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Pay checks on the rise?

Howard College trustees to consider that possibility

By **STEVE REAGAN**
 Staff Writer

After having to ask employees to do more for less the past few years, Howard College trustees are looking to reverse that trend.

When trustees hold their annual budget workshop at 10 a.m. Tuesday, they will take a long, hard look at giving faculty and staff a raise for the first time in three years.

Since the state began slashing its appropriation to the college three years ago, personnel salaries have remained static. In addition, several vacancies were left unfilled and several staffing positions were merged, meaning personnel were given additional obligations while making do with their old salaries.

"Our faculty and staff have done a fantastic job during some difficult times. I can't say enough about how everyone has pulled together."

—Dr. Cheryl Sparks,
 HC president



"Our total workforce has decreased 9.5 percent in the past three years and we haven't given any kind of pay raises in that time," College President Dr. Cheryl Sparks said.

"Our faculty and staff have done a fantastic job during some difficult times. I can't say enough about how everyone has pulled together."

Now, the college is looking at payback for its employees. Not only will trustees consider across-the-board raises during Tuesday's workshop, they will also investigate whether to restore three teaching positions which were eliminated during the recent drawdown, as well as increasing the college's contribution to employees' health

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Two year-old Dax Hritz explores the flora and fauna while out on a early morning walk with his mom Saturday at the Big Spring State Park.

HERALD Photo/Andreia Medlin

State's back-to-school break this weekend

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
 Staff Writer

Texas parents with children getting ready to head back to class in a few short weeks

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have most-likely faced plenty of challenges this summer, and, from a fiscal standpoint, paying for school supplies and clothing may be one of the toughest.

However, the state of Texas is hoping to ease the burden Friday, Saturday and Sunday with its annual Tax Free Holiday, a three-day chance for parents and guardians to skip the sales taxes on many of the back-to-school items they purchase each year.

"Texas families can take advantage of the sales tax holi-

day when doing their back-to-school shopping," Texas Comptroller Susan Combs said. "The tax holiday applies to a variety of items ranging from pens to jeans to help shoppers around Texas save some of their hard earned money."

As in previous years, the law exempts most clothing, footwear, school supplies and backpacks priced under \$100 from sales and use taxes — including those sold online,

by telephone or mail — which could save shoppers about \$8 on every \$100 they spend.

According to information released by Combs, retailers are not required to collect state and local sales or use tax on most footwear and clothing that are sold for less than \$100 during the holiday. The exemption applies to each eligible item that sells for less than \$100, regardless of how many items are sold on the same in-

voice to a customer.

However, the exemption does not apply to the first \$99.99 of an otherwise eligible item that sells for more than \$99.99. For example, if a customer purchases a pair of pants that cost \$110, then sales tax is due on the entire \$110.

The exemption also does not apply to sales of special clothing or footwear the manufacturer primarily designed for athletic activity or protective

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Texas retail gasoline prices take a 3-cent dip

Special to the Herald

Average retail gasoline prices in Texas have fallen 3.4 cents per gallon in the past week, averaging \$3.46 a gallon Sunday, according to GasBuddy's daily survey of 13,114 gas outlets in Texas.

This compares with the national average that has fallen 1 cent per gallon in the last

week to \$3.63 a gallon, according to gasoline price website GasBuddy.com.

Including the change in gas prices in Texas during the past week, prices Sunday were 6.3 cents per gallon higher than the same day one year ago and are 15.2 cents per gallon higher than a month ago. The national average has increased 14.4 cents per

gallon during the last month and stands 3.3 cents per gallon higher than this day one year ago.

"Over the last week, the national average has continued to see a ever-so-slow downward trend," said GasBuddy.com Senior Petroleum Analyst Patrick DeHaan. "But the downward trend got a shot in the arm last weekend, as we

saw the biggest daily drop since April; from July 25 to July 26, the average dropped 1.5 cents. Back on April 13, the U.S. average dropped 1.7 cents from the previous day.

"Further illustrating the downward trend, 5 percent of the country was more than \$4 a gallon Friday. Last week, 7 percent of the country was more than \$4 a gallon."

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Obituaries

John Robert ‘Bob’ Scott



John Robert “Bob” Scott, 83, of Big Spring, Texas, died Saturday, Aug. 3, 2013, at Shannon Medical Center in San Angelo, Texas. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 6, 2013, at the First Christian Church in Big Spring with the Dr. Ken McIntosh and the Rev. Clark Ford officiating. Graveside services will be held at 4 p. Tuesday at Mount Evergreen Cemetery in Pecos, Texas.

The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. Monday, Aug. 5, 2013, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Bob was born Oct. 16, 1929, in Burgettstown, Pa. He attended Randolph-Macon Military School in Front Royal Virginia, then moved to San Antonio, Texas, with his family in 1944.

He graduated from Alamo Heights High School and St. Mary’s University. Upon his graduation, he passed the CPA exam to become one of the youngest licensed CPAs in the country. Bob practiced accounting for more than 50 years, much of which was in Pecos, where he entered the banking business in the early 1970s.

Bob remained active in the industry until his death. He had been a resident of Big Spring since 1993 and was a member of the First Christian Church.

He was married to Eileen Flock for 37 years and she preceded him in death. Bob then married Carol Ann Winter, who survives him. Other survivors include his five children, John R. Scott Jr. and wife Cynthia of Big Spring, David Scott and wife Patti of Van Horn, Richard Naylor and wife Darla of Mesquite, Cindy Scott Wabner and husband Doug of Dallas, and Melodee Blalock and husband Brian of Huntsville; two sisters, Barbara Schulte and husband Jay of San Antonio and Jeannette Wyman of Austin; five grandchildren who were the delight of his life; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Robert Stewart Scott and Dorothy Fabre Scott.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be made to Juliette Fowler Communities, 1234 Abrams Rd., Dallas, Texas 75214; First Christian Church of Big Spring, 911 Goliad, Big Spring, Texas 79720; First Christian Church of Pecos, 432 S. Elm St., Pecos, Texas 79772; or to the charity of your choice.

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

Paid obituary

Leta Mae Normand

Leta Mae Normand, 83, of Big Spring died Friday, Aug. 2, 2013. Graveside services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, Aug. 5, 2013, in Millersview Cemetery in Millersview, Texas.

Survivors include two daughters, Cheryl Neal of El Paso and Dianne Harris of Shawnee, Kan.; one son, David Normand of Big Spring; one brother, Victor Jones of Ben Brook; five grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

Funeral services under the direction of Eden Funeral Home.

Manuel C. Cervantes Jr.

Manuel C. Cervantes Jr., 61, of Big Spring, died Saturday, Aug. 3, 2013, in a local hospital. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 8, 2013, at Holy Trinity Catholic Parish. Interment will follow at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends beginning at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 7, 2013, Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel.

He was born Aug. 5, 1951, in Big Spring, Texas, and married Margaret Resendez on June 18, 1983, in Fort Davis, Texas. He graduated from Big Spring High School and attended Howard College. He served in the United States Army. He was a member of Holy Trinity Catholic Parish.

Survivors include wife, Margaret Cervantes of Big Spring; mother, Maria Cervantes of Big Spring; son, Manuel Cervantes III of Big Spring; son, Donald Cervantes of Big Spring; daughter, Joanne Cervantes of Big Spring; eight grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his father, Manuel Cervantes Sr.; one brother, Manuel; one sister, Neomi Herrera; and a daughter, Catalina.

The family suggests memorials be made to Holy Trinity Catholic Parish Building Fund, P.O. Box 951, Big Spring, Texas 79721.

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

Juan M. Rodriguez

Juan M. Rodriguez, 85, of Big Spring died Sunday, Aug. 4, 2013, at his residence. His services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Mary Z. Hale



Mary Z. Hale, 89, of Coahoma died Saturday, Aug. 3, 2013, at Snyder Oaks Care Center. The family will receive friends Monday, Aug. 5, 2013, from 6 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Graveside service will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Trinity Memorial Park.

She was born April 24, 1924, in Ackerly, Texas, to Winnie Mae (Whitmire) and John Bledsoe. She married Jess Franklin on Aug. 9, 1941, and he died March 5, 1975. She then married Tolbert (Tollie) Hale on Feb. 14, 1981, and he preceded her in death Dec. 7, 1995.

She was a homemaker and sold cosmetics, as well as real-estate. She was a lifetime resident of Howard County and was a member of First Baptist Church of Coahoma.

She is survived by three sons, Kenneth Franklin of Big Spring, Douglas Franklin of Hamilton and John Franklin of Austin; one daughter, Doris McKinnon of Coahoma; 12 grandchildren; several great-grandchildren; and one brother, John Bledsoe of San Antonio.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by two husbands.

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

Jowili Taylor Etchison

Jowili “Mama Jo” Taylor Etchison died Saturday, August 3, 2013. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 7, 2013, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home.

She was born in Kiowa County, Okla., on Dec. 26, 1919, to Clyde and Joe Emma Clare Taylor. They moved to Littlefield, Texas, when she was 12 years old.

She married Waymon Etchison on Nov. 15, 1941, in Littlefield. They farmed in Dawson and Glasscock counties. When Waymon retired in 1972, they moved to Big Spring.

She is survived by a son, Taylor D. Etchison; a daughter, Gaylene Gambrel and husband Dean; four grandchildren; three step-grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; one brother, Norbin Taylor; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her husband; mother and father; and a brother, J.W. Taylor.

The family suggests memorials be made to Hillcrest Baptist Church, 2000 W. FM 700, Big Spring, Texas 79720; or to The Word at Work, 1400 Wolfin Ave., Amarillo, Texas 79109, Attn: King’s Children’s Home/Etchison Memorial.

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

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 9 a.m. Saturday and 7 a.m. today:

- JIMMY FRANKLIN MASSINGILL, 46, of 2511 March Circle, was arrested Sunday on a charge of possession of marijuana – two ounces or less.
- REBECCA IRENE GONZALES, 42, of 610 E. 12th St., was arrested Sunday on a warrant for issuance of a bad check.
- DEBRA LYNN KNOTT, 51, of 1501 S. Johnson, was arrested Sunday on a charge of public intoxication.
- GENEAN M. LARO, 52, of Tucson, Ariz., was arrested Sunday on a charge of criminal trespass.
- GERALDINE DOMINGUEZ, 48, of 1707 Purdue, was arrested Sunday on a charge of disorderly conduct – language.
- BONNIE JANE KLAASSEN, 53, of 1500 Sycamore Apt. A, was arrested Sunday on a charge of forgery of a financial instrument.
- JEREMY KURT YOUNG, 29, of Weatherford, Texas, was arrested Sunday on a charge of driving while license suspended/invalid with a previous conviction.
- STEVEN THOMAS SIMS, 30, of 5109 Longshore Rd., was arrested Sunday on charges of driving while license invalid and bail jumping – failure to appear (two counts, fines only).
- THEFT was reported:
 - In the 3600 block of W. Highway 80.
 - In the 800 block of W. Interstate Highway 20.
- FORGERY was reported in the 500 block of N. Lamesa Highway.

Sheriff

The Howard County Sheriff’s Office reported the following activity:

- Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 80 inmates at the time of this report.
- DANICA MARIE DIAZ, 20, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a motion to revoke probation for evading arrest or detention.
 - DANE WINFIELD STEINHAGEN, 19, was booked into the county detention center Friday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
 - CANDICE LYNN HIMES, 37, was booked into the county detention center Friday by the BSPD on a charge of purchasing/furnishing alcohol to a minor.

- SONIA RENEE STRAUGHTER, 48, was booked into the county detention center Friday by the BSPD on a motion to revoke probation for theft of property – more than \$500 and less than \$1,500.

- MARK MATTHEW LINDEM, 35, was booked into the county detention center Friday by the BSPD on a charge of theft of property – more than \$500 and less than \$1,500.

- ENES HACIMIC, 49, was booked into the county detention center Friday by the BSPD on a charge of theft of property – more than \$50 and less than \$500.

- ROBERT FRANKLIN KEENE, 66, was booked into the county detention center Friday by the BSPD on a Gregg County charge of bondsman off bond – driving while intoxicated.

- MARK JACOB VERHOEVEN, 21, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a motion to revoke probation for harassment.

- KEVIN IAN GARZA, 19, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a municipal capias warrant for juvenile curfew violation.

- WILLIAM THOMAS WHERRY III, 24, was booked into the county detention center Friday by the BSPD on a Collin County warrant for probation violation – interfering with an emergency phone call.

- JOHNNY LEE JUAREZ, 31, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

- ELISA SANCHEZ ORTIZ, 30, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of issuance of a bad check.

- RUBEN E. MATA, 28, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on a Howard County warrant for theft of property – more than \$50 and less than \$500.

- SANTIAGO ALVEDA SANCHEZ, 64, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

- JIMMY JOE SANCHEZ, 36, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of hindering officers discharging official duties.

- ALANA DIANNE SANCHEZ, 36, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

- TERRY WAYNE BLEISNER, 49, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

- MARIO IRENEO YANEZ, 32, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of criminal mischief.

- MARCOS MENDEZ, 20, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on municipal warrants for failure to control speed, violation of a promise to appear and minor consuming alcohol.

- TRACEY DAWN JUAREZ, 22, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on municipal warrants for failure to appear and failure to control speed.

- RICKY BOB YANEZ, 28, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on a municipal warrant for noise.

- JOSEPH DANIEL TIPTON, 31, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by Glasscock County Sheriff’s Office on a charge of assault by threat.

- OMAR KRUZ HERNANDEZ, 17, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

- JIMMY DELOSSANTOS JR., 51, was booked into the county detention center Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

- HARIL JOE HODNETT, 53, was booked into the county detention center Sunday by DPS on a charge of driving while intoxicated with a child passenger.

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Byrd set to retire from HC San Angelo

By CINDY SMITH

Special to the Herald

SAN ANGELO — Howard College officials say they are reluctantly bidding farewell to long time San Angelo campus Provost LeAnne Byrd, as she has announced her retirement effective Aug. 31.

A formal retirement reception will be held on the Howard College San Angelo campus Aug. 7 at the West Texas Training Center from 2:30-3:45 p.m.

Byrd has spent the last 15 years with Howard College, 10 of those in the role of provost for the San Angelo campus and has left a lasting impression, both within the college district as well as the community of San Angelo.

“It is a bittersweet day for us here at Howard College,” said Dr. Cheryl T. Sparks, president of Howard College. “LeAnne has been such a vital part of the growth of this campus and we are sincerely going to miss her both on the professional as well as personal level.”

When taking the reins of the campus, Byrd had a vision: 1) be recognized as an educational partner in the Concho Valley; 2) have a strong presence in the community; and 3) raise community awareness of Howard College San Angelo.

Throughout the last 10 years, the campus has made major strides in becoming recognized as a prime edu-

cational partner within the community. With the complete relocation of the campus to the West Texas Training Center (WTTC), the addition of the St. John’s campus for health profession programs, the implementation of a wide variety of new health profession programs, the addition of general studies degrees added to the programs of study available, the wide variety of partnerships with other educational institutions, and the upcoming construction of two new buildings on the campus, Byrd seems to be leaving the campus in great shape for her successor.

“LeAnne has always had a sincere interest in the future growth of this campus

and the opportunities it presents for the people of the San Angelo community and surrounding areas,” said Sparks. “We are very grateful to her for the leadership, commitment, and vision that she has shared with the faculty, staff and community.”

Through memberships on a wide variety of boards and professional committees as well as volunteer activities, Byrd has been active in many ways to promote Howard College San Angelo and build partnerships with many different organizations and businesses. Those partnerships have not only been a benefit to the college but have played a key role in community awareness and the re-

cord enrollment growth seen at the campus over the last 10 years.

“I’m very grateful to the board of trustees, Dr. Sparks, my peers, faculty and staff for all of their guidance and support,” said Byrd. “I’m excited about the next chapter in my life following my retirement but am also sad to be leaving behind such a fantastic group of individuals who have shown true dedication to improving the lives of others through education.”

Cindy Smith is information director at Howard College. She can be reached at 432-264-5034 or csmith@howardcollege.edu.

Area news briefs

‘Noises Off’ set in Lamesa

LAMESA — The Lamesa Community Players presents “Noises Off,” directed by Gwen Allison and Virginia Leonard.

Performance Dates:

August 9, 10, 15, 16, 17 at 7 p.m. and Aug. 11 at 2 p.m.

Women’s Fair & Expo

MIDLAND — “Be Inspired” is the theme of The 4th Annual Women’s Fair & Expo scheduled for Aug. 10-11 at the Midland county Horseshoe.

Nearly 60 vendors will be offering everything from home products & décor, health & homoeopathic products to purses, clothing, footwear, makeup, jewelry and gifts galore. And, since this will be the Tax Free Weekend, you’ll save even more money on lots of items. There will also be fashion shows and Kid’s & Women’s Workshops.

Dr. Leslie Chupp, MD/ FACOG, regional director of the Laura W. Bush Institute for Women’s Health will present a lecture on various types of pelvic disease, symptoms associated with these diseases and treatment options available. Audience members will be able to ask questions during the Q&A portion or during the presentation via Twitter at #pdirl.

Also making presentations at The Expo are Patty Pisklak, executive

director of CASA, Stacy Wilson with the Gladney Center for Adoption and Dianne Eggemeyer, founder of ABC Ministry (Angle Baby Creations).

For more information on The Women’s Fair & Expo and the schedule of events go to www.wfetx.com.

Head to jail before Labor Day

ODESSA — Head to jail before Labor Day will be held at 9 a.m. Aug. 26 at the University of Texas at Permian Basin courtyard, 4901 E. University Blvd. in Odessa.

Event Details:

Put on an orange jumpsuit and step inside jail to get your mug shot taken. Of course, this is simulated jail. Texas Department of Transportation is bringing its “Drink. Drive. Go to Jail.” mobile jail cell to campus — complete with a toilet, sink and bunk bed. The Labor Day holiday should be fun, not deadly.

Write on the traveling story wall about why you’d never drink and drive.

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HERALD Photo/Andreia Medlin

Runners pass the half way mark during a 5k run/walk Saturday at Big Spring State Park, to help raise money for Spring Creek Fellowship’s “We Sent Our Harts to Zambia,” missionary trip. Money raised will assist the Hart family with expenses during their three-month stay in Zambia. For more information, contact Shawn Hart at 432-238-0642 or Lauren Hart at 432-213-0790.

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insurance.

The stickler, as always, will be finding the money to make those plans a reality. Howard will receive slightly more than \$7 million

this coming fiscal year, basically the same amount of money as the previous 12 months. So, any pay raises will probably have to be funded from local tax revenue.

“There will be discussions about whether we want to go above the effective tax rate (the rate which would bring

in the same amount of money as the previous year),” Sparks said.

If trustees decide to raise the tax rate, it will mark the first increase in more than four years. Exploding property values in Howard County allowed the board to slash its tax rate from a high of 31.5 cents per

\$100 valuation in 2009 to the current rate of 17.6 cents per \$100 valuation.

Valuations have taken a dip of about \$250 million this year, meaning the college would have to raise its tax rate just to bring in the same amount of money as the previous year, Sparks

said.

Aside from pay raises and restored teacher positions, the college also is eyeing about \$150,000 in capital outlay projects, including renovation of the heating and cooling unit at the library, Sparks said.

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TAXES

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use. For example, golf cleats and football pads are primarily designed for athletic activity or protective use and are not normally worn except for those purposes. Therefore, they do not qualify for the exemption. Tennis shoes, jogging suits and swimsuits, however, are commonly worn for purposes other than athletic activity and thus qualify for the exemption.

The sales tax holiday exemption does not extend to rental of clothing or footwear; nor does it apply to alteration (including embroidery) or cleaning services performed on clothes and shoes. Additionally, tax is due on sales of accessories, including jewelry, handbags, purses, briefcases, luggage, umbrellas, wallets, watches and similar items.

Backpacks priced under \$100 sold for use by elementary and secondary students are exempt

during the sales tax holiday. The exemption includes backpacks with wheels, provided they can also be worn on the back like a traditional backpack, and messenger bags.

Texas families also get a sales tax break on most school supplies priced at less than \$100 purchased for use by a student in an elementary or secondary school. Layaways are also included in the annual tax holiday. The sale of a qualifying item under a layaway plan qualifies for exemption if the customer places the qualifying merchandise on layaway during the holiday or makes the final payment during the holiday, according to state officials.

Just a few of the school supplies covered by the tax holiday — as long as they are less than \$100 — include: Binders Book bags Calculators Cellophane tape Blackboard chalk Compasses

Composition books Crayons Erasers Folders; expandable, pocket, plastic and manila folders Glue, paste and paste sticks Highlighters Index cards Index card boxes Legal pads Lunch boxes Markers (including dry erase markers) Notebooks

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David Ybarra, Sr., 46, died Wednesday. Funeral Mass was at 10 a.m. this morning at Holy Trinity Catholic Church. Burial followed at St. Joseph’s Cemetery in Stanton.

Mary Z. Hale, 89, died Saturday. The family will receive friends Monday tonight from 6 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Graveside service will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Trinity Memorial Park.

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• The public is invited to “Tune Up” for the new symphony season with the Big Spring Symphony Guild. The event will include a salad luncheon and information on becoming a Guild member. “Tune Up” will be held at noon Saturday at 2800 Crestline Road in Big Spring. The Guild promotes the Big Spring Symphony through volunteerism in service, education and fundraising. RSVP 432-264-7671.

• The Chalet is accepting donations of magazines. They should be brought to the Community Relations office. For more information, call Jamey Stegall at 268-7535 or james.stegall@dshs.state.tx.us

• Donations are needed for Rene Hinojos and Deborah Pearce, who lost everything in a fire. Donations can be made to account 6705393395 at BBVA Compas Bank, 1500 Gregg St., Big Spring. Make checks payable to Shannon Galan in care of Hinojos/Pearce.

• Spring of Siloam Christian Women’s Job Corps is accepting applications for its fall semester classes through the final week in August. For more information, call 432-517-4627.

• The Howard County Sheriff’s Posse will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 6 at Crispy’s Cafe, located near the intersection of Birdwell Lane and FM 700. The local group is looking for new members and would like to encourage anyone interested in joining to attend the meeting. For more information on the Howard County Sheriff’s Posse or the meeting, contact Steve Gray at 432-213-6104 or Bert Sheppard at 432-263-4483.

• Diabetes and Nutrition will be the August Healthy Woman event in Room 215 at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Paula Sue Sisson, new SMMC dietitian, will be the featured speaker. Find out about inpatient and upcoming outpatient services regarding diabetes and nutritional consultations. The event, set Aug. 8 with a Lunch n Learn at 11:30 a.m. and refreshments and light snacks at 5:30 p.m., is free to the public, as always. For more information or to RSVP, call 268-4842 or 268-4721.

• Howard College Foundation Speaker Series and Scenic Mountain Medical Center’s Healthy Woman program present “The Love Chromosome” featuring Derrick Tennant as the Fall Speaker Series on Sept. 5 at 7 p.m. in the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. Tickets are free, but a ticket is required for admittance. Tennant is a motivational speaker and comedian. He will be speaking about the challenges in his own life and how people can turn their

own obstacles into building blocks instead of road blocks. For more information or to reserve a free ticket, call Amanda Duforat at 432-268-4842 or Jan Foresyth at 432-264-5051.

• Parenting classes will be held in room A-10 at Howard College from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on the first and third Monday of each month. For more information, call 263-2673 and ask for Linda.

• Mitchell County Senior Citizen Dance, Colorado City Civic Center, 157 East 2nd Street, Colorado City, Texas, the fourth Thursday of each month from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., \$5 per person. Bring snacks to share.

• Howard County Fair Association is seeking volunteers to help with the Howard County Fair which will be held Sept. 26-28. To find out more information or to volunteer, contact Jamey Stegall at 214-717-9210 or jamey.stegall@gmail.com. The fair association is also accepting applications for exhibitors at the fair. All booths rent for \$100. Contact Stegall for more information.

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

• Crossroads Hospice is in need of volunteers. Volunteers are the backbone of the hospice team, by bringing light and love into people’s lives. For more information on joining, contact Eva Robison at 432-263-5300 or come by 421 S. Main.

• Do you have a minute? An hour? How about making a difference in someone’s life? Become a hospice volunteer. One hour a month can make a difference. Whether it’s visiting a patient or working in the office or helping with a craft, you can make a difference. We can work around your schedule. If interested, please call Kara Daniels at Compass Hospice, 432-263-5999, or apply in person at 602 S. Main St.

• You don’t have to be a senior citizen to enjoy country-western dancing. The Big Spring Senior Center hosts a dance every Friday from 7:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. A different band will be featured every night. Dancing is a fun way to exercise, so come enjoy the fun and meet new friends. Cost is \$8 per person. For more information, call 267-1628.

Support Groups

MONDAY
• VA Alcoholics Anonymous support group, 7-8 p.m., Veterans Healing Center.

• Take Pounds Off Sensibly (TOPS) TX 0021 meets at First Christian Church at 10th and Goliad, in the dining hall on the east side of the building. Weigh-in starts at 5 p.m. and meeting starts at 5:30 p.m. We have a different program each week. For more information, please call 517-4922 or 935-6306.

• Circle of Hope, a Celebrate Recovery group, meets at 6:30-8 p.m. at Spring Creek Fellowship, located in the College Park Shopping Center. Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered recovery program dealing with life’s hang-ups, hurts and habits, covering many areas. Circle of Hope group is a ministry of Spring Creek Fellowship. For further information, contact Dale at 432-270-8462.

• Reformers Unanimous International is a faith-based addictions program helping people find freedom from addiction. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Mondays at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Enter at the back of the church.

• Stepping Stone Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at Baptist Temple Church Fellowship Hall, 400 E. 11th Place. Open meeting at 7 p.m.

TUESDAY
• Big Spring and Snyder Parkinsons Support Group meeting at the Big Spring Senior Center at 10:30 a.m. the second Tuesday of the month. This is a group for all Parkinson’s disease patients, spouses and caregivers. For more information about the support group or about Parkinson’s Disease, contact Jo Bidwell at the Lubbock APDA office at 806-785-0942.

• Special Parents for Special Children support group meets the first Tuesday of each month, 6:30 p.m. at Elbow Elementary. Contact Kerri Rosenbaum at 432-816-3320 or kerriro-senbaum9488@msn.com

• VA Alcoholics Anonymous support group, 7:30-8:30 p.m., Veterans

Healing Center.

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; closed discussion meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

• Al-Anon, 615 Settles for family members and friends of alcoholics meets at 8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY
• “A Journey to a New Normal,” a grief support network, meets from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at 602 S. Main. For information, call 263-5999.

• RSD (Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy, a chronic pain disease), a new 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. Non-smoking closed discussion meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

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

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

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Sen. Kel Seliger

Seliger sets Town Hall series

AMARILLO, Texas — State Sen. Kel Seliger is kicking off his annual tour of Senate District 31, conducting county town hall meetings across the Panhandle, South Plains and Permian Basin to discuss the activities of the 83rd Legislature.

“I am excited to start the very important process of reporting to my bosses in District 31 and getting their ideas,” said Seliger.

Seliger’s town hall meetings in the Crossroads area include the following:

Tuesday, August 27

• Glasscock County Town Hall Meeting
9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.
Glasscock County Courthouse, 117 E. Currie, Garden City

• Howard County Town Hall Meeting
1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Hotel Settles, 200 E. Third St., Big Spring

• Martin County Town Hall Meeting
3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Martin County Library, 200 St. Mary’s St., Stanton

• Mobile Meals is in need of volunteer delivery drivers. If you can donate one hour per week to help deliver meals to the elderly, call Macaria Cantu at 263-4016.

• Spring Tabernacle Ministries, 1209 Wright St., has a brief, inspirational message before giving away food and clothing on Thursday mornings. Be there at 9 a.m.-11 a.m. and get two for one plus a rehab meeting.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The Big Spring Independent School District will hold a public meeting at 5:15 P.M., August 15, 2013, in the Big Spring High School Board Room, 707 East 11th Place, Big Spring, Texas. **The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.**

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Maintenance Tax	\$ 1.1195 / \$100 (Proposed rate for maintenance and operations)
School Debt Service Tax	
Approved by Local Voters	\$ 0.3300 / \$100 (Proposed rate to bonded indebtedness)

Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:

Maintenance and Operations	2.82%	increase
Debt Service	21.95%	increase
Total Expenditures	5.31%	increase

Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value (as calculated under Section 26.04, Tax Code)

	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year
Total appraised value * of all property	\$ 1,706,992,755	\$ 1,929,540,638
Total appraised value * of new property **	\$ 3,362,283	\$ 4,072,960
Total taxable value *** of all property	\$ 1,497,123,345	\$ 1,549,068,529
Total taxable value *** of new property **	\$ 2,949,017	\$ 3,864,924

* “Appraised value” is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Section 1.04(8), Tax Code.
** “New property” is defined by Section 26.012(17), Tax Code.
*** “Taxable value” is defined by Section 1.04(10), Tax Code.

Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness * \$ 62,010,000.

* Outstanding principal.

Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates

	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund *	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	\$ 1.1165	\$ 0.2400 *	\$ 1.3565	\$ 5,417	\$ 3,697
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$ 1.1242	\$ 0.2791 *	\$ 1.4033	\$ 6,099	\$ 2,894
Proposed Rate	\$ 1.1195	\$ 0.3300 *	\$ 1.4495	\$ 5,589	\$ 2,891

* The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$ 52,358	\$ 63,407
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$ 26,886	\$ 35,726
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$ 1.3565	\$ 1.4495
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$ 364.71	\$ 517.85
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes		\$ 153.14

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is **\$1.4495**. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of **\$1.4495**.

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	\$ 10,610,613
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	\$ 1,020,239

Slow gardening a lifestyle rather than a race

By **DEAN FOSDICK**
Associated Press

Felder Rushing is not a man to be hurried. This former county extension agent turned folklorist, author and lecturer is an advocate of slow gardening — emphasizing the process over the product.

“Life has a lot of pressures,” Rushing says. “Why include them in the garden?”

Slow gardening is an offshoot of the international Slow Food Movement, which, in its words, aims “to strengthen the connection between the food on our plates and the health of our planet.” Think of it as mixing ecology with gastronomy, promoting wellness over the high-calorie fare of many fast-food menus.

The way Rushing looks at it, fast food gardening means outsourcing most gardening pleasures.

“A lot of people feel they’re too busy to maintain their lawn and shrubs, so they hire ‘mow and blow crews’ to get it done,” he says. “That’s fine, but it’s product-oriented.

Others like eating out regularly. That’s OK, too, but it’s not home



Courtesy Photo
Author **Felder Rushing**.

cooking or enjoying what you grow.”

Slow gardeners, on the other hand, look forward to whatever needs doing. “They’re anticipating, performing and sharing the process,” he says.

Slow gardening is more psychological than horticultural. “Some people make

their beds every morning even if they live alone and nobody’s there to notice,” he says. “They do what they do because it makes them feel good.”

Yet slow gardening is not lazy gardening; there are no shortcuts or how-to lists.

“Sometimes it can get pretty intense and long

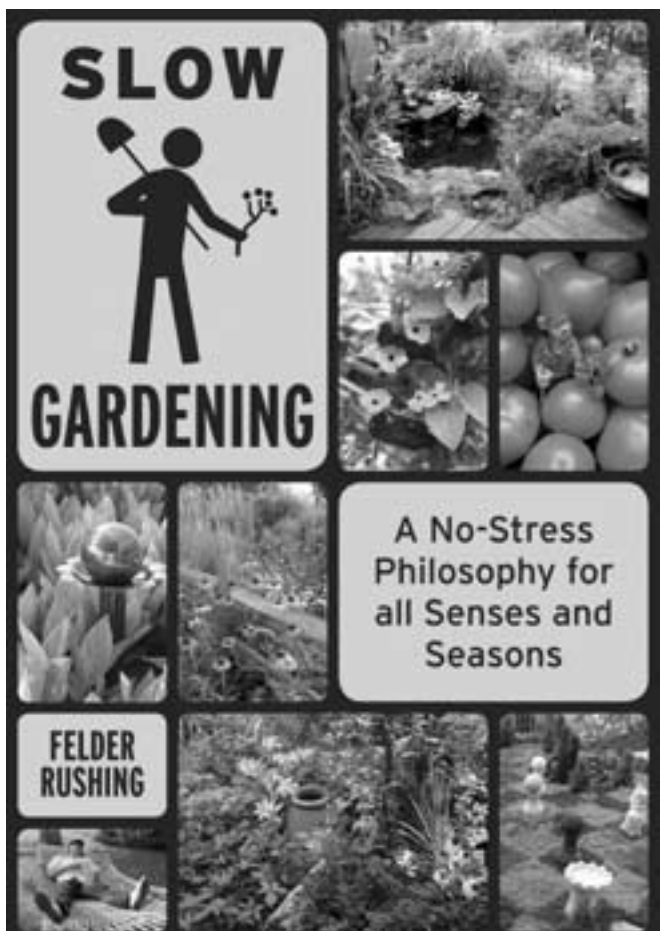
on gadgets,” Rushing says. “But if you’re able to get into the rhythm of that, you’re practicing slow gardening.”

Susan Harris, a garden coach and blogger (GardenerSusan, GardenRant) from Greenbelt, Md., also subscribes to the slow-gardening philosophy, and recommends it to her students, readers and clients.

It’s “doing what I’m passionate about, not being a purist about anything, using hand tools, not power tools, tolerating some pest damage or just growing some other plant rather than bothering with products (organic or otherwise),” Harris said in an email. “Applying pesticides is not gardening in my book, at least not the slow kind.”

Some suggestions from Rushing’s book “Slow Gardening, A No-Stress Philosophy for All Senses and Seasons” (Chelsea Green Publishing, 2011):

- Take it easy. Gardening doesn’t have to be stressful or a rush to reach harvest. Go slow while you grow.



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- Don’t try keeping up with the Joneses. “A lot of gardeners are scared they’re going to mess up,” Rushing says. “What are the neighbors going to say? I’m saying hold your head up and go on. Make mistakes and savor them. People are going to talk about you anyway.”

- Don’t be penny-wise and flavor-foolish. “Slow gardeners don’t mind spending a little more trying to grow tomatoes over what they’d buy at the store, just for that first, hot-off-the-vine bite in the summer,” he

says.

- Get together. Share your harvests. Teach. “If you like going to farmer’s markets, great. But take some kids along with you the next time and show them the difference between a yellow (summer) squash and a zucchini. To me, slow gardening is passing along a favorite plant or some of your knowledge.”

Online:

You can contact Dean Fosdick at deanfosdick@netscape.net.

Tomorrow’s Horoscope

New moon eve

There’s an old farmer’s tale that if the first week in August is unusually warm, the winter will be snowy and long. This new moon eve suggests that whatever the temperature, the dreams spinning in your mind will seek all they need to take root. Don’t worry yourself with the “how” of it right now. Keep thinking about what you want.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Your best will be better than enough. The important thing to remember today is not to get overwhelmed, because that mode is paralyzing. Stay positive and happy, and keep moving.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). The basics of sleep, water and love are so familiar that it would be easy to take

them for granted. But don’t. You require plenty of all three now, so make sure to get all you need.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Your loved ones may need more space than you’re inclined to afford them. You can’t help it that you have many reasons for constant contact today, but balance this need with an awareness of other people’s signals.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). The kind of people who will do anything to make a sale are more concerned with the sale than with the benefits they are providing to others. This kind of thinking never wins in the end. Beware of the commercial con!

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). The lines between dreams and reality are wonderfully blurred for you today. Of course, you can still see those lines, but it will be a bit like going to a movie. You’re willing to suspend disbelief in order to enjoy the ride.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You took action and your reasons were good.

Now you’ll benefit from inaction. A wait-and-see approach will show your maturity. Restraint and wisdom are interlocking hands.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Small nuisances, like dripping water or piles of household mail, are dangerous if ignored. Handle the little things, and the big things will come together for you today.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Loving another person makes you happy. The mere possibility that the other person loves you back is enough for now. This may be the sweet spot of a relationship: the moment of uncertainty and hope.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). It takes a seasoned eye to see the potential in another person’s talent and ideas. Today you will recognize in others the very things you have developed in yourself.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Your confident presence is more powerful than you mean it to be. Unless you encourage others to express their point of view, they may be too intimidated to be forthcoming with it.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Believe it or not, there are times when it’s best to tone down your strong and attractive energy. You need rest and recuperation now, not more offers.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You

enjoy many aspects of the status quo today. So don’t go changing everything just yet. Better to savor what is awhile. You can always go back to pondering what could be later in the week.

TODAY’S BIRTHDAY (Aug. 5). The gate doors to inspiration swing open. In September, your positivity keeps the team going. Note: Sometimes being positive means identifying potential trouble sources so you can steer clear. You may be the only one who sees a possible problem looming, so speak up. New relationships blossom in November. Pisces and Scorpio people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 2, 13, 28, 22 and 19.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS: “How about a Cancer with a Taurus man? We’ve been dating for more than a year, and I love him and want to marry him. The problem is that he hasn’t had a job in the entire time I’ve known him. I think he’ll eventually find work, but I’m worried. What if our relationship is only great now because he has plenty of time to court me? Even though I don’t want to support him financially, it’s so good the way it is now that I’m afraid to change anything. By the way, he lives in Lithuania, and I live in the U.S. Eventually, when we marry, I’ll move to be with him. I’m worried about relocating and about our future financial situation. Is he telling me the truth about the job market, or is this an excuse not to work?”

Your Cancer nature will make moving a bigger challenge than you think it will be. How much time have you actually spent together in the flesh? You may be in love with the idea of this man more than the reality of him. Why not invite him to stay with you for a few months in the States? Since he’s not working, this shouldn’t be much of a problem. If he’s not willing to come, his unemployment is not the real reason your relationship isn’t going to the next level.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: August 5th is the birthday of stargazers. As your faithful astrologer, I will reveal that I, Holiday Mathis, was born on this day, and I’m honored to share the date with the late, great Sydney Omarr, who was also a newspaper horoscope columnist. Also born on this day, the astronaut hero who put the first footprints on the moon: Neil Armstrong.

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Contract
Bridge

By Steve Becker
Famous Hand

East dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ 8 5
♥ 10 7 4 2
♦ A 9 6 3
♣ K 5 4

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

EAST
♠ A K
♥ K J 9 8 6
♦ K J 7
♣ J 9 6 3

SOUTH
♠ Q 1 7 6 3
♥ A Q 5
♦ K J 7
♣ A Q

The bidding:
East 1♥
South Dble
West Pass
North 2♦
2 NT Pass 3 NT

Opening lead — two of clubs.

This was one of the favorite hands of B. Jay Becker, the former editor of this column. The declarer was the legendary Helen Sobel, thought by many to be the greatest woman player of all time.

Mrs. Sobel won the club lead with the ace and deduced at this point that East had the doubleton A-K of spades! So at trick two she led the spade three from her hand and eventually wound up making 10 tricks on a deal where many players might not make nine.

The question, of course, is how

Tomorrow: All that glitters is not gold.
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Mrs. Sobel could have known, at trick one, that the A-K of spades could be driven out without wasting a high card or using up her limited entries to dummy to lead toward the Q-J.

When the logic of the low spade play at trick two is examined, it is found to be flawless. There were only 14 high-card points missing, so East had to have the A-K of spades and king of hearts for his opening bid.

It was highly unlikely that West had as many as two hearts. In that case, he would surely have led his partner’s suit rather than his own, which could be only 10-9-x-x at best, since East had played the jack of clubs at trick one. Therefore, West had either one heart or none.

But West couldn’t have none. If he had no hearts, he’d have to have a five-card suit somewhere, and if so, he would have led it rather than a four-card suit (as indicated by his lead of the club deuce). Hence, West had precisely one heart.

This in turn meant that West had a 4-1-4-4 distribution, leaving East with only two spades, which had to be the A-K! It was therefore unnecessary to waste a potentially important entry to dummy to start the spades. So Mrs. Sobel simply conserved her resources and led a low spade at trick two!

Sudoku Answer on Page 12

sudoku

Fill in the grid so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 through 9 with no repeats. That means no number is repeated in any row, column or box.

	8		9			7		4
7	9	1			6	2	3	8
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	6		7	8		4		

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Rookie's TD, interception lifts Dallas in HoF Game

CANTON, Ohio (AP) — Sometimes, when youth is served, it pays off. Ask Dallas Cowboys coach Jason Garrett about that and see his smile.

Rookie Devonte Holloman's 75-yard interception return with a tipped pass keyed the Cowboys' 24-20 victory over the Miami Dolphins in the Hall of Fame game Sunday night that opened the NFL's pre-season.

Dallas also got a strong effort from its relatively inexperienced running backs, from some youngsters on the offensive line, and by a defense making the switch to the 4-3 alignment under new coordinator Monte Kiffin.

"Any time you can give young players an extra chance to play in a game, they grow," Garrett said. "With an extra pre-season game, it makes sense to give those young guys an opportunity to play."

Holloman, a sixth-round pick from South Carolina was perfectly situated when rookie Chad Bumphis had



Dallas' Devonte Holloman runs for a touchdown after a tipped pass which turned into an interception, keying a 24-20 victory over the Miami Dolphins in the Hall of Fame Game.

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Holland sharp over eight innings in 4-0 win over Oakland



Texas' Nelson Cruz is congratulated by 3rd Base Coach Gary Pettis after hitting a home run in the first inning of Sunday's 4-0 victory over the Oakland A's. Cruz is expected to be suspended today for his involvement with Biogenesis, a clinic which allegedly distributed performance enhancing drugs.

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Ron Washington shook his head, a bemused look on his face. He had a towel draped over his shoulders and was still wet from the beer shower provided by his players.

Derek Holland gave up four hits in eight stellar innings, Nelson Cruz and Mitch Moreland each hit a home run and Washington became the winningest manager in Rangers history as Texas beat the Oakland Athletics 4-0 on Sunday.

"I'm not a fan of the cold stuff," Washington said. "I had to stand there and endure it. Any success you have in life, there are others who helped get you there."

Washington, who coached for Oakland for 11 years, passed Bobby Valentine with his 582nd win.

"Yes it means a lot to me," he said. "I came here as a novice and in seven years won the most games in Rangers' history. This organization gave me the chance and the players kept

winning ballgames."

Adrian Beltre had two hits and drove in a run for the Rangers, who have won six of seven to move within 2 1-2 games of the AL West Division leading Athletics.

"It's a pretty cool accomplishment and he's going to get a lot more," Rangers infielder Ian Kinsler said. "He's grown up with this organization and established a winning environment."

Nate Freiman had two hits for the A's, who have lost four of five.

Holland (9-6) walked two and matched his season high with 10 strikeouts as he ended a personal two-game losing streak.

"We've had a strong relationship," Holland said of Washington. "He even comes out to the mound instead of (Mark) Maddux. He's a great guy for me. I love playing for him."

A.J. Griffin (10-8) lasted 6 2-3 innings, allowing four runs — three earned — on five hits.

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Ladies Golf News

The Comanche Trail Ladies Golf Association held its weekly ladies playday last Monday, at which Joan Daniel won low gross and Betty Murphy took low net. Cassie Lewis had the fewest putts during the round.

Gus and John Leonardi and Betty and George Murphy were the victors at Thursday's couples

play with a score of three-under par after a scorecard playoff.

Also with three-under and a second place finish were Vaughn Martin, Trish Gabbard and Jimmy and Deanna Foresyth. Gus Leonardi landed closest to the pin on Hole No. 6, while Jimmy Foresyth took the honors on Hole No. 3.

PED-Day looms over MLB

(AP) — Baseball's PED-Day is set to launch. The question now is whether this will stop the drug cheats once and for all.

To Logan Morrison, the suspensions and shame and loss in salary might not be enough. To really deter them, the Miami Marlins' first baseman suggests clubs pay a price, too.

"Maybe penalizing the teams for guys who signed — like Melky signing that \$16 million deal — maybe the team should have to give up something," Morrison said.

Which would be fine with Dodgers second

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Kahne holds off Gordon, wins at Pocono

LONG POND, Pa. (AP) — Jeff Gordon had the inside line, a lead and his first win of the season in sight, usually a sure thing for Pocono's top winner.

Kasey Kahne was about out of time to pass his Hendrick Motorsports teammate.

"It was either to go for it and make it work," Kahne said. "Or not."

Cruising from the outside, Kahne got the jump he needed, zipped past Gordon and pulled away with two laps left Sunday to win at Pocono Raceway.

"I about gave it away when Jeff got by me," Kahne said.

Kahne recovered in the No. 5 Chevrolet for his second victory of the season, all but securing his spot in the Chase for the Sprint Cup championship. He had the car to beat for the final half of the 400-mile race until a late caution bunched up the field.

Gordon nudged past Kahne after some thrilling two-wide racing and seemed poised to win at Pocono for the seventh time. After the final caution, Kahne was

simply too fast, too strong to be denied his first win at Pocono since 2008.

So close to the checkered, this loss stung Gordon. Even worse, his runner-up finish came on his 42nd birthday in his 42nd career Pocono start.

"I thought all I needed to do was get in here and got to the bottom and I'd be good," Gordon said. "He got a killer run and blasted by on the outside of me. Caught me by surprise. It just kills your momentum."

Kurt Busch, who also celebrated a birthday, Ryan Newman and Dale Earnhardt Jr. rounded out the top five. The top five cars were Chevrolets.

Busch helped out Kahne with one final push down the frontstretch to find some needed speed.

"That was kind of the race at that point," Kahne said. "Once I cleared (Gordon) getting into two, from there it was just, don't make a mistake and try to run the quick lap on the last one."

Kahne, Gordon and Earnhardt

made it an outstanding race for Hendrick. Teammate and series points leader Jimmie Johnson was 13th after a blown tire knocked him out of the lead.

Kahne had stretched his lead to almost 8 seconds when a caution for debris came out with 12 laps left. Gordon, who won at Pocono each of the last two years, was strong in the No. 24 and had the lead as he tried to extend his record for career wins at Pocono.

Matt Kenseth spun with four laps left to erase Gordon's lead and set up the thrilling finish. Gordon led again until Kahne ran him down with a hard, sweeping run past his teammate for the win.

"We had them. We certainly had the position," Gordon said. "I'm pretty disappointed I let him get inside of me on (turn) one."

Kahne also won this season at Bristol. He jumped a spot to eighth in the points standings and need a win to make sure

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In this cause it appearing to me from a petition, which is sworn to, that Nathan Alan McNew's residence is unknown, so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon him. It is, therefore ordered by me that publication be made in the BIG SPRING HERALD, a newspaper published in Howard County, Texas, for four consecutive weeks, as required by law, notifying said unknown resident defendant to file an answer with plaintiff's attorney, Jeremy D. Trapp, whose address is 407 West Public Square, Smithville, Tennessee 37166, within thirty (30) days from the last date of publication, exclusive of said last date of publication, or a judgment by default may be entered in the cause set for hearing ex parte as to Complaint for Divorce.

This 17th day of July, 2013.
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REVENUE BONDS
(NORTHCREST APARTMENTS)

Notice is hereby given of a public hearing to be held by the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (the "Issuer") at the Howard County Library, 500 Main Street, Big Spring, Texas 79720 at 1:00 p.m. on August 28, 2013, with respect to an issue of tax-exempt multifamily residential rental development revenue bonds in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$4,300,000 and taxable bonds, if necessary, in an amount to be determined, to be issued in one or more series (the "Bonds"), by the Issuer. The proceeds of the Bonds will be loaned to DHI NC Housing LP, a Texas limited partnership, or a related person or affiliate thereof (the "Borrower") to finance a portion of the costs of acquiring and rehabilitating a multifamily housing development described as follows: an approximately 68-unit multifamily housing development located at 1002 North Main Street, Big Spring, Texas 79720 (the "Development"). Upon the issuance of the Bonds, the Development will be owned by the Borrower.

All interested parties are invited to attend such public hearing to express their views with respect to the Development and the issuance

of the Bonds. Questions or requests for additional information may be directed to Teresa Morales at the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs, P.O. Box 13941, Austin, TX 78711-3941; (512)475-3344; and/or

teresa.morales@tdhca.state.tx.us. Persons who intend to appear at the hearing and express their views are invited to contact Teresa Morales in writing in advance of the hearing. Any interested persons unable to attend the hearing may submit their views in writing to Teresa Morales prior to the date scheduled for the hearing. Individuals who require a language interpreter for the hearing should contact Teresa Morales at least five days prior to the hearing date. Personas que hablan español y requieren un intérprete, favor de llamar a Jorge Reyes al siguiente número (512)475-4577 por lo menos cinco días antes de la junta para hacer los preparativos apropiados.

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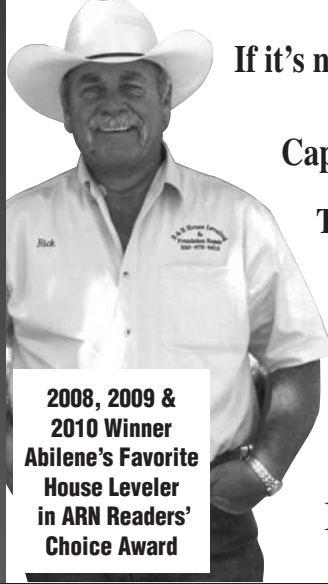
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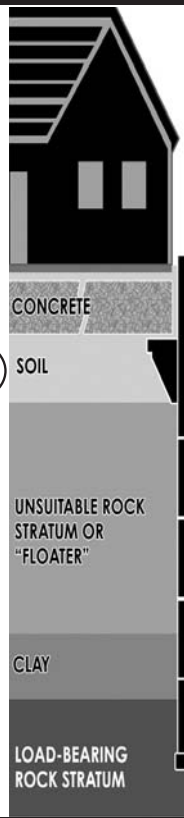
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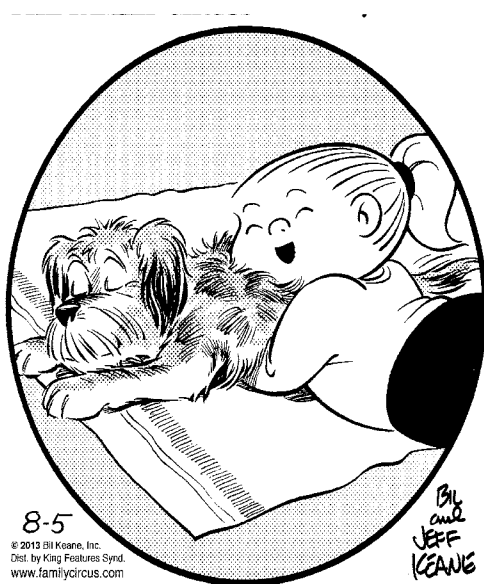
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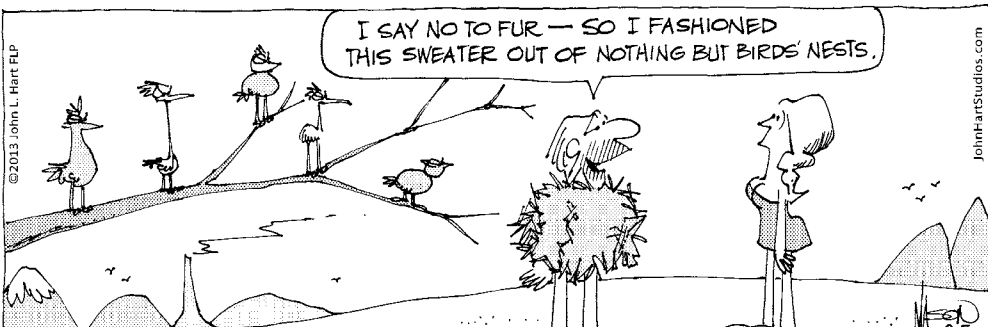
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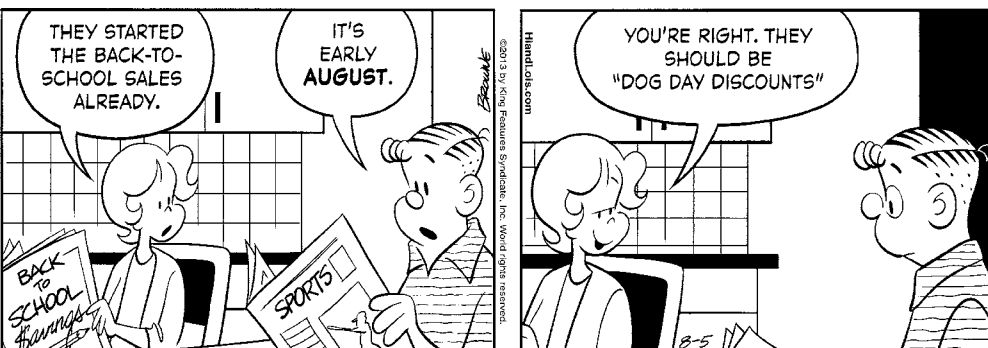
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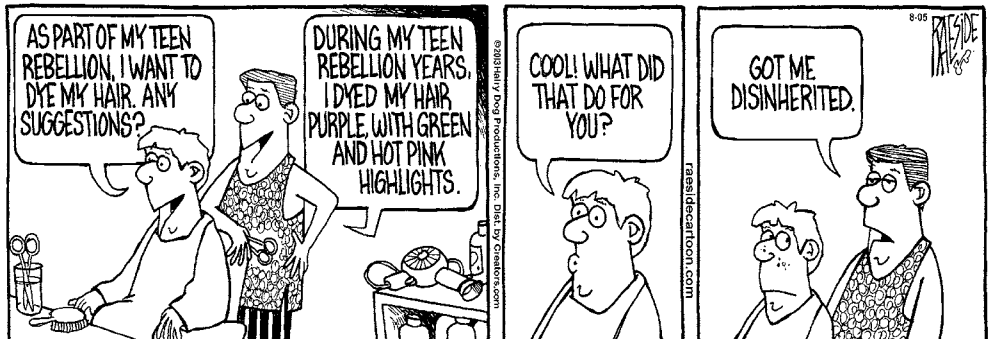
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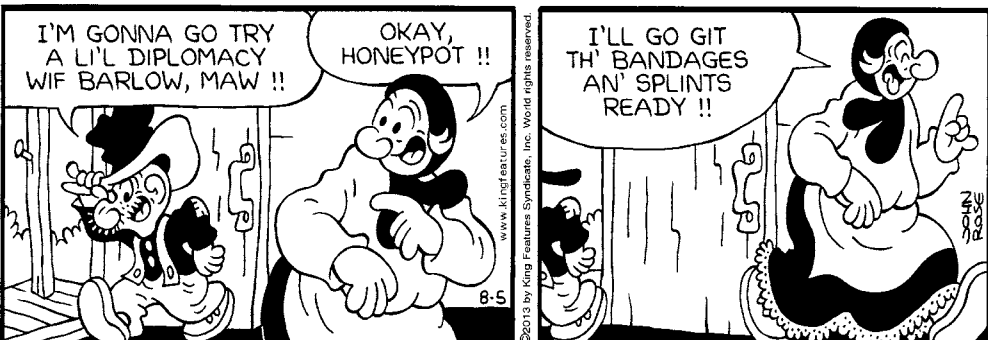
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This Date In History

Today is Monday, Aug. 5, the 217th day of 2013. There are 148 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On August 5, 1953, Operation Big Switch began as remaining prisoners taken during the Korean War were exchanged at Panmunjom.

On this date: In 1864, during the Civil War, Union Adm. David G. Farragut led his fleet to victory in the Battle of Mobile Bay, Ala.

In 1884, the cornerstone for the Statue of Liberty's pedestal was laid on Bedloe's Island in New York Harbor.

In 1912, the Progressive Party, also known as the "Bull Moose Party," convened in Chicago. (The party was formed by former President Theodore Roosevelt following a split in the Republican Party.)

In 1921, a baseball game was broadcast for the first time as KDKA radio announcer Harold Arlin described the action

between the Pittsburgh Pirates and the Philadelphia Phillies from Forbes Field. (The Pirates won, 8-5.)

In 1924, the comic strip "Little Orphan Annie" by Harold Gray made its debut.

In 1933, President Franklin D. Roosevelt established the National Labor Board, which was later replaced with the National Labor Relations Board.

In 1936, Jesse Owens of the United States won the 200-meter dash at the Berlin Olympics, collecting the third of his four gold medals.

In 1953, the movie "From Here to Eternity" had its world premiere in New York.

In 1962, actress Marilyn Monroe, 36, was found dead in her Los Angeles home; her death was ruled a probable suicide from "acute barbiturate poisoning." South African anti-apartheid activist Nelson Mandela was arrested; it was the beginning of 27 years of imprisonment.

In 1963, the United States, Britain and the Soviet Union signed a treaty in Moscow banning nuclear tests in the atmosphere, in space and underwater.

In 1969, the U.S. space probe Mariner 7 flew by Mars, sending back photographs and scientific data.

In 1981, the federal government began firing air traffic controllers who had gone out on strike.

Today's Birthdays: Actor John Saxon is 77. College Football Hall of Famer and former NFL player Roman Gabriel is 73. Country songwriter Bobby Braddock is 73. Actress Loni Anderson is 68. Actress Erika Slezak is 67. Rock singer Rick Derringer is 66. Actress Holly Palance is 63. Singer Samantha Sang is 60. Actress-singer Maureen McCormick is 57. Rock musician Pat Smear is 54. Author David Baldacci is 53.

Answer to previous puzzle

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ACROSS

1 Up in the sky

6 Female choir voice

10 Preschool basics

14 Brownish photo tint

15 Top of a house

16 Great Salt Lake state

17 Wasp-waisted shape

20 U-turn from NNW

21 Assist, as a criminal

22 Transported, like school students

23 Cribs and cots

25 24-hr. cash sources

27 Fable conclusions

30 Noisy commotion

31 Elm or eucalyptus

35 "That's what ___ service!"

36 Lengthy story

38 Motorists' org.

39 "Spring forward" time

43 ___-mo replay

44 Plumlike fruit

45 Stubbish as ___

46 Results of sunbathing

48 Your and my

49 Keeled (over)

50 Small city

52 Grain-storage building

53 "Give me a break!"

56 Partner at a prom

58 Soft throw

61 Certain army reservists

65 "If all ___ fails . . ."

66 Refrigerate

67 March 17

68 Resorts offering massages

69 Eye impolitely

70 Short-tempered

DOWN

1 Campfire residue

2 Late July babies, per the zodiac

3 Numbered musical work

4 Very energetic person

5 Garment label

6 Typical Kuwaitis

7 Misplace

8 Deep-fried tortillas

9 Light-switch position

10 Summer month

11 Air conditioner measures: Abbr.

12 Show concern

13 Storage building

18 Young boys

19 Tech company known as "Big Blue"

24 ___ Island (former immigration center)

26 Julius Caesar garment

27 Central spot

28 Central Florida city

29 Silk-like synthetic fabric

30 Daisy look-alike

32 Accumulated, as debts

33 "Bald" bird

34 Made simpler

37 To no ___ (useless)

40 Shine softly

41 Canine used for hunting

42 Rude

47 Fence posts

49 Level in an arena

51 Hour after noon

52 No longer fresh

53 Has debts

54 Lend a hand

55 Western tableland

57 Military no-show: Abbr.

59 "How clumsy of me!"

60 Unruly tyke

62 Sgt. or cpl.

63 Letters after Q

64 Farm pen

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baseman Mark Ellis.

“We’re sick of it. Tired of it,” he said. “We don’t want the fans thinking everybody cheats. You listen to people talk and they associate baseball with cheating.”

“The teams maybe should look at some things. Not sign guys who are caught. That would be a good thing. Start taking guys’ money away,” Ellis said.

Major League Baseball was poised to levy significant drug suspensions Monday, with three-time MVP Alex Rodriguez and All-Stars Nelson Cruz and Jhonny Peralta facing the stiffest penalties in the Biogenesis case. Overall, 14 players were facing discipline.

MLB has informed the Yankees that A-Rod will be suspended but can play while he appeals, a person familiar with the talks told The Associated Press. The person spoke on condition of anonymity Sunday because no announcement was authorized.

Melky Cabrera, Bartolo Colon and Yasmani Grandal served suspensions after positive tests last year. They’ve been tied to this performance-enhancing drug case, but can’t be disciplined again for the same offense.

Cabrera, the MVP of last year’s All-Star game, finished his 50-game suspension in October. Released by the champion San Francisco Giants after the season, the outfielder signed a \$16 million, two-year deal with the

Toronto Blue Jays.

Will the upcoming penalties serve as a deterrent? Hall of Famer Joe Morgan will wait and see.

“It depends on what the punishments are. The thing with me is always the risk versus the reward,” he said. “What is the reward? Getting a \$150 million contract. What is the risk? A 30-day suspension, a 60-day suspension? The risk doesn’t outweigh the reward.”

“Until that happens, it’s not going to change,” he said. “It’s very simple: The risk has to outweigh the reward.”

And that might mean something more drastic. Say, the risk of players immediately losing their rich deals if they’re caught.

“I know they’re talking about” terminating contracts, St. Louis pitcher Adam Wainwright said. “But I don’t know if you want to go down that road. Once you start, where do you stop?”

It’d be a start, Padres outfielder Will Venable said.

“My personal opinion is that the penalties need to get back to the contracts,” he said. “I believe that if you cross over and decide that you are going to use the banned substance, you also should forfeit the support of the players’ association.”

“They are not worthy of the support of the players’ association. I think the combination of that and somehow having to forfeit or void your contract that you’re under is something that needs to be the main focus of the penalties,” he said.

NASCAR

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he’d at least qualify for a wild-card spot should he fall below 10th place. Kahne was third last week at Indianapolis Motor Speedway and seems to be heating up with five races left until the Chase field is set. With two wins, he’d also be closer to Johnson and Kenseth once the points are reset when Chase field is set.

Kahne’s 16th career win should make him a Chase lock.

“The Chase is what it’s all about in NASCAR,” Kahne said. “You need to make it.”

Gordon, who has six Pocono wins, finished second last week and has

three straight top 10s to also position himself for a spot in the 12-driver field. He had won at Pocono each of the last two seasons. When Gordon leads late at Pocono, he usually wins. Just not this time.

“I’m frustrated right now because we had a shot at it,” Gordon said. “We know how important wins are.”

Gordon hangs on to ninth in the standings, but could be out of a Chase spot if he falls outside the top 10 without a win.

Johnson, who set a track record in qualifying, again had the dominant car for half the race until he blew a front tire. A week after a slow, final pit stop cost him a win at Indianapo-

lis, Johnson was done in this time by a tire issue that ended his chance to win.

Johnson, who won the June race from the pole, stretched his points lead to 77 over Clint Bowyer.

Danica Patrick lost control of her car, triggered a four-car crash and was 35th. Kenseth’s late spin knocked him to 22nd.

But it was that spin that made the difference for Kahne. He may not have caught Gordon without the final caution.

“We had speed. I could move around,” Kahne said. “But to actually clear him and make the pass, I think it would have been really difficult. I’m glad that second caution came out

there and gave us another shot.”

Kahne took a moment in Victory Lane to remember his friend, Jason Leffler.

Leffler was killed in June on a dirt track in New Jersey only days after racing in the Pocono Cup race.

Kahne and Leffler were friends and traveled together on the way home from the June race.

“Just me and him,” Kahne said. “We spent a bunch of time together and then that happened that Wednesday. It was tough. There are so many people that are good friends with Jason and knew him really well. I just wanted to mention something about him.”

RANGERS

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He walked one and struck out seven.

Griffin has allowed a major-league leading 28 home runs this season and became the first Oakland pitcher to give up two or more in four consecutive starts since Mark Redman did it in 2007.

“That’s the best I’ve seen Holland pitch in quite a while,” A’s manager Bob Melvin said. “The inside zone was there for him, which made the changeup really

tough to deal with.”

Holland, who has an 0.81 ERA in his nine wins, beat the A’s for the fifth straight time. He also improved to 7-1 in 12 road starts.

“Oakland is in first place for a reason,” Holland said. “We’re gaining ground on them for a reason too.”

Joe Nathan walked Josh Donaldson and allowed an infield single to Yoenis Cespedes to open the ninth. He got pinch hitter Brandon Moss to ground into a force out and got Alberto Calles to hit into a game-ending double play.

The Rangers took advantage of

a two-out fielding error by Cespedes in the first inning to take the early lead. Kinsler reached second on the play and scored when Beltre singled.

Cruz led off the second inning with his 27th homer of the year and Moreland hit a two-run shot in the seventh.

“It’s pretty frustrating,” Griffin said of Moreland’s home run. “To pitch well for 6 2-3 innings and to have that happen, it’s frustrating.”

Meanwhile, Holland did not allow a runner past second base. He retired 14 of 15 batters during one stretch.

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Matt Moore’s pass go off his hands in the second quarter.

“I thought about it the whole way here and it actually happened,” he said of making a big play, after which he got his “first handshake from coach Garrett.”

The linebacker sped toward the end zone with a group of blockers escorting him, and after he scored he tightly clutched the ball as he headed to the Dallas sideline.

“I had a celebration in my mind, but I was overwhelmed and decided to celebrate with my teammates,” he said.

“It was fantastic, a really great play from him,” Garrett said. “We were swarming to the

football, had a lot of guys around the quarterback, and then the ball pops in the air and he makes a great play and great run.”

Bumphis otherwise had a strong game with five receptions for 85 yards.

“I feel like I can create mismatches in the slot,” said Bumphis, who was undrafted out of Mississippi State. “Just get open. I’m a good receiver when it comes to getting in and out of my breaks, and that’s where I feel like I’m my best.”

The Cowboys controlled most of the game one night after their former offensive lineman, Larry Allen, and former coach, Bill Parcells, were inducted into the hall.

Quarterback Tony Romo, coming off back surgery to remove a cyst, sat out for Dallas.

So the Cowboys turned to their ground game — and ground down Miami as few regulars got onto the field.

Miami’s mistakes were decisive. They struggled most of the night against Dallas’ new defense masterminded by Kiffin, the man who designed the Tampa 2 scheme so prevalent throughout the NFL.

Although top running back DeMarco Murray was held out, the Cowboys were dominant on the ground. Phillip Tanner did the bulk of the early work and finished with 59 yards and a touchdown. Joseph Randle handled the late duty and had 70 yards as Dallas piled up 170 yards rushing.

“We’re trying to get an identity as a group,” Tanner said. “We had ‘Coach’ DeMarco on the sideline telling us to just go out and play.”

Allen, Parcells and the other five inductees — Cris Carter, Jonathan Ogden, Warren Sapp, Curley Culp and Dave Robinson — were on hand and were honored again before the game. Parcells, who coached Dallas and was an executive for the Dolphins in his final two NFL

stops, walked through a line of players from both teams, pointing and exchanging barbs and smiles with them.

Soon after, Dallas led 7-0 on Tanner’s 1-yard run. The Cowboys were set up at the Miami 9 when Ryan Tannehill botched a handoff to Lamar Miller on the Dolphins’ first offensive play and Nick Hayden recovered.

Tanner soon departed with a left arm injury, but returned and ran over and through Miami’s defense. Dallas moved the ball well in offensive coordinator Bill Callahan’s first outing as its play caller; those duties were taken away from head coach Jason Garrett in the offseason. Of course, few starters ever made it onto the field for either side.

Dan Bailey’s 49-yard field goal made it 10-0, then Holloman made his long sprint to the end zone.

Dan Carpenter kicked a 27-yard field goal for Miami, which used Tannehill for only 10 snaps before Moore came in. Third-string QB Pat Devlin hit rookie Keenan Davis with a 5-yard TD pass on fourth down in the final period, making it 17-10, and Carpenter added a 45-yarder.

But rookie Kendal Lawrence ran in from 7 yards with 1:57 left to clinch it for Dallas, even though Moore returned and added a 5-yard TD pass to Kyle Miller with 16 seconds to go.

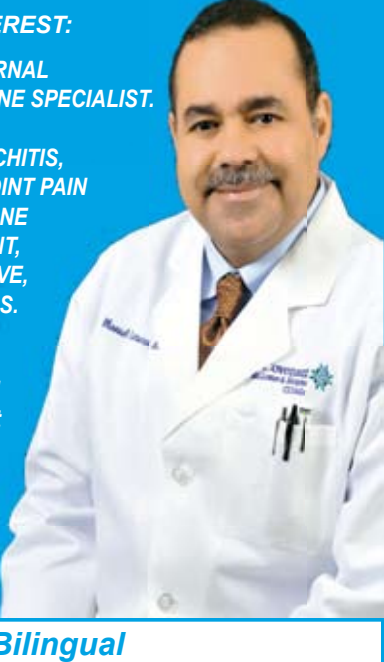
Defensive end Dion Jordan, the third overall pick in the draft, had little impact for the Dolphins.

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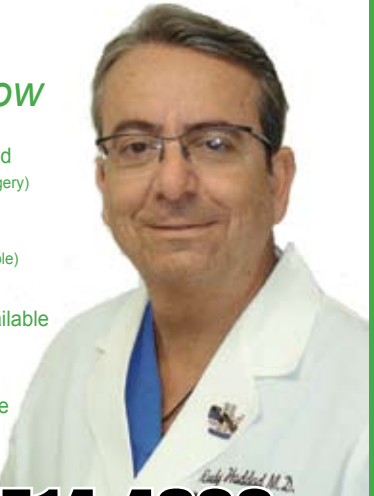
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