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City council postpones Oncor rate increase

By ROBERT BARLOW
 Staff Writer

City council members voted last night to postpone an Oncor rate change to give city officials time for consultants to discuss the details and possibly negotiate the rate change. According to a letter sent by Oncor read by Assistant City Manager John Medina,

the company explained the rate change is an attempt by the company to recoup the claimed \$7.9 billion they spent to build, upgrade, and operate the system. The company stated the nearly \$8 billion dollars that was spent went to capital expenditure investments in the transmission and distribution system by making improvements to

their aging infrastructure and serving new customers in their expanding service area. "The proposed rate increase is about an 11.8 percent increase for residential accounts in Big Spring, and approximately will affect residential rates on your bill by \$6.84," said Medina "This also includes a half of a per-

cent on street light rates as well." The last time a rate increase was requested was six years ago and the increase would add around \$317 million dollars to Oncor's annual revenue, Medina said. In the letter sent by Oncor, the company states that even at the requested rate, residents will still pay among the low-

est rates in the state with investor-owned utilities. "Just to give you an idea, the last rate request was in 2011. Oncor requested for residential increase of 14.6 percent, and they negotiated that rate down to 6.2 percent," Medina said. "We anticipate that rate coming down,"

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Courtesy photo

As a newly-elected congressman, Jodey Arrington presided over the House floor in January. Arrington will be in Big Spring for a community luncheon Thursday.

Luncheon for U.S. Rep Arrington is Thursday

By LYNDEL MOODY
 Staff Writer

U.S. Congressman Jodey Arrington (R-Lubbock) will be the guest of honor at a community luncheon set for Thursday where the first term representative is expected to give an update on the state of issues dominating the nation. "This is his first time coming to Howard County as our elected congressman. This is

a chance for us to get to know him as we did with Congressman (Randy) Neugebauer, (former District 19th representative) and a chance for him to see who we are and what we are made of," said Debbye ValVerde, Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce executive director. The luncheon will begin at 11:45 a.m. in the East Room of the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum located on the Howard College campus. Only ticket

holders will be allowed to attend the luncheon. No tickets will be purchased at the door. The Chamber is hosting the luncheon. Arrington serves the 19th District of West Texas in the U.S. Congress. The district consists of 29 counties including Big Spring, Abilene, and Lubbock. He was elected this past November to replace Randy Neugebauer, who See **REP**, Page 3

BSISD board of trustees meets Thursday

By LYNDEL MOODY
 Staff Writer

More discussion of outsourcing the Big Spring ISD food service program and a public hearing to allow students attending the accelerated high school program to have a more flexible school day schedule are on tap when district trustees meet Thursday. According to the agenda, trustees are expected to dis-

cuss proposals made by food service management companies who responded to a bid proposal request put out earlier by the Big Spring ISD. This district is considering outsourcing its food service program to a private management company in hopes of saving money. Food service programs are paid through state funds and are set up to be

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Tickets available now for HC production of "Chess"

Three-day performance dedicated to the late Marie Hall, a major college benefactor

By LYNDEL MOODY
 Staff Writer

Tickets for the Howard College production of "Chess" are now on sale. "We've been in production since mid-March," said Ethan Wills, Howard College assistant professor/director of choral studies. "I have been very happy with the turnout for auditions. We have members of the community, college students, and even some high school students involved. Midland

native Carl Beery Moore is our director and has created a vibrant and professional atmosphere." Show dates for the musical will be held at 7:30 p.m., April 27-29. Tickets are \$10 for standard seats and \$5 for side seats. Tickets can be reserved by e-mailing Wills at ewills@howardcollege.edu or calling 412-432-5103. As the Howard College fine arts program gears up

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Cleaning up the community



Courtesy photo

43 volunteers from the Alon USA — Big Spring Refinery collected trash Thursday participating in the Don't Mess With Texas Trash-Off. All together, the volunteers collected 2,000 pounds of trash, including ceramic tiles, a car mirror, an iPod, and a 15-inch burned RV awning.

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Obituaries

Robert Frank Bluhm Jr.



Robert Frank Bluhm Jr. (Bobby) passed away April 10, 2017, at his residence in Abilene, Texas.

He was born May 10, 1937, in Big Spring, Texas. Bobby had a club in his hand at four years old and was a great golfer, and loved fishing and hunting. He never met a stranger and could tell you a story about anything.

Bobby grew up in Big Spring and graduated from Big Spring High School. He was a member of the Methodist Church. He attended A&M, and later graduated from Lamar University.

He is survived by his wife, Sherry Bluhm; brothers, Bill Bluhm and wife Donna of Denton, Texas, and Ray Bluhm and wife Carolyn of Big Spring, Texas; four daughters, Shaula Harrison of New Braunfels, Lisa Waller of Haslet, Texas, Vickie Cook of Keller, Texas, and Pamela Biggs of Haslet, Texas, and their mother, Carol Ann Bluhm; 10 grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

Bobby will be greatly missed.

Services will be in Abilene on Wednesday in a private service. A memorial celebration will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donation to 1" Tee (an organization to help kids play golf); or your favorite charity.

Paid obituary

Letha Faye Wayland



Letha Faye Wayland, 83, of Big Spring died Monday, April 10, 2017, at her home.

Graveside services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, April 13, 2017, at Mt Olive Memorial Park in Big Spring.

Letha was born to Henry Lee Wright and Naomi Bingham Wright Aug. 17, 1933, in Ropesville, Texas. She married Grover H. Wayland Dec. 3, 1966, in Big Spring. He preceded her in death April 13, 2005. She was a home-

maker and a member of the order of the Eastern Star #67 and Beauceant Assembly 211.

Letha is survived by two daughters, Linda Lancaster and Brenda Garrett, both of Big Spring; one son, James Blair and wife Debbie of Big Spring; four grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; and a sister, Billie Bard of Morrison, Okla.

In addition to her husband, she is also preceded in death by her parents; a grandson; a great-great-grandson; two brothers; and one sister.

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

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

• **JAMES MATTHEW GONZALES**, 25, of 2110 S. Nolan St. was arrested on an outstanding warrant.

• **BRANDY ANN MARTINEZ**, 20, of 600 W. Interstate 20 Service Rd. Rm #123 was arrested on a warrant for possession of a controlled substance (less than 1 gram).

• **GREGORY ROBERT LEAL**, 22, of 1723 Purdue was arrested on charges of tampering with or fabricating physical evidence, and manslaughter.

• **EMILY ANN KEY**, 25, of 4201 W. Highway 80 Apt. #7 was arrested on warrants for failure to maintain financial responsibility and failure to appear.

• **TIA RAE BAILEY**, 26, of 902 Douglas St. was arrested on a charge of theft of property (less than \$100).

• **ROBBY CARROLL ATKINSON**, 45, of 3405 E. Highway 350 was arrested on a charge of theft of property (less than \$100).

• **EVERETT LEE PARTON**, 52, of 600 Tubb Loop Rd. was arrested on a warrant for terroristic threat/placing a person in fear

of serious bodily injury.

• **STOLEN VEHICLE** was reported in the 3600 block of West Highway 80.

• **DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 600 block of West Interstate 20 and the 3600 block of Hamilton Street.

• **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 1400 block of Apron Drive.

• **THEFT** was reported in the 700 block of East Interstate 20, the 300 block of South Nolan Street, the 1300 block of South Gregg Street, and the 1600 block of South Gregg Street.

Take Note

• Coahoma ISD Pre-K pre-registration is from April 18-21 at the Coahoma Elementary Office between the hours of 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. To register, parents must first go to administration building to obtain a proof of residency by taking a bill that has your address on it and then head to the elementary and fill out a pre-registration form.

You must bring the following: a state sealed birth certificate (not the hospital issued one with footprints), the child's Social Security card and shot record, and the parent's driver's license. All documents must be originals, no copies.

The student must meet the following qualifications:

• Transfers accepted for Pre-K.
• Students must be four on or before Sept. 1.
• Be unable to speak and comprehend the English language
• Be educationally disadvantaged, which means a student eligible to participate in the national free or reduced-price lunch program.

• Be homeless, as defined by 42 United States Code (U.S.C.) Section 1143a, regardless of the residence of the child, of either parent of the child, or of the child's guardian or other person having lawful control of the child

• Be the child of an active-duty member of the armed forces of the United States, including the state military forces or a reserve component of the armed forces, who is ordered to active duty by proper authority; or is the child of a member of the armed forces of the United States, including the state military forces or a reserve component of the armed forces, who was injured or killed while serving on active duty

• Be in, or have been in, the conservatorship of the Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS) following an adversary hearing held as provided by Section 262.201, Family Code.

• Coahoma ISD kindergarten pre-registration – To qualify, students must reside in the district to pre-register and be 5 years old on or before Sept. 1. Transfer requests will not be processed until June 1st.

Parents must first go to Administration Building to obtain a proof of residency by taking a bill that has your address on it. If the child is already enrolled, this step may be skipped. Next, the parent must go to elementary and fill out a pre-registration form.

The parents must bring the state sealed birth certificate (not the hospital issued one with foot-

prints), the child's Social Security card and shot record, and the parent's driver's license. All documents must be originals, no copies

Kindergarten Round UP day will be on Friday, April 28 from 8 a.m. until 11 a.m. Parents must pre-register their child during the April 18-21 dates to attend on this day. Register April 18-21 to attend on this day.

• The 19th annual "Master the Mountain" event will be at 9 a.m. Saturday, April 22, at Big Spring State Park. Master the Mountain will consist of both a 10K run and a 5K fun run/walk. Master the Mountain will help support the Permian Basin Women's Resource Center (The Life Center of Big Spring) and Big Spring State Park. Those interested in participating in the event can register online at www.permianbasinevents.com, by email at info@permianbasinevents.com or usatcraig@sudenlink.net; or in person at 8 a.m. on race day.

• The Texas Department of State Health Services accredited food handlers program is being offered in Big Spring on April 27 at 10 a.m. and at 3 p.m. at Howard College's GC Broughton Agriculture Complex, 2411 Echols Drive. The class, which is being offered by Texas A&M AgriLife Extension, is required for all food service employees to help promote the service of safe food. The class is a basic overview of food safety practices that are necessary to ensure such safe food practices as: good personal hygiene, prevention of cross contamination, and good time and temperature practices. The cost of the program is \$20. To register, call 432-264-2236.

• Registration is now begin taken for cancer survivors/caregivers who will be attending the 2017 Howard/Glasscock County Relay for Life. To register by phone or online call 1-800-227-2345 or www.relayforlife.org/bigspiringtx. For assistance, you may contact Howard Stewart at 432-935-0582 or Beverly Grant at 432-967-0901.

• The Howard County A&M Club is accepting applications from high school students who are graduating this May and have been accepted to Texas A&M University for fall 2017. Students must be Howard County residents and will enroll for at least 12 hours. Deadline for applications is April 3, 2017. For more information and to find the application, visit <https://westexags.com/>. Deadline for applications for current A&M students is June 1, 2017.

Sheriff

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

Note – Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 80 inmates at the time of this report.

• **JOHN JOSEPH CISNEROS**, 43, was booked by BSPD on a warrant for driving with an invalid license.

• **GARY LYNN EAGLE**, 21, was booked by BSPD on a charge of possession of drug paraphernalia.

• **JAMES MATTHEW GONZALES**, 25, was booked by BSPD on a warrant for non-payment of child support.

• **CHRISTI GRANT HARRISON**, 47, was booked by BSPD on charges of possession of marijuana (less than 2 oz.) and possession of a dangerous drug.

• **CATISHA DEAN MINTER**, 33, was booked by HCSO on a warrant for theft of service (\$2,500 to \$30,000).

• **LEVENTRA DENICE RUTLEDGE**, 44, was booked by DPS on a charge of failure to appear/trafficking marijuana.

• **ROBERT RODRIGUEZ VALENCIA**, 38, was booked by BSPD on a charge of unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon; and on a parole violation.

• **DANA KAYE WITT**, 51, was booked by BSPD on a warrant for unauthorized use of a vehicle.

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3200 block of Parkway. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1700 block of South Monticello.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1600 block of Cardinal. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1400 block of Virginia. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **DUMPSTER FIRE** was reported in the 300 block of Rannels.

• **FALSE ALARM** was reported in the 1200 block of Sycamore.

Support Groups

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.

• 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.

SATURDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. Open podium/speakers meeting 8 p.m. until 9 p.m. Open birthday night, no smoking meeting the last Saturday of each month at 8 p.m. Covered dish supper at 7 p.m.

SUNDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous closed meeting from 11 a.m. to noon at 615 Settles. Open meeting 7 p.m. until 8 p.m.

MONDAY

• 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.

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Dim hope for Trump- Russia rapport as Tillerson visits Moscow

MOSCOW (AP) — Early expectations of an easy rapport between the Trump administration and Russia are crashing into reality as U.S. Secretary of State Rex Tillerson has a fraught meeting in Moscow beset by escalating allegations over Syria. The first Trump Cabinet official to visit Russia, Tillerson is on a thus-far-futile mission to persuade Russian President Vladimir Putin to abandon support for Syrian President Bashar Assad. The fallout from Assad's chemical attack last week and the U.S. airstrikes that followed have plunged the United States and Russia into tensions rarely seen since the Cold War.

As Tillerson arrived in Moscow, President Donald Trump declared Assad "an animal."

"Frankly, Putin is backing a person that's truly an evil person. I think it's very bad for Russia," Trump told the Fox Business Network. "I think it's very bad for mankind."

Tillerson planned to meet Wednesday with Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov, a seasoned diplomat whose strident defense of Putin's agenda has frustrated several previous U.S. secretaries of state. It was unclear whether Putin, who typically doesn't announce high-level meetings in advance, would grant Tillerson an audience while he is in Russia.

Records match some Ukraine ledger payments to ex-Trump aide

WASHINGTON (AP) — Last August, a handwritten ledger surfaced in Ukraine with dollar amounts and dates next to the name of Paul Manafort, who was then Donald Trump's campaign chairman.

Ukrainian investigators called it evidence of off-the-books payments from a pro-Russian political party — and part of a larger pattern of corruption under the country's former president. Manafort, who worked for the party as an international political consultant, has publicly questioned the ledger's authenticity.

Now, financial records newly obtained by The Associated Press confirm that at least \$1.2 million in payments listed in the ledger next to Manafort's name were actually received by his consulting firm in the United States. They include payments in 2007 and 2009, providing the first evidence that Manafort's firm received at least some money listed in the so-called Black Ledger.

The two payments came years before Manafort became involved in Trump's campaign, but for the first time bolster the credibility of the ledger. They also put the ledger in a new light, as federal prosecutors in the U.S. have been investigating Manafort's work in Eastern Europe as part of a larger anti-corruption probe.

Separately, Manafort is also under scrutiny as part of congressional and FBI investigations into possible contacts between Trump associates and Russia's government under President Vladimir Putin during the 2016 U.S. presidential campaign. The payments detailed in the ledger and confirmed by the documents obtained by the AP are unrelated to the 2016 presidential campaign and came years before Manafort worked as Trump's unpaid campaign chairman.

UN peacekeepers' child sex ring left victims, but no arrests

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (AP) — In the ruins of a tropical hideaway where jetsetters once sipped rum under the Caribbean sun, the abandoned children tried to make a life for themselves.

They begged and scavenged for food, but they never could scrape together enough to beat back the hunger, until the U.N. peacekeepers moved in a few blocks away.

The men who came from a far-away place and spoke a strange language offered the Haitian children cookies and other snacks. Sometimes they gave them a few dollars. But the price was high: The Sri Lankan peacekeepers wanted sex from girls and boys as young as 12.

"I did not even have breasts," said a girl, known as V01 — Victim No. 1. She told U.N. investigators that over the next three years, from ages 12 to 15, she had sex with nearly 50 peacekeepers, including a "Commandant" who gave her 75 cents. Sometimes she slept in U.N. trucks on the base next to the decaying resort, whose once-glamorous buildings were being overtaken by jungle.

Justice for victims like V01 is rare. An Associated Press investigation of U.N. missions during the past 12 years found nearly 2,000 allegations of sexual abuse and exploitation by peacekeepers and other personnel around the world — signaling the crisis is much larger than previously known. More than 300 of the allegations involved children, the AP found, but only a fraction of the alleged perpetrators served jail time.

Legally, the U.N. is in a bind. It has no jurisdiction over peacekeepers, leaving punishment to the countries that contribute the troops.

Xi stresses China's North Korea concerns in talk with Trump

BEIJING (AP) — Chinese President Xi Jinping told President Donald Trump in a phone call Wednesday that Beijing is willing to work with Washington on ending North Korea's nuclear weapons program but wants a peaceful solution to the escalating conflict.

Xi's comments came after Trump tweeted that China should do more on the issue Washington sees as an increasingly urgent threat, or the U.S. would go it alone.

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decided not to seek another term. Neugebauer had served in the position since 2003.

Since taking the oath of office in January, Arrington has been appointed to serve on the House Committee on Veterans Affairs, the House Committee on Agriculture, and the House Budget Committee. He also chairs the Economic Opportunity, a subcommittee of the House Committee on Veteran's Affairs.

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Martha Covarrubias, 72, died Friday. Funeral mass was at 11 a.m. this morning at Holy Trinity Catholic Church with burial at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

Sharon Wallace, 73, died Saturday. The funeral service will be at 2:30 p.m. today at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Trinity Memorial Park.

Barbara Zachry "MEMA" Pierce, 76, died Thursday. Memorial service will be at 2 p.m. Thursday at Myers & Smith Chapel.

John W. "Pinkie" Breyman, 59, died March 23, 2017. Memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Friday at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

John Hilger, 46, died February 24, 2017. Memorial service will be held at 7 p.m. Saturday at Myers & Smith Chapel.

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regardless we want to make sure it's a fair rate for residents."

The motion was approved to postpone the rate increase for 90 days and negotiation is expected to be settled later this year.

In addition, the city council approved several bids for purchasing new vehicles for the county which included a backhoe for the airport, a water truck and farm tractor for the landfill, and a sanitation

dumpster delivery truck. The total cost of the new equipment that was approved was approximately \$525,000.

In other news at the meeting, Union Pacific Foundation awarded a grant for \$15,000 to go to the spring project renovations at Comanche Trail Park. This is the second year the city applied for the grant and received it both years.

"We appreciate Union Pacific for this and I'm sure it can be put to good use on the spring project, and I'm sure there will be more to come in this direction," said Big Spring Mayor Larry McLellan.

Also discussed at the meeting was a mo-

tion to increase the amount of space required for each head of livestock within city limits for the health, safety, and welfare of residents. The motion was approved and will take effect upon the second approval of the motion at the next meeting.

Other topics covered in the meeting:

- A plot of land was donated to the city from the Templo Belen Church. The land was 20 lots and was located just north of the N. Algerita and N. Lockhart blocks.
- A presentation of the annual financial report for the year, which was also approved.

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self-sustaining, but in reality that is not usually the case with local tax payers picking up the extra costs, Big Spring ISD Superintendent Chris Wigington said following last trustee meeting held in March. The issue has caused anxiety

among the district food service staff who were present at that meeting to voice their concern.

Trustees will meet at 5:15 p.m. in the Big Spring High School board room, 707 11th Place.

In other business, trustees will hold a public hearing to discuss allowing students who attend the high school acceler-

ated program at the Anderson campus to have a more flexible schedule. The program has a computer based, self-paced curriculum verses a regular classroom setting and is aimed to help students who are behind on their credits to graduate.

According to George Bancroft, community relations coordinator, the district believes

the flexible schedule will reach more students.

Also listed on the agenda:

- A public hearing over the Big Spring Intermediate School turnaround plan to improve academic performance.
- Consider approval of the Howard County Tax Collection budget for 2017-2018.

CHESS

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for one its largest musical productions in years, Wills also took a moment to remember a major patron of the program — Marie Hall — who died April 5. Among her many contributions to Howard College, she was the major financial contributor to construction of the Hall Center for the Arts.

"We can not do a better to honor her and the rich legacy she provided Howard College and Big Spring than to dedicate the production to her," Wills said. "We have been working with outside sound tech, lighting techs, and have develop a connection with Midland community theater.

These people have helped us ensure we are using as many resources as possible to make a great show which she so generously bestowed.

"Every person has commented on the efficient and solid structure of the Hall Center for the Arts, It ensures many disciplines in the fine arts can display their work, and even work together," he continued. "So thank you, Ms. Hall."

"Chess" is set in Cold War era. The plot of musical revolves around a chess tournament between an American grandmaster and a Soviet grandmaster. The two men also fight for the affection of the same woman.

"It happens that the musical concerns United States/Russian relations in the 1980s — ironically very relevant," Wills

said.

The music for "Chess" was composed by Benny Andersson and Björn Ulvaeus of the popular 1970s rock group ABBA. Lyrics are by Tim Rice.

Proceeds from the three-day production will go toward funding future Howard College fine arts events.

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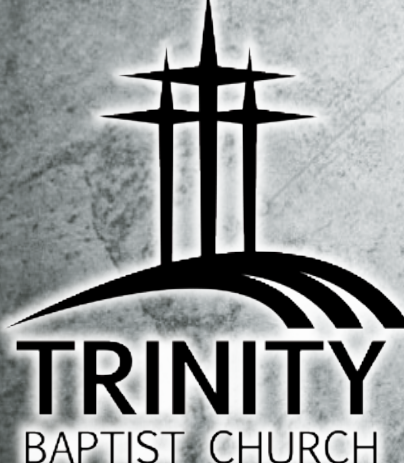
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Check this out at the Howard County Library

This week I will start with the western books. In "The Western Double" by Max Brand (LP W BRA M), Samuel Cross was raised with a book always in his hands by his widowed mother. His uncle wanted him to be strong and able to fend for himself so he taught Sam how to fight and use a weapon. Sam proved to be as adept at these subjects as he had been at book learning. When Sam was eighteen, he took a job working for a trader as a well-paid clerk and watchdog of the business. When the district marshal confronts Sam about his notoriety and reputa-

tion as a safety killer, Sam decides to leave and learn how to live right. Sam's strength and skill with a gun make him both friends and enemies. One night he is saved from a fatal stabbing by Charles Granville. Recognizing a startling resemblance between himself and Sam, Granville proposes that Sam repay him by taking part in a daring deceit of posing as Granville when requested. Feeling indebted, Sam agrees but wonders if he can pull off the masquerade and fool Granville's family and friends.

"Longriding Lawman" by Peter Dawson (LP W DAW P) is a Western Sextet that includes:

"Back-Trail Bondage" about ex-convict Red Sutrow who is not legally allowed to carry a gun until the day two hardcases are shooting up the saloon and the sheriff hands him his

gun. "Death Ride Out of Yuma" is the story of Trent Stone, an older man released from prison who hopes he can prove he was framed and change his son's mind about him.

In "A Badge for a Tinhorn," Clay Whitehead is known for his quickness with a gun. A U.S. Marshal finally convinces Clay to carry a badge and get to the bottom of a murder.

"Even Money He Dies at Noon!" is the way a wager is going against small rancher Bill Nichols when he rides into town and into an ambush set by Guy Mooney, owner of the Slash M.

"Bullets Are My Destiny" is about rancher Steve Ash, whose partner is murdered. Steve knows who committed the crime and devises a strategy to catch him without firing a shot.

In "Longriding Lawman," outlaw Blaze Hef-

flin recognized Sheriff John Branch as a man wanted on an open warrant from twenty years before and tries to use the fact to blackmail the sheriff.

In "Ride the Wild Country," by Cliff Farrell (LP W FAR C), the records of the United States Army state that Webb Jernegan was a murderer and a fugitive. He had been court-martialed for the murder of his commanding officer, Captain Sidney Raines and was convicted and sentenced to hang. His brother Terry was sentenced to twenty years

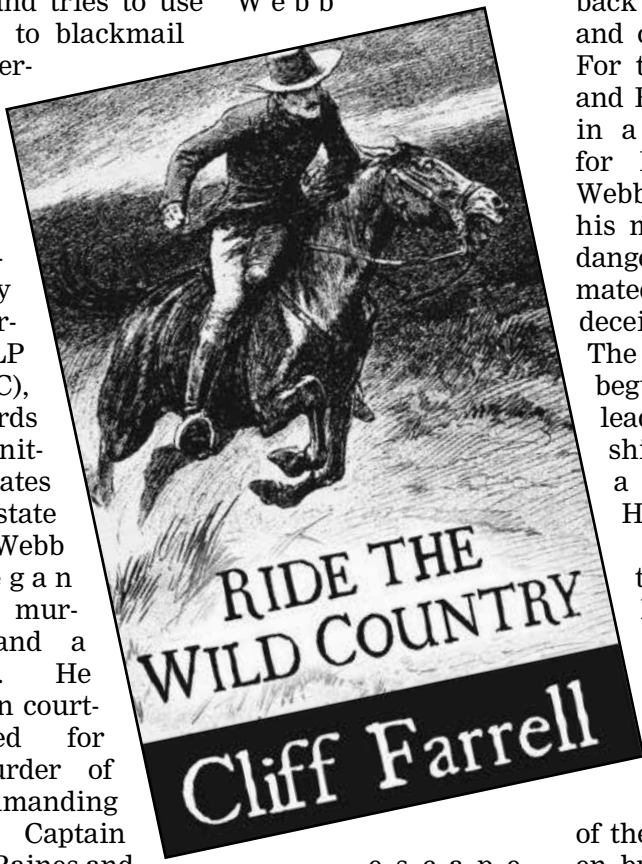
in prison as his accomplice. Elias Barnes, his good friend and former sergeant, helped Webb

still alive, Webb figured out the only way to get Terry out was to find Raines and bring him back to face his crimes and clear their names. For three years, Webb and Eli evaded capture in a desperate search for Raines. Finally Webb caught up with his man, but they had dangerously underestimated the treacherous deceit of their quarry. The chase had only begun, and it would lead them through a shipwreck and down a desert trail called Hell's Highway.

In "Summer of the Gun" by Will Henry (LP W HEN W), a pack of Confederate renegade came thundering in looking for captives. They made easy prey

of the McCalister women, but they hadn't reckoned on Bubba McCalister, the thirteen

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escape. Twice they tried to get Terry out and failed. Believing Raines had set them up and was

Roger's Retro Reviews: The African Queen

Until this past Sunday night, I was unaware that World War I involved Africa at all. Then I watched 1951's "The African Queen," based on the C.S. Forester novel of the same name, for this Retro Review. Yes, I suppose there's a reason they called it a "World" War.

"The African Queen" opens in the small native East African town of Kungdu, where Rose Sayer (Katherine Hepburn) and her brother Samuel (Robert Morley) run a Methodist mission. During a church service, the small, rusty mail



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and begin a relationship.

That's enough spoilers – well, okay, here's one more. We later find out that Allnut's first name is Charlie.

"The African Queen" was a fun movie to watch. The highlight of the film is the evolution of the relationship between Allnut and Rose, starting with detachment, dipping a bit into annoyance and loathing, and winding up in an unlikely love. The two have a strange but not unpleasant chemistry.

Visually, the movie focuses on the scenery and wildlife of the African jungle. On their voyage, Rose and Charlie encounter crocodiles, hippos, giraffes, elephants, baboons, and lions. The vistas are decidedly not panoramic; the aspect ratio of

pair do in the movie. She refuses to let him sink into an alcoholic stupor, pouring out his copious stores of gin as he lays passed out after a bender. She formulates the entire plan to blow up the Luisa, and browbeats and cajoles Allnut not just into going along with it, but into participating

as a full partner. While feminists may be annoyed with scenes such as Rose cowering under a blanket when the boat is swarmed with biting flies, while Allnut braves the swarm to push the boat away from the shore, these scenes simply humanize her and grant Allnut

a modicum of dignity to match with

Rose's unconquerable spirit.

I found myself cheering the couple's progress down the Ulanga and eagerly anticipating what lay beyond every bend of the river. I bet you will too. Nine stars out of 10.

The African Queen

Director: John Huston
Writer: Novel by C.S. Forester, adapted for the screen by James Agee and John Huston.

Production company: Horizon Pictures, Romulus Films Inc.

PG, 1 hr. 45 min., Adventure/Drama/Romance, Dec. 26, 1951

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and supply boat that serves their mission, the African Queen, shows up. The boat is captained by a the rough but friendly "Mr. Allnut" (Humphrey Bogart) and crewed by natives. During his visit, Allnut warns the Sayers that world war has broken out, and that the Germans are causing trouble in their region. He leaves, and sure enough, German soldiers show up and burn the village. When he tries to protest, a German officer beats Samuel. Samuel, weak and dispirited, contracts fever and soon dies. Allnut returns and after helping her bury Samuel, the two head down the river on the African Queen. After traveling a short way, Allnut stops the boat and explains the situation to Rose. They are surrounded by Germans. They can't escape, and British forces can't help matters because the German ship called the Luisa is blockading a lake the British must cross to get to the area, so he proposes holing up right where they are, and living off the extensive stores on the boat until the war ends. Rose has other ideas. She proposes traveling down the Ulanga River to the lake, building a makeshift torpedo with explosives and oxygen tanks the African Queen has on board, and blowing up the Luisa. Although Allnut points out that her idea is impossible and suicidal – that the Ulanga is guarded by a German fort and plagued with several stretches of rapids – she browbeats him into heading in that direction. As the two improbably overcome obstacle after obstacle, they fall in love

this movie is quite narrow by today's standards, but the natural beauty of the area comes across.

The action of the movie moves along at a reasonable clip, but it does pause for a moment here and there to let the audience catch its breath.

One word of warning: This is not a modern film. Portrayals of African natives are perhaps not the most culturally sensitive.

"The African Queen" lacks nothing on the feminist front, however. Although Samuel is casually dismissive of Rose's value as a human being, she absolutely flowers in her relationship with Allnut. She is the driving impetus of everything the

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Judge again finds discrimination in Texas' voter ID law



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In this Feb. 26, 2014, file photo, an election official checks a voter's photo identification at an early voting polling site in Austin, Texas. A judge has ruled for a second time that Texas' strict voter ID law was intentionally crafted to discriminate against minorities.

By **PAUL J. WEBER**

Associated Press
AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — A judge Monday again ruled that Republican lawmakers deliberately designed a strict voter ID law to disadvantage minorities and effectively dampen their growing electoral power.

It amounted to the second finding of intentional discrimination in Texas election laws in as many months — a separate court in March ruled that Republicans racially gerrymandered several congressional districts when drawing voting maps in 2011, the same

year the voter ID rules were passed.

Neither ruling has any immediate impact. But the decisions are significant because it raises the possibility of Texas being stripped of the right to unilaterally change its election laws without federal approval. Forcing Texas to once again seek federal permission — known as "preclearance" — has been a goal of Democrats and minority rights groups since the U.S. Supreme Court struck down the requirement in 2013.

The latest voter ID ruling by U.S. District Judge Nelva Gonzales Ramos of Corpus Chris-

ti comes more than two years after she likened the ballot-box rules in Texas, known as SB 14, to a "poll tax" meant to suppress minority voters. On Monday, she

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reaffirmed that conclusion after an appeals court asked her to go back and re-examine her findings.

The Texas law requires voters to show one of seven forms of identification at the ballot box. That list includes concealed handgun licenses — but not college student IDs — and Texas was forced under court order last year to weaken the law

for the November elections.

"Proponents touted SB 14 as a remedy for voter fraud, consistent with efforts of other states. As previously demonstrated, the evidence shows a tenuous relationship between those rationales and the actual terms of the bill," Gonzales Ramos wrote.

The state could once again appeal, which is what one of the top deputies of Republican Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton appeared to suggest would happen while testifying to lawmakers just as

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-year-old feisty boy who set out to save his mother and sister. Mounted on a brave old horse, armed with luck, guts, and a rusty Walker Colt nearly half his size, the boy could do plenty of equalizing.

"Wind River" by Les Savage, Jr. (LP W SAV L) is a Western Duo that includes:

"The No-Gun Marshal" where City Marshal Lee Britt is back on the job after having been wounded in the right hand by Ron Dary in an ambush. Britt had a reputation with that gun hand, but now the hand is useless. Any future confrontation with Dary will have to be without a gun.

In "Wind River," Frank Ives is pursued by Jack Border, who believes his brother was lynched because of an editorial Ives wrote. Ives intends to work as a cowboy, hiring on with Tom Russell who owns the Anchor brand. Unfortunately Ives puts himself right in the middle of a feud between Anchor and the Thaynes. With the death of Pe-

ter Thayne, the feud has become deadly. Ives has been avoiding guns, but now he may have to change his mind. Trying to run again is an option, but one that is hindered by Sabina Thayne, who stops him cold, holding a rifle on him.

"The Horse Thieves" by Giles Tippet (LP W TIP G) is a Warner Grayson Novel.

A gang of Mexican bandits robbed Warner Grayson and left him to die.

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After a few

days of rest and recovery, Warner was ready to seek revenge on the bandits who had not only tortured him, but had also killed his partner.

With his quest for vengeance came Laura Pico, the fiery, beautiful rancher made a widow by the same bandits, with her own bloody score to settle.

That will be all for this week so I leave you with a quote from Mortimer J. Adler: "Reading is a basic tool in the living of a good life."

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Texas House OKs online tracking system for sex offense cases

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The Texas House has preliminarily approved a bill creating a statewide electronic tracking system for forensic evidence collected in sex offense cases.

The chamber used a voice vote Tuesday to pass Austin Democratic Rep. Donna Howard's proposal, which would create an online system making cases easier to follow once physical evidence has been collected. It's expected to cost about \$1.5 million during Texas' 2018-2019 budget cycle.

Howard says a sizeable rape kit testing backlog has made it difficult for victims to track their cases. She said the idea for the bill came from an assault victim who told of being frustrated with the lack of information about the progress of her case after evidence was collected. A final vote, likely coming Wednesday, will send Howard's bill to the state Senate.

Texas attorney general's criminal trial moved to Houston

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — A judge has moved the criminal trial of Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton to Houston after uprooting the case from the Republican's hometown.

State District Judge George Gallagher made the decision Tuesday after special prosecutors argued they couldn't get a fair trial in the conservative Dallas suburb of McKinney, where Paxton lives. Paxton was indicted in 2015 on felony securities fraud charges over allegations he duped investors in a tech startup.

His trial was originally scheduled for May before the judge granted a venue change. A new trial date hasn't been set.

Gallagher says he chose Harris County because it can accommodate the trial and because attorneys on both sides are based in Houston. Paxton has pleaded not guilty. If convicted, he faces 5 to 99 years in prison.

Texas bill lets officials deny issuing gay marriage licenses

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The Texas Senate has preliminarily approved a hotly debated bill allowing county judges and other officials to refuse to issue marriage licenses for same-sex couple because of personal religious objections.

Sen. Brian Birdwell's proposal passed 21-10 on Tuesday but only applies in when other officials without objections can step in and issue marriage documents.

If the substituting official is located outside the county where the marriage license is being sought, documents could be sent electronically.

Texas Democrats and progressive groups say the bill sanctions discrimination and violates the U.S. Supreme Court's 2015 legalization of gay marriage.

Birdwell, a Granbury Republican, counters that he's protecting the religious liberties of county clerks, justices of the peace and others. He says, "If we don't do this, we are discriminating against people of faith."

Texas: 1 person, vehicle missing in Fort Hood flooding

FORT HOOD, Texas (AP) — Emergency officials are searching for a driver whose private vehicle was swept into a flooded creek at Fort Hood after storms dumped up to 8 inches of rain in Central Texas.

Post spokesman Chris Haug had no immediate details on the person missing Tuesday in Clear Creek. Fort Hood officials closed all low-water crossings amid the heavy rain.

The National Weather Service on Tuesday issued a flash flood warning for Coryell and Bell counties, following reports of up to 8 inches of rain since Monday in the area. Haug says three other people, including at least one soldier, escaped their respective vehicles Monday night after being caught in high water on

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Police: San Bernardino school shooter threatened his wife

By **CHRISTOPHER WEBER**
and **MICHAEL BALSAMO**

Associated Press

SAN BERNARDINO, Calif. (AP) — The man who fatally shot his estranged wife and a student in her San Bernardino elementary school classroom before killing himself had threatened her when she moved out of their house, authorities said Tuesday. Karen Smith told those closest to her that she didn't necessarily take the threats from her new husband seriously but thought Cedric Anderson was reaching out for attention, Police Chief Jarrod Burguan told reporters. "It appears that he had been making efforts to contact her and to have her come back home and she was resistant to that," Burguan said. "And I don't know if that just reached a boiling point, or what that was. Nor do we know exactly why he chose to do this at the school."

Anderson, 53, walked into the special-education classroom Monday and opened fire with a .357 Magnum, targeting his wife but also hitting two of her students. One boy died and another is in stable condition. He then turned the gun on himself.

The couple had married in January and separated in mid-March, with Smith leaving to stay with family, Burguan said. Anderson had accused her of infidelity, but police said they had not confirmed anything. "Those closest to her said that she had mentioned that his behavior was odd, and that she was concerned about his behavior, and that he had made some threats toward her," the police chief said. "He did not make a specific threat to shoot her."

Investigators found a note that made reference to the relationship, feeling dishonored and "moving forward with no regrets," Burguan said. But outside the context of the shooting, nothing about the note would have been alarming, he said.

Some six weeks earlier, Anderson was a newlywed calling his wife an "angel" in one of many social media posts professing his love. What ap-

pears to be Anderson's Facebook page features the declarations amid statements of religious devotion before his last public post on March 15.

"She knows when to ignore me," Anderson said with a laugh in a video posted Feb. 27. "Well, it makes a happy marriage."

Anderson had posted that he "loved being married to Karen Smith-Anderson!" and shared a photo of the two of them on March 4 during what he called a date night.

Smith's mother, Irma Sykes, said her daughter had been friends with Anderson for about four years before they got married.

"She thought she had a wonderful husband, but she found out he was not wonderful at all," Sykes told the Los Angeles Times.

"He had other motives," Sykes said. "She left him and that's where the trouble began. She broke up with him and he came out with a different personality. She decided she needed to leave him."

She did not elaborate further. Sykes said her daughter was a dedicated teacher who took up the profession about 10 years ago after her four children grew up. The shooting at North Park Elementary came 15 months after a terror attack in San Bernardino that killed 14 people and wounded 22 others at a meeting of county employees. Husband-and-wife shooters Syed Rizwan Farook and Tashfeen Malik were later killed in a gunbattle with authorities.



AP photo
Betty Rodriguez, right, comforts her granddaughter Giselle during a prayer service held to honor the shooting victims at North Park Elementary School, Monday, April 10, 2017, in San Bernardino, Calif. A man walked into his estranged wife's elementary school classroom in San Bernardino and opened fire on Monday.

School district officials said classes would resume Monday. School staffers knew Anderson, who followed the proper protocol and got into the school through the front office by saying he had to drop something off for Smith, officials said.

Marissa Perez, 9, said she got under a table as soon as she saw the gunman enter her classroom.

"She keeps telling me, 'My teacher got shot, my friend got shot,'" her mother, Elizabeth Barajas, said as she clutched her daughter's blood-stained sweatshirt.

Marissa said the shooter didn't speak as he began shooting. One of

her friends was hit, she added, pointing to her abdomen.

Jonathan Martinez, 8, died after being airlifted to a hospital. A 9-year-old boy, whose name was not released, also was wounded but was in "good spirits," the police chief said.

After hundreds of students were evacuated from the school, panicked parents had to wait hours before reuniting with their children.

Holly Penalber, whose 9-year-old son and 7-year-old daughter attend the school, called it "every parent's worst nightmare." She said the long wait was "frustrating but also understandable."

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the ruling came down. Brantley Starr, a deputy first assistant attorney general, acknowledged that Texas could be dragged back under preclearance but noted there was little precedent.

"It's possible. It's our belief that you'd have to have multiple instances of discriminatory purpose," he said.

Later Monday, Paxton spokesman Marc Rylander remarked, "We're disappointed and will seek review of this ruling at the appropriate time."

The Texas law was softened in August to allow people without a driver's license or

other photo ID to sign an affidavit declaring that they have an impediment to obtaining required identification. Republican lawmakers, who have denied they adopted voting laws in 2011 with discriminatory purpose, are now trying to make that flexibility permanent under legislation that Gov. Greg Abbott could sign later this year.

Texas election officials, however, have acknowledged that hundreds of people were allowed to bypass the state's toughest-in-the-nation voter ID law and improperly cast ballots in the November presidential election by signing a sworn statement instead of showing a photo ID. A recent Associated Press analysis

of roughly 13,500 affidavits submitted in Texas' largest counties found at least 500 instances in which voters were allowed to get around the law by signing an affidavit and never showing a photo ID — despite indicating that they possessed one.

In February, President Donald Trump's administration reversed the federal government's position on the Texas voter ID law, announcing that it would no longer continue challenging the rules as the U.S. Justice Department did under President Barack Obama.

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Bulldogettes clinch playoff berth with win over Jim Ned



Pictured above is the Coahoma Bulldogette softball team after their victory against the Jim Ned Indians on Tuesday, April 11.

Courtesy photo

By **MARISSA LOFTIN**

Sports Editor

The Coahoma softball team knew going into their district matchup with Jim Ned on Tuesday that the loser of the game would not get a spot in the playoffs, so the girls fought until the very end and brought home an 8-4 victory over the Lady Indians to

secure their spot.

After a scoreless first inning, the Bulldogettes snagged an early lead with a score by Madison Daniels on a wild pitch to bring them up 1-0 in the top of the first.

The Lady Indians immediately responded with an inside-the-park solo home run by Malone Graham to tie

up the game. In the top of the fourth inning, Coahoma drove in four runs thanks to a sacrifice bunt by Sydney Rinard that brought Makayla Overton in for a score, an RBI double by Lexie Montelongo, and a score by Breanna Grant on a ground out play.

To keep them in the game, the Lady Indians came right back at Coahoma with four runs of their own with an RBI single by Graham in the fourth, and an RBI single and score on an error in the fifth, both by Libby Tutt.

The game was tied at four with the Bulldogettes at the plate when Jim Ned pitcher Jenna Moore uncorked a wild pitch that allowed Chloe Starr to score. This gave Coahoma some momentum as it was then followed with an RBI single by Annie Chandler and a 2RBI single by Montelongo.

This brought the score to 8-4, and

with no answer from the Lady Indians, the Bulldogettes brought home the win and clinched their spot in the playoffs.

"We played great tonight. Coming off of that tough loss last Friday, we worked on some different things and practiced a different approach offensively. It took a little bit of adjusting, but it really worked out well for the girls," said head softball coach Alex Orosco. "We put that loss behind us and focused on what was on the line today. The girls knew what they had to do and they went out there, fought hard and earned it. It was a night of solid softball."

Cassie Grant started the game for Coahoma, as she threw for four and one third innings, surrendered four runs on six hits, and struck out four.

Daniels displayed a strong performance on the mound as she earned the win for the Bulldogettes. She pitched for two and two thirds innings, surrendered zero runs, zero hits, walked none, and sat six.

Coahoma collected a total of 15 hits for the game. Overton, Daniels, Chandler, and Reagan Deel each collected multiple hits for the team, but it was Montelongo who led the way to victory as she went 4-5 at the plate with three runs batted in.

Up next, the Bulldogettes will host Merkel in a district matchup on Thursday, April 13 at 4:30 p.m.

Jim Ned beats Bulldogs 12-2

By **MARISSA LOFTIN**

Sports Editor

The Coahoma varsity baseball team made their way to Tuscola, Texas on Tuesday to take on the Indians of Jim Ned High School and came up short in a 12-2, six inning defeat.

The Indians managed to drive in seven runs all while holding the Bulldogs scoreless for the first three innings of the game.

With RBI doubles by Garrett Frazier and John Thormeyer in the first, an RBI triple by Chance Johnson, RBI singles by Frazier, Dylan Martin, and Thormeyer, and a steal of home by Tim Comparetto in the second, Jim Ned put themselves up 7-0 over Coahoma.

Zach Colhoma was able to drive Braden Pearson across the plate when he grounded out to Indians pitcher Will Atkins in the top of the fourth to score the Bulldogs' first run of the game.

Jim Ned came right back and added another four runs to their lead to put the game away, which came from an RBI triple and a score on a wild pitch, both by Frazier, followed with a score by Thormeyer on a ground out play and a score by Atkins on an error.

With the score at an 11-1 Indian lead heading into the fifth, Logan Franklin managed to put up one more run for the Bulldogs when they scored on a wild pitch, but it would follow with the third out to retire the inning.

All the Indians needed at this point was to score one more run in the following inning to put the game away by run-rule, and with a wild pitch by Coahoma, Thormeyer was brought in for the game-ending score.

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Lady Buffs win 5-2 against Borden County



Photo by Jodi Mims

The Lady Buffs softball team celebrates at the plate after Ashlea Hardin's solo home run in the fifth inning of Tuesday's game vs. Borden County.

By **MARISSA LOFTIN**

Sports Editor

The Forsan varsity softball team brought home a 5-2 victory in their home district matchup with Borden County on Tuesday. The game started out back and

forth with three lead changes in the first four innings of the game. It began with the Lady Coyotes, as they grabbed an early lead in the first inning with a score by Harley Merrill on a steal of home.

In the bottom of the second, the

Lady Buffs tied up the game when Destiny Mata stepped on a fly ball to shortstop, driving Lexie Gee across the plate for a score.

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Hawks fall 9-7 despite out-hitting Western Texas College



Tony Claxton (www.claxtonphotography.com)

Howard College catcher Nick Colavecchi catches a strike during the Hawks' mid-week game with Western Texas on Tuesday, April 11, 2017. Howard lost the nine inning game 11-9.

By **MARISSA LOFTIN**

Sports Editor

The Howard College baseball team hosted Western Texas College in a non-conference game Tuesday. While they out-performed the Westerners at the plate, the Hawks still went on to lose in a 9-7 defeat.

The Westerners grabbed an early 1-0 lead in the first inning with a score on an error by Hawks pitcher Riley Richert.

After a scoreless second and third, Tate Ellison of the Hawks knocked out an RBI home run in the fourth inning to give Howard College a 2-1 lead over WTC.

The Westerners answered back in the following inning with five runs of their own, which came from an RBI single by Philip Sanchez, a score by Andrew Holsey on a sacrifice fly from Luke Cullum, followed by a 2RBI triple and a score on an error, both by Nick Contreras.

With the score at a 6-2 WTC lead heading into the bottom of the fifth inning, Howard College managed to bring themselves within one run

when Connor Kroutil was brought across the plate on Mason Peterson's ground out, followed by RBI singles by Tommy Sepulveda and Kroutil in the sixth.

WTC kept fighting to keep the lead and drove in another two runs in the seventh inning with scores from Cullum on a ground out and Contreras on a wild pitch.

Nick Colavecchi responded when he knocked out a single to left field, driving in Peterson for a score and keeping them within two runs of the Westerners.

Keeping the game at a back-and-forth pace, Contreras hit an RBI single that brought their lead over the Hawks at 9-3 in the eighth inning. Both teams then went on to hold each other scoreless at their next at bats, leaving the Hawks only one more shot at stringing together a come back to try and win the game.

In the bottom of the ninth, Colavecchi brought in another run with a single out to left field, but it was then

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#9350 March 12 & 13, 2017

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The City of Big Spring Zoning Board of Adjustments and Appeals will hold a meeting on Wednesday, April 26, 2017 at 5:30 pm in the City Council Chambers, located at 307 E. 4th Street Big Spring, Texas to consider the following:

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ARIES (March 21-April 19). Labels help us to get organized and make sense of our world. But labels never completely define anything, especially not a person. Today's cosmic question: Are you over-identifying with a label?

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). The pulsing movement of life is like a rushing river today and you really can't help but go with the flow. If you happen not to like where the

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GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You don't want the award because it's an honor; you want it because you want it because doing what it takes to get there and then knowing that it's where you deserve to be is a fulfilling consciousness to live inside.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Someone you want to emulate is coming into the picture, and this person may possibly mentor you. Be ready, on the lookout and doing your best to communicate where you are and where you want to go.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Sociability and joy are predicted for the day. People who make you happy are close at hand. You have all you need to do your work and be effective. Life is good.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). An issue is ready to be addressed and resolved so that you can move on. For this reason, you may feel a push at your back, perhaps jarring, but also what's needed to get this going.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). The high quality you bring to your work isn't an accident. You make this happen with your intention for excellence and your commitment to finding the most

intelligent direction. **SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).** You'll say no a good amount of times today. This is the only way to stay focused, protect what you have and keep on track with what you're doing. Of course, "no" doesn't necessarily mean "never."

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). The others find it hard to notice what's right before their eyes. You, not so much. You see it: the smallness of it, the depth, what it really means. Point out what you see. They might not get it today, but someday they will.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). There's something a little bizarre about this "normal" situation. Indications are that the game may be rigged. Don't try to win. Don't try to understand. Just try your best.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You have a way about you that people like very much. They feel that you get them. They feel more awake around you, and yet they also feel they've fallen under your spell.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). The "What if?" chain is likely to visit your thoughts today, and without a happy agenda. Combat it with its mortal enemy: "So what?" With this simple retort, you can

deflect anxiety. **TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (April 12).** It's your year to take a position you once envied and decide if it's all you thought it would be. Over the next 10 weeks you provide excellent services and therefore make bank. You'll reconsider past ways of spending and make a new plan in June. A big celebration comes in August. A change of location is featured, too. Capricorn and Aquarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 8, 20, 30, 21 and 11.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTION: "My friend started calling me 'the one-upper.'" At first I laughed, but inside I was really offended. Now I've let her get away with this name and it's starting to stick. I think it's cruel. I've been told before that my personality is a little strong. But should I really have to tone down the things I want to talk about just because they might make other people feel insecure? I'm thinking about dropping her. Maybe she's just too jealous of me to be a true friend. What should I do? I'm a Gemini, and she's a Libra."

Because you're both air signs, there are many points of connection between you and your friend. Your conversations

are lively and intelligent, offering real insight and fun. It would be a shame to throw this away because of one incident. While you shouldn't feel you have to downplay your fabulous life, it is important that you give your Libra the moment when it's her turn to shine. Born as an astrological twin, you are naturally competitive, while it's in Libra's nature not to compete but to balance and support. Ask your friend to drop the nickname, and in the future, try to share the conversational glory more equitably.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: As a talk show host, David Letterman created his own brand of funny -- involving top 10 lists, stupid pet tricks and what might have been a world record for broken imaginary windows. Aries are driven not only to succeed but also to blaze a trail in the process. Letterman has his natal sun and Mars in strong-willed Aries, and an earthy Capricorn moon to balance his fire energy with grounded good sense.

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Annie's Mailbox

The Single Game

Dear Annie: I'm 25 years old, and I got out of a long-term relationship almost a year ago. Being thrust back into the world of singles was a difficult adjustment, and I'm still a little uneasy when it comes

to dating. There seem to be a few schools of thought when it comes to dating advice for women. The one that most resonates with me -- because I've seen it ring true in the past year and because the women (and men) who've told me this are intelligent, mature adults -- is that if a man wants to see you, he will see you; and if he doesn't make plans, he's just not that into you. Doesn't matter if he's on a business trip across the country, busy with work or doing anything else. He will make it happen.

According to this

logic, it would make sense to not make the first move and initiate conversation with a guy. That way, I'd know how into me he is. I'm a no-drama woman. Shyness is one thing, but I don't want to have to play games -- play hard to get or whatever -- after I meet someone to "test" his affections. What advice do you have for millennials in the dating world? Are there any deal breakers when it comes to communication or behavior on dates? -- How to Be Single

Dear Single:

There's no single rule, except to follow what-

ever guidance most resonates with you -- and to never call multiple times in a row or send an avalanche of text messages. That said, if you like a guy and you want to ask him out or simply follow up after a date, why not? You're no doubt thinking about it anyway. If he's interested, great. If not, you will know and can resume kissing toads in search of your prince.

Dear Annie: I just read the letter from "Frustrated." Let me get this straight: This wife is upset because her husband spends one afternoon a week going grocery shopping for his mother? What about the six days a week he spends with his wife? Either there is more to the story or she is very self-centered.

She suggested wanting to put her mother-in-law in a nursing home. Nursing homes are for people who absolutely cannot take care of themselves and have serious medical issues that require round-the-clock care. There are independent and assisted living homes, where she could be around people her own age.

As for this mother-in-law's not liking to be

around her grandchildren and great-grandchildren, people in their 80s often do not like to be around children because of the noise and energy levels. It does not mean they don't love their grandchildren or great-grandchildren. It just means they do not have the tolerance for kids that they did in younger years.

A very good friend of mine -- I called him my surrogate dad -- used to tell me, "You don't know what it's like to be this age until you are this age." He died at the age of 96, and I have so many beautiful memories of spending time with him and my mom until she died at the age of 95. -- Susan

Dear Susan: I appreciate your sharing. Our elders are capable of teaching us so much. If only we'd listen sooner!

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Faith, hope and charity

South dealer. East-West vulnerable.
NORTH
 ♠ K J
 ♥ 7 2
 ♦ Q J 10 8 4
 ♣ K 6 5 3
WEST
 ♠ 10 8 5 3
 ♥ 10 9 8 4
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EAST
 ♠ 9 7 4 2
 ♥ A 6 3
 ♦ A 9
 ♣ A Q 10 7
SOUTH
 ♠ A Q 6
 ♥ K Q J 5
 ♦ K 7 5 2
 ♣ J 9

The bidding:
 South West North East
 1 NT Pass 3 NT
 Opening lead — ten of hearts.
 Many plays in bridge are based more on hope than on certainty of success. That is the nature of the game, whether you're declarer or a defender.
 Consider this deal where South got to three notrump as shown. West led the ten of hearts, and when dummy came down, it was easy for East to conclude that his partner's hand was worthless. East could see 10 points in dummy and 14 in his own hand, so South had to have virtually all of the missing points to account for his opening notrump bid.
 It was therefore up to East to try

to defeat the contract on his own, since he could not count on his partner to contribute anything to the defense. Passive defense — winning the heart with the ace and returning a heart — obviously wouldn't do the job, since declarer would immediately drive out the ace of diamonds and score at least nine tricks, depending on how many spades and hearts he had.

So East adopted the only method of defense that offered a chance to sink the contract: He took the heart ace at trick one and returned the club queen at trick two!
 This combination of plays had the desired effect. Since South had precisely what East was hoping for — the doubleton jack of clubs — declarer now had no way to acquire nine tricks before East could score five. After taking the club king, South led a low diamond from dummy, whereupon East rose with the ace and cashed three club tricks to put the contract down one.

East could have achieved the same result by cashing the club ace at trick two and returning the queen at trick three, which is essentially the same play. But note that if East had chosen to bide his time by ducking the ten-of-hearts lead, or had taken the ace and returned a heart, South would have made at least nine tricks regardless of how East later chose to defend.

Tomorrow: A problem solved.
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Fill in the grid so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 through 9 with no repeats. That means no number is repeated in any row, column or box. Solution, tips and computer program at www.sudoku.com

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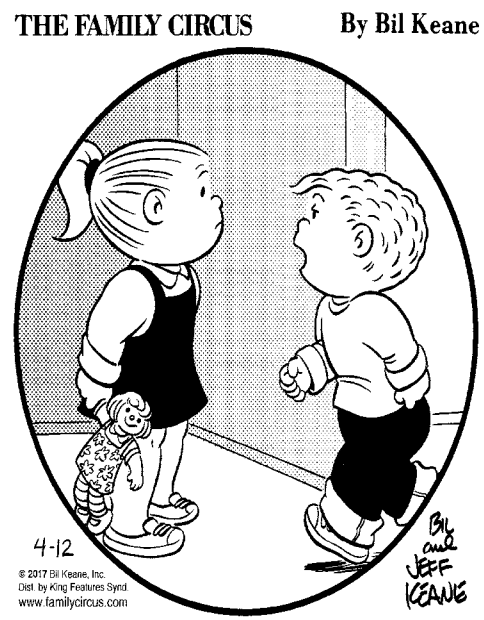
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DENNIS THE MENACE



"HE CAN PROGRAM THE DVR, BUT HE DOESN'T KNOW HOW TO TIE HIS SHOES?"

THE FAMILY CIRCUS

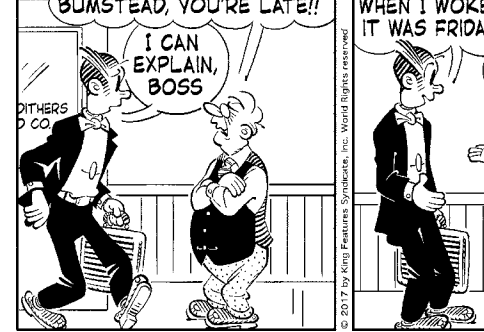


"Grandma said I was growing like a weed. Is that good or bad?"

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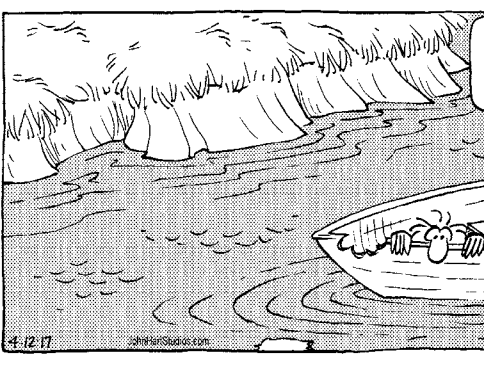
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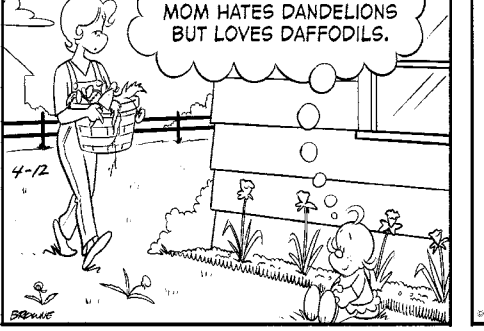
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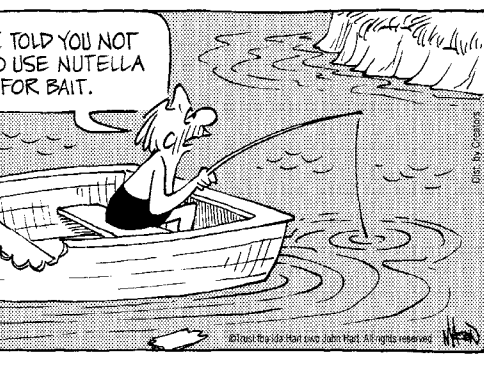
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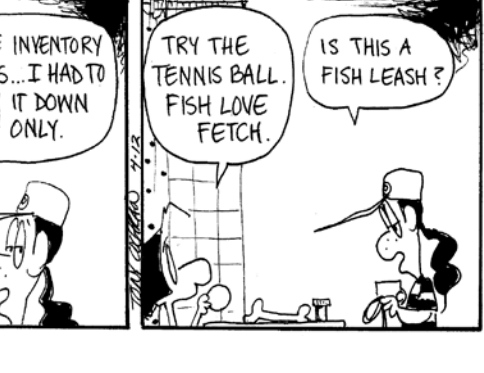
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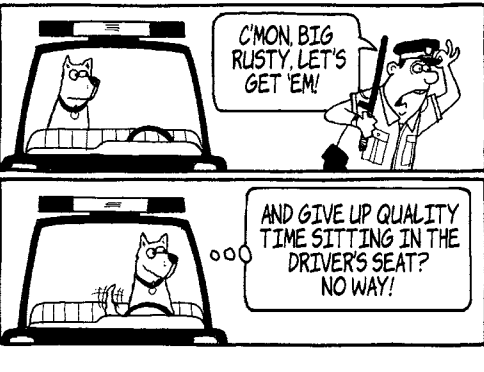
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YOU DO THAT AND I'LL ZAP YOU WITH A STUN GUN!



THEN I'D HAVE TO SAY YOU WERE STUNNING



This Date In History

Today is Wednesday, April 12, the 102nd day of 2017. There are 263 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On April 12, 1945, President Franklin D. Roosevelt died of a cerebral hemorrhage in Warm Springs, Georgia, at age 63; he was succeeded by Vice President Harry S. Truman.

On this date: In 1606, England's King James I decreed the design of the original Union Flag, which combined the flags of England and Scotland.

In 1776, North Carolina's Fourth Provincial Congress authorized the colony's delegates to the Continental Congress to support independence from Britain.

In 1861, the American Civil War began as Confederate forces opened fire on Fort Sumter in South Carolina.

In 1934, "Tender Is the Night," by F. Scott Fitzgerald, was first published in book form after being serialized in Scribner's Magazine.

In 1955, the Salk vaccine against polio was declared safe and effective.

In 1961, Soviet cosmonaut Yuri Gagarin became the first man to fly in space, orbiting

the earth once before making a safe landing.

In 1963, civil rights leader Martin Luther King, Jr. was arrested and jailed in Birmingham, Alabama, charged with contempt of court and parading without a permit. (During his time behind bars, King wrote his "Letter from Birmingham Jail.")

In 1975, singer, dancer and civil rights activist Josephine Baker, 68, died in Paris.

In 1981, the space shuttle Columbia blasted off from Cape Canaveral on its first test flight. Former world heavy-weight boxing champion Joe Louis, 66, died in Las Vegas, Nevada.

In 1985, Sen. Jake Garn, R-Utah, became the first sitting member of Congress to fly in space as the shuttle Discovery lifted off.

In 1990, in its first meeting, East Germany's first democratically elected parliament acknowledged responsibility for the Nazi Holocaust, and asked the forgiveness of Jews and others who had suffered.

In 1992, after five years in the making, Euro Disneyland (now called Disneyland Paris) opened in Marne-La-Vallee, France, amid controversy as French intellectuals bemoaned the invasion of American pop culture.

Ten years ago: A suicide bomber breached security in

Iraq's parliament and blew himself up in the dining hall; a Sunni parliament member was killed. CBS fired Don Imus from his radio program for insulting the Rutgers women's basketball team on the air; in the evening, Imus met with team members at the New Jersey governor's mansion in Princeton (Gov. Jon S. Corzine (KOH'R-zyn), who was en route to that meeting, was seriously injured when his official vehicle crashed).

Five years ago: Jury selection began in Greensboro, North Carolina, for the corruption trial of former Democratic presidential candidate John Edwards, charged with six counts of campaign finance fraud. (The jury ended up acquitting Edwards of accepting illegal campaign contributions while deadlocking on the other five counts.

Answer to previous puzzle

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- 1 Twangy-sounding
 - 6 Bakery loaves
 - 10 Airport boarding site
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 - 16 Barbell metal
 - 17 "I understand"
 - 19 Tear apart
 - 20 Books of maps
 - 21 Sports broadcast's second looks
 - 23 Lap dog, for short
 - 25 Nitrogen, for instance
 - 26 Gridiron arbiter
 - 29 Country/western bar activity
 - 34 Overplayed one's role
 - 36 Up to, for short
 - 37 Sandwich cookie
 - 38 Many Christmas candies
 - 39 Poet's "before"
 - 40 Smooth-talking
 - 41 Assistant
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 - 43 Person at the plate
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 - 3 Gardener's dirt
 - 4 Actress Kendrick
 - 5 Allow
 - 6 Think logically
 - 7 Talk too much
 - 8 At any time
 - 9 West African nation
 - 10 Young cookie vendor
 - 11 Square footage
 - 12 Broadway award
 - 13 Discontinues
 - 18 Not very hot
 - 22 Wok, for one
 - 24 Performance measures
 - 26 Newscast summary
 - 27 Smartphone message
 - 28 Jane, Bridget, or Henry
 - 29 ___ Misérables
 - 30 Cube with spots
 - 31 Hopping mad
 - 32 At no time
 - 33 People who travel
 - 35 Typical high schoolers
 - 39 Quarterback Manning
 - 40 Take a chair
 - 42 Gives testimony
 - 43 New Testament king
 - 45 Right-angle shape
 - 46 Passing bad checks
 - 50 Creative software solution
 - 51 Feel sore
 - 52 Squirrel color
 - 53 Part of ASAP
 - 55 "Get outta here!"
 - 56 Old Roman raiment
 - 57 Pub servings
 - 58 Word of warning
 - 59 Pretentiously stylish
 - 62 Teammate of the Babe

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Perez's squeeze bunt give Angels 6-5 win over Rangers in 10

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — The Los Angeles Angels are getting into a habit they hope never ends.

Eight games into the season the Angels appear to have mastered the art of the comeback, rallying again Tuesday night with three runs in the ninth to tie the Texas Rangers before winning it 6-5 in the 10th on catcher Carlos Perez's squeeze bunt.

In their previous game Sunday, the Angels rallied to defeat the Seattle Mariners with seven runs in the bottom of the ninth. They trailed 5-0 after six innings Tuesday.

"We kept getting closer and a little bit closer and you're thinking, 'We're going to do it again,'" Angels outfielder Cameron Maybin said.

Maybin led off the 10th with a walk and went to third on Danny Espinosa's one-out single. Perez then bunted the first pitch from Texas reliever Jeremy Jeffress (0-1) up the first-base line.

The ball hugged the in-

side grass and first baseman Mike Napoli had no choice but to let it roll and hope it would drift outside. It died on the edge of the grass as Maybin scored.

"I'm really confident I can get a bunt down," Perez said. "Just trying not to be too perfect."

The Rangers took a 5-2 lead into the ninth and summoned right-hander Sam Dyson. But the closer ran into immediate trouble when Espinosa led off with a home run.

"That home run changed everything," Rangers manager Jeff Banister said.

Yunel Escobar and Mike Trout both doubled for another run, and with two outs, Albert Pujols lined a single to left to score Trout with the tying run.

Jonathan Lucroy hit a three-run homer and Elvis Andrus a solo shot off Angels starter Tyler Skaggs in the third to build the 5-0 Texas lead.

"We have to continue to grind out games and find a way to get that third out," Banister said.



AP photo
Angels' Carlos Perez celebrates his 10th-inning walk-off bunt with Cameron Maybin in a game against the Rangers on Tuesday, April 11 in Anaheim, CA. The Angels won 6-5.

BUFFS

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With a score from a steal of home by Maddie Benavidez, the Lady Coyotes stole the lead and put them up 2-1 over Forsan.

The Lady Buffs came right back

at Borden County with four more runs, two in the fourth, one in the fifth, and one in the sixth, and held the Lady Coyotes scoreless for the remainder of the game.

The last four runs for Forsan were thanks to a 2RBI triple by Ashtyn Pearson, a solo home run by Ashlea Hardin, and a score by

Jaidyn Brown on a ground out by Kaylee Morgan.

With a final score of 5-2, the Lady Buffs got the win over Borden County and remain at a solid first place spot in district standings.

"It was a great game. The pressure was on us since they beat us in our first meeting with them," said head softball coach Shanna Taylor. "It wasn't our best defensive game, as we had some costly errors in the infield, but overall the girls played really well."

Pearson earned the win on the mound for Forsan, as she threw for seven innings, surrendered two runs on seven hits, walked zero, and sat a whopping 12 batters. The Lady Buffs collected a total of nine hits for the game, with Pearson leading the way on offense with three hits in four at bats and drove in two runs.

Up next, the Forsan softball team will make their way to Snyder for their district match up vs. Ira. The game will be held on Tuesday, April 18 at 4:00 p.m.



Photo by Jodi Mims

Pictured above is Forsan Lady Buffalo Ashtyn Pearson doing work on the mound in Tuesday's home game vs. Borden County.

HAWKS

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followed by a strike-out by Hunter Mendenhall to end the game.

Although the Hawks out-hit the Westerners 11-7, they still couldn't bring home the win in this one, and fell to Western Texas College with a final score of 9-7.

"Overall, it was a great game. We were able to swing the bats really well, we just didn't play very good defense," said head baseball coach Rob Martinez. "We got some guys in the lineup that haven't played as much, gave them some at bats to keep them on point and make sure that when we need them in a game they will be ready to go. Although we walked too many on the mound and made some defensive errors, I am still happy with the way the guys played."

Riley Richert started the game for Howard College. He pitched for three innings, surrendered one run, two hits, walked one, and sat three.

Luke Haynes took the loss for the Hawks, as he tossed for one inning, surrendered three runs on zero hits, walked

three, and sat one. Peterson and Colacechi each collected multiple hits for the Hawks, but it was Kroutil who led the way as he went 4-5 at the plate.

Ellison and Cocacechi led the team offensively as they each drove in two runs a piece.

"We need to keep swinging our bats the way we have been. This past month, we have raised our batting average over 50 points as a team," said Martinez. "Our power numbers are showing up and right now we are leading the conference in just about every category offensively. If we can keep that up, and if our starters can give us good outings, we will be just fine."

Coming up next for Howard College, the Hawks will make the trek to Roswell, NM for a four game conference series vs. New Mexico Military Institute.

The first two games will take place Friday, April 14 with the first game to being at 3:00 p.m.

The last two games of the series will take place on Saturday, April 15 with the first game to begin at 1:00 p.m.

DOGS

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"We found ourselves behind the eight ball early," said head baseball coach Bryan Jacobs. "We failed to come through with the big hit in two situations, whereas Jim Ned did. Then we had a couple of defensive break downs and the game became out of hand."

With a final score of 12-2, the Bulldogs fell to the Indians in a one-sided defeat.

Franklin took the loss for Coahoma, as the threw for three innings, surrendered seven runs on six hits, walked two, and sat five.

"It is time to reset the mechanism and mix things up a bit," said Jacobs. "We are in a little slump right now, but I expect our kids to bounce back just fine."

Coming up, the Bulldogs will host Merkel in their second district matchup on Thursday, April 13 at 7:00 p.m.

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United CEO issues apology, calls removal 'truly horrific'

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Associated Press

CHICAGO (AP) — After people were horrified by video of a passenger getting dragged off a full United Express flight by airport police, the head of United's parent company said the airline was reaching out to the man to "resolve this situation."

Hours later on Monday, his tone turned defensive. He described the man as "disruptive and belligerent."

By Tuesday afternoon, almost two days after the Sunday evening confrontation in Chicago, CEO Oscar Munoz issued his most contrite apology yet as details emerged about the man seen on cellphone videos recorded by other passengers at O'Hare Airport.

"No one should ever be mistreated this way," Munoz said.

The passenger was identified as physician David Dao, 69, of Elizabethtown, Kentucky, who was convicted more than a decade ago of felony charges involving his prescribing of drugs and spent years trying to regain his medical license.

But while Dao's history quickly became a focus of attention, there's no indication that his past influenced how he was treated or that the airline or police were aware of his background or would have known anything about him other than basic information such as his name and address, if that.

Screaming can be heard on the videos, but nowhere is Dao seen attacking the officers. In fact, he appears relatively passive both when he was dragged down the aisle of the jet and when he is seen standing in the aisle later saying quietly, "I want to go home, I want to go home."

Munoz's latest statement described the removal as "truly horrific." He said the company would review policies for seeking volunteers to give up their seats, for handling oversold situations and for partnering with airport authorities and local law enforcement.

An attorney who represents Dao said his client was being treated at a Chicago hospital for injuries he sustained on the plane and that the family would not comment.

According to records from the Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure, Dao went to medical school at the University of Medicine of Ho Chi Minh City in Vietnam, graduating in 1974. He was licensed in Kentucky with a specialty in pulmonary disease.

His legal troubles started in 2003,

when his medical license was suspended after an undercover sting operation at a Louisville motel for allegedly writing fraudulent prescriptions.

According to the documents, the licensing board had learned that Dao had become sexually interested in a patient and hired the patient as his office manager. That man later said he quit his job because Dao "pursued him aggressively" and arranged to provide him with prescription drugs in exchange for sex.

Dao was ultimately convicted in late 2004 of several counts of obtaining drugs by fraud or deceit and was placed on five years of supervised probation and surrendered his medical license. His longtime effort to get his license back finally succeeded in 2015, when the licensing board allowed him to practice medicine again. About a year after his medical license was suspended, Dao joined the professional poker circuit, according to his World Series of Poker profile. His biggest competitive win came in 2009 when he took home more than \$117,000 from a tournament in Mississippi. Airport officials have said little about Sunday's events and nothing about Dao's behavior before he was pulled from the jet that was bound for Louisville, Kentucky. Likewise, the Chicago Aviation Department has said only that one of its employees who removed Dao did not follow proper procedures and has been placed on leave.

No passengers on the plane have mentioned that Dao did anything but refuse to leave the plane when he was ordered to do so.

Also Tuesday, Chicago Mayor Rahm Emanuel called the way Dao was treated "completely unacceptable" and praised Aviation Commissioner Ginger Evans for taking "swift action." He promised that a city investigation would "ensure nothing like this ever happens again."

The event stemmed from a common air travel issue — a full flight. United was trying to make room for four employees of a partner airline, meaning four people had to get off.

At first, the airline asked for volunteers, offering \$400 and then when that did not work, \$800 per passenger to relinquish a seat. When no one voluntarily came forward, United selected four passengers at random.

Three people got off the flight, but the fourth said he was a doctor and needed to get home to treat patients on Monday. He refused to leave.



AP photo

In this Thursday, June 2, 2016, file photo, United Airlines CEO Oscar Munoz waits to be interviewed, in New York, during a presentation of the carrier's new Polaris service, a new business class product that will become available on trans-Atlantic flights.

Three Aviation Department police officers got on the plane. Two officers tried to reason with the man before a third came aboard and pointed at the man "basically saying, 'Sir, you have to get off the plane,'" said Tyler Bridges, a passenger whose wife, Audra D. Bridges, posted a video on Facebook.

One of the officers could be seen

grabbing the screaming man from his window seat, across the armrest and dragging him down the aisle by his arms.

Other passengers on Flight 3411 are heard saying, "Please, my God," "What are you doing?" "This is wrong," "Look at what you did to him" and "Busted his lip."

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