hollen are fuming, as well they might. There's no item on the liberal

women's agenda that Van Hollen has not championed, and, you know, there are other issues. There was a time when female candidates were a rarity, but that time has passed — and so has any rationale, frankly, for

EMILY's List. Move on to the U.S. Supreme Court. President Obama has nominated Merrick Garland

to fill the seat held by the late Antonin Scalia. According to a Washington Post analysis, "some top Democrats" are complaining that Obama threw away a "golden opportunity" by opting for "a mild-mannered white

man." "If he had picked an African American, a Latino or even an Asian candidate — and especially a woman," the unnamed Democrats (allegedly) told the writer, "he could have helped energize the coalition that got him reelected in 2012 and arguably pushed his nominee onto the court."

Set aside the reality that Republican leaders in the Senate have vowed to stop any Obama nominee. Ponder how such messages rile not only white men but also nonwhite men and women who regard themselves as intellectual equals (or superiors) to the sitting members and not tokens.

Trump's magic formula has been to crush a political correctness that habitually puts white men in the stocks while breaking with the Republican Party on positions that hurt the working class. A toned-down Trump would move from a tropical storm to a Category 3 hurricane threat for Democrats. And identity politics would not be their friend.

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Name That Person

Many famous people were born in May. Fill in the blanks to name some of them.



- 1) IR_INGB_RL_N
- 2) JO_ANNES B_AH_S
- 3) S_GMUNDF_EU_
- 4) JO_N F. KE__EDY
- 5) W_LT WHI_MA_
- 6) HA__Y S. __UMAN

7) FLO_EN_E NIGHTI__ALE

Answers: 1) Irving Berlin, 2) Johannes Brahms, 3) Sigmund Freud, 4) John F. Kennedy, 5) Walt Whitman, 6) Harry S. Truman, 7) Florence Nightingale

Lucky Lindy

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May Challenge

May is the fifth month of the year. Here are some questions about the month. How many can you answer correctly?



- 1) May was named after the Greek goddess Maia. Fact or Fiction?
- 2) May has 31 days like November. Fact or Fiction?
- 3) May is the start of the summer vacation season for many Americans. Fact or Fiction?
- 4) Emerald is the birthstone for May.
- 5) Most emeralds are black. Fact or Fiction?
- 6) Many holidays take place in May, including Mother's Day, which falls on a Wednesday. *Fact or Fiction?*
- 7) Cinco de Mayo falls on May 5. Fact or Fiction?
- 8) The Kentucky Derby takes place on the first Saturday in May. Fact or Fiction?
- 9) The Kentucky Derby is a dog race. Fact or Fiction?
- 10) Memorial Day falls on the last Monday in May in the United States. *Fact or Fiction?*

Answers: 1) Fact, 2) Fiction, May has 31 days while November has 30, 3) Fact, 4) Fact, 5) Fiction, it most emeralds are green, 6) Fiction, Mother's Day falls on a Sunday, 7) Fact, 8) Fact, 9) Fiction, it is a horse race, 10) Fact

What Rhymes with MA?



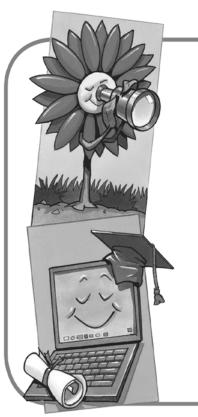
List 10 words that rhyme with "Ma."

- 1. _____ 2.___ 3. ____
- 4. _____ 5. ____ 6. ____
- 7. _____ 8. ____ 9. ____

10.

Some answers: ah, awe, blah, claw, flaw, gnaw, ha, la, pa, spa

Jokes



Q: If April showers bring May flowers, what do May flowers bring?

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Q: Why is a computer so smart?

A: It listens to its motherboard.

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HC run-rules Frank Phillips twice

By DREW WILLIAMS

Sports Editor

The Howard Lady Hawks (37-15, 18-6) took care of business Wednesday when they were finally able to get Frank Phillips College onto Foundation Field.

After rainouts caused make-up games for the make-up games for a doubleheader that was originally scheduled for April 9, Howard took the first game 16-2 and the second 18-4. Save for a four-run top of the third inning in the finale that made the score 5-4, Frank Phillips didn't put up much

"I thought we did a good job. We need to hit, and we came out hitting," Howard head coach Kelly Raines said. "On Sunday we were getting frustrated with ourselves, and it's hard to play like that. So I told them whatever they did in their first at-bat, don't carry it to the second one."

Howard had the usual contributors continuing to do so, with Lusi Stanley and Kaylynn Lopez combining for six RBIs on the day, but it was the bottom of the order that came through in a big way. Honor Hilton went 6-for-7 at the plate with a home run, eight RBIs, and seven runs scored, and Kylee Keller was 6-for-7 with two home runs, six RBIs, and seven runs scored. Raines said the powerful offense was a result of settling down at the plate.

"That's what we've talked about. We have a lot of free swingers, but that doesn't mean you swing at every pitch," she said. "We got away from ourselves on Sunday, and we really talked about being disciplined. Any pitcher can get you out if you're swinging at every pitch."

Jackie Mercado, the team's leadoff hitter who has had a great month of April, went 0-6 on the day following struggles last weekend against Western Texas College.



Tony Claxton photo (www.claxtonphotography.com)

Howard's Lusi Stanley slides into second base Wednesday against Frank Phillips College.

"We've got to get her back going for sure, she's a huge part of our lineup. Obviously we didn't need her today because everyone else was hitting, but she's got to get it going this weekend," Raines said. "She's got to change her mindset, too. She is carrying those atbats over I feel, and I think she carried it into the field a little today too with two mistakes out there. But I think she's just being a freshman and putting a lot of pressure on herself, and she has really high expectations for herself, and sometimes that's the worst thing that can happen at the

The wins keep Howard a game behind Odessa College (38-19, 19-5) in the conference standings going into the final weekend. The Lady Hawks take on El Paso Community College (22-29-1, 11-13) in a four-game series, while Odessa will play two-games series with Frank Phillips (11-37, 2-22) and Clarendon College (31-22, 16-8). If Howard gains a game in the standings over the weekend, they would hold the tiebreaker over Odessa after taking three of four from them earlier in the season. Raines said this weekend her team is just focused on getting

ready for the tournament. "We're just going to try to get in regional tournament mode and use these games to get going, and we need to figure out the lineup that works best for us," she said. "El Paso is scrappy and they're going to try to win. It's their last home series and their sophomore weekend, so they're going to be there to play. We just have to play our game."

The doubleheader starts at 1 p.m. Friday in El Paso. Saturday's doubleheader will start at noon.

Big Spring JH impresses at golf tourney Goodell ready to move



The Big Spring Junior High golf team competed in their third tournament of the year Saturday. The girls team placed second. Mariah Chavarria placed third individually, while Amaya Cobos placed tenth. From left to right: Jisele Olivarez, Mariah Chavarria, Amaya Cobos, Zach Whitehead, Roger Hernandez, Coach Ruiz.

Judge sets \$1,500 bond in Johnny Manziel assault case

DALLAS (AP) — A Dallas judge has set a \$1,500 bond for former Cleveland Browns quarterback Johnny Manziel in his misdemeanor domestic as-

Manziel's attorney, Robert Hinton, said Wednesday that the 23-year-old quarterback is expected to turn himself in for booking next week, though no date has been set.

The Heisman Trophy winner and former Texas endorsers.

A&M star was indicted by a grand jury this week after his ex-girlfriend alleged he hit her and threatened to kill her during a night out in January.

Manziel faces a Class A misdemeanor that carries up to a year in jail and a \$4,000 fine. Lawyers watching the case say the \$1,500 bond is consistent with the misdemeanor charge Manziel faces.

Manziel has been dropped by two agents and his

on from 'Deflategate'

far as NFL Commis- its battle with the NFL sioner Roger Goodell is Players Association. concerned, the league is

'Deflategate." Speaking two days after a major victory for the NFL in its dispute with New England quarterback Tom Brady and the players' union, Goodell defended the league's discipline process for players in the wake of critical comments by New Orleans quarterback Drew Brees. While praising Chicago's work on the NFL draft, he offered no clues as to where it might be held next year.

A federal appeals court ruled Monday that Brady must serve a fourgame suspension handed down by the NFL for the use of underinflated footballs at the AFC championship game in January 2015. The court overturned a ruling by a Manhattan judge while

CHICAGO (AP) — As siding with the league in

"It should have been ready to move on from the decision last year from the district court, and that's what the appellate court said," Goodell said Wednesday. "They reaffirmed our authority and the underlying facts to the case, so we think it came out in the right place. So we're not planning any more steps. We obviously would like to put the matter behind us

> and move forward." The NFLPA could appeal the decision to the full 2nd Circuit or the U.S. Supreme Court, but it likely would be a time-consuming climb even if the courts took the unusual step to consider it. A message was left Wednesday seeking comment from the union.

> Brady and the NFL also could negotiate a settlement, a possibility left open by Goodell.

Rangers beat Yankees 3-2 despite A-Rod's 100th HR in stadium

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) – Elvis Andrus had the game-winning RBI triple for the Texas Rangers on a night when their shortstop from more than a decade ago hit his 100th homer in the sta-

The Rangers have had two shortstops, both All-Stars, since Alex Rodriguez was traded to the New York Yankees before spring training in 2004 — Michael Young, and now 27-year-old Andrus, who is off to a tremendous start in his eighth season hitting .343 and without an error in the field since one in the season

Andrus' two-out triple in

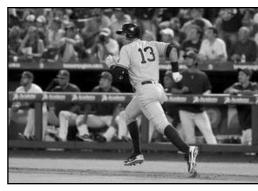
ed by A-Rod's 100th homer in Texas, and the Rangers beat New York 3-2 on Wednesday "His work, his prepa-

ration has been outstanding, his focus has been great," manager Jeff Banister said. "He's been as good as we can ask him to be at the bottom part of that lineup."

After Rougned Odor drew a two-out walk off CC Sabathia (1-2) in the

sixth, Andrus hit a ball into the right-center field gap that rolled to the wall. Martin

lowing two runs and six hits over six innings. The Rangers had lost each of the first



AP photo New York Yankees' Alex Rodriguez sprints to first watching his Perez (1-2) solo home run Wednesday.

the sixth broke the tie creat- struck out three while al- four games started by the lefthander.

"He made pitches when he needed to," catcher Bryan Holaday said. "He was able

to use that sinker down and away. ... When we pitched off that, we were able to use his secondswings and misses."

ary stuff and get some Rodriguez didn't miss on a changeup left over the middle of the plate, hitting it over the 14foot wall in left-center field for his third homer this season and 690th

of his career. That tied

the game at 2-2 in the

fourth.

After Jake Diekman threw two scoreless innings, Shawn Tolleson worked the ninth for his seventh save in eight chances.

A-Rod was back in New York's lineup after missing the first two games in Texas. The 40-year-old Rodriguez came out of Sunday's home game for the Yankees because of stiffness in his left side after an earlier double snapped a 1-for-18 slide. He went 3 for 3 with a walk Wednesday to raise his average 45 points to

"It's a long season and (I'm) a work in progress. I'm always tweaking and working on things," A-Rod said.

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FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name: HUITT 35 Lease/Unit Well No.: 3502A Lease/Unit Acres: 123.8 Nearest Lease Line (ft): 467.0 Nearest Well on Lease (ft): 1965 0

Lease Lines: 657.0 F North L, 874.0 F East L Survey Lines: 657.0 F North L, 874.0 F East L

As part of this application, applicant also seeks permit authority in 3 additional fields: (1) ELBOW, S.E. (STRAWN), (2) MOORE (MISS), (3) STA (ATOKA). No rule exception is necessary pursuant to the field rules for these fields.

Field Rules for ALL fields on

the permit application are as

follows: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Special Rules 330/0, 80.0 acres ELBOW, S.E. (STRAWN): OIL Special Rules 467/1200, 80.0 acres.

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approximate depth of 10000 If you have questions

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regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Alexis Kubat, at (720) 876-3074.

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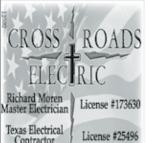
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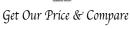
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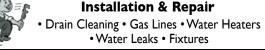
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Mercurv turns retrograde in Holiday Taurus, the Mathis realm of finance. This

transit promises to rock our ideas about value, fair exchange, quality and even time. Prepare to scrutinize and be scrutinized on the subject of money. There is much to be learned from the way we deal in this energy. What we perceive as valuable will likely change in the weeks to come.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). The mild degree of weariness you may be feeling today is best described by the French word "ennui." Luckily, all it will take is one interesting conversation to change all of that.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You've great social foresight -- you know when two people simply must meet and you make the introduction. The world will be forever altered because

Dear Annie: Tragedy

has struck our family. A

cousin killed himself on

Easter Sunday. I never

do this. He worked with

troubled teens and their

families. He was out-

going and strong, and

helped others through

their own tough spots.

son died by suicide.

Since that time, my

cousin struggled with

depression and a host

of other things. Apparently, the pressure and

depression overcame

him that Sunday. Yet in

surrounded by people

the signs of what was

known what to look for.

caught up with our own

issues that we forget to

pay attention to what's

We need to take time to

see the needs of those

we love and care for

-- things that may lie

beneath the surface.

Please help your

going on around us.

Sometimes we get so

happening had they

who might have noticed

his everyday life, he was

A few years ago, his

thought my cousin would

of the people you bring together.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). What if you were just as likely to succeed in a small matter as you were in a big one? What problem would you try to tackle in that case? Focus there because truly, the scale of things matters less than it logically should.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Your understanding of human motivation and behavior will save you from a hassle -- that is if you act on your social instinct. There's no room for self-doubt. Move forward in confidence!

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Due to variables out of your control, it's likely that you won't be able to adhere to the schedule. You can, however, keep to an order of events. That's the way to clarity and productivity.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). There's a great potential to waste money and an equal potential to strike a rather heroic deal. So before you buy what you need, ask around.

readers to recognize

the signs of someone

struggling, and to help

that person before it's

solve the problem -- it

for those left behind. --

Dear Behind: Not

everyone who chooses

others would pick up

on. Chances are, your

cousin never got over

the suicide of his son,

a horrible tragedy that

to this one, no matter

what face he put on for

everyone else. Here are

some signs to watch for:

to die or to kill oneself;

looking for a way to kill oneself; talking about

having no reason to live;

trapped or in unbearable

pain; talking about being

feeling hopeless or

talking about feeling

a burden to others;

increasing the use of

alcohol or drugs; acting

anxious or agitated; be-

having recklessly; sleep-

ing too little or too much;

Talking about wanting

undoubtedly contributed

suicide shows signs that

One Left Behind

too late. Suicide doesn't

only creates devastation

Tomorrow's Horoscope Chances are that a friend, neighbor or fami-

ly member has one you can borrow.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Just because you can enjoy a comfortable silence with someone you're close to doesn't mean you should do it too often. It would be pretty easy to stop trying to break new conversational ground. You're too charming to let this happen.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). One relationship stands out from the rest today, either because it needs special attention or because it brings such fullness and joy to your world that you can't help but focus on it.

(Nov. 22-Dec. 21). The human condition can be so tragic. Because you're willing and able to fully connect with your fellow human beings, you get your

heart broken on a reg-

ular basis. It's beautiful

though. You wouldn't

SAGITTARIUS

have it any other way. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You could keep on asking questions forever, but

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isolated; showing rage

or talking about seeking

revenge; displaying ex-

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think someone is in im-

mediate danger, do not

leave that person alone.

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Dear Annie: I am

responding to "Stuck in

Upstate NY," whose wife

wants her Greek parents

You know nothing about

think your suggestion to

move them into a near-

by retirement commu-

nity has any chance of

parents probably don't

speak English, and sec-

nonsense. I experienced

the same thing with my

ond, the idea of having

space of their own is

First, the wife's

success.

to move in with them.

Greek culture if you

help arrives.

treme mood swings.

nothing would get done. This is a time to stand in what you know and deliver results based on that for a while. Revisions can be made further down the line.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). There have been times when you thought you were destined to always be the one who loves more, sacrifices greater and maximizes whatever small returns come of that. It turns out that's not true. Prepare for huge love.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). The day may include a tedious errand or a nasty bit of work, but none of it seems so bad because you've a song in your heart and a very intriguing project or person to spend your leisure time with later.

TODAY'S BIRTH-DAY (APRIL 28). The support you'll receive from a gifted, creative and kind person will turn your world upside down. You'll soak in the love and become powerful and strong through it. In July, you'll pay it forward by being an advocate for another.

Greek husband and

his mother many years

how small the house is.

ago. It doesn't matter

His wife's parents will

August features travel, poetic justice and the start of an education that will be complete in 2018. Leo and Gemini adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 5, 3, 1, 9 and 18.

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QUESTIONS: "My life has been completely uprooted by the illness of my husband's mother. I left my job as a teacher midway through the year, and we moved across three states to be closer to her during her decline. I totally support my husband in this decision, and hope for the best for my mother in-law, yet I can't help but feel derailed by the change. I secretly resent changing everything to care for my husband's family while leaving my own. Do you have any advice for a Cancer homebody who hates

changing homes?" As the sign of mothers, Cancer is uniquely in tune with the maternal bond. You will not regret the sacrifices you're making to support your husband and mother in-law at this critical moment in time.

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By the same token, your feelings are valid and they do need expression. Do you have someone to whom you can regularly communicate your feelings and concerns in their full intensity? Your husband is obviously not the right person for this role now, given the circumstances. A counselor, trusted friend or diary with a lock could be the best tool in your arsenal for getting through this

period gracefully. **CELEBRITY PRO-**FILES: Jessica Alba started The Honest Company because she was frustrated with the lack of healthy and safe product options for her new family. The Taurus actress, author and entrepreneur was born under the Venus ruled sign of the bull and has Mercury, Venus and Mars in Taurus, too. Taurus energy rules finance, luxury and sen-

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By Steve Becker

This situation — where you seem

to have to guess which of two finesses to take but don't need to try

both — is fairly common, but in

some cases, you can significantly

improve your chances by testing one

of the options in safety while keeping

In today's deal, for example, if

South attempts a finesse in either clubs or spades, the grand slam fails.

But since he does not intend to take

both finesses, he can give himself an

extra chance by first cashing the A-K

in one of the suits in hopes of drop-

ping the doubleton queen. All South

has to do is decide which suit to try.

This is not really a difficult choice. Since the opponents hold

seven clubs and only six spades

between them, the queen of spades is obviously more likely to be double-

the other option in reserve.

chance to try the other.

Two for the Price of One

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♣9 5 4

- ♦AQJ32 WEST
- **♦**Q5 **♥**10974 ♣Q 10 6 3
 - **SOUTH ♦** K J 7 4 ♥K6 ♦K95

♣AJ82 The bidding: South West

East North Opening lead — ten of hearts. Let's say you reach seven notrump as shown and West leads the

ten of hearts. You have 36 high-card

points in the combined hands, plus a running five-card suit, but you still have only 12 top tricks. You can pick up a 13th trick if you can win a finesse in either black suit.

Accordingly, after winning the first heart and cashing five diamonds, on which you discard a club and a spade, you play the A-K of spades. When West's queen falls, you have your 13th trick, and there is no need to chance the club finesse at

ton than the queen of clubs.

Tomorrow: Bidding quiz. ©2016 King Features Syndicate Inc.

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always come first. He needs to face up to the reality that his marriage is probably over. -- American Daughterin-Law Dear DIL: It isn't only

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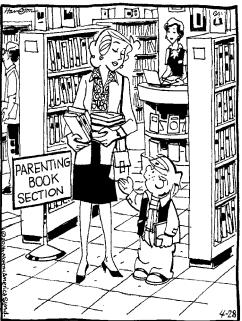
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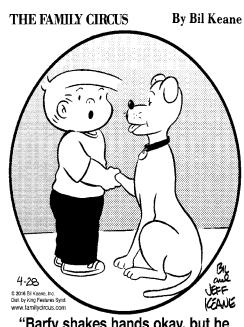
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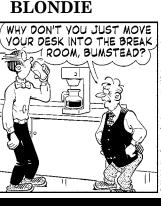
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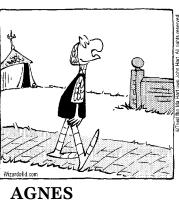




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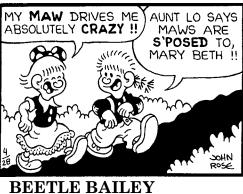




THE OTHER COAST



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This Date In History Today is Thursday, April 28,

the 119th day of 2016. There are 247 days left in the year. Today's Highlight

History: On April 28, 1996, a man armed with a semiautomatic rifle went on a rampage on the Australian island of Tasmania,

killing 35 people; Martin Bryant was captured by police after a 12-hour standoff at a guest cottage. (Bryant is serving a life prison sentence.)

On this date: In 1758, the fifth president of the United States, James

born in Monroe, was Westmoreland County, Virginia. In 1788, Maryland became

the seventh state to ratify the Constitution of the United In 1789, there was a mutiny

on the HMS Bounty as rebelling crew members of the British ship, led by Fletcher Christian, set the captain, William Bligh, and 18 others adrift in a launch in the South Pacific. (Bligh and most of the men with him reached Timor in 47 days.)

In 1817, the United States and Britain signed the Rush-Bagot Treaty, which limited the number of naval vessels allowed in the Great Lakes. In 1918, Gavrilo Princip, the

assassin of Archduke Franz Ferdinand of Austria and the archduke's wife, Sophie, died in prison of tuberculosis. In 1925, the International

Exposition of Modern Industrial and Decorative Arts, which gave rise to the term "Art Deco," began a six-month run in Paris. In 1945, Italian dictator

Benito Mussolini and his mistress, Clara Petacci, were executed by Italian partisans as they attempted to flee the coun-In 1952, war with Japan officially ended as a treaty signed

in San Francisco the year before took effect. Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower resigned as Supreme Allied commander in Europe; he was succeeded by Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway. In 1967, heavyweight boxing champion Muhammad Ali

refused to be inducted into the Army, the same day U.S. Army Gen. William C. Westmoreland told Congress the U.S. "would prevail in Vietnam." In 1974, a federal jury in New York acquitted former Attorney

General John Mitchell and former Commerce Secretary Maurice H. Stans of charges in connection with a secret \$200,000 contribution President Richard Nixon's reelection campaign from financier Robert Vesco. In 1988, a flight attendant

was killed and more than 60 persons injured when part of the roof of an Aloha Airlines Boeing 737 tore off during a flight from Hilo (HEE'-loh) to Honolulu. In 2001, a Russian rocket lift-

ed off from Central Asia bearing the first space tourist, California businessman Dennis Tito, and two cosmonauts on a journey to the international space station. Ten years ago: Storms bat-

tered eastern Texas with wind up to 100 miles-an-hour and hail the size of baseballs. Attorneys for Rush Limbaugh, who'd been accused by Florida prosecutors of "doctor shopping"forpainkillers, announced a deal under which a single prescription fraud charge against the talk show host would be dismissed after 18 months provided he stay drugfree and didn't violate any laws.

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Answer to previous puzzle



Newsday Crossword

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- 27 Pretend to sing 32 Beaut
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- 42 Heart
- chambers 44 This: Sp.
- 46 Big bankroll
- 47 Maltreat
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- 52 Toolbar
- heading 53 Soft talk
- 57 Enters slowly,
- with "in" 61 Absorb a loss
- 62 Make less effective

Blizzard Cake

65 Burn brightly 66 Gung-ho 67 Cookie in

- 68 Did some shoe repair
- 69 Prefix meaning "foreign" 70 Marine accident
- responder: Abbr.

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- 8 Hard to come by
- 11 Persian poet
- 3 Sea hail
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- 9 Young sculptor's
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Parent's Corner: Potato chips and Irish tall tales

id you know that the potato chip is an American invention? The very first potato chips served were in Saratoga, N.Y., in a restaurant where the chef was an Indian named George

The story is that one of the guests had returned from France and was noting that French potatoes were being served in thinner slices than in America, so Chef Crum was asked to produce some thin

slices of fried potatoes for the guests. After several attempts and guests requesting even thinner slices, George Crum sharpened his knife and cut the slices as thin as he could, fried them crisp and served them to the delight of his guests, and the potato chip was born, but for

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many years they were referred to as Saratoga Chips.

That was just a quick history lesson for those who enjoy potato chips. Now I think you need something to smile about, so if your sense of humor is anything like mine maybe you will enjoy this story that I heard recently.

We all have family traditions that we enjoy honoring, but sometime it seems extremely difficult to keep these traditions in the order that we hear them. This seemed to be the problem in an traditional Irish family. A young Irish lad, called Paddy, had grown up hearing stories of an amazing family tradition. The story was that Paddy's father, his grandfather and his greatgrandfather had all been able to walk on water on their 18th birthday.

On that special day, each one of them was seen walking across the lake to the pub on the far side to engage in their first legal drink. So

when Paddy's 18th birthday came around, he didn't want to walk the entire distance across the lake so he and his pal Mick, took a boat out to the middle of the lake to attempt the miraculous journey to the

pub. Paddy smiled as he stepped out of the boat, and immediately sank, and nearly drowned. Mick worked ferociously to get him back into the boat and just barely managed to pull him to safety. Furious and confused, Paddy went to see his grandmother to try to understand his situation.

"Grand Mom," he asked, "Tis me 18th birthday, and I tried to walk across the lake like me father, his father and his father before him, but I immediately sunk into the

lake and nearly drowned. Is something wrong with me that is preventing me from honoring my family in our age old tradition?"

Granny looked deeply into Paddy's troubled blue eyes and said, "There's not a thing wrong with ye, my

boy. The situation lies that ye father, ye grandfather and ye great-grandfather were all born in December, when the lake is frozen. And ye were born in August!"

Darrell Ryan is the Big Spring ISD director of school safety.



Career education making a comeback in US high schools K-12 education. Over the next million the state has awarded

By LISA LEFF

Associated Press

ANTIOCH, Calif. (AP) — There was an emergency in Room 14. Three girls injured, one with a broken thighbone and maybe something more Snapping on sterile gloves and kneeling before the worst-off patient, two 17-year-olds went to work.

The pair cut open the girl's pant leg, pinched her toes to see if she had feeling and fit her with a neck brace. Sweat flecked their faces by the time they had the patient — a perfectly healthy classmate — strapped to a back board 12 minutes later.

"You are acting like professionals and you haven't even finished this class yet!" Gretchen Medel, an EMT who oversaw the mock exercise during the first responder course she teaches at a health care-focused high school east of San Francisco, told the students.

Decades after "shop class" became known as a lesser alternative for children deemed unfit for college, vocational education is making a comeback in many of the nation's high schools. States such as California, Colorado and Louisiana are looking to rebranded "career pathways" that combine technical training with academics built around an industry theme as a way to get more young people to pursue some post-secondary education

whether it's a certificate from a two-year school or a fouryear degree.

Supporters of the renaissance hope it will keep students engaged and prepare them for the stable, middle-income jobs employers say they can't fill.

"Career and technical education is really the perfect blend of the academic, the technical and the employability skills. Students come out college — and career-ready because they have the skills in all these essential areas," Association for Career and Technical Education Executive Director LeeAnn Wilson

Congress has endorsed the revival of such hands-on learning, at least in concept. An education reform bill adopted last year includes career and technical education, or CTE, in the definition of a well-rounded

year, lawmakers are expected to strengthen the federal law that provides about \$1.1 billion a year for job training in grades 7-14.

The trend represents a course correction from efforts of the past 30 years that assumed exposing all students to the same college prep curriculum would be an antidote for achievement gaps, past inequities and the nation's flagging economic competitiveness, said Anthony Carnevale, director of the Georgetown University Center on Education and the Workforce.

The "high school to Harvard pathway," as Carnevale calls it, was not a cure-all; the percentage of high school graduates immediately enrolling in a four-year college only rose from 40 percent in 1990 to 42 percent in 2013, according to the most recent federal data.

While research on high schools that integrate career exploration with academics has shown positive effects for attendance and graduation rates, some education experts worry it could lead to a new form of tracking.

"I think we can identify 9th grade students who have career interests and build a rich, challenging curriculum around those interests. That's a smart thing to do," Kevin Welner, who directs the National Education Policy Center at the University of Colorado, Boulder, said.

"What's not smart is to identify 9th grade students who are academically struggling and then track them into these separate academic programs that have watered-down expectations and watered-down instruction," he

said. Nowhere has renewed the embrace of work-based learning been stronger than California, which expects to spend \$900 million to reinvigorate career technical and education high schools by 2019.

The money comes on top of another \$500

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to partnerships of public school districts, community colleges and employers promising to prepare students for jobs in fields that do not require four years of college.

The private James Irvine Foundation also has spent more than \$100 million in the last decade to promote "linked learning" — a strategy that weaves technical courses, interaction with industry professionals and practical skills such as public speaking into a career-focused college prep curriculum.

"Being in a pathway helps students connect the dots: 'Oh, this is what the math is for," Linked Learning Alliance President Christopher Cabaldon said.

Elsewhere, Massachusetts Gov. Charlie Baker, a Republican, wants to devote \$75 million over five years to equipment that would modernize and expand career and technical education. Democratic Gov. Andrew Cuomo of New York has pledged \$21 million to take a technology high school model that IBM started in Brooklyn statewide in seven years.

Dozier-Libbey Medical High School, where Medel teachers, is located next to a hospital that is the largest employer in the city of Antioch, a former mill. mining and ranching town 45 miles east of San Francisco.

The school district is one of the first in California to have every student participate in a career pathway. Eighth-graders apply to their top four choices among the 10 spread out over three high schools, with spaces awarded through a lottery.

McMurry Announces Dr. W. Norton Jones **Endowed Professorship**

Special to the Herald

McMurry University has announced it has exceeded its goal of \$250,000 needed to establish the Dr. W. Norton Jones Endowed Professorship in Chemistry, the first fully funded endowed professorship in the sciences.

The University has currently raised more than \$260,000 toward the goal.

"We are happy to be able to honor the legacy of teaching, mentoring, and groundbreaking research conducted by Dr. Jones, his colleagues, and the many McMurry alumni who make a difference in their professions and the communities in which they live," said McMurry University President Dr. Sandra Harper. "Dr. Jones dedicated his life to involving students in his research, training successive generations of scientists who are making their own marks in organic and inorganic chemistry, biochemistry and biosynthesis. His students have also gone on to careers as educators and research scientists with a number of nationally recognized companies."

From 1948 to 1976 Dr. Norton Jones, a professor of chemistry and chair of the science division, was acknowledged as the decisive factor on a student getting into medical

During his time Jones and the exceptionally strong science faculty, established for McMurry a reputation of excellence in the sciences and exemplary preparation for a career in the scientific professions. "McMurry Momen-

tum — the university's strategic plan aimed at its 100th anniversary in 2023 — calls for advancing academic excellence to enhance student success while recruiting, retaining, and rewarding highly qualified, diverse, and engaged faculty members, whose concern about student well-being and development is central to their personal educational missions," said Dr. Harper. "The W. Norton Jones Endowed Professorship will allow McMurry University to accomplish these imperatives by reinforcing and rewarding the gifted teacher and exceptional researcher who makes significant contributions to his/her field of study. Income from this endowment will support highly competitive faculty scholarship to advance their academic discipline while improving teaching and learning outcomes for student success."



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