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National Day of Prayer service set for Thursday

By ROGER CLINE
 Staff Writer

Thursday is the National Day of Prayer, and local religious and civic leaders have planned a short prayer meeting in the Heart of the City Park.

"It's our annual 2017 National Day of Prayer, where our entire nation pauses for a moment to honor God and

pray for our communities across the nation. This year in Big Spring, it will be held at the downtown Heart of the City Park as it was last year," said the Rev. Sam Segundo, pastor of the Family Faith Center and organizer of the event. "We had such a great turnout last year. We're expecting a greater turnout this year. So we're inviting everyone in our community of Big

Spring, Texas, to come out Thursday, 12:15 to 12:45, 30 minutes, where they can be a part of worship and prayer for our city of Big Spring and Howard County, along with other city civic leaders."

Segundo said the event will start and end on time, to allow those taking time out of their lunch break to return to work.

The event will include

prayers offered by local leaders from several different sectors, Segundo said.

"Not just church pastors, but more of our city civic leaders," he said. "Education leaders, political leaders, medical science leaders, financial and economic leaders, our mayor, of course, and our Howard County judge. So pastors, yes, but also our city leaders."

Mayor Larry McLellan said he'll be there to pray for the city.

"The prayer from me will be basically about our city, our people, and those involved in the city," McLellan said. "We had a great turnout last year. Sam Segundo is in charge of this and does a terrific job getting this organized."

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Chasing the moonlight



File photo

In this file photo from February of this year, runners sprint across the starting line of the Run 2 Love 2 Run 5K at Big Spring State Park, organized by Permian Basin Events. The organization will host another 5K run at the State Park May 12. The first of this year's "Moonlight Rave Runs" will kick off at 11:55 from the starting line in front of the park headquarters. Participants should arrive at least half an hour early, and can find more information and register at www.permianbasinevents.com.

Permian Basin Events plans Moonlight Rave Run

By ROGER CLINE
 Staff Writer

Permian Basin Events is inviting everybody to take a run – or a walk – on the dark side May 12.

"We're starting our Scenic Mountain Moonlight Rave Runs," said event coordinator Cherise Felty. "We usually have three per summer. So the first one is coming up on May 12, and it is at 11:55 p.m. We encourage people to register online as always, because you guarantee your shirt size and save a little money. The other two runs will be June 9, and Aug. 4. If they

want to register on the evening of the Moonlight Run, they need to be there really about 11 o'clock, because we'll have to close the gate at 11:30 to get ready for the race."

Felty said the Big Spring State Park – the venue for the run – looks completely different by night.

"The view of the Big Spring State Park at night, especially the scenic overlook, is just breathtaking," she said. "It's always during the full moon, so it's really bright. Our shirts light up in the dark. We put a decoration on the front that is glow-paint, so the shirts glow in the dark. And we usually pick a neon color so that also glows in the dark. We put several black lights along the run, so that while you're going by those

black lights, the shirts light up even more. Those are just spaced out along the run."

Of course, many people bring their own glow to the run.

"People are encouraged to wear the glow bracelets and the glow necklaces," Felty said. "A lot of kids come with their parents, and they'll wear the decorations on their head, and it's just a lot of fun."

The event is good exercise for the whole family, and offers several options based on physical fitness.

"Like all of our runs, we encourage walkers and we encourage families to come out. Sometimes people even bring their dog, but the dog must be on a leash, according to the park manager, Ron Alton,"

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Crash takes the life of 19-year-old

By LYNDEL MOODY
 Staff Writer

STANTON — A 19-year-old Big Spring man was killed Sunday night in a one-vehicle rollover crash about 8.2 miles northeast of Stanton.

According to information released by the Texas Department of Public Safety, Peyton Ross Jennings was pronounced dead by Martin County Justice of the Peace Pam McAnally Sunday at the scene of the accident along FM 3033.

A December 2016 graduate of Forsan High School, Jennings planned to walk the stage in late May when the school held its annual ceremony, according to high school principal Terry McDonald. The school has taken action to help its students during this time, McDonald said.

"Our counselors are available for the students as needed," he added.

According to the DPS news release, Jennings was driving a 1998 Chev-

rolet 1500 northbound on FM 3033 and veered off the right side of the road. The emergency call reporting the accident came in at 8:50 p.m.

"The driver overcorrected the vehicle back towards the roadway causing the vehicle to rollover," the release stated. "The driver was ejected from the vehicle and later pronounced dead at the scene. The passenger sustained incapacitating injuries and was airlifted to Odessa."

Both Jennings and his passenger Andrew Sommers, 33, were not wearing a seatbelt at the time of the accident. Weather conditions were reported clear and road conditions were dry, according to the release.

DPS Trooper Shawn Witt of the Big Spring office investigated the crash. He was assisted by DPS Troopers Michael Tanzi of the Big Spring office and Matthew Rucker of the Stanton office. Also assisting at the scene were deputies with the Martin County Sheriff's Office.

Early voting draws 65 ballots

By LYNDEL MOODY
 Staff Writer

The last day of early voting Tuesday for Big Spring and Coahoma city council elections drew about 11 voters to the polls, bringing the early vote count to 65 ballots.

According to information released by the Howard County Election's Office, 55 voters went to the polls early while 10 sent in ballots by mail. The largest in-person turnout was Thursday, April 27, when 12 people cast their ballots at the election's office located in the Howard County Courthouse. The smallest was the first day of early voting, Monday, April 24, when three people showed up. However ballot wise, nine ballots were delivered by mail to the election's office on that same day. The next day, Tuesday, April 25, one ballot was received by mail and no others came for the rest of the early voting period.

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Obituaries

Evalena Fisher

Evalena Fisher left the cares of this world on Monday, May 1, 2017. During her time here, she saw many events occur – from the invention of frozen food, to the landing of man on the moon, to now, where we all carry computers around in our purses and pockets. She lost her mother, Laura, when she was a child, and then was raised by her father, Albin E. Blowey. Her interest in the nursing profession evolved, and following high school, she attended and graduated from Breckenridge Hospital at Austin as a Registered Nurse during the years following WWII. She was employed as an R.N. in the Valley after graduation.

The new Big Spring V.A. Hospital was opening in 1950 and the Director held a statewide drive to hire 15 doctors and 52 nurses. Evalena sent in her letter of interest and was immediately hired. She drove out to Big Spring by herself, and her federal career began. She was promoted, becoming the head surgical nurse in the operating room. She was a professional and dedicated nurse who served her country and many West Texas veterans. She met Ed Fisher, a local Big Spring young man

Nell Wilson

Nell Wilson, 91, of Lubbock, formerly of Big Spring, died Saturday, April 29, 2017, at The Plaza in Lubbock.

Graveside service will be at 3 p.m. Thursday, May 4, 2017, at Trinity Memorial Park Peace Chapel with the Rev. Carroll Kohl officiating.

She was born Feb. 17, 1926, to Lillie Charlotte Pieper Hennig and Henry William Hennig. She married W. L. "Bill" Wilson Jr. on Oct. 3, 1948, in Big Spring. He preceded her in death on May 23, 1991. They ranched in Borden County and owned Bill

Leslie Reyes

Leslie Reyes, 52, of Lake Thomas passed away Saturday, April 29, 2017, at her residence.

Leslie was born to Jim and Gail Hale Feb. 2, 1965. She was a loving mother and wife.

She was preceded in death by her father, Jim Hale; one son, Logan Howard; and her mother, Gail Hale.

She is survived by her husband, Ernest Reyes; her daughter, Keri Anne Howard of Abilene; one granddaughter, Skarlett of Big Spring; two stepdaughters, Shalina Reyes and Jolene Goodman; two brothers, Steve Hale and

who served his country in WWII. He was the love of her life. They married and enjoyed a wonderful life together. During their retirement years, they traveled and indulged their love of West Texas and West Texas history. Evalena was interested in her family history, and began researching and collecting genealogical information. She thoroughly documented information of her family trees, and on several occasions she and Ed traveled to England to meet and visit with family who lived near Plymouth, U.K. On their first trip to England, she poured through a local phonebook and happily found 12 Blowey's listed! The family connections she made during those years continue to this day through her nieces and nephews.

She is survived by her cherished nephews and nieces, and their families who will miss her; by her dear friends, as well as by her English relatives; the family would like to thank all the caregivers who helped Mrs. Fisher.

A visitation will be held on Thursday, May 4, 2017, at Harper Funeral Home from 9 to 10 a.m.. A graveside service will follow at Trinity Memorial Gardens Cemetery in Big Spring, Texas, at 12:30 p.m.

Family and friends can sign the online register book at www.harper-funeralhome.com.

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Wilson Oil Company in Big Spring. She was a graduate of Seton School of Nursing in Austin with her Bachelor's Degree in Nursing. She was a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church.

She is survived by five nephews, Kenneth Hennig, LaRue Hennig, Jake Lane, Hank Lane, and Joe Lane; two nieces, Lunell Ballinger and Charlotte Farmer; and a cousin Leora Hering.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by one daughter, Pam Wilson Gass; one brother, Henry L. Hennig; two sisters, Jean Lane and Eldora McCall; and one niece Annette Legg.

Arrangements are by Myers and Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersand-smith.com.

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wife Sherry of Odessa, and Mike Hale and wife Bobbie of Snyder; one sister, Patty Choate and husband Dusty of Big Spring.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to the American Diabetes Association, 3001 N. Big Spring, Suite, 104, Midland, Texas, 79705; or to the American Kidney Fund, 6110 Executive Blvd., Suite 1010, Rockville, Md., 20852.

The family will be located at 8110 E. Moss Lake Road for a family visitation between 6:30 p.m. and 8 p.m. Friday, May 5, 2017.

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.

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Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **BRANDON SAVOY TRUITT**, 35, of 405 Rocco Rd. was arrested on an outstanding warrant.
- **RACHEL RENEA YOUNG**, 24, of 205 E. Fifth St. was arrested in an outstanding warrant.
- **THEFT** was reported in the 500 block of Birdwell Lane.
- **MINOR ACCIDENT** was reported in the 300 block of West FM 700.
- **DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 2600 block of Clanton.
- **STOLEN VEHICLE** was reported in the 400 block of West Leatherwood Road.

Sheriff

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

Note – Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 78 inmates at the time of this report.

- **DAVID DEAN CONKLIN**, 36, was booked by BSPD on a charge of criminal mischief (\$750 to \$2,500).
- **NEAMAN EARNEST DARBY**, 40, was booked by Glasscock County on an outstanding warrant.
- **TANYA JEAN JENKINS**, 29, was booked by BSPD on a charge of failure to identify/fugitive giving false information; and on a parole violation.
- **RICKIE JOSH LINDSEY**, 43, was booked by HCSO on a motion to adjudicate for forgery of a financial instrument.
- **EDWARD MARTINEZ**, 31, was booked by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- **RICHARD LEWIS TUCKER**, 43, was booked by HCSO on a parole violation.

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 400 block of N.E. 11th St., One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1700 block of East FM 700. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3200 block of Parkway. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported in the 500 block of E. FM 700.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1600 block of Lancaster. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 300 block of Veteran's Boulevard. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

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.

Take Note

left, so if you can do one, please see Cheryl at the Heritage Museum during regular hours, Tuesday through Saturday.

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

- Each week Kindred offers free health checks from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. at the Corner House Coffee Shop, 1701 Scurry St.

- 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. There will be a pot luck as well so bring a dish if you want to eat.

Cost has dropped to \$5 per person thanks to a sponsor Marcy House, 2301 Wasson Road.

- The Big Spring Art Association meets the third Tuesday of each month a 7 p.m. in the basement of the Howard County Library.

- The Christensen-Tucker Post-2013 Veterans of Foreign Wars meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7 pm at 500 Driver Road. For more information, contact David Leonard, Post Commander, at 432-816-6004. All combat veterans of foreign wars are invited to come.

- The Big Spring Salvation Army and the Big Spring Center for Skilled Care are holding a fan drive to collect and distribute electric fans to those 55 and older in Howard County. Those wishing to donate can take new or gently used box or pedestal fans to the Salvation Army headquarters at 811 W. Fifth St. Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.; or to the Center for Skilled Care at 3701 Wasson Rd. Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Seniors 55 and older who need a fan should call the Salvation Army at 432-267-8239 or the Center for Skilled Care at 432-606-5012 to register.

- The Permian Basin Underground Water District for will host its 2017 Rainwater Harvesting Workshop, at 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday, May 4. The presentation will take place at the PBUWCD office at 708 W. St. Peter Street in Stanton, Texas and is free to the public. This year's guest speaker will be Extension Agent in Horticulture Jeff Floyd with the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service.

- 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 current A&M students. Students must be Howard County residents and will enroll for at least 12 hours.

For more information and to find the application, visit https://westexags.com/.

Deadline for applications for current A&M students is June 1, 2017.

- The Howard County Fair thanks everyone who has picked up a crossstitch square for the annual quilt fundraiser. There are still a few squares

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File photo

Community leaders hold their hands over their hearts during the National Anthem played by members of the Big Spring High School band during last year's annual National Day of Prayer ceremony.

PRAYER

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McLellan said the event is always a positive experience for Big Spring.

"Because all different people in the city come together, and we know the power of prayer, and we join together in prayer in recognizing the needs of the community, prayer for the ones that are in harm's way, and overall, just a general prayer for everyone in this community, regardless of their religious belief or anything like that," he said.

The local prayer services have been going on as long as Segundo can remember, he said.

"From what I can recall, I've been a pastor

in Big Spring for 17 years, and every year that I've been pastoring here, it has occurred," he said. "So I can look back 17 years at least that we have offered something of this nature. But now, it's very crucial for our country and the season and the times that we're living in around the world, so we're really asking everyone to step up and join us and unify our faith, and unify our love for God and our love for our neighbor."

Segundo said chairs and bottles of water will be available for those who need them.

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Government-wide spending bill headed for a House vote

WASHINGTON (AP) — A government-wide spending bill that President Donald Trump seemed to criticize Tuesday morning but now calls "a clear win for the American people" is headed for a House vote.

The House is scheduled to vote on the bipartisan \$1.1 trillion measure Wednesday afternoon. It is a product of weeks of Capitol Hill negotiations in which top Democrats like House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi successfully blocked Trump's most controversial proposals, including a down payment on the oft-promised Trump Mexico border wall, cuts to popular domestic programs, and new punishments for so-called sanctuary cities.

The White House instead boasted of \$15 billion in emergency funding to jumpstart Trump's promise to rebuild the military and an extra \$1.5 billion for border security.

"After years of partisan bickering and gridlock, this bill is a clear win for the American people," Trump said, citing the Pentagon and border money. "This is what winning looks like." Speaker Paul

Ryan, R-Wis., also declared victory, but the opinions of top party leaders were not shared by the rank and file.

"From my point of view, we pretty well got our clock cleaned," said Sen. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C.

Earlier Tuesday, however, Trump took to Twitter, angrily reacting to media reports depicting Democrats such as Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer of New York as winners in the negotiations. He cited Senate rules that empower minority Democrats and tweeted that the U.S. government "needs a good shutdown" this fall to fix a "mess" in the Senate. At issue is a mammoth, 1,665-page measure to fund the government through September that largely continues a long-established tradition of bipartisan spending deals that boost funding for medical research, aid for schools, and law enforcement accounts, while defending foreign aid, grants to state and local governments, and the Environmental Protection Agency from cuts sought by tea party Republicans.

Democratic votes will be needed to pass the measure even

though Republicans control both the White House and Congress, which made Pelosi and Schumer active and powerful participants in the talks, leading to bipartisan outcomes like a \$2 billion disaster aid fund, \$407 million to combat Western wildfires, and additional grants for transit projects, \$100 million in emergency funding to fight the nation's opioid crisis, and a \$2 billion increase for medical research at the National Institutes of Health.

The White House and Sen. Joe Manchin, D-W. Va., both crowded over a hard-fought \$1.3 billion provision to preserve health benefits for more than 22,000 retired coal miners and their families, which was included over the opposition of House Speaker Ryan. Pelosi was the driving force behind an effort to give the cash-strapped government of Puerto Rico \$295 million to ease its Medicaid burden.

Negotiators on the bill say it looks pretty much like the measure would have looked like if it had been ironed out last year under Obama — save for Trump's additions for the Pentagon and the border. Democrats scored some wins

as well, and Schumer was quick to run a victory lap in a series of media interviews on Monday that appeared to get under Trump's skin.

"The president is frustrated with the fact that he negotiated in good faith with the Democrats, and they went out to try to spike the football and make him look bad," White House budget director Mick Mulvaney told reporters. Asked about a potential shutdown later in the year, Mulvaney said, "if the Democrats aren't going to behave any better than they have in the last couple of days, it may be inevitable."

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though Schumer demurred when offered a chance to counter Trump. "This is a good day, and it's a bipartisan day, so I'm not going to get into finger pointing," Schumer said. "It was a bipartisan negotiation as I said. The leaders — Democrat, Republican, House and Senate — work well together. And why ruin that?"

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VOTE

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The sluggish voter turnout may be because only a certain percentage of voters can participate in the Big Spring city council election.

District 1 is the only contented race out of three seats up for election this year and only registered voters who live in that district can vote. That race is between Raul J. Marquez Jr. who is seeking his second term in office and Tracy Parker.

In Coahoma, the city council election to fill two at-large seats saw a little more participation — at least candidate wise — with four vying for positions. Jay Holt, Brandy Manning, both incumbents, as well as T.J. Rueda, and John Mulkey are all seeking to serve.

Election Day is Saturday. Polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Voters residing in Big Spring city council's District 1 will vote in the East Room of the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum located on the Howard College campus, 1001 Birdwell Lane. To be eligible to vote, residents primary address must be located in District 1, or Precinct 11.

This can be found on the voter registration card or by

calling the election's office at 432-264-2273.

Coahoma residents will vote at the Coahoma Community Center.

Coahoma residents must be located in Precinct 207C to be eligible.

In order to vote, you must show one of seven valid forms of ID: a Texas driver license issued by the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS); Texas Election Identification Certificate issued by DPS; Texas personal identification card issued by DPS; Texas license to carry a handgun issued by DPS; United States military identification card containing the person's photograph; United States citizenship certificate containing the person's photograph; and United States passport.

With the exception of the U.S. citizenship certificate, the identification must be current or have expired no more than four years before being presented for voter qualification at the polling place.

If you do not have the listed forms above and still want to vote, contact county election's office at 432-264-2273 for more information.

Contact Staff Writer Lyndel Moody at 432-263-7331 ext. 235, or by email at citydesk@bigspringherald.com.

RUN

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Felty said. "It's a lot of fun. Some people just do the loop around the top, instead of going all the way down to the bottom and back up.

Sometimes on the Moonlight Runs, they just want to do their 5K around the top. That's perfectly fine with us. We did that several times last year for some people. Especially if they're walkers, they may just want to do the loop around the top, which if you do it twice, that's about the

same distance."

Felty said the upper loop is significantly less steeply inclined than the main course, which approaches the park entrance before angling back upwards to the starting line near the park headquarters.

To register for the Moonlight Rave Run prior to the event, visit www.permianbasinevents.com.

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Raymond V. Gonzales, Jr., 37, died Thursday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. A fund has been established at Myers & Smith Funeral Home to help the family with funeral expenses.

Lennie Smith, 56, died Monday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

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This week I have another list of audiobooks to share with you:

- The Four Agreements by Don Miguel Ruiz (AUCD 170.44 RUI D)
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- What the Night Knows by Dean Koontz (AUCD F KOO D)
- Orbit by John J. Nance (AUCD F NAN J)
- The Old Man by Thomas Perry (AUCD F PER T)

I have two more mystery books to share with you.

In "Home" by Harlan Coben (M COB H), kidnappers grabbed two boys from wealthy families and demanded ransom ten years ago.

No trace of the boys ever surfaced. For ten years, their families have been left with nothing but painful memories and a quiet desperation for the day that has finally arrived. Myron Bolitar and his friend Win believe they have located one of the boys. Now Myron and Win must find out about the fate of his missing friend. Harlan Coben delivers an explosive and deeply moving thriller

about friendship, family and the meaning of home.

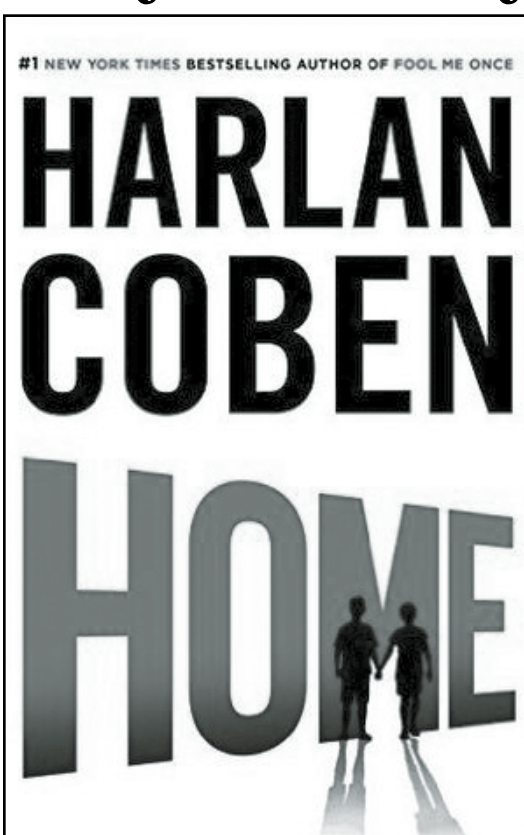
In "Most Dangerous Place" by James Grippando (F GRI J), Jack Swytek takes on a new client from his past. Jack is waiting to meet his old high school buddy, a high-powered banker based in Hong Kong, coming to Miami for his young daughter's surgery. Their long-awaited reunion is abruptly derailed when the police arrest his friend's wife. She is accused of conspiring to kill the man who raped her in college.

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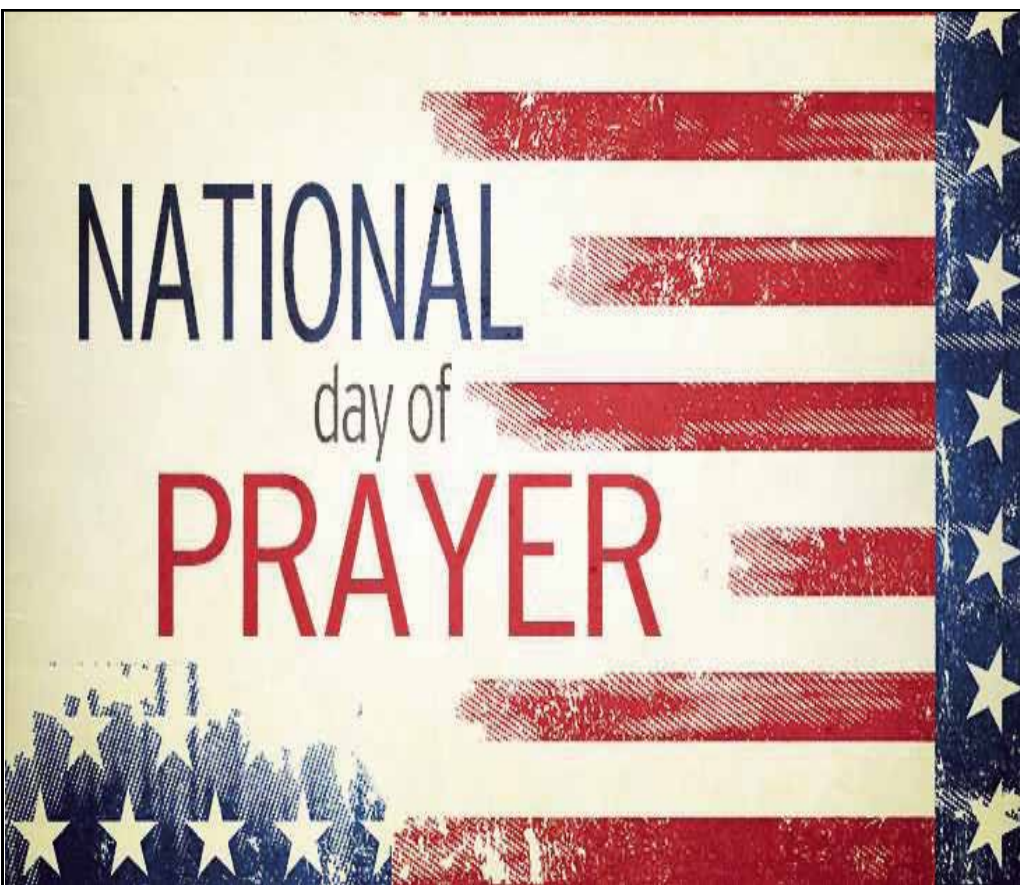
That will be all for this week so I leave you with a quote from Ralph Marston:

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Suspect sought in Fort Worth slaying kills self during chase

TEMPLE, Texas (AP) — Investigators say a murder suspect being chased by officers fatally shot himself as traffic slowed in a construction area on Interstate 35 in Central Texas.

Temple police say the suspect died at the scene Monday night.

Fort Worth police on Monday were dispatched to a parking lot at Ridgmar Mall on a report of shots fired. Officer Brad Perez says a wounded woman, who was found in a vehicle, died at a hospital. Perez says the shooting appeared to be a domestic-related attack. Officers from several agencies Monday night pursued a vehicle matching an alert for a murder suspect. Police say the driver was northbound on I-35 in Temple when traffic slowed and he fatally shot himself.

Southeast Texas man arrested in separate fatal shootings

TEXAS CITY, Texas (AP) — A Southeast Texas man is being held on charges that he killed two people in separate shootings five weeks apart.

Twenty-four-year-old Charles Lee Henderson of Texas City was being held Tuesday on capital murder and other charges at the Galveston County jail. His bond was \$1 million.

Police affidavits say Henderson shot a man March 14 following a fist fight at a La Marque convenience store that involved one of his friends.

Investigators say Henderson was the gunman in another shooting April 20 in Texas City. They say he fatally shot a man who went to a home to collect drug money.

Writer tied to Anonymous returned to prison, then released

DALLAS (AP) — A Dallas man convicted of online activity linked to the Anonymous hacking network served five days in federal prison after he was removed from home confinement.

The U.S. Bureau of Prisons won't say why Barrett Brown was incarcerated Thursday at the federal prison in Seagoville, just outside Dallas. And Brown himself says he still hasn't been told the reason for his prison stay before his Monday return to home confinement, but he believes it was for refusing an order.

Tomi Lahren settles lawsuit against Glenn Beck, The Blaze

DALLAS (AP) — Conservative talk show host Tomi Lahren has agreed to a settlement that ends her lawsuit against Glenn Beck and his online platform, The Blaze.

The lawsuit filed in Dallas, Texas, had alleged wrongful termination. Lahren was ousted from her program after she said she was in favor of abortion rights while appearing on ABC's "The View" on March 17.

In a statement issued Monday, Lahren's attorney, Brian Lauten, said his client had been released from her employment contract that denied her access to the Facebook page The Blaze had set up for her. He says that page and its millions of followers now belong to Lahren. In return, the conservative talker must remove videos she made for The Blaze from the page and return them.

Video shows Texas men working frantically to save children

CANTON, Texas (AP) — Rescue efforts that followed a series of tornadoes that struck East Texas included a group of men frantically working to pull two young children from a pickup that overturned in rushing water.

At least five men struggled against the waist-high water Saturday to free the two children and a man believed to be their father. The men were hampered by water pushing against the doors of the pickup.

Cell-phone video shows a man then holding the limp body of an infant as he struggles with the help of others to walk through the water to a roadway.

The man who shot the video, Tom Mitchell, told WFAA-TV that the infant was revived. The father and second child were pulled from the pickup and are recovering.

Chief: Car driving away when officer fatally shot Texas teen



Odell Edwards wipes away tears as he sits with his wife, Charmaine Edwards, listening to their attorney Lee Merritt talking about the death of their son, Jordan Edwards, in a police shooting Saturday in Balch Springs, Texas, in Merritt's law office in Dallas, Monday, May 1, 2017. A suburban Dallas police chief said Monday that his department wrongly described why an officer fired into a moving vehicle and killed Jordan Edwards, after an attorney for the boy's family said officers were trying to "justify the unjustifiable."

AP photo

By NOMAAN MERCHANT
Associated Press

A suburban Dallas police chief acknowledged that an officer who fatally shot a black 15-year-old in a moving vehicle fired as the car was driving away — not as it reversed toward officers, as the department had previously asserted.

Balch Springs Police Chief Jonathan Haber told reporters Monday that police video contradicted his department's original statement about the Saturday night shooting of Jordan Edwards. Edwards, a high school

freshman, had gotten into a vehicle with four other teenagers to leave a house party as police were arriving to investigate an underage drinking complaint, according to his family's attorney, Lee Merritt.

Police first said the vehicle backed up toward police at the scene "in an aggressive manner." But Haber said Monday that police video shows the vehicle was instead "moving forward as the officers approached."

Before Haber's update, Merritt and the teen's family held their own news conference, during

which Merritt accused police of "offering facts that they believe paint a picture that would justify the unjustifiable." He later told The Associated Press that Jordan's shooting brings to mind the high-profile deaths of other black people after police encounters that have sparked outrage and protest in recent years, but that this case stood out for its "sheer recklessness."

"This has happened far too often," Merritt said. "We are tired of making the same rhetorical

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Around 20 people charged after Texas 'sanctuary city' sit-in

By MEREDITH HOFFMAN
Associated Press

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Around 20 people were charged with criminal trespassing Monday evening after staging an hours-long sit-in at a state building to protest a Texas bill compelling local police to enforce federal immigration law.

The demonstration began in the late morning, when 100-plus protesters — many wearing T-shirts or waving signs and banners denouncing the proposal against "sanctuary cities" — marched to the state Capitol, then to the nearby Department

of Insurance building. They sat in the lobby, vowing to remain until Republican Gov. Greg Abbott rejects the bill, which hasn't yet cleared the Legislature. The governor has an office in the building but wasn't present.

Both the Texas Senate and House have passed strict measures designed to prohibit so-called "sanctuary cities" where local police don't inquire about immigration status when detaining someone — but each chamber's version must now be reconciled before Abbott can sign them into law.

The protesters spent hours rallying and

chanting in English and Spanish. Some eventually locked arms to block entrances to the building, preventing some state employees from coming and going.

Police refrained from intervening throughout the day but ordered protesters to leave around 5 p.m., when the building was set to close. Most complied, though about 20 refused.

An arriving judge entered the building to read those remaining their rights collectively, and they were issued trespassing citations. Six attorneys also turned up to assist those inside but were barred by authorities

from entering the building — something they argued violated the law.

"The Sixth Amendment says you have the right to an attorney ... the only thing they need to know is that I'm a lawyer," said lawyer George Lobb, who presented the police with a list of clients inside the building. He said of being denied access: "It's unconstitutional."

State troopers used plastic zip-ties to handcuff those cited. Once they were outside the building, though, officers cut the restraints off and left the protesters free to go with

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What on Earth might a Trump-Kim Jong Un meeting look like?

By **TED ANTHONY**

Associated Press

BANGKOK (AP) — In one corner: the unpredictable dictator, the third-generation family ruler whose nation has a seven-decade reputation of being erratic, quick to take umbrage and insistent that it is powerful enough to upend the planet. In the other corner: a sandpaper-tongued American president like no other, barely past his first 100 days as leader of the free world, liable to say just about anything — including a handful of conciliatory words at the most unexpected of moments.

On Monday, those conciliatory words from the mouth of Donald Trump included some extraordinary ones about North Korean leader Kim Jong Un, long an object of American scorn and suspicion.

There were these words from Trump: "Obviously, he's a pretty smart cookie."

And, even more so, there were these: "If it would be appropriate for me to meet with him," Trump told Bloomberg News, "I would absolutely, I would be honored to do it."

Wow, says an astonished world: What if?

In the annals of diplomatic history, such a tete-a-tete, unlikely as it is, would tumble into a category that offers few possible comparisons.

There are the ones that never happened — Roosevelt sitting down with Hitler during World War II, George Bush (whichever one) facing Saddam Hussein while in office. And there are those that did: Kennedy meeting Khrushchev in Vienna, Nixon arriving in Beijing at the dawn of the U.S.-China thaw and immediately heading to a meeting with Mao.

Even those, however, were before many things we take for granted today — perhaps most notably the internet, live television and the instantaneous social-media pipelines that Trump knows and uses so fluidly.

The notion of a substantive sit-down between two of the most gazed-upon figures of this moment in the planet's history is a staggering prospect — and a potential logistical nightmare if the two countries ever tried to make it happen.

Presuming that such a trial balloon is to be taken seriously, what, in fact, would it take to pull off? The loose contours of it could play out as fol-

lows:

THE VENUE

Possible locations could include the DMZ, which would be about as cinematic a piece of drama as human geopolitics could offer up, with a room featuring negotiation tables that sit halfway in the North and halfway in the South.

The benefit of this location would be the presence of existing security. It's already the nucleus of one of the most tense patches of the planet, and it's effectively already wired for such an event. Somewhere in China would be a possible, though highly unlikely, location as well.

But could it be elsewhere? Perhaps famously neutral Switzerland, where the now-infrequent world traveler Kim Jong Un almost certainly spent part of his upbringing attending school? Could it possibly even be the White House, where Trump has already caused uproars by hosting the president of Egypt and by calling the president of Turkey, both perceived in the West as hardly the most robust upholders of American values. That would be highly controversial and even more unlikely — just getting Kim a visa would be an interesting proposition — but stranger things have happened.

Or perhaps, gaming it out, things might take place in an unexpected or even unknown place. In 1989, George H.W. Bush and Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev met on a ship off Malta to discuss the changes taking place in the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe, and it propelled the tiny Mediterranean island into notoriety for several years. Malta was itself a follow-up in some ways to the fabled Yalta conference, in which Roosevelt, Winston Churchill and Joseph Stalin met in Crimea in early 1945 to plot out Europe's postwar configurations.

The United States has been the site of such sensitive meetings, too, with Camp David being the most notable locale for its Carter-administration peace talks between Israel's Menachem Begin and Egypt's Anwar Sadat. The history of such things is lengthy; in 1905, Theodore Roosevelt helped broker peace between the warring nations of Japan and Russia in the unlikely locale of a small New England town. More recently, the unlikely venue of Dayton, Ohio, became



AP photo

In this Feb. 21, 1972, file photo, Chinese communist party leader Mao Zedong, left, and U.S. President Richard Nixon shake hands as they meet in Beijing, China. The notion of a substantive sit-down between North Korean leader Kim Jong Un and U.S. President Donald Trump — the most gazed-upon figures of this moment in the planet's history — is a staggering prospect and a potential logistical nightmare if the two countries ever tried to make it happen.

the site in 1995 of peace accords to end the Bosnian war. But those were other nations in conflict, not the United States itself. And what about Pyongyang? There would be precedent for that — from U.S. envoys like Madeleine Albright to a previous Japanese prime minister to faded basketball star Dennis Rodman — and the Kims are not known for their love of foreign travel, which carries them away from turf and situations they can completely control.

Whatever the case, barring it taking place at the DMZ, such a high-stakes, high-security Trump-Kim meeting would change a place for a long time, if not forever.

THE TOPICS

Nuclear disarmament — North Korea's — would be first on the table. You'd think. But with two such unpredictable rulers, no one could be absolutely certain.

Given Trump's style

so far, time might be given to developing some sort of rapport between the two men before any negotiations began. But major topics would surely emerge before too long. Among them: Aid to the North, which has played the brinkmanship game many times before with an eye toward getting assistance for its poor, sometimes hungry populace. Relations with the South. And weapons tests — missile and in particular nuclear, which make the United States and China, not to mention the South, very uncomfortable.

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orders to show for upcoming court dates — some of which have yet to be scheduled. They then staged a raucous rally nearby.

Among those charged was Austin City Council member Greg Garcia, who said he saw some people were placed in metal handcuffs while still inside the building.

"What I think he hasn't realized is that people in this community around the state are going to rise up ... the day he signs the bill," Garcia said of Abbott, adding

that the measure actually becoming law "is only the beginning of the real fight."

Pastor Jim Rigby of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, is a leading member of Austin's sanctuary network of churches housing immigrants to protect them from deportation. He too was cited for trespassing.

"Please know if you're undocumented that we love you and we want you here in Austin," Rigby told the crowd after leaving the building. "If today means anything to you I hope you know that."

JORDAN

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demands, of having the same hashtags."

Indeed, thousands of Facebook and Twitter users have posted about the case in recent days with the hashtag "#jordanedwards," some comparing his death to other police shootings of young black men, such as 12-year-old Tamir Rice in Cleveland who was fatally shot in November 2014 as he held a pellet gun.

Merritt said Edwards' family wants to see the officer fired and criminally charged. The police chief called for time to let authorities complete their investigations. Haber wouldn't identify the officer and didn't release his race, but said he had been "removed from all duties" and placed on leave.

Haber also wouldn't release the police video or describe it in detail other than to acknowledge he erred in describing the encounter, but said he was troubled by what he saw.

"I do have questions in relation to my observation on the video, and what is consistent with the policies and core values of the Balch Springs Police Department," Haber said.

Balch Springs' official use-of-force policy encourages officers facing an oncoming vehicle to "attempt to move out of its path, if possible, instead of discharging a firearm at it or any of its occupants." The policy was posted online by 'Point of Impact,' a series of police shootings reported by freelance journalist Eva Ruth Moravec. It echoes advice given by the International Association of Chiefs of Police.

Haber did not return phone and email mes-

sages Monday seeking clarification about whether he believed the officer violated the policy on Saturday night. The Dallas County district attorney's and sheriff's offices are investigating the shooting. A spokeswoman for the sheriff said its probe was in the "preliminary stages."

The original police statement about the shooting said officers responded to a report of "several underage kids drunk walking around." It doesn't specify whether the passengers of the vehicle in which Jordan was riding were among them.

Merritt said there was no alcohol found in the car and no evidence that the passengers had been drinking.

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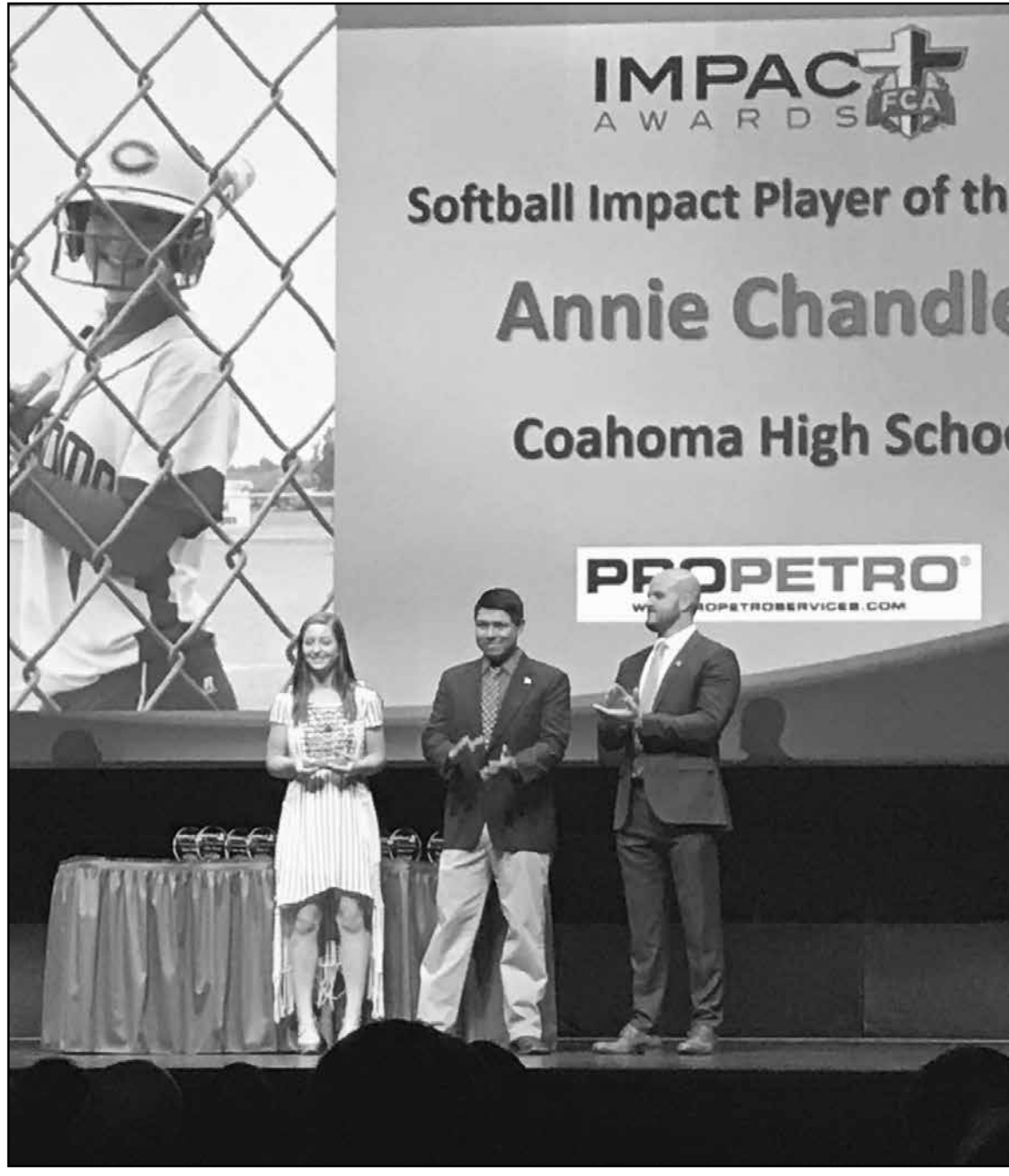
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Chandler named Softball Impact Player of the Year



Courtesy photo by Roylyn Welch



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Above, Annie Chandler holds her Impact Softball Player of the Year award from with head coach Alex Orosco at the award ceremony on Sunday, April 30, 2017.

Pictured above, Annie Chandler receives her Impact Year award on stage, along with Coahoma's head softball coach Alex Orosco at the award ceremony held at the Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center in Midland.

By **MARISSA LOFTIN**

Sports Editor

Based on Coahoma High School softball player Annie Chandler's outstanding integrity, service, teamwork, and excellence, she has been selected as this year's winner of the 2017 Impact Softball Player of the Year by the Permian Basin Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA). She was nominated by

her softball coach, Alex Orosco, recommended by numerous others, and voted on by a selection committee made up of the Permian Basin FCA Leadership Board.

As part of this special recognition, she was awarded a \$1,000 scholarship and presented with an engraved plaque for Coahoma High School's trophy case at the FCA Impact Awards Ceremony which was held on Sunday, April 30, 2017 at Wagner Noel

Performing Arts Center in Midland, Texas.

The FCA Impact Awards is a local event that celebrates character and leadership in high school athletics around the 14 counties of the Permian Basin area. The FCA Impact Awards recognized 22 recipients with \$22,000 in total awards, from all different sports, as well as coaches and volunteers, who have positively impacted their schools and communities.

Lady Steer track state bound



Courtesy photo by Sunni Strickland

Pictured above are the 2017 state qualifiers from the Big Spring Lady Steer track team. From left to right: Carlie Roberts, Kaitlyn Mathews, and Kailey Mathews.

By **MARISSA LOFTIN**

Sports Editor

The Big Spring Lady Steers varsity track team is now heading to state after competing in the UIL 4A regional track meet held at Lowery in Lubbock last weekend, April 28-29. The top two finishers from each event are headed to Austin, Texas to compete at the state meet on Thursday - Saturday, May 11-13.

Women's state qualifiers from Big Spring High School are as follows:

Carlie Roberts (discus - first place with 127.3), Kailey Mathews (long jump - second place with 17'2), Kaitlyn Mathews (triple jump - first place with new school record of 39'2 1/2, and 400m run - first place with 58.4)

Gonzalez hits 2 HRs, his slam sends Astros over Rangers 8-7

HOUSTON (AP) — No lead appears safe against the Houston Astros this season.

Houston rallied from a 5-0 deficit for the third time this season as Marwin Gonzalez hit two go-ahead grand slams in the eighth inning that rallied the Astros over the Texas Rangers 8-7 on Tuesday night.

Gonzalez hit a towering fly off Keone Kela (0-1) just over the right-field wall and inside the right-field foul pole for his first ca-

reer grand slam — and a 7-5 lead.

"I was trying to look for a good pitch to hit," Gonzalez said. "The pitch before, I was little excited and swung at a ball. I was trying to be patient and get a good pitch."

Gonzalez stood near the plate, seeing if the ball would be fair, before tossing his bat toward the dugout and beginning his trot.

"First thing, I was wishing it would stay fair," Gonzalez said. "It was going foul. It was an unbe-

lievable moment to come back in a game like that. We have been doing it the whole year, so hopefully we can keep doing that."

George Springer had an RBI single later in the inning.

Houston has a major league-leading 12 come-from-behind wins this season.

"I think we always feel like we've got a good shot," Houston manager A.J. Hinch said. "It gets increasingly difficult as

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AP photo

Houston's Marwin Gonzalez watches his grand slam along with Texas Rangers catcher Jonathan Lucroy during the eighth inning of their game, Tuesday, May 2, 2017, in Houston.

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Mercury Goes Direct

The Mercury retrograde ends, though it might take a while for communication and commerce to return to stasis. Mercury will still be in his storm for another 10 days -- a fancy way of saying the planet will be in an unusually sluggish mood and will take some time to ramp up to his customary zippi-ness. Can you relate? Then you know whom to blame!

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You feel like you're in your own little world, but know that others are very aware of you now.

"If you reveal your secrets to the wind, you should not blame the wind for revealing them to the trees." -- Kahlil Gibran

TAURUS (April

20-May 20). There's so much you have access to, and you're a curious person, ready to learn all you can and experience the richness of life. Self-regulation is, therefore, among your biggest challenges.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You're more concerned with achievement than reward. In fact, the reward, as far as you're concerned, is the achievement. The accolades can be nice, but they can also be embarrassing and cause more pressure than they are worth.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). New research suggests that you might do yourself some good by talking to yourself, especially if you're saying encouraging or compassionate things, and most especially if you're saying them out loud.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Take on the small, easily won challenges. Building up a track record of success will give you the confidence you need to go for the more remarkable and difficult opportunities

Tomorrow's Horoscope

coming your way in the near future.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Belonging isn't about fitting together perfectly, having a lot in common or agreeing on most things. Belonging is about acceptance. Be inclusive. Set a tone of friendliness and compassion. Foster a sense of unconditional belonging.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). The nearness of interesting and well-traveled people or the pull of exotic lands will activate your adventurous spirit. If you make discovery a priority you'll definitely find the necessary resources.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Everyone will bring something to the table, though not necessarily a tangible thing. Some will bring an idea, a talent for receptivity, a custom, a grateful heart and much expressed pleasure in the opportunity at hand.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). For you, adrenaline isn't a hormone that kicks in on an emergency-only basis; rather, it's a daily boost. Your

high-energy style will be well suited for the challenges of the day.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You're happy when the people you love are happy. There is one person in particular whose happiness means the most to you, and you're likely to spend a lot of time, money and energy on making this person smile.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Sometimes it is more gracious to have a little of what's being offered to you than to abstain. The gestures and rituals around togetherness will have greater meaning today.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). As artistic and imaginative as you are, you still admire those who lack pretension, are too laid back to strive and too chill to social-climb. Your values are right in line with all that it takes to create meaningful, lasting friendships.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (May 3). Since a person's knowledge only goes as far as his or her experiences, and because your

sincere desire is for a wealth of knowledge, you'll open yourself to discovery, dive into mysteries and let curiosity carry you to different parts of the world. The funds come in June and November. August begins a serious bond. Libra and Leo adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 9, 40, 4, 47 and 13.

THE ASTROLOGY OF WEDNESDAY: The word "Wednesday" comes from the Old Norse word "Onsdag," meaning "Odin's day." Odin was the Norse equivalent of the Roman god Mercury -- the planet of communication, daily commerce and logistics. Today, as Mercury changes direction on a Wednesday, the snags that have kept daily life from gliding smoothly along will start to even out. Mercury will appear to move slowly for the next 10 days, and it may take a while to establish some momentum, but it's important to get started. Favored activities include: meetings; short trips; writing memos, reports and

updates; client calls; publicity pushes; stocking up; catching up with friends; and networking. In general, Wednesday is a great day to give a speech, attend a conference, make a presentation or do research. After hours, Wednesday is a great night to network at any kind of professional or personal organization you belong to, run errands, read or check in with distant family.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Outlaw country-music star Eric Church broke ground this year with the very first ticketed full-length virtual reality concert. Church was born when the sun and Mercury were in Taurus, a down-to-earth energy, symbolized by the bull (ideal for cowboys). Taurus is also the sign that rules the voice. Church's moon and Uranus, both in Scorpio, bring the rebellious "misunderstood" energy to the gig.

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The Forgotten Side of the Family

Dear Annie: I am writing because another Mother's Day will soon be upon us and, once again, my grown stepchildren -- who were grown and on their own when their parents divorced -- will ignore me. Every year, they celebrate Mother's Day without thinking of me at all. That wouldn't hurt so much if I could write it off as just my being a stepparent -- but every Father's Day, they include their stepfather

in the celebration. Many other times, they share with their mother and stepfather whatever news they have -- a new vehicle they bought, the name of their unborn baby, etc. Their father and I do eventually learn most news, but it's usually long after the fact. We all get along, and there is absolutely no animosity at all among any of us; we love them, and we both love the former in-laws. All I ask is for them to treat their father as well as they treat their stepfather. I hope that they see

Annie's Mailbox

themselves in this letter and do a gut check. Their father loves them very much, but he is accustomed to not being included, so he hides his pain from them. Since we married, he has leaned more on me, seeing as they don't ever call him just to chat. I call my dad regularly, and my husband was astounded when he learned that. I hurt for him and for them because they have no idea how they hurt us, and we will never let them know. Is it asking too much to be included in their news? We share our news with them

and don't leave them out, as far as I can tell. They are very family-oriented, just not with their dad. -- Midwestern Stepmother Loving Them From the Outside
Dear Midwestern: The sentence that most struck me in your letter was this: "They have no idea how they hurt us, and we will never let them know." Your husband hides his pain from them, so for all they know, he's fine with talking only once in a while. They may even think he prefers it that way. This is the status quo they're used to, and until you take the

initiative to call more and speak up about your wish to be included, your stepchildren will continue in their current pattern. So shake up the routine. Call them often. Invite them to visit, and go visit them. Let them know how much you value the time together.
Dear Annie: This is in response to "Distracted by His Distraction," who is bothered by her long-term partner's wandering eyes whenever they're out together. Maybe the only way her partner will get the message is if she does likewise -- sets

her eyes and attention on a handsome man in the restaurant. -- CR in New York
Dear CR: Not a bad idea. I'm not normally an advocate of the eye-for-an-eye approach, but in this case, perhaps "Distracted" would do well to illustrate her point with an ogle for an ogle.
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Contract Bridge
By Steve Becker
Partnership rapport

West dealer. East-West vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ A J 8
♥ 10
♦ A Q 7 6 4
♣ Q 10 8 2

WEST
♠ Q 9 7 5 2
♥ A Q 8
♦ 10 8 3
♣ 5 4

EAST
♠ K 10 6
♥ J 7 5 4 3 2
♦ K 9 2
♣ 9

SOUTH
♠ 4 3
♥ K 9 6
♦ J 5
♣ A K J 7 6 3

The bidding:
West North East South
Pass 1♦ Pass 2♣
Pass 3♦ Pass 5♣
Opening lead two of spades.

Some players contend that leading the fourth-best card of a suit on defense often helps declarer more than the leader's partner. It seems to this writer that defense, with its very nature, is difficult enough without adding to it the concealment of information that might be crucial to your partner. The key to good defense is good partnership rapport, and if a defender abuses deliberately or accidentally a basic agreement, he will all too often end up suffering the consequences.

Tomorrow: The delicate art of discovery.
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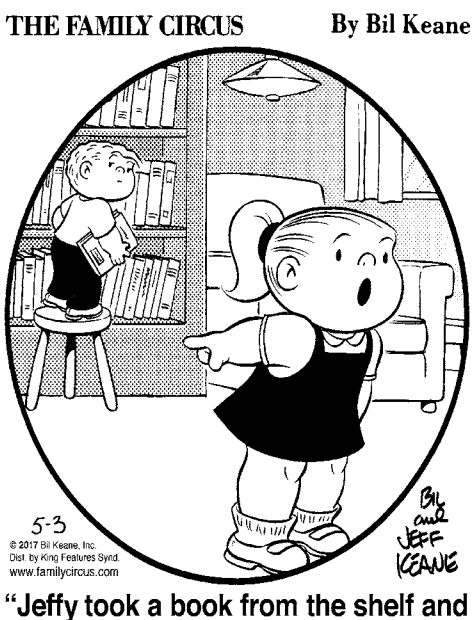
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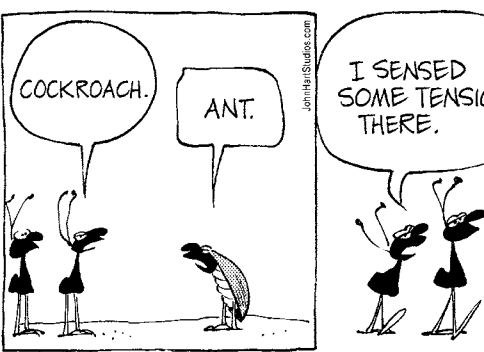
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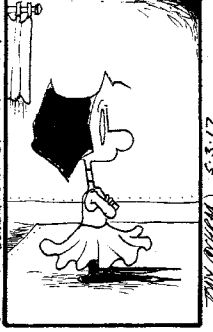
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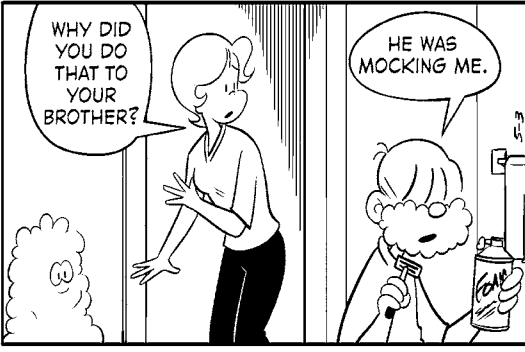
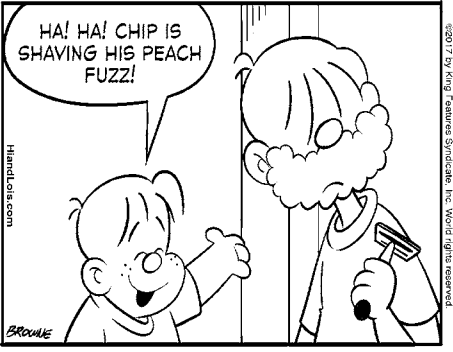
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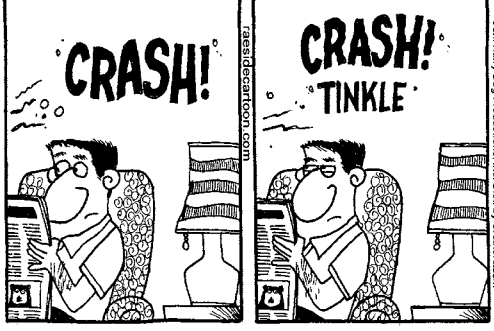
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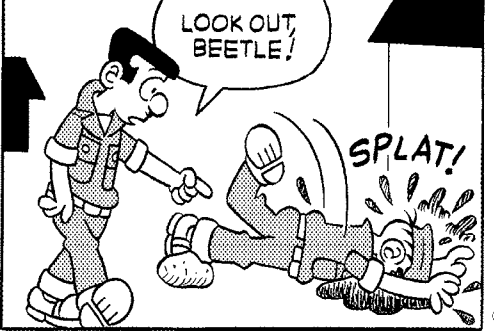
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Big 12 players poised to break out in the fall

By **STEPHEN HAWKINS**

Associated Press

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WR Blake Lynch, sophomore. The speedy Lynch will get a chance to be a top receiving target sooner rather than later after KD Cannon and Ishmael Zamora both left school early, signing NFL free agent rookie deals after going undrafted last week. Lynch had 34 catches for 404 yards and three touchdowns last season behind his teammates who were 1-2 in the Big 12 for receptions per game.

IOWA STATE

RB David Montgomery, sophomore. Montgomery was so good as a freshman that he supplanted Mike Warren — who led all freshman nationally in rushing yards in 2015 — toward the end of last season. Montgomery averaged 5.2 yards per carry and closed the season with 141 yards against West Virginia.

KANSAS

DE Josh Ehambe, junior. Ehambe dazzled in the spring game after moving back to his natural position from linebacker, where he played for the Jayhawks last season. He had three sacks while showing he could provide a dynamic bookend to last year's breakout star, Dorance Armstrong.

KANSAS STATE

RB Alex Barnes, sophomore. After beginning last season buried on the depth chart, Barnes wound up rushing for 442 yards and six touchdowns on just 56 carries. That was good enough for second in school history in both categories by a freshman running back.

OKLAHOMA

RBs Abdul Adams and/or Rodney Anderson, sophomores. With 1,000-yard rushers Joe Mixon and Samaje Perine both picked in the NFL draft after leaving Oklahoma early, there is a clear opening for the young, talented running backs. Adams had 283 yards rushing on 53 carries (5.3 yards per carry) in limited chances last season. Anderson is healthy again,

though intentionally limited in spring practice after sustaining a broken neck in preseason camp last fall. He also broke his leg on special teams in his second game as a true freshman in 2015.

OKLAHOMA STATE

WR Tyron Johnson, sophomore. The transfer from LSU already has established himself as a favorite target for Heisman contender quarterback Mason Rudolph. The speedy Johnson was a five-star recruit coming out of high school. With so many talented players around him, including Biletnikoff Award contender James Washington, Johnson likely will have some favorable matchups.

TCU

WR KaVontae Turpin, junior. Poised for a breakout last season, Turpin suffered a knee injury early and still averaged 123 all-purpose yards in his eight games. He missed much of this spring practice for academic reasons, but coach Gary Patterson said he earned his way back. In two seasons, Turpin has averaged 27.5 yards on kickoff returns and 11.3 yards on punt returns, with two TDs. He also had eight receiving TDs as a freshman in 2015.

TEXAS

WR Collin Johnson, sophomore. The 6-foot-6 Californian should be the new weapon in the Texas offense. He caught two touchdowns in the spring game and has the size, speed and soft hands to be a matchup nightmare for defensive backs and a favorite target for quarterback Shane Buechele.

TEXAS TECH

CB Octavius Morgan. The junior college transfer has already been called "a real Big 12 cornerback" by Texas Tech coaches. He had 42 tackles and three interceptions last season at Butler Community College. Morgan was a physical presence throughout his first spring practice with the Red Raiders, who in the past



In this Oct. 15, 2016, file photo, Iowa State running back David Montgomery (32) runs during the first half of an NCAA college football game against Texas, in Austin, Texas.

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have given up as many points and yards as they have put up with their big-play offense.

WEST VIRGINIA

WR David Sills, junior. After trying to prove himself as a quarterback at California's El Camino College last season, Sills transferred back to West Virginia and had six catches for

96 yards in the spring game. Coach Dana Holgorsen calls Sills "extremely, extremely football smart." Sills, who received a scholarship offer from Lane Kiffin at Southern California while still in middle school, had seven catches for 131 yards and two TDs while a receiver for the Mountaineers two seasons ago.

ASTROS

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the game goes on."

Jose Altuve hit a two-run homer in the fourth, and Gonzalez hit a solo homer in the fifth. Gonzalez has seven home runs this season, and four in his last four games.

"He's had power," Hinch said of Gonzalez. "I think when he gets a good pitch to hit he's always had power."

Delino DeShields, Joey Gallo and Elvis Andrus hit solo homers and Jonathan Lucroy had a two-run shot as the Rangers built a 5-0 lead. Nomar Mazara hit a two-run homer in the ninth off Luke Gregerson.

"Those guys came back late and strong and they were able to score some runs late," Andrus said. "We have to keep playing hard. Stop thinking about it and just find a way to win the game."

James Hoyt (1-0) pitched two scoreless innings. Will Harris earned his first save, striking out Carlos Gomez on a wild pitch, but catcher Evan Gattis tagged Pete Kozma, who was running home trying to score the tying run, at the plate to end it.

"Those get you beat," Texas manager Jeff Banister said. "Situation where there have been spots where our bullpen has been fantastic for us. Spots where it's been challenging for us."

Alex Claudio made his first career start. He pitched in place of Cole Hamels, who was scratched after experiencing tightness in his right oblique while warming up.

Hamels will return to Arlington on Wednesday to be examined by team physician Keith Meister.

"Just doing my normal routine that I've always

done," Hamels said. "On the second pitch of the bullpen, just got caught with a sharp pain on the side. It's something I've never experienced I think ever in my career."

Mike Fiers was tagged for five runs and seven hits — although he struck out a career-high nine — in six innings. Fiers also tied a personal high by allowing four home runs, and has allowed a major league-high 12 this season. He has given up at least two homers in four straight games.

Astros: RHP Jandel Gustavo (right forearm tightness) could begin a rehabilitation assignment soon, Hinch said. "We feel like he cleared the hurdle of having any sensitive feelings in his elbow or shoulder or general arm soreness," Hinch said. ... OF Teoscar Hernandez (bruised lower left leg) ran Tuesday and has been getting better, Hinch said.

QUOTABLE

"This is absolutely the most freak thing I think

I've ever had in my career. Normally you can pinpoint why injuries happen. I can always kind of backdate from previous experiences whenever I've had something nag or kind of been caused. I can definitely put a pinpoint of maybe this is where I pushed it a little bit more. This might have caused the direction for the reasoning. This was completely fluke. This is tough." — Hamels on the injury.

Rangers: RHP Nick Martinez (0-0) will make his third start Wednesday in the third game of the four-game series. Martinez has a no-decision in eight straight starts dating to his last win as a starter on Aug. 5, 2015, against Houston. He will be looking to build on his last start, when he allowed three runs in six innings.

Astros: RHP Charlie Morton (2-2) will make his sixth start this season Wednesday, looking for his second straight win after allowing four runs in seven innings Friday against Oakland.

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