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Incumbents keep their seats

Marquez narrowly wins his second term on Big Spring City Council

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

Voters in the Big Spring and Coahoma city elections decided to stay with the incumbents, although Raul Marquez will be returning to his Big Spring City Council District 1 duties after narrowly winning his seat.

Unofficial results from Saturday's election showed Marquez squeaking by Tracy Parker with five votes to win the District 1 seat. Marquez received 79 votes or 52 percent of the overall total while Parker brought in 74 which was 48 percent.

A total of 153 votes were cast in the race. "I knew it was

going to be a real close race,' Marquez said after being handed the results Howard County Elections Adminis-

trator Jodi Duck. "You can't get any closer than that."

ning and Jay Holt will serve another term on the city council. Manning brought in 57 votes or 40 percent of the overall total. Holt garnered 64 vote, or 45 percent. TJ Rueda earned 14 votes, or 10 percent and John Mulkey received 7 vote, or 5 percent of the 142 votes cast.

Results of the two elections were posted a little before 8:30 p.m. Saturday. Duck made sure both candidates for District 1 were the first to

In Coahoma, Brandy Man-receive the results before releasing numbers to the media and general public. Family, friends, and the candidates had gathered by the county courthouse steps as they awaited the final tally. Candidates for the Coahoma City Council were not present at the courthouse. After reviewing the results,

Parker announced she had lost by five to the crowd and then the two competitors shook hands. Afterwards, both groups came together in

a prayer circle. "I want to thank everybody who got out and voted and I definitely want to thank Mrs. Parker for running against me and challenging the position," Marquez said. "With the amount of votes, you can tell there are some changes that need to be done. I didn't win by a landslide. I respect Mrs. Parker as a person and I am glad she got out and put her name in the hat. She ran a good campaign."

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Releasing the butterflies

Marquez



HERALD photo/Robert Barlow

A woman smiles as her butterfly flies away during Sunday's 12th Annual Butterfly Release put together by Home Hospice of Big Spring.

By ROBERT BARLOW

Staff Writer

The park was filled with butterflies and the memories of passed loved ones during the annual butterfly release on Sunday.

Over 300 butterflies were released

at the 12th Annual Butterfly Release and Family Celebration put on by Home Hospice at the Dora Roberts Community Center Sunday after-

"I think being able to release that butterfly is like a way of opening themselves to grief being over, and seeing that there are other people there grieving as they are and their not alone in that pro-

cess," said Beverly Grant, volunteer coordinator. "I think when you release that butterfly you release a lot

of grief and get to feel some comfort." The memorial started off with some music from Scott Myers and Leon Richters of Lamesa, which was then followed by introductions of all those involved with the event by Skip Hedgpeth, chaplain and director of family services.

The band then played songs dedicated to those who have experienced a loss before the names were read of each person that was having a butterfly released in their honor.

The room then moved outside of the facility onto the patio after they collected the butterflies raised by Moss and Marcy elementary schools as well as some that were purchased. Once everyone had their butterflies in hand, a countdown was given and they were released.

Some of the butterflies flew into

the air, while several more stayed around fluttering and interacting with the group, making for a very emotional experience for those in-

"Some of the children said the butterflies got on them and didn't want to leave, which I thought was really cool too," said Grant.

The butterfly release is one of many events Home Hospice puts together to help families grieving.

"That first year we keep in touch with the family very closely, and this is just one way we keep in touch," said Grant. "The bereavement is different for each individual person. We stay in touch by sending letters throughout the year and booklets of the different stages of grieving, how to move on."

In addition to this event, there will also be another memorial service toward the end of the year to help give

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DPS urges motorists to use caution around motorcyclists

Special to the Herald

As part of Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Month, the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) is reminding drivers to use extra caution around motorcycles on roads and highways. The special awareness month is observed during the month of May.

"Driving requires your utmost attention and focus, whether you're in a car or on a motorcycle, and it is critical that every driver do their part to help ensure Texas roadways are safe for everyone," said DPS Director Steven McCraw. "We urge all drivers to use extra caution around motorcyclists. Additionally, in order to better protect themselves on

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Texas stokes debate with 'sanctuary cities' ban

By PAUL J. WEBER

Associated Press

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Texas charged to the forefront of the national debate over immigration as Republican Gov. Greg Abbott signed a so-called "sanctuary cities" ban that lets police ask during routine stops whether someone is in the U.S. legally and threatens sheriffs with jail if they don't cooperate with federal immigration agents.

The new Texas law was blasted by opponents as the nation's toughest on immigrants since Arizona's crackdown in 2010. Opponents vowed to challenge it in court. Abbott signed the measure on Facebook Live Sunday evening without

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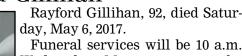
Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center 306 W. 3rd St. 432-267-3806 Dr. Sally sees patients

every Wednesday: 8:00 A.M.-12:00 P.M.



Obituaries

Rayford Gillihan



Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, May 10, 2017, at the Nalley-Pickle and Welch Rosewood Chapel. Burial will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 6 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 9, 2017, at Nalley-Pickle and Welch Funeral Home.

He was born June 29, 1924, in Dunn, Texas. Ray-

ford was a car dealer in Big spring for over 60 years and was a World War II veteran and a POW.

Survivors include his wife, Jo Reba Gillihan; three sons, Wayland Gillihan and wife Clark, Gary Gillihan and wife Glenda, and Lonnie Gillihan and wife Christie; one daughter, Sherri Adkins and husband David; six grandchildren; eight greatgrandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; and numerous nieces and nephews. 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 ac-

• CHARLIE LEOS JR., 18, of

- 1609 Kentucky Way was arrested on a charge of possession of marijuana (less than 2 oz.). CARLOS ESTINSALADO OVALLE JR., 21, of 1501 Lexing-
- ton Ave. was arrested on charges of unlawfully carrying a weapon, possession of marijuana (less than 2 oz.), and possession of a dangerous drug.
- DENNY LEON ROBERTS, 41, of 1604 E. Sixth St. was arrested on an outstanding warrant.
- DAMIAN WESTLEY BAI-

LEY, 26, of 2609 Wasson Rd. Apt. #63 was arrested on outstanding warrants.

- FRANCISCO OLIVAREZ **JR.**, 55, of 906 S. San Antonio was arrested on warrants for failure to maintain financial responsibility, expired registration, possession of marijuana (less than 2 oz.), and possession of a controlled substance (less than 1 gram).
- BRENDA THOMPSON PAR-**TON**, 48, of 200 Merrick Rd. was arrested on a warrant for failure to maintain financial responsibility.
 - LOUIS ANTHONY LOZA-

NO, 21, of 203 Denton Rd. was arrested on a charge of possession of marijuana (less than 2 oz.). BURGLARY OF A HABITA-

- **TION** was reported in the 4200 block of Parkway Road.
- DISTURBANCE was reported in the 1200 block of Sycamore Street.

ROBBERY was reported in

- the 1600 block of Jennings Street. MINOR ACCIDENT was reported at the intersection of Go-
- liad and East 24th streets. DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported in the 2600 block of
- Wasson Road.

Take Note

• Parkview Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, 3200 Parkway, will host a reception Tuesday, May 9, at 2 p.m. to honor nurses during National Nursing Week. Compass Hospice is sponsoring the event by serving cake and refreshments. The public is invited to Parkview to help celebrate this special occasion.

- Parkview Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, 3200 Parkway, will hold a celebration from 4 to 6 p.m. Friday, May 19, in observance of National Nursing Home Week. Hot dogs, chips, and drinks will be served. Dimples the Clown, face painting, a DJ, train rides, game booths, and a bouncy water slide will be available to entertain youngsters, while adults can meet the staff, visit with Parkview residents, and see recent changes to the home. Parkview has recently undergone remodeling and renovation. For more information, contact Parkview at 432-263-4041.
- 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

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 and receive the distribution date.

- · 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 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. It just takes a couple hours of your time and the work is very rewarding. To volunteer, just show up at the time and dates listed. For more information, call, 432-935-3998.

If you want additional information about getting your child on this program please contact your child's school.

- 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

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 infor-

mation, contact David Leonard, Post Commander,

at 432-816-6004. All combat veterans of foreign wars

are invited to come. The Big Spring Symphony Board of Directors meets every first Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. at the sym-

phony office, 808 Scurry Street.

- Order of the Eastern Star Big Spring Chapter 67 meets the third Tuesday of each month at 219 Main St. Dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. Lodge meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome. For more information, contact Jimmy Ruth at 271-2176.
- Staked Plains Masonic Lodge No. 598 meets the second Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. (dinner is at 6 p.m.) at 219 ½ Main St. All Masons are welcome.
- Membership to the Big Spring Native American Association is open to the public. People interested in Native American culture are encouraged to find out more about the organization by calling Richard "Indio" Lesser at 432-935-0125,
- The Scenic Mountain Medical Center volunteer program is in need of volunteers. A variety of opportunities are open for members of the community. For more information, call Anita Cline at 268-
- The Big Spring State Hospital Volunteer Services Council is in need of volunteers to fill a variety of needs to assist the hospital's patients. Applications to become a volunteer can be picked up at The Chalet, 115 E. Second St., Tuesday through Saturday between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. or at the Big Spring State Hospital Community Relations Department, 1901 N. Hwy 87, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Volunteers can assist with a variety of functions, including The Chalet Resale Shop, various fund-raisers and patient events. For more information, contact Dee Lindsey, (432) 268-7535 or danielle. lindsey@dshs.state.tx.us

• Home Hospice is in need of volunteers of all ages. The organization is requesting volunteers to visit patients. Volunteers set

their own hours. For more information, contact Beverly Grant at 264-7599 or 432-967-0901.





Harvey C. Hocker Harvey C. Hocker, 85, of Big Spring died Saturday, May 6, 2017, in Lubbock. Services are pending at Myers and Smith Funeral Home.

Sheriff

The Howard County Sheriff's Department reported the following activity: Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail re-

ported having 79 inmates at the time of this report. DAMIAN WESLEY BAILEY, 26, was booked by BSPD on warrants for failure to yield right of way at a vield intersection.

- MICHAEL ANTHONY CARRILLO, 24, was booked by BSPD on a motion to revoke probation for possession of marijuana (less than 2 oz.).
- ENRIQUE GARZA JR., 25, was booked by BSPD on a warrant for driving with an invalid license; and on a charge of public intoxication.
- EPIFANIO JOE GUZMAN JR., 29, was booked by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- BRENNA LEDAE HILL, 25, was booked by BSPD on a warrant for failure to appear/possession of a controlled substance (less than 1 gram).
- ROLLIE WAYNE JOY, 55, was booked by HCSO on a parole violation. • CHARLIE LEOS JR., 18, was booked by BSPD
- on a charge of possession of marijuana (less than 2 • LOUIS LOZANO, 21, was booked by HCSO on a

charge of possession of marijuana (less than 2 oz.). • BILLY MCGEE, 53, was booked by BSPD on a

- charge of driving while intoxicated. YARIELIZ MEDINA, 29, was booked by DPS on a charge of possession of marijuana (less than
- JOSE ALFREDO MELENDEZ, 34, was booked by DPS on a charge of driving with an invalid li-
- CARLOS SALGADO MONTANEZ JR., 40, was booked by BSPD on a charge of evading arrest or
- FRANCISCO OLIVAREZ JR., 55, was booked by BSPD on warrants for failure to maintain financial responsibility and expired registration; and on charges of possession of marijuana (less than 2 oz.) and possession of a controlled substance (less than • CARLOS ESTANISLADO OVALLE JR., 21,
- rying a weapon, possession of marijuana (less than 2 oz.)., and possession of a dangerous drug. BRENDA DEAN PARTON, 48, was booked by

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- HCSO on a warrant for failure to maintain financial responsibility. DOUGLAS WAYNE PAUL, 53, was booked by
- DPS on charge of driving while intoxicated and driving with an invalid license. KEVIN LEE POWELL, 21, was booked by DPS
- on a charge of driving while intoxicated. • DENNY LEON ROBERTS, 41, was booked by BSPD on a warrant for criminal mischief (\$750 to
- JORDAN URIAH RODRIGUEZ, 26, was booked by DPS on a charge of possession of marijuana (less
- AMY ORTEGA ROMERO, 43, was booked by BSPD on a warrant for theft of property (\$50 to \$500).
- VERLINCINA ANN SCOTT, 21, was booked by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication. • MANUEL SOSA IV, 24, was booked by BSPD on
- a warrant for driving with an invalid license. ISRAEL RICARDO VALDEZ, 23, was booked
- by DPS on a charge of driving while intoxicated. ANTHONY HEATH WRIGHT, 29, was booked
- by HCSO on an order of modified conditions of community supervision.
- ANTHONY JOSEPH YANEZ, 25, was booked by BSPD on a warrant for failure to appear/driving

Fire/EMS

MONDAY

- Reformers Unanimous International is a faithbased 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.
- · Alcoholics Anonymous, As Bill Sees it, 615 Settles, 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

TUESDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; newcomers meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.
- · Al-Anon, 615 Settles for family members and friends of alcoholics meets at 8 p.m.

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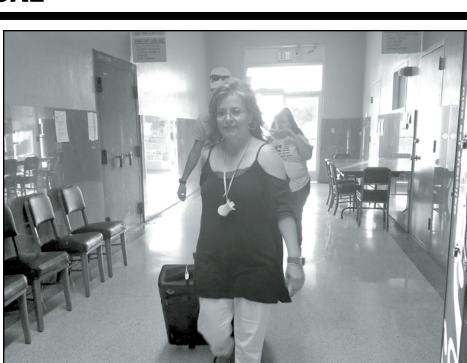
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Challenger Tracy Parker shakes the hand of Raul Marquez after Howard County Elections Administrator Jodi Duck pulls in a close race for the Big Spring City Council District 1 election. returning ballot boxes from the Coahoma city council race Marquez won the seat by five votes over Parker. Saturday night.

HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

ELECTION

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Parker said she plans to stay involved in local politics and will continue to attend city council meetings.

"I definitely appreciate everyone who came out and voted. That's just letting us know we need to continue our vote," she said. "We need people in District 1 to realize the more votes that we get, the city will realize that we still count over there. That was

my main agenda."

Parker ran a very close race. Unofficial numbers from early voting put Parker ahead of Marquez by a margin of two. She earned 26 votes while Marquez garnered 24.

Early voting results for the two at-

large Coahoma seats were fairly consistent with the overall standings. Manning brought in 9, Holt, 12, Rudea, 3, and Mukley, 4.

Contact Staff Writer Lyndel Moody at citydesk@bigspringherald.com.

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the road, motorcyclists should wear protective gear and always obey all traffic laws."

DPS recommends that all drivers "Share the Road: Look Twice for Motorcycles," which is a motorcycle safety public awareness campaign launched by the Texas Department of Transportation.

Based on the fact that riders are more exposed and can easily be overlooked due to their size, motorcyclists are inherently more vulnerable while on the

In 2016, 493 people were killed while riding a motorcycle or scooter, accounting for approximately 13 percent of all crash fatalities for the year. In many cases, these fatalities were the result of crashes between a motorcycle and a car or truck.

Collisions with a motorcycle commonly occur at intersections and while changing lanes, and all drivers should use extra caution during these situations. Drivers and motorcyclists can significantly reduce

their chances of being involved in a serious or fatal crash by adhering to basic safety measures, includ-• Perform a visual check for motorcycles by check-

ing mirrors and blind spots before entering or exiting a lane of traffic, and at intersections. · Always signal your intentions before changing

lanes or merging with traffic.

- Allow more following distance three or four seconds – when behind a motorcycle, so the motorcyclist has enough time to maneuver or stop ın an emergen-• Wear protective gear when driving or riding on a
- motorcycle. • Never tailgate. In dry conditions, motorcycles can
- stop more quickly than cars.
- Never drive while distracted.

Motorcyclists must be properly licensed to operate a motorcycle in the State of Texas. Currently more than one million individuals possess a Texas Class M (motorcycle) license. Proof of successful completion of a DPS-approved basic or intermediate motorcycle operator training course is required for licensing. Licensed motorcyclists can also take a refresher course to reinforce safe riding techniques. Each year the DPS Motorcycle Safety Unit trains approximately 38,000 motorcycle operators. The Motorcycle Safety Unit coordinates training courses at 203 locations around the state for both basic and experienced riders. For more information on motorcycle training or to find a training location in your area, call 1-800-292-5787 or visit www.dps.texas.gov/msb/.

DISTRICT

HOSPICE

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those going through grief another opportunity to honor and remember those they have lost.

"We have a memorial service for the patients that have died since the December of last year. We light candles and have music and remember the ones we have lost," said Grant. "Because around the holidays people experience more grieving, this is to help with the process of holidays coming on."

Overall, Grant and the others involved were pleased with how the event turned out.

"I think the event was a success and we are looking forward to doing it next year," said Grant.

Contact Staff Writer Robert Barlow at reporter@bigspringherald.com.

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advance notice, which critics said was to avoid protesters. Abbott spokesman John Wittman said they chose to sign the bill on social media because that's "where most people are getting their news nowadays.'

The law allows police to inquire about the immigration status of anyone they detain, a situation that can range from arrest for a crime to being stopped for a traffic violation.

It also requires police chiefs and sheriffs

under the threat of jail and removal from office — to comply with federal requests to hold criminal suspects for possible deportation. Republicans have a strong majority in the Legislature and shoved aside Democratic objections, even as President Donald Trump's efforts to withhold federal funding for sanctuary cities have hit roadblocks in federal

courts.

"Let's face it, the reason why so many people come to America is because we are a nation of laws and Texas is doing its part to keep it that way," Abbott said.

Democratic state Rep. Cesar Blanco said it looked like Abbott "wanted to get ahead" of any protests by staging the signing on Facebook Live.

Texas is the nation's second most populous state, and opponents say Hispanics will now be subjected to racial profiling and predicted the law will have a chilling effect on immigrant families.

The bill won't take effect until Sept. 1. Terri Burke, executive director of the ACLU of Texas, said "we will fight this assault in the courts" and the ballot box.

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Raymond V. Gonzales, Jr., 37, died Thursday, April 27, 2017 in Arizona. The family will receive friends from 7:00 PM until 8:00 PM Monday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral service will be at 2:00 PM Tuesday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial will be at Mount Ol-

ive Memorial Park. Evangelina Arenivaz, 70, died Thursday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Orvel "Red" Oringderff, 74, died Friday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Harvey C. Hocker, 85, died Saturday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

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Lady Hawks named NJCAA Region V champions

By MARISSA LOFTIN

Sports Editor

The Lady Hawks spent the weekend in Lubbock for the NJCAA Regional tournament held at Lubbock Christian University. With a win on Friday, a win on Saturday, and a win in the Region V championship game on Sunday, Howard College clinched the title and will make their way to the national tournament.

Game One: Howard 11 -Luna 0

Celeste Villigrana and Kylie Shay teamed up to throw a shutout victory over Luna Community College in the Lady Hawks' regional tournament opener on Friday.

Their scores were thanks to RBI singles by Megan Darling, Evelyn Loyola, Mackenzie Mitchiner, Taire Lee, and a score by Jackie Mercado on a ground out by Madison Neff in the first inning, an RBI double by Loyola in the second, a 2RBI double and steal of home, both by Madoline Seumalo in the third, and an RBI single by Neff in the fourth.

Villagrana started the game on the mound for the Lady Hawks.

She threw for four innings, surrendered only one hit, zero walks, and struck out one.

Shay entered the game in the fifth inning and surrendered zero runs or hits.

Howard College collected a team total of 12 hits for Friday's game.

Seumalo led the team to victory as she went 2-4 on the day with three runs batted in. Game Two: Howard 6 -



Photo by Tony Claxton (www.claxtonphotography.com)

Pictured above is the Lady Hawks softball team holding their trophy after defeating Midland College in the Region V championship game on Sunday, May 7, 2017.

Midland College 4

After the Lady Hawks grabbed an early lead in the top of the first with a score by Seumalo on an error, Midland College answered back with two runs of their own from a score on an error and an RBI double.

The Lady Chaps increased their lead by two more runs with a score on a sacrifice bunt in the third, and a score

on a ground out in the fifth, putting them up 4-1 over Howard College.

The Lady Hawks sent the game to an eighth inning thanks to a score by Kaylynn Lopez on a walk by Midland's pitcher with the bases juiced, a score by Young and Mercado on errors to tie the contest up at four.

Midland had no response, and Mariah Young iced the

game with an RBI home run out to left field.

With three quick outs to end the ball game, Howard College took their second game of the tournament with a final score of 6-4 and had one game remaining, the regional championship.

Game Three: Howard College 8 - Midland College 7

Midland went on to defeat Odessa after their loss to the Lady Hawks, which sent them into the regional championship game to face Howard College once again for another suspenseful game.

The Lady Chaps kicked things off with an RBI single to take a one-run lead in the top of the first inning.

The Lady Hawks answered back with two runs from an RBI double by Lopez in the See **HAWKS**, Page 10

Lady Buffs sweep Abernathy to win area championship

By MARISSA LOFTIN

Sports Editor

The Forsan varsity softball team made their way to Lubbock Christian High School where they took on Abernathy in a best two out of three series for the area championship title. A game three was not needed as the Lady Buffs took the title with a sweep over the Lady Antelopes with final scores of 6-3 in game one, and 11-10 in game two.

Game One: Forsan 6-Abernathy 3

Forsan started the game hot in the top of the first with a four-run inning, which came on an RBI double by Ashlyn Pearson, steals of home by Macey Evans and Jaidyn Brown, followed with a score by Hunter Seymore on Lexie Gee's ground out to third base.

Abernathy brought themselves within one run as they answered back with steals of home by Jocelynn

varado in the bottom of the second, and a score by Aguirre on a ground out to first base by Alvarado.

The Lady Buffs held the Lady Antelopes scoreless for the rest of game one, and ensured their 6-3 win with an RBI single by Seymore in the fourth inning, and a score by Destiny Mata on a fielder's choice play in the seventh.

Pearson earned the win on the mound for Forsan. She went the distance, allowed three runs on twelve hits, walked one and sat five.

The Lady Buffs collected a total of



Courtesy photo by Shaun McVicars

Pictured above is the Forsan Lady Buff softball team holding their trophy after defeating Abernathy in the Aguirre and Jocelyn Al. 2A area championship series on Saturday, May 6, 2017.

fifteen hits for the game. Mata led the team at the plate with four hits in five at bats.

Game Two: Forsan 11 - Abernathy

Despite being out hit 11-7 and committing seven errors to Abernathy's one error, the Lady Buffs found a way to fight through and come out on top.

Following an RBI single by Makayla Pierson that put the Lady Antelopes up by one in the first inning, Forsan statched a 5-1 lead in hopes of putting the game away early. Their big inning was thanks to a score by Mata when Evans was hit a pitch from Abernathy pitcher, Ireland Caro, with the bases loaded, an RBI single by Kaylee Morgan and a 2RBI home run out to left field by Ashlea Hardin.

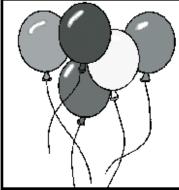
After a scoreless second inning, the Lady Antelopes put up a fight in the third with seven runs of their own to reclaim the lead, putting them up 8-5. Their runs were from a score by Michaela McClenney on an error, an RBI single by Samantha Sullivan, a 2RBI double by Kaegan Vasquez, an RBI single by Alicia Cortez, followed with steals of home by Vasquez and

Cortez.

The Lady Buffs fought back with an RBI single by Seymore, a score by Kendall Phillips on a fielder's choice play and a score by Seymore on a groundout by Morgan in the fourth inning to tie the contest at eight.

That didn't last long tough. Abernathy continued the back-and-fourth affair with back-to-back RBI singles by Josie Ramirez and Alvarado in the fifth inning, which game them a 10-8

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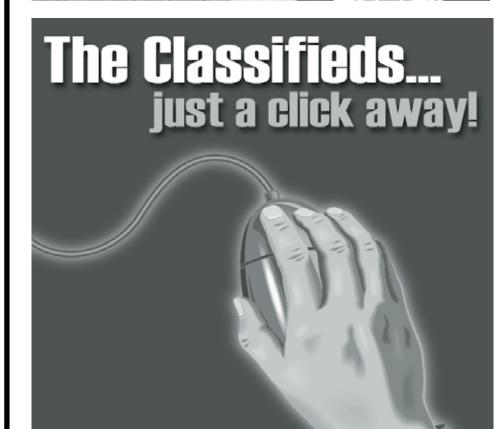
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ARIES (March 21-April 19). Save the money you were about to hand over for beauty products and services. The secret to becoming more attractive is as easy and cheap as being present and open to the moment.

TAURUS (April

20-May 20). A whim needs a follower. Never mind that whims rarely know where they are going. A destination isn't really the point with whims anyway. You've many available options to weigh this week.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). To recover after a fall is resilience. To recover before the fall is grace. Stay on your feet. Be aware and ready to make quick adjustments to whatever comes your way.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You may find that recent activities and challenges have tapped your power source and, by extension, your ability to be creative. It's time to instill new practices and rituals around energy management.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). So much good can come out of a series of catastrophes. Don't be too quick to judge an experience, especially one that is still going on. Often, the difference between a comedy and a tragedy is where you end the story.

VIRGO (Aug.

Tomorrow's Horoscope

23-Sept. 22). Wisdom comes from unexpected sources and in questionable attire. Look past the packaging and listen to the observations of those bold and unbiased enough to be honest.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). The most crucial step to getting what you want is showing up at the place where what you want is happening. You'll get the opportunity to do so today; this one is not to be missed!

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). The goal that is committed to paper is much likelier to be accomplished, but don't write it just once and then close the book. Daily updates will seal the deal. This fate will be yours.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Your imagination will stretch into visual and musical directions. You'll explain the world in artistic, interesting and colorful ways -- even the mundane parts of it.

CAPRICORN
(Dec. 22-Jan. 19).
The art of selective attention is an incred-

ibly helpful practice to master these days, as it will allow you to focus effectively regardless of the complexity of your circumstances.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Most people can sympathize with the suffering of others, but it takes a truly bighearted, emotionally generous person to exhibit graciousness in the face of a friend's success.

PISCES (Feb.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Balance is possible, but something needs to change. You need help in establishing a new rhythm in your life -- one that will help you account for the multitude of commitments you've accumulated as of late.

TODAY'S BIRTH-DAY (May 8). You scale the hurdles. The invisible ones will be the hardest, but you'll get help from people who have the superpower of seeing invisible things as well as you do. Professions of love in June, a stroke of financial luck in July. An educational process comes to a close, and adventure will ensue as you apply what

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wrong?"

You have an abundance of water sign influences in your chart, making for a more emotional personality than many Libras. Libra people tend to deliberate before they act in order to come up with the most fair-minded and diplomatic way of doing things. With your Mercury (which rules day-to-day activities and also communication) and Venus (which rules relationships and creativity) both in passionate Scorpio, you often go to the heart of matters with great intensity, whereas other Libras would be busy making light of the situation, defusing it with humor or avoiding it altogether. Your moon in Capricorn is another rather serious aspect, emphasizing the satisfaction you feel

while in hot pursuit of your life's ambitions -- and the extreme discomfort or even anger you feel when you believe your time is being squandered. But don't be fooled. With all of these weighty planetary influences, you are still a Libra, and you still manage to have fun. You just like your fun to have a point to it. You like to know that you are also being enriched, building relationships, working your body or elevating your mind.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Spanish pop music star Enrique Iglesias has a habit of breaking Billboard chart records and making history. This Taurus singer who's hit highs on Billboard's dance charts learned from a legend -- his superstar father, Julio Iglesias. Enrique Iglesias' natal Mercury, Venus and Mars are in the exciting, energetic station of Aries.

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Annie's Mailbox ®

The Son-in-Law's New Woman

Dear Annie: Our only child died of a quickly moving cancer. She left a husband and four teenage children. Less than one year after her death, our son-in-law, "Ben," was captured by a woman less than 10 years older than our eldest grandchild. This woman, "Meredith," was married at the time and has a very young child of her own.

Our grandchildren have no choice but to

accept her. They love their dad. He wants to pretend everything is as it was. If I am not nice to her, he gets angry, so we sit with them at the kids' sporting events. I do not go to the house, as he has had her sleeping in our daughter's bed. Meredith is now divorced but shares custody of her son. She obviously did not want to completely parent her child; meanwhile, we cannot see ours. I am angry. Yes, I am in counseling.

Please ask any of your readers who

have recently lost a spouse to consider being gentle with the shattered feelings of their in-laws. Ask them not to force continual socialization with someone who has been put in the place of their dead child. No one can take her place, certainly not in a period of less than two years. -- Still-Grieving Parent

Dear Still: Thank you very much for this letter. You are bringing awareness to the pain and grief you are feeling. I am so sorry for your loss.

It does sound as if your son-in-law is being incredibly insensitive, but perhaps this

is how he is dealing with his grief -- suppressing it, pretending nothing happened. It's not healthy, and just because he is able to do that does not mean that you should. If you don't want to sit with his new partner at social settings, don't! Tell him that you are just not ready yet. Be patient with your grief. It will take longer to heal if you are constantly being bombarded with the reminder that your daughter is no longer

Additionally, ask your son-in-law whether you and your husband could have some quality time alone with your grandchildren.

Make sure you don't attack his new partner; rather, say it's more a matter of missing your daughter.

Dear Annie: I recently had some family members on holiday staying at my house. A day after they left, I received a text message that they had forgotten an item that they wanted. I found the item, took it to FedEx and, for \$48, had it shipped. It arrived safely, and they were relieved. Should they offer to reimburse me the \$48? -- Hold-

ing the Bill

Dear Holding:
They should, but that doesn't mean they will. My guess is they

have no idea how pricey the shipping was. Perhaps you could send them a note saying something to the effect of, "So glad it reached you safely! I've included the FedEx receipt. Thank you!" If you'd like to be reimbursed, you'll have to take the

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By Steve Becker

Famous Hand

South dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

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A K 6 4 3

WEST

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Y 10 4

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SOUTH

J 10 5

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Opening lead — six of clubs.

The annals of bridge contain many famous hands, and this is one of the most remarkable of all. It was played in 1954 in Helsinki, Finland, during a match between Austria and Germany. The bidding is not shown because it was indescribably bad!

At the first table, Karl Schneider

of Austria, one of the best cardplayers of all time, got to six hearts, and West led a club.

Schneider saw at a glance that

there was no legitimate chance to make the slam since he had two spade losers. Nevertheless, he decided to play boldly in an effort to steal the contract. After ruffing the club in dummy, he led a low spade to the jack! West won with the ace and played another club.

After ruffing again in dummy, Schneider cashed his A-Q of trumps and acc of clubs, then played all of his remaining trumps, in the course of which West erred by discarding a diamond.

Declarer's last three cards were the 10-5 of spades and a diamond, while dummy had the A-K-6 of diamonds. But on the last trump lead, poor East had to discard from the O-J-9 of diamonds and king of spades. Whatever he chose to do, Schneider was certain to win the last three tricks, so the slam was made.

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At the second table, the German North arrived at the equally hopeless contract of six spades! He had the small matter of the missing A-K of trumps to contend with, but he also made the slam!

East led a club, taken by dummy's ace. The spade jack was then led, and everyone played low! East obviously thought declarer had the A-Q and hoped to lead him astray by letting the jack win.

North, alert to the situation that had developed, next crossed to the acc of diamonds and led a low spade toward dummy's 10-5. East held firmly to his view that North had the A-Q, so he went up with his king. It held for an instant — until West produced the ace. So again the slam was made, but this time in spades.

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Tomorrow: The science of deduction. Sudoku

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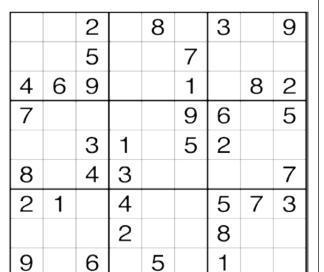
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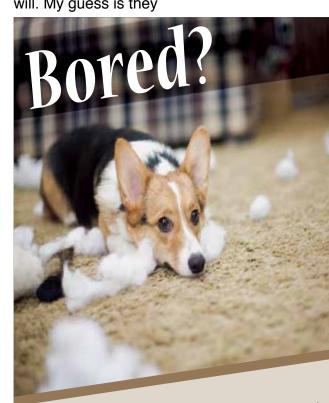
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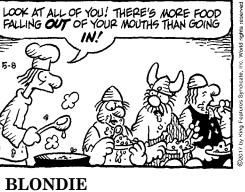




"YA KNOW WHAT WOULD GO GOOD WITH APPLE PIE? MORE APPLE PIE!"



"Mommy, have you retired from having babies?"





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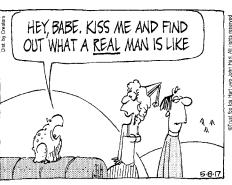
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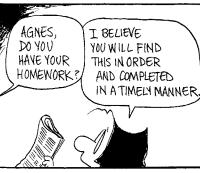


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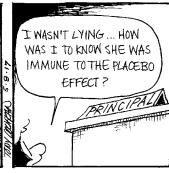


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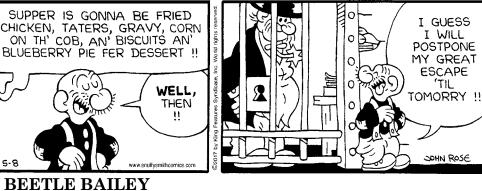
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This Date In History

Today is Monday, May 8, the 128th day of 2017. There are 237 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On May 8, 1945, President Harry S. Truman announced on radio that Nazi Germany's forces had surrendered, and that "the flags of freedom fly all over Europe.'

On this date: In 1541, Spanish explorer

Hernando de Soto reached the Mississippi River. In 1794, Antoine Lavoisier

(lah-vwahz-YAY'), the father of modern chemistry, was executed on the guillotine during France's Reign of Terror. In 1846, the first major battle

of the Mexican-American War was fought at Palo Alto, Texas: U.S. forces led by Gen. Zachary Taylor were able to beat back Mexican forces. In 1884, the 33rd president of

the United States, Harry S. Truman, was born in Lamar, Missouri. In 1915

first filly to win the Kentucky

In 1921, Sweden's Parliament voted to abolish the death penaltv.

1958, Vice President In Richard Nixon was shoved, stoned, booed and spat upon by anti-American protesters in Lima, Peru. In 1962, the musical comedy

"A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum" opened on Broadway. In 1973, militant American

Indians who'd held the South

Dakota hamlet of Wounded Knee for ten weeks surrendered. In 1984, the Soviet Union announced it would boycott the

upcoming Summer Olympic Games in Los Angeles. In 1987, Gary Hart, dogged by questions about his personal life, including his relationship with Miami model Donna Rice, withdrew from the race for the Democratic presidential nomi-

In 1996, South Africa took another step from apartheid to democracy by adopting a constitution that guaranteed equal rights for blacks and whites.

Ten years ago: The Pentagon announced that it had notified more than 35,000 Army soldiers to be prepared to deploy to Iraq beginning in the fall. Bitter enemies from Northern Ireland's bloody past joined forces atop a new Northern Ireland government.

Five years ago: Six-term veteran Indiana Sen. Richard Lugar lost a bitter Republican primary challenge, his nearly four-decade career in the Senate ended by tea party-

backed state Treasurer Richard Mourdock, who was defeated the following November by Democrat Joe Donnelly, North Carolina voters decided overwhelmingly to strengthen their state's gay marriage ban. Children's book author Maurice Sendak, 83, died in Danbury, Connecticut. Former U.S. Attorney General Nicholas Katzenbach, 90, died in Skillman, New Jersey. Josh Hamilton became the 16th player to hit four home runs in a game, carrying the Texas Rangers to a 10-3 victory over the Baltimore Orioles.

One year ago: London's newly elected Muslim mayor, Sadiq Khan, paid respect to the millions of Jews slain in the Holocaust as his first public engagement in office - and received a hero's welcome from London's Jewish community at the end.

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BIG SPRING HERALD SPORTS Monday, May 8, 2017



Photo by Tony Claxton (www.claxtonphotography.com) Megan Darling making a catch out in left field in Sunday's game against Midland College at the Region V tournament.

BUFFS

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Destiny Mata accepted the challenge as she stepped up to the plate in the bottom of the fifth and knocked out a 2RBI home run out to left field, putting the Lady Buffs up by one.

Forsan displayed exceptional defense to end the game as they held Abernathy without another run, and went on to claim their Area Championship title with a final score of 11-10.

She threw for two and one-thirds innings, surrendered five runs on four hits, walked one, and struck out three. Pearson took over in the third inning, gave up five runs on seven hits, walked five, and

The Lady Buffs collected a total of seven hits for game two. Mata, again, lead the team offensively as she went 2-3 on the day with three runs batted in.

Hardin was right behind her with one hit in four

at bats with three runs batted in.

"I am extremely proud of our girls and how they played this weekend. I thought both of our pitchers did really well for us against a good hitting team," said head softball coach Shanna Taylor. "Although we committed more errors than we wanted to in the second game, we fought through the pressure and stayed in it until the end."

Up next, the Lady Buffs will hit the road for a playoff series match up against the New Deal Lions, which kicks off on Thursday, May 11 at 6:00 p.m. Game two will be held on Friday, May 12 at 3:00 p.m. A third game will follow if necessary.

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Mariah Young hitting the game winning home run in Saturday's game against Midland College at the Region V tournament.



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Mackenzie Mitchiner fielding in Sunday's game against Midland College at the Region V tournament.

HAWKS

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first, and an RBI single by Lee in the second.

Midland fought back with four runs in the top of the third inning, all thanks to two RBI doubles and an RBI home run out to center field, putting them up 5-2.

Howard College kept themwithin one run as Mitchiner's double out to left field plated two runs.

single in the fourth inning, and a score on a ground out play in the

It came down to the bottom of the seventh inning, which was Howard College's last chance to score some runs, when Lee stepped up to the plate and doubled out to left field which drove Mercado and Mitchiner in for runs. Young then followed with an RBI single to tie the game at

that cost them the champion-The Lady Chaps increased ship as Juliana Fadaol managed

end the game.

With the 8-7 hard fought victory, Howard College was named the NJCAA Region V champions and will now head to the national tournament that is to be held in Utah on May 17-20.

"This was such a great win for us. The girls did such a great job and I am so proud of my team," said head softball coach Kelly Raines. "We never gave up. Even with all of the excitement, in-Midland made a costly error tensity and emotions, the girls stayed in it the whole time, fought hard all weekend long and really earned it."



