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Get voter ID while still time

By THOMAS JENKINS
Staff Writer

While the fate of the Texas Voter ID Law approved by the legislature in 2011 still appears to be up in the air, Howard County election officials are urging Crossroads voters to stay ahead of the curve and be prepared to show their identification in the upcoming November election.

The law — which was approved by the Texas Legislature last year but failed to garner necessary approval from the U.S. Department of Justice — went before the U.S. Supreme Court in early July, including a week of testimony by attorneys representing the Lone Star State.

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Machete-wielding man accused of assaulting wife

By THOMAS JENKINS
Staff Writer

A Big Spring man has been charged with aggravated assault — family violence after law enforcement official say he allegedly attacked his wife with a machete.

Michael Dale Preston, 28, of 401 Young, was arrested Tuesday by the Big Spring Police Department on a charge of aggravated assault causing serious bodily injury — family violence. Preston also faces a warrant for revocation of probation for driving while intoxicated from

Hockley County, according to officials with the Howard County Detention Center.

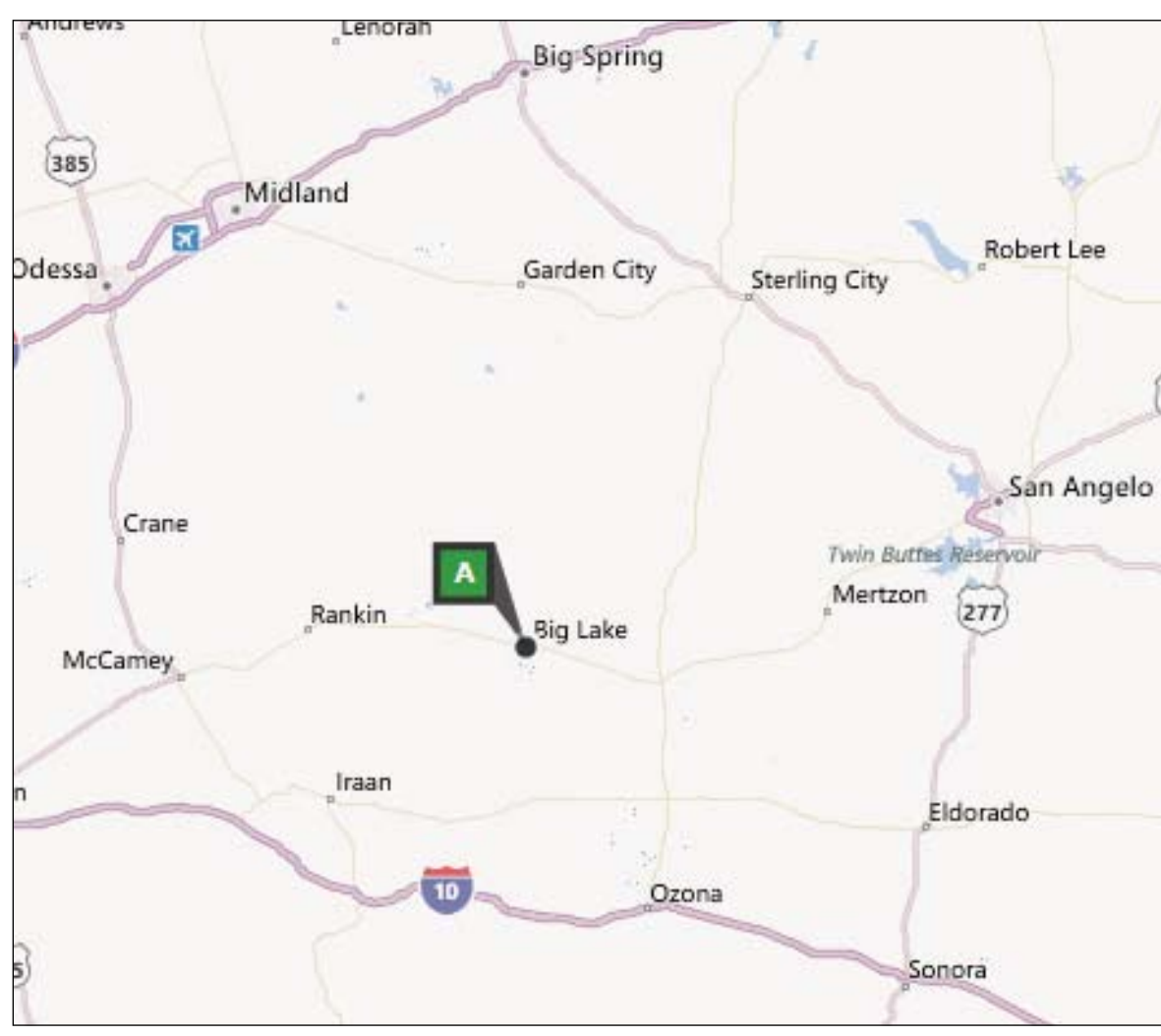
According to police reports, the incident happened Monday in the 400 block of Young when Preston allegedly struck his wife in the head with a machete during the course of a domestic dispute.

The woman was transported to the emergency room at Scenic Mountain Medical Center, where she received several stitches as a result of the attack and was released shortly after.

Preston was also transported to

SMMC, where he was treated for undisclosed injuries. According to police records, the Big Spring man was released from the hospital Tuesday morning, then booked into the Howard County Detention Center.

Bond has been set at \$40,000 for the aggravated assault charge and \$10,000 for the Hockley County warrant, according to law enforcement officials. Preston was still in the custody of the Howard County Detention Center at the time of this report.



Deputy killed in standoff

BIG LAKE, Texas (AP) — A sheriff says a West Texas deputy has been shot and killed and a standoff continues with a suspect.

Reagan County Sheriff Jeff Garner said Thursday that a male suspect was barricaded in a house in Big Lake. Garner says the standoff began around 6:20 p.m. Wednesday and continued through the night.

Garner identified the slain officer as 26-year-old Deputy Josh Mitchell. Garner declined to provide further details on the suspect or what

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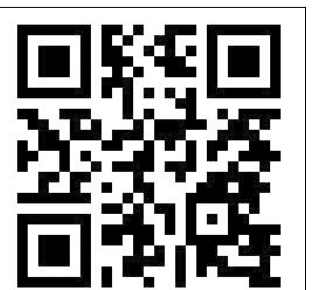
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Reception Saturday for radio exhibit

By AMANDA DUFORAT
Staff Writer

Turn your radio on ... Starting Saturday and running through Sept. 11, Heritage Museum will be displaying a collection of Zenith TransOceanic radios—owned by KBYG General Manager John Weeks — made between 1942 and 1982. Saturday will feature a come and go, all-day reception for the exhibit with free admission.

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HERALD photo/Amanda Duforat

Four new CASA (Court Appointed Child Advocate) volunteers were sworn in Wednesday afternoon by Judge Sylvia Chavez. From left to right, Kimberly Nalley, Krista Hailey, Rachel Rogers, Michael Diers, Michael Diers and Terry Wilcox recite the oath to be a CASA volunteer.



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Obituaries

Maria Holguin Chavarria



Maria Holguin Chavarria, 48, of Big Spring, died Tuesday, July 31, 2012 at her residence. Prayer services will be at 8 p.m. Thursday, August 2, 2012 at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial will be at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

She was born Aug. 1, 1963 in Stanton, Texas, to Teresa and Cruz Holguin. She has been a lifetime resident of Howard County. She married Albert Chavarria Aug. 6, 2011 in Big Spring. He preceded her in death on Jan. 31, 2012. She was a

homemaker and a Christian.

She is survived by two daughters, Erica Holguin and husband Martin and Emily Holguin and husband Jeremy Gomez, all of Big Spring; four sons, Albert Chavarria, Jr. of Anchorage, Alaska, Felix Chavarria of Big Spring, David Chavarria of Sterling City and Rey Chavarria of Big Spring; 18 grandchildren; mother, Teresa Booth of Stanton; brothers, Joe (Chico) Holguin of San Angelo, Manuel Holguin of Coahoma, and Ismael (Cinco) Holguin of Big Spring; and two sisters, Isabel Holguin and Terry Holguin, all of Big Spring.

She was preceded in death by her father, Cruz Holguin, and husband Albert Chavarria.

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

Sheriff

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

Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 72 inmates at the time of this report.

- MARK ANTHONY CHAVERA, 23, was arrested Wednesday by HCSO on a charge of driving while license invalid/capias.
- RAMIRO VALENCIA MARQUEZ, 22, was transferred to the county detention center Thursday by BSPD on a charge of possession of marijuana between two ounces and four ounces in a drug free zone.
- MARTIN DIAZ JR., 19, was transferred to the county detention center Thursday by BSPD on a

charge of bail jumping and fail to appear, possession of marijuana less than or equal to two ounces in a drug free zone, evading arrest detention, unlawfully carrying a weapon in a weapons free zone, fraudulent use of ID information and tampering with government records.

- DONNIE RODRIGUEZ, 20, was transferred to the county detention center Thursday by BSPD on a charge for possession of marijuana less than or equal to two ounces in a drug free zone.
- IVAN OLIVIA NAVEJAS, 18, was transferred to the county detention center Thursday by BSPD on a charge of possession of marijuana less than or equal to two ounces in a drug free zone.

Fire/EMS

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

- MEDICAL was reported in the 1000 block of Birdwell. Service refused.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 900 block of Runnels. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1600 block of Lancaster. One person was transported to SMMC.

- MEDICAL was reported on Highway 176. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 800 block of E. I-20. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1800 block of N. Hwy 87. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 600 block of Nolan. One person was transported to SMMC.

Police blotter

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

- VALERIE MIRAMONTES GARCIA, 27, of 411 N. Scurry, was arrested Wednesday on a warrant from another agency.
- MARTIN DIAZ JR., 19, of 1611 E. Fifth St., was arrested Wednesday on charges of evading arrest or detention, unlawfully carrying a weapon in a weapon-free zone and possession of marijuana in a drug free zone – two ounces or less.
- DONNIE RODRIGUEZ JR., 20, of 2005 S. Runnels, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of pos-

session of marijuana in a drug free zone – two ounces or less.

- IVAN NAVEJAS OLIVA, 18, of 1404 Sycamore, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of possession of marijuana in a drug free zone – two ounces or less.
- CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported was reported in the 4200 block of Oak.
- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 800 block of Settles.

Take Note

- The Friends of the Library of Howard County request donations of books in good condition for the book sale to be held Sept. 14,15, 16. If you have books to donate take them to the Howard County Library, Monday through Friday during regular library hours. Please no National Geographic magazines, other magazines or condensed books.

Friends of the Library is a non-profit organization which provides supplemental support for our public library outside the budget furnished by Howard County. At the present time the Friends is financially supporting the library's summer reading program. Our assistance is not possible without the generosity and cooperation of the wonderful people of this county.

Anyone who wishes to join the Friends of the Library, stop by the library for an application. Dues are \$5 a year.

- Registration of students new to Big Spring Independent School District is being held Mondays through Thursdays at the Student Registration and Records office at the old Goliad Intermediate School, 2000 S. Goliad. Parents of students who were not registered as of May 25 must register their children before the start of the new school year Aug. 27. Required records include: Student's Social Security number, birth certificate and shot record, as well as parent's driver's license and proof of residency. Call 264-3622 for more information.

Shoppe is a fast-paced retail shop specializing in gently worn clothing and small household appliance. Volunteers are needed to sort, price, check out and stock donated items. Volunteer hours are flexible. The Chalet is open 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday. For more information, contact Jamey Stegall at james.stegall@dshs.state.tx.us or 432 268-7535.

- 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. It's a great way to work off community service and get help, too. Be there at 9 a.m.-11 a.m. and get two for one plus a rehab meeting.
- Home Hospice is seeking volunteers. A training will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. May 18. Volunteers are needed for in office duties as well as sitters, deliveries and crafts. To find out more information or to volunteer contact Sherry Hodnett at Home Hospice by calling 264-7599.

- An account has been established at Big Spring Community Federal Credit Union in the name of Glenda Berger, who was recently diagnosed with inoperable lung cancer. Donations will be used to help defer medical costs and mounting bills. All donations are greatly appreciated. Call Big Spring Community Federal Credit Union at 800-299-6761.
- Operation Back 2 School Drive, benefitting the children of Knollwood Heights, is in progress until Aug. 24. We are collecting backpacks and school supplies. Donations may be dropped off at Knollwood Heights office, 1900 Martin Luther King Blvd. (across from the hospital), or Allans Gallery Furniture, 202 Scurry. If you would prefer to make a monetary donation, please call Sharon Rich at 432-517-0723.
- The Big Spring State Hospital Volunteer Services Council needs assistance in The Chalet Resale Shoppe, 115 East Second St. The Chalet Resale

Today's Weather

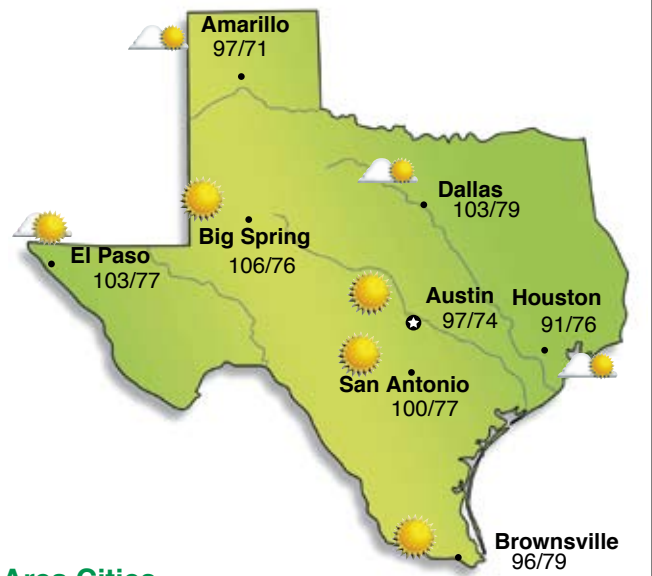
Local 5-Day Forecast

Sat 8/4	Sun 8/5	Mon 8/6	Tue 8/7	Wed 8/8
 106/76 Sunny. Highs 104 to 108F and lows in the mid 70s.	 101/76 More sun than clouds. Highs 99 to 103F and lows in the mid 70s.	 101/76 A few clouds. Highs 99 to 103F and lows in the mid 70s.	 103/77 A few clouds. Highs 101 to 105F and lows in the upper 70s.	 102/77 Partly cloudy. Highs 100 to 104F and lows in the upper 70s.
Sunrise: 7:03 AM Sunset: 8:40 PM	Sunrise: 7:04 AM Sunset: 8:39 PM	Sunrise: 7:05 AM Sunset: 8:39 PM	Sunrise: 7:05 AM Sunset: 8:38 PM	Sunrise: 7:06 AM Sunset: 8:37 PM



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Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abiene	104	77	sunny	Kingsville	98	77	mst sunny
Amarillo	97	71	pt sunny	Livingston	93	73	pt sunny
Austin	97	74	sunny	Longview	96	77	mst sunny
Beaumont	90	75	pt sunny	Lubbock	103	72	sunny
Brownsville	96	79	sunny	Lufkin	95	75	mst sunny
Brownwood	103	75	sunny	Midland	104	78	sunny
Corpus Christi	94	80	mst sunny	Raymondville	99	77	mst sunny
Corsicana	101	76	sunny	Rosenberg	93	75	pt sunny
Dallas	103	79	pt sunny	San Antonio	100	77	sunny
Del Rio	104	81	sunny	San Marcos	97	74	sunny
El Paso	103	77	mst sunny	Sulphur Springs	101	79	pt sunny
Fort Stockton	103	73	sunny	Sweetwater	103	76	sunny
Gainesville	104	78	sunny	Tyler	98	77	mst sunny
Greenville	102	77	pt sunny	Weatherford	103	77	sunny
Houston	91	76	pt sunny	Wichita Falls	110	78	mst sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	87	72	t-storm	Minneapolis	79	64	t-storm
Boston	86	71	pt sunny	New York	88	76	mst sunny
Chicago	93	70	t-storm	Phoenix	103	83	pt sunny
Dallas	103	79	pt sunny	San Francisco	60	54	pt sunny
Denver	80	58	pt sunny	Seattle	87	63	sunny
Houston	91	76	pt sunny	St. Louis	97	78	t-storm
Los Angeles	76	62	pt sunny	Washington, DC	94	78	pt sunny
Miami	88	78	t-storm				

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Lottery

The winning numbers in Wednesday evening's drawing of the Texas Lottery's "Lotto Texas" game were: 03-17-18-22-46-54.

The winning numbers in Wednesday evening's drawing of the Texas Lottery's "Cash 5" game were: 08-13-30-31-36.

The winning numbers in Wednesday evening's drawing of the Texas Lottery's "Daily 4 Night" game were: 0-0-0-1, Sum It Up: 1.

The winning numbers in Wednesday evening's drawing of the Texas Lottery's "Pick 3 Night" game were: 8-8-2, Sum It Up: 18.

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State briefs

2 rides closing next month

at Six Flags Over Texas

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Six Flags Over Texas will be closing two longtime rides as summer winds down.

A statement Thursday from the Arlington amusement park says the Texas Chute Out and Flashback will be open through Labor Day. Spokeswoman Sharon Parker declined to elaborate on the pending closure or say whether any new rides are planned.

The Texas Chute Out opened in 1976 and was modeled after the old parachute drop at Coney Island. Park officials estimate more than 29 million people have tried the ride.

Flashback, which opened in 1989, is a boomerang-style steel coaster with a corkscrew-spiraled layout that flips riders. An estimated 17 million people have ridden Flashback.

Six Flags Over Texas is operated by Six Flags Entertainment Corp.

Houston police help

investigate human remains

HOUSTON (AP) — Houston police say an autopsy will be done on human bones found by workers at a construction site.

Police on Thursday said investigators are not sure of the age, race or gender of the person. Construction workers Wednesday afternoon came upon the bones and officers were contacted.

A Houston condominium complex built about 30 years ago at the site was torn down earlier this year to make way for new development.

30-year-old death row case

ends with plea deal

TEXARKANA, Texas (AP) — One of Texas' longest-serving death row inmates has avoided execution for a slaying more than three decades ago with

a sentencing agreement that makes him eligible for parole in 12 years.

Delma Banks arrived on death row in 1980 for stealing the car and fatally shooting a teenager six months earlier near Texarkana in far northeast Texas.

Banks long argued his trial for killing 16-year-old Wayne Whitehead was unfair, contending prosecutors withheld information that a witness during his punishment trial was a paid police informant.

The U.S. Supreme Court upheld 53-year-old Banks' conviction but agreed he should have a new punishment hearing.

The *Texarkana Gazette* reports the plea agreement was reached Wednesday.

In 2003, Banks got within 10 minutes of his scheduled execution before the Supreme Court stopped it.

Ex-trooper convicted

in fatal wreck wants to drive

BELLEVILLE, Ill. (AP) — A former Illinois State Police trooper whose 2007 high-speed crash killed two sisters wants his driver's license back.

Matt Mitchell was driving more than 100 mph and using his cellphone on Interstate 64 in southwestern Illinois when his cruiser crossed the median and slammed into a car. The crash killed two Collinsville sisters.

Now, the Belleville News-Democrat reports Mitchell has applied for reinstatement of the driving privileges the state revoked in May 2010. Under Illinois law, Mitchell couldn't apply for reinstatement for two years.

An administrative officer in Springfield will decide Mitchell's request without a hearing. St. Clair County prosecutors oppose Mitchell's application.

Mitchell, who now lives in Killeen, Texas, pleaded guilty to reckless homicide charges in the crash and was sentenced to 30 months of probation.

2 officers charged in drug sting

HOUSTON (AP) — Two Houston police officers have been relieved of duty after being charged in an undercover drug investigation.

Police say Officer German Ramos and Officer Kendrick Ferguson were arrested Wednesday. Both are charged with possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver.

Harris County Jail records show Kendrick was being held Thursday with bond set at \$130,000. Bond for Ramos was set at \$100,000. Online jail records did not list attorneys for the officers.

Court documents allege Ramos and Ferguson on July 31 were in a patrol car, pulled over a vehicle and stole cocaine from the occupant. The person allegedly was an undercover officer.

Police spokesman Kase Smith says an internal affairs investigation is under way.

Man gets 22 years in case

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas (AP) — A South Texas man has been sentenced to nearly 22 years in prison in a drug smuggling case linked to fishing boats.

A federal judge in Corpus Christi on Wednesday sentenced 40-year-old Julio Alberto Chapa. Chapa in May pleaded guilty to conspiracy to smuggle marijuana.

Prosecutors say the 40-year-old Corpus Christi man led a group that used boats to smuggle marijuana.

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led to Mitchell's fatal shooting Wednesday night.

The sheriff says Mitchell had been with the department for at least eight years.

Further details on the investigation were not immediately available.

Big Lake is a town of about 2,900, located 110 miles south of Big Spring.

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Donna Sue Franklin, 59, of Big Spring, died Tuesday at her residence. Funeral services were at 10 a.m. this morning at College Baptist Church. Burial was in Trinity Memorial Park.

Maria Holguin Chavarria, 48, of Big Spring, died Tuesday at her residence. Prayer services will be at 8 p.m. tonight at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial will be at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Annie Pearl Blake, 74, of Big Spring, died Friday. The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial will be in Oak Hill Cemetery in St. Jose, California.

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Supreme Court is going to do with the case, so it's all still very much up in the air.

"I'm not completely sure why the Sept. 1 deadline is necessary. Implementing the law shouldn't be a tough process for us. However, the one problem I can see arising from it has to do with the provision that says the state will provide a photo ID for voting purposes only at no charge. They are rather shorthanded right now, and if the people needing IDs hit them all at once, I can see where it could be a problem getting those issued in time."

Bloom said the law — if allowed to be enacted by the federal government — will require voters to present a government-issued ID when they go to the polls.

"There are basically seven types of government-issued IDs that are allowed under the new law," Bloom said. "A driver's license, a state identification card, passport, concealed weapon license, military ID, citizenship certificates and election identification certificate. Oddly enough, despite being issued by the government, IDs from the VA Medical Center and Big Spring State Hospital are not acceptable."

Bloom said her office has been in the process of educating voters on the changes the new law

could bring about since it was approved last year.

"Honestly, I'm not sure how many voters this will affect in Howard County," Bloom said. "We've been talking to them and explaining the law since it was approved in 2011 and the vast majority of voters have a government-issued ID, so this really doesn't affect them. However, for the few out there who could be affected, it's not hard to see how complicated the matter could get and how quickly it could get that way."

"That's why I've been telling voters if they don't already have the necessary ID, don't wait around to see what the Supreme Court or Department of Justice is

going to say about it. Go ahead and get ahead of this thing. A government-issued ID isn't that hard to get, however, it can get rather time-consuming. And, with the November election right around the corner — a presidential election many, many people are going to want to weigh in on, they could find themselves in a serious time crunch."

Texas is among eight states to require official photo identification in an effort to stop what officials say is voter fraud. Opponents of the laws say they disenfranchise poor, minority and disabled voters. Opponents have also said it could suppress minority voter turnout by as much as 5 percent at a time when the Hispanic population

is growing rapidly.

Nationwide, the NAACP claims 25 percent of African-Americans and 16 percent of Latinos of voting age lack a current government-issued photo ID.

In 2008, the U.S. Supreme Court allowed a similar voter ID law in Indiana to stand, saying the stated goal of stopping voter fraud was a legitimate exercise of legislative power.

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RADIOS

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"Each of these radios is in top condition as well as working condition," Museum Curator Tammy Schrecengost said.

Edward Armstrong is credited with inventing the portable radio in 1923. At that time, there were 500 active radio stations, according to information provided by Schrecengost. These radios were used during World War II and the Korean and Vietnam wars. The collection on display

will feature about 20 portable radios.

"These radios were used for communication. At that time it was the only form of communication that could reach across oceans," she said. "Eventually they were also used by mariners on the ocean since they could pick up a signal basically anywhere."

The exhibit is aimed at providing an opportunity for Howard County residents to see a unique collection and receive another glimpse into the past.

"It is neat to see how radios were in the beginning and the progression to the radios we have now," Schrecengost said. "It is a totally different world than it was back then and this gives us an opportunity to see just how far communication has come."

To view the collection after Saturday, stop by the Heritage Museum at 510 Scurry from 8:30 a.m. until 4 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Admission is \$3 for adults and \$2 for children and seniors.

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By Eddy Pitchford

Watching the Olympics may equip you to talk about the Olympics; it does not mean you win a gold medal. Gold medals are the result of desire, discipline and dedication. Watching other people trust and obey the Lord does not mean you are faithful to God.

"Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one gets the prize? Run in such a way as to get the prize. Everyone who competes in the game goes into strict training. They do it to get a crown that will not last; but we do it to get a crown that will last forever." (1 Corinthians 9:24-25).

"...let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. Let us fix our eyes on Jesus..." (Hebrews 12: 1-2).

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-FIRST AMENDMENT

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Drought nation heads for a dry federal well

As three-digit temps broil the sidewalks through late afternoon, one walks alone in this charming Nebraska panhandle city. These days, Chadron seems more pan than handle. The only thing breaking the silence is the nearly daily siren summoning local firefighters to a conflagration in the grass and brush countryside. Its source is usually easy to locate. Smoke clouds stand out in the big sky.

As severe drought helps unleash fires in large parts of the vast and beautiful High Plains, its rural economy looks to Washington for help. Despite their claims of self-reliance, many inhabitants here and elsewhere in the agricultural heartland have little love for the free market. Now they are trying to drink at a federal well that has itself been drained by a weak economy and tax cuts. One can understand why the five-year farm bill will probably go nowhere until after the election.

In truth, the farm subsidy programs were controversial even in the flush days. Farmers who otherwise embraced conservative small-government politics were pained by or ignored the contradiction of their dependence on taxpayers.

And taxpayers have been well tapped. They cover on average 62 percent of the farmers' insurance premiums. In tough years, when payouts explode, the taxpayers, not the insurance companies, bear the brunt of the costs, notes Iowa State University economist Bruce Babcock.

The most beloved subsidies are the "revenue protection" policies tying payments to the harvest price of the crop rather than the price it was insured at. Because the drought has driven prices higher, farmers may do better than they would have with adequate rain. Thus, corn growers with access to groundwater enjoy high crop prices. Competitors looking to the skies for water lose their crops but not money, thanks to Washington. There are no losers here.

Politicians supporting such policies hearken to the struggling family farm, but when it comes to farm policy, a few things should be noted. Only 38 percent of American farms receive subsidies, mainly those growing grains and cotton. California's famous fruit and vegetable empire, for example, gets relatively little help from Washington. But the state's cotton and rice growers, while accounting for less than 3 percent of the agricultural output, reap 44 percent of its federal crop subsidies, according to the Environmental Working Group.

It is commonly known that these subsidized farms are getting bigger, and the biggest taxpayer subsidies go to the richest few. Hundreds of subsidy checks go to absentee landowners in New York City. Members of Congress personally collected \$6.1 million from 1995 to 2011.

Both the House and Senate agree on ending direct cash payments to farmers, at a savings of \$5 billion. But some in Congress want to replace it with insurance programs that make the old spending look shabby by comparison. Notably outrageous is the Lucas-Peterson bill, named for Reps. Frank Lucas, R-Okla., and Collin Peterson, D-Minn. It would expand crop insurance subsidies by another \$9 billion. Labeling it a "Soviet-style" proposal, House Speaker John Boehner, R-Ohio, swept it aside.

Ideological differences among Republicans are apparently holding up the legislation, and that is a good thing. Reforms will be easier to make after the election. Babcock thinks they can save \$42 billion over 10 years.

One other thought for policymakers. Drought is no foreigner to America's midsection. Conditions were reportedly worse in the 1950s and, of course, the Dust Bowl years of the '30s. But this one is up there, and if climate change is as real as it looks, things will get worse, as higher temperatures evaporate more of what water there is. How long can water-deprived regions rely on a federal well that is itself running dry?

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Fear: A 'new' political tactic

Fear. It's an interesting political tactic which has been used through the ages, from the oval office and halls of congress, all the way to the council chambers of small-town Texas. Yes, it's a powerful — and, at times, completely debilitating — force, especially in the hands of someone who knows how to use it.

Unfortunately, I can't help but feel like that's exactly what's happening on our Big Spring City Council today, as council members — or maybe I should say member, depending on your school of thought — are being openly bludgeoned with it before our very eyes.

During the most recent meeting of the Big Spring City Council, I couldn't help but take exception to an exchange between Mayor Tommy Duncan and newly elected District 4 Councilman Bobby McDonald.

The issue at hand was an ordinance calling for a special election to be held to decide whether to do away with the existing Type A economic development corporation and replace it with a Type B corporation. The change would allow the Big Spring EDC an opportunity to undertake more diverse projects, however, many local officials fear the move is simply a means to turn the sales tax-funded agency into a cash cow for municipal projects which would normally require municipal dollars.

McDonald, who has been a supporter of Type A economic development for quite some time now, expressed his unwillingness to see the EDC done away with and Type A economic development in the Crossroads area abandoned, which drew what I can only describe as a rather disturbing statement from Duncan.

"Are you saying you don't want the people to vote on this?" Duncan asked McDonald, a first-term council member who only took the seat in May. And while McDonald tried his best to answer the mayor's question with diplomacy, Duncan continued to grill him, asking him over



THOMAS JENKINS

and over if he didn't want to let Big Spring voters weigh in on the issue.

Regrettably, McDonald did what any politician put in such a position would do — he retreated. Why? Because, as you well know, to answer Duncan's question with a "yes" would be an act of political suicide, especially when it's well known and documented Duncan is more than willing to go out and campaign for council candidates to ensure he gets the governmental body he wants.

However, that brings us to a very complicated question, which, put simply, is should every major decision be left up to the voters, not just in Big Spring, but in every city or county?

Where this becomes tricky is the line drawing. Seriously, what do you consider a major decision? For me, it's likely anything costing more than \$100 (and you thought reporters were big spenders, didn't you). However, when city and county budgets run into millions and millions of dollars each year, where do you draw the line? What do you consider voter-worthy?

The citizens of Big Spring elect their council members and other elected officials based on one, singular idea: That person will vote their conscience and keep their constituents' best interests in mind. However, to hear Duncan talk about it, our city council should be trusted with little more than restocking the restrooms with toilet paper and urinal cakes.

Why, as District 3 Councilman Glen Carrigan has said several times, why should seven people (the council) be making these decisions for 27,000-plus people?

And, let's not forget just how good it sounds. Really, Mr. McDonald? You dare to take away the people's voice? You dare to deny them their chance to exercise their democratic rights?

Unfortunately, there is something of a sideways truth to the mayor's logic, but it's not a truth Duncan is going to like. Try to stay with me.

Duncan has made it clear one of his biggest goals as mayor is to get the tax rate down. He makes no bones about it and doesn't even try to hide his contempt for the city's current 94.95-

cent property tax rate. That's just too high. Why, whoever let it get that high, they must be insane! Right?

Well, let's look at the 2011-2012 tax rate. It consists of 61.9725 cents for the general fund, which provides for day-to-day operation of the city; 8.5 cents for the narcotics task force; 0.7133 cents for certificates of obligation which paid for the new annex at the municipal animal shelter; 2.8801 cents for certificates of obligation which paid for the aquatics center; and 20.8841 cents for the 2007 bond projects to revamp Roy Anderson Sports Complex and fix the downtown streets.

Looking at this, whoever approved that 2007 bond is the fiscal predator who put Duncan on his political course, squeezing dollars from municipal departments and line items like a chupacabra wrings the marrow from its victim's bones.

Oh, wait a minute. That bond was approved by the voters.

The same folks Duncan is pandering too and the same folks he is trying to get McDonald to alienate so the newly elected councilman won't likely seek a second term. Without that bond, the city of Big Spring would have a ratty sports field, downtown streets even worse than they are now, a 74.0659 cent tax rate and, possibly, a mayor without a tax-axe to grind.

Our elected officials have completely lost their nerve. They have lost the ability to make the tough decisions and, instead, would rather just pass it off to the voters, many of which will never lift a finger to educate themselves on the issue.

Of course, it's so much easier to get re-elected when you never have to make a decision on an issue, just decide whether or not it should go to the voters. I wonder why the state and federal government hasn't already caught on to this wonderful idea? Oh, I know ... Because it defeats the purpose of having elected officials in the first place.

Like I said ... Fear, it's such an interesting political tactic.

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One nation, under the gun

Won't be me Who spoils your fun, Go ahead, And tote that gun.

Following that dark opening-night screening of the latest Batman movie in Aurora, Colorado, it's time to contemplate yet again why America's troubled young men kill so many more people than their counterparts in the rest of the world's more affluent nations.

Most wealthy countries don't care much for handguns.

They have better things to do. And in Europe, fading tribal memories dating back to the lawless Middle Ages have, at last, largely receded.

Americans are different. Our most hazardous epoch is more recent. Popular Western movies and TV dramas refresh robust memories of the great frontier. While that heritage is fading, it still grips many of us.

After all, our voluntary and involuntary immigrant ancestors were bold and strong. They survived death-defying transoceanic trips, some of them as cargo.

Perhaps our frontier complex can explain why so many Ameri-



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cans believe that to properly protect ourselves today, we need guns.

I don't get it.

Reality has changed. If there's a Native-American menace today, it's casinos. Duels are out. Slavery ended 150 years ago.

But guns have sunk truly pernicious roots into our culture. In the first half of 2011, nearly 700 Americans perished in murder-suicides. About 90 percent involved a firearm.

Overall, we bump ourselves off at the rate of 30,000 per year using bullets. A total of 110,000 of us are killed or wounded. Plenty of those wounded are in bad shape too, with gunshot victims accounting for 15 percent of all spinal cord injuries.

The requirement for a background check reflects the desire by most governments to tamp down today's flood of guns and epidemic of shootings.

The National Rifle Association (NRA), which is generously financed by the gun industry, strenuously opposes this civilized public safety policy.

That dark duo has many supporters.

Take Alaska for example. Sixty percent of Alaskan households own guns, and 20 out of every 100,000 Alaskans die annually from gunshots.

In Hawaii, by contrast, only 10 percent of families own guns. And bullets kill just three out of every 100,000 Hawaiians each

year.

Yet the dark duo still argues that the solution to too many gun deaths is to make sure that even more Americans obtain these deadly weapons.

It has persuaded the U.S. House of Representatives to force states with restrictive handgun laws to honor concealed-weapons permits from Wild West states when their residents come to visit.

Sort of like drivers licenses. One state that won't care is Florida. In 2010, the Sunshine State prohibited local governments from imposing any of their own restrictions at all on gun-toting, invalidating a host of existing municipal ordinances.

As usual, ironies abound, especially since Tampa has banned water pistols from the streets outside the upcoming Republican National Convention.

Thus you will be able to pack real heat out there, but not your super soaker.

Fortunately, the Secret Service is in charge inside the venue. Especially after the Aurora massacre, the GOP faithful will be lucky to get in armed with nail clippers.

They'll have to conduct their mayhem out front.

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Saying goodbye to temporary crowns?

If you are a temporary employee, relax because this article is not about you. If you have or have had a temporary cap (crown) in your mouth this does concern you.



DR. DAVID WARD

A little history first ... before the 1980s, many crowns were actually made by the dentist himself rather than a dental lab. They were made of gold and could be contoured in wax and then cast into gold in the office. This was a time-consuming procedure, so an impression of the teeth was taken and a plaster model made from it, on which the wax was contoured. A temporary crown was fitted on the tooth and

the patient was released to come back another day because making the crown would take several hours.

For the last 30 years, things have been changing. Most of the crowns became porcelain fused to metal for decent cosmetics. Almost all dentists had these made at a dental lab because much more lab equipment and time was required to make them. The patient would wear a temporary crown for two to three weeks while the permanent crown was being made.

Over the last 10 years or so, there have been some very nice improvements in ceramics (porcelain and similar materials) that frequently eliminate the need for metal under the ceramic. This makes for more cosmetic crowns, but still with excellent strength. These include leucite reinforced porcelain, lithium disilicate or

zirconium oxide, or combinations of these three. It gets confusing, but these ceramic materials have proven themselves for several years. For simplicity, most dentists still refer to them as porcelain even though they really aren't.

Most of the above listed very strong and very cosmetic crowns have been made at labs and still are. So as for the last 40 years, most patients have had to put up with temporary crowns and second appointments. Now your dentist or assistant makes the best temp he or she can, but they are almost always a little rough on your tongue and are prone to breaking or coming off. They are made of a plastic-like material and are put on with weak cement for easy removal.

Many of the labs now use a CAD/CAM system to make the beautiful ceramic crowns. CAD/

CAM means Computer Aided Design/ Computer Aided Manufacture. Instead of using wax on a plaster model to design the crown, sophisticated software enables the technician to do it more efficiently on a computer. This computer talks to the milling computer and within a few minutes a crown is milled out of a solid ceramic block and then custom "stained and glazed" to make it really match the color of the teeth around it.

Well everything old is new again. New technology now lets dentists who have it do all the things just mentioned in the office, plus scanning the tooth digitally. This means no impression or plaster model is usually needed. The computer design and

manufacturing is usually done in less than an hour. So no temporary crown or second visit is needed. The patient can watch the design process or can have other needed treatment done while waiting. Patients love it.

There are two manufacturers in the world for these systems. Sirona, a German company, makes CEREC, the first CAD/CAM system for dental office use. E4D is the second system on the world market. It is made by an American company based in Richardson, Texas (my hometown). Both systems are excellent, but there are some distinct differences between them.

Even with CEREC or E4D, it's not the end of dental labs or tem-

porary crowns. Most dentists in this country, or around the world, do not have this in their offices.

For those that do, some cases, especially those involving multiple crowns (or veneers), bridges, or those to which a partial denture will attach, still need to go to an excellent lab for crafting.

Dr. David Ward practices comprehensive family dentistry in Big Spring. He is a past president of the Permian Basin District Dental Society, and is a member of the Texas Dental Society, American Dental Association, American Dental Implant Association, Academy of GP Orthodontics and Institute for Advanced Laser Dentistry.

A new take on pound cake

By ELIZABETH KARMEL
For The Associated Press
My sisters and I kicked off the summer this year by heading home for a long weekend in North Carolina.

Of course we each had an itinerary of must-eat hometown foods, including plenty of barbecue and country ham and biscuits. And while those foods were wonderful, nothing compared to the simple pound cake and strawberry dessert our mother whipped up.

My mother had gone to the nearby strawberry farm and bought a couple of gallon buckets of the reddest, ripest, most fragrant strawberries either of us could remember. To feature those luscious berries, she then baked up a so-

called economy pound cake, a rich, flavorful cake so much better than the shortcakes you'll find at the grocer.

The recipe my mother used is from a cookbook my grandmother used to use — "Recipes from Old Virginia Cookbook" published in 1958 by The Virginia Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs.

The authors called this recipe an "economy" pound cake because it's a riff on classic versions of this dessert, which traditionally called for exactly what it sounds like — a pound each of butter, sugar and eggs. But this version calls for just 1/2 pound of butter, 2 cups of sugar and 4 eggs.

While many pound cakes are greasy, the

crumb of the economy pound cake is light and moist, yet dry to the touch. And the best part is the slight spiciness and flavor it gets from the addition of mace and nutmeg.

We've tinkered with the recipe, adding vanilla extract and doubling the spices. It astounded me how much those little changes upped the flavor of the cake, turning a good cake into a great cake. These small tweaks made the economy pound cake into the best pound cake that my sisters and I have ever eaten and one that we will make for years to come.

We ate slices of the pound cake with the vibrant red strawberries

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This notice concerns the 2012 property tax rates for HOWARD COLLEGE. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual tax rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's *effective* tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's *rollback* tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers start rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

Last year's tax rate:

Last year's operating taxes	\$4,239,200
Last year's debt taxes	\$1,767,685
Last year's total taxes	\$6,006,885
Last year's tax base	\$2,518,536,144
Last year's total tax rate	\$0.238507/\$100

This year's effective tax rate:

Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$6,002,777
÷ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$3,562,421,156
= This year's effective tax rate	\$0.168502/\$100
(Maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearings)	

This year's rollback tax rate:

Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment financing, state criminal justice mandate and/or enhanced indigent healthcare expenditures)	\$4,236,843
÷ This year's adjusted tax base	\$3,562,421,156
= This year's effective operating rate	\$0.118932/\$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	\$0.128446/\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$ 0.048176/\$100
= This year's total rollback rate	\$0.176622/\$100

Statement of Increase/Decrease

If Howard College adopts a 2012 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$0.168502 per \$100 of value, taxes would increase compared to 2011 taxes by \$5,821.

Schedule A - Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
Unencumbered M&O Funds	\$0

Schedule B - 2012 Debt Service

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payments
General Obligation Bond Series 2007	\$790,000	\$842,756	\$400	\$1,633,156
Total required for 2010 debt service				\$1,633,156
- Amount (if any) paid from Schedule A				\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources				\$0
- Excess collections last year				\$0
= Total to be paid from taxes in 2012				\$1,633,156
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 95% of its taxes in 2012				\$85,956
= Total Debt Levy				\$1,719,112

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at 315 S Main St (County Annex Bldg). Big Spring, Tx.

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Nation/world news in brief

AP: Holding immigrants a boon to private prisons

MIAMI (AP) — The U.S. is locking up more illegal immigrants than ever, generating lucrative profits for the nation’s largest prison companies, and an Associated Press review shows the businesses have spent tens of millions of dollars lobbying lawmakers and contributing to campaigns.

The cost to American taxpayers is on track to top \$2 billion for this year, and the companies are expecting their biggest cut of that yet in the next few years thanks to government plans for new facilities to house the 400,000 immigrants detained annually.

After a decade of expansion, the sprawling, private system runs detention centers everywhere from a

Denver suburb to an industrial area flanking Newark’s airport, and is largely controlled by just three companies.

The growth is far from over, despite the sheer drop in illegal immigration in recent years.

In 2011, nearly half the beds in the nation’s civil detention system were in private facilities with little federal oversight, up from just 10 percent a decade ago.

The principal stumbling block on Capitol Hill is what role the government should play in protecting U.S. businesses from cyberattacks. Republicans have argued that the bill would lead to mandatory rules imposed by Washington that would only increase the private sector’s costs without substantially reducing the risks.

Judge in Drew Peterson trial to rule on mistrial motion

CHICAGO (AP) — A judge is set to decide Thursday whether to declare a mistrial and put an end to Drew Peterson’s murder trial just days after it began, and legal experts say the ruling could result in the former suburban Chicago police sergeant going free, though that remains unlikely.

The expected ruling by Judge Edward Burmila follows several blunders by prosecutors, who are seeking to prove the 58-year-old Peterson killed his third wife, Kathleen Savio, in 2004. He also is a suspect in the 2007 disappearance of his fourth wife, Stacy Peterson, but has never been charged in her case.

A furious Burmila admonished prosecutors Wednesday after the second witness in just their second day of testimony began talking about finding a .38-caliber bullet on his driveway. Thomas Pontarelli, a former neighbor of Savio’s, hinted in his testimony that Peterson may have planted it there to intimidate him.

Prosecutors later admitted under tough questioning by the judge that there was no evidence to support the claim. And Burmila wondered aloud about whether the testimony made Peterson appear menacing in jurors’ eyes and undermined his ability to get a fair trial.

Syrian rebels use captured regime tank in Aleppo

BEIRUT (AP) — Syrian rebels on Thursday bombarded a military air base in Aleppo using a tank captured from government troops as activists reported that the regime has unleashed new raids against opposition fighters near the capital Damascus, killing dozens.

The Aleppo report was one of the first indications the rebels are starting to deploy the heavy weapons they’ve managed to capture in the past weeks from the Syrian army. The Syrian Observatory for Human Rights said the rebel-seized tank shelled the Menagh military airport outside Aleppo, which the regime has used to launch attacks on rebel positions in the surrounding area.

Rami Abdel Rahman, the director of the Observatory, said it was not the first time the rebels have used the tanks they have captured by the regime.

It is, however, rare and represents an escalation in the battles between the two sides. Up to this point, rebel forces have suffered from the huge disparity in armaments with Syria’s well-armed military that also has fighter jets and helicopter gunships at its disposal.

Internet security bill supporters scramble to overcome GOP opposition

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate could leave town this week for a monthlong break without passing legislation to protect the U.S. electrical grid, water supplies and other critical industries from cyberattack and electronic espionage.

Congressional sponsors of the bill scrambled Wednesday to overcome Republican resistance to the measure, but they appeared short of the votes needed for passage despite dire warnings from top national security officials about the potential for devastating assaults on the computer networks that control the country’s essential infrastructure.

President Barack Obama urged lawmakers to pass the legislation as soon as possible.

“He strongly, strongly believes that this nation’s well-being is at risk from cyberattacks and intrusions,” John Brennan, the president’s assistant for homeland security and counterterrorism, said. “We find it hard to believe there is any reason or basis to oppose this legislation.”

Romney’s corporate style as governor often irked Democratic lawmakers

BOSTON (AP) — What worked for Mitt Romney in the corporate boardroom didn’t fly in the more raucous corridors of the Massachusetts Legislature.

Now the Republican candidate for president, Romney took over as governor in 2003 after a long, successful career as CEO at the private equity firm Bain Capital.

But his top-down, corporate management style soon rankled Democrats who overwhelmingly controlled the state House and Senate and saw themselves as an equal partner in the government. His approach jolted a clubby political culture where schmoozing over after-hours drinks and cutting backroom deals are well-worn pathways to success.

Unlike his three GOP gubernatorial predecessors, the politically inexperienced Romney was never at ease in the chummy world of trading favors for votes. He bypassed rank-and-file Democrats and dealt mostly with the party’s legislative leaders during his four-year term.

CAKE

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that oozed tart, sweet summer flavors.

Once the berries were washed and sliced, I macerated them in a little bit of sugar, a pinch of salt, lemon zest and a splash of Grand Marnier, just enough to bring out the best in the fruit, but not enough to mask it.

ECONOMY POUND CAKE

Start to finish: 1 1/2 hours (30 minutes active)
Servings: 12
1/2 pound (2 sticks) unsalted butter, softened
2 cups superfine sugar
4 eggs, separated
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon ground mace
1/4 teaspoon nutmeg
2 teaspoons baking powder
3 cups cake flour
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
1 cup whole milk

Powdered sugar, to dust
Fresh berries, to serve
Heat the oven to 350 F.
Coat a Bundt pan with baking spray (a blend of oil and flour).

In a large bowl, use an electric mixer to beat together the butter and sugar until light and fluffy.

Add the egg yolks and beat until fully incorporated. Set aside.

In a second bowl, sift together the salt, mace, nutmeg, baking powder and flour. In a 2-cup measuring cup, combine the vanilla and milk.

With the mixer on medium, add a bit of the flour mixture to the butter mixture, mixing well. Add a bit of the milk, mixing again. Alternate adding the flour and milk until all ingredients are well mixed. As needed, use a rubber spatula to scrape the sides of the bowl to ensure all ingredients are mixed. The batter should be smooth and silky.

Using a clean bowl and clean beaters, whip the

egg whites until they hold firm peaks. Using the rubber spatula, gently fold the egg whites into the batter. Pour the batter into the prepared Bundt pan. Bake for 50 minutes to 1 hour, or until a toothpick inserted at the center comes out clean.

Let cool for 10 minutes. Overturn the cake onto a serving plate, then dust with powdered sugar just before serving. If desired, top and surround the cake with fresh berries.

Nutrition information per serving (values are rounded to the nearest whole number): 380 calories; 160 calories from fat (42 percent of total calories); 18 g fat (11 g saturated; 0 g trans fats); 105 mg cholesterol; 53 g carbohydrate; 6 g protein; 1 g fiber; 210 mg sodium.

(Recipe adapted from “Recipes from Old Virginia Cookbook” published in 1958 by The Virginia Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs)

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Last year’s tax rate:	General Fund	Special Road/Bridge Fund
Last year’s operating taxes	\$9,394,492	\$732,747
Last year’s debt taxes	\$ 920,923	\$0
Last year’s total taxes	\$10,315,415	\$732,747
Last year’s tax base	\$2,529,106,230	\$2,539,674,893
Last year’s total tax rate	\$0.407868/\$100	\$0.028852/\$100

This year’s effective tax rate:

Last year’s adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$10,308,389	\$732,250
÷ This year’s adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$3,570,455,307	\$3,570,455,307
= This year’s effective tax rate for each fund	\$0.288713/\$100	
Total effective tax rate	\$0.309221/\$100	\$0.020508/\$100

(Maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearings)

This year’s rollback tax rate:

Last year’s adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment financing, state criminal justice mandate, and/or enhanced indigent healthcare expenditures)	\$9,385,104	\$728,968
÷ This year’s adjusted tax base	\$3,570,455,307	\$3,570,455,307
= This year’s effective operating rate	\$0.262855/\$100	\$0.020417/\$100
x 1.08 = this year’s maximum operating rate	\$0.283883/\$100	\$0.022050/\$100
+ This year’s debt rate	\$0.025527/\$100	\$0/\$100
= This year’s rollback rate for each fund	\$0.309410/\$100	\$0.022050/\$100
This year’s total rollback rate	\$0.331460/\$100	

Statement of Increase/Decrease

If Howard County adopts a 2012 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$0.309221 per \$100 of value, taxes would increase compared to 2011 taxes by \$10,705.

Schedule A: General Fund - Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit’s property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
General Fund	\$7,000,000
Road & Bridge	\$350,000
Tobacco	\$2,300,000
Equipment Operating	\$350,000

Schedule B: General Fund - 2012 Debt Service

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment To Be Paid From Property Taxes	Interest To Be Paid From Property Taxes	Other Amounts To Be Paid	Total Payment
General Obligations Bonds Series 2005	\$130,000	\$12,450	\$0	\$142,450
General Obligations Bonds Series 2008	\$320,000	\$483,124	\$0	\$803,124
Total required for 2012 debt service				\$945,574
- Amount (if any) paid from Schedule A			\$0	
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources			\$0	
- Excess collections last year			\$60,000	
= Total to be paid from taxes in 2012			\$885,574	
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 97% of its taxes in 2012			\$27,389	
= Total Debt Levy			\$912,963	

Schedule A: Special Road and Bridge Fund - Unencumbered Fund Balance

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit’s property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
	\$0

Schedule B: Special Road and Bridge Fund - 2012 Debt Service

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment To Be Paid From Property Taxes	Interest To Be Paid From Property Taxes	Other Amounts To Be Paid	Total Payment
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total required for 2012 debt service				\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from Schedule A			\$0	
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources			\$0	
- Excess collections last year			\$0	
= Total to be paid from taxes in 2012			\$0	
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 0% of its taxes in 2012			\$0	
= Total Debt Levy			\$0	

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates’ calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at 315 Main Street (County Annex Bldg.) Big Spring, Tx.

Name of person preparing this notice Kathy: A Sayles, RTA

Title: Tax Assessor Collector

Date prepared: July 30, 2012



AP photo

Texas shortstop Elvis Andrus celebrates with teammates after connecting for a two-run single which drove in the winning runs for the Rangers as they defeated the Angels 11-10 in 10 innings during a wild game Wednesday.

Rangers defeat Angels 11-10 in 10 inning thriller

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Elvis Andrus and the Texas Rangers were not going to let the Angels beat them again — even if they needed two improbable comebacks to win.

Andrus had a game-ending two-run single in the 10th inning, and the Rangers rallied from six runs down to beat Los Angeles 11-10 on Wednesday night.

“Our mentality was to win no matter what,” said Andrus, who went 4 for 6 with three RBIs. “It was a great game for us.”

The Rangers came into this four-game series leading the Angels by five games in the American League West. Los Angeles won the first two games of the series by the combined 21-10 and was on its way to three in a row.

Texas was down 7-1 in the fifth before rallying to force extra innings. The Angels scored three in the 10th inning to take a 10-7 lead before the wild finish to a game that lasted 4 hours, 1 minute.

The Rangers extended their lead in the American League West to four games over the Angels

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Phelps, Lochte set for Olympic showdown

LONDON (AP) — It's time for Round 2 of Michael Phelps vs. Ryan Lochte.

Their first showdown of the London Olympics went to Lochte in a runaway on the opening night of the swimming competition. This one figures to be a lot closer.

The American stars compete against each other for the last time in the 200-meter individual medley on Thursday night. Lochte qualified fastest in 1 minute, 56.13 seconds. Phelps was 98-hundredths of a second back in third.

“We love racing against each other,” said Phelps, who plans to retire after the games. “Neither one of us likes to lose. I like to say we bring out the best in one another.”

In between them again is Laszlo Cseh of Hungary. He's been the perennial also-ran in the last two Olympics,

taking bronze behind Phelps at the 2004 Athens Games and silver four years ago in Beijing when Phelps won and Lochte was third.

Phelps could accomplish one more bit of history on Day 6 at the pool. A victory would make him the first male swimmer to win an individual event in three consecutive Olympics. Japanese star Kosuke Kitajima failed to defend either of his titles in the 100 or 200 breaststrokes, leaving Phelps a chance to accomplish the feat.

He missed on his first two tries at a threepeat, finishing fourth in the 400 IM (Lochte won) and second in the 200 butterfly.

Lochte has a busy schedule on what could be a big night for the U.S. He'll try to defend his title in the 200 backstroke final, with teammate Tyler Clary pressuring him

as the fastest qualifier. Then a short time later, Lochte returns for the 200 IM final.

Leading off the night will be Rebecca Soni in the 200 breaststroke final. The American broke the world record in the semifinals with a time of 2:20.00 on Wednesday and will be the heavy favorite to win her second straight Olympic gold medal.

“It's been four years since I swam close to that fast so it's great to be back on top like that,” she said.

“I'm excited to have one more race. I felt good so all I have to do is feel about the same and hopefully I can go a little faster.”

The night wraps up with a new champion being crowned in the women's 100 freestyle final, an all-out sprint to the wall featuring Ranomi Kromowidjojo of the Netherlands and American teenager Missy Franklin.

Dempster arrives in Texas, will take mound today

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Ryan Dempster finally has a chance to start for the Texas Rangers.

Traded Tuesday from the Chicago Cubs, Dempster arrived in the Metroplex about 1:30 p.m. Wednesday and spent the remainder of the afternoon getting adjusted to his fourth major league team — the one that drafted him in the third round in 1995 out of a high school in British Columbia. He was traded as a minor leaguer and made his big league debut with the Florida Marlins in 1998.

“It's neat to get drafted by them as an 18-year-old

kid and to end up back here pitching,” Dempster said.

The 35-year-old has gone from being a starter to a closer and back to starting again during his 15 year major league career. He entered Wednesday with a 2.25 ERA, second in the major leagues only to the 2.22 of San Francisco's Ryan Vogelsong

“He's happy to be here, and I'm equally happy to have him,” Texas manager Ron Washington said. “He can be support for our young pitching staff.”

On Thursday night, he'll make his first start for the AL West leaders, who have reached the World Series in

each of the last two years.

“I've gone from fifth place to first, and have a chance to go back to the playoffs,” said Dempster, who also has pitched for the Cincinnati Reds, and pitched in the postseason for the Cubs in 2007-08.

The 35-year-old Dempster said much of his success this season has come from a cut fastball he began working on during spring training.

“I always threw a slider, but the cutter is the new pitch in baseball in general,” Dempster said. “It's a pitch, when you can throw it in the right spot, it's hard to square up.”

Jerry Jones predicts victory over rival Giants

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — If Cowboys owner Jerry Jones was hoping to get a reaction from the New York Giants when he predicted Dallas would kick their butts in Texas this season, he was mistaken.

The Super Bowl champions weren't biting Wednesday. To a man, the Giants uttered their usual clichés about talk is cheap and playing the game.

Even a die-hard Cowboys hater like

defensive end Justin Tuck downplayed Jones' boast. And former Dallas lineman Chris Canty said the comment was exactly what he expected the maverick owner to say to his fans about the NFC East meeting in Texas Oct. 28.

Giants co-owner John Mara had a little fun though, pointing to a bandage on his forehead.

“You should see what Jerry Jones looks like,” he said with a wry smile.

Jones seemingly tried to get his fans excited about the upcoming season Monday when he told roughly 5,000 fans attending a ceremony opening the Cowboys' camp in California that they should come to Cowboys Stadium and “watch us beat the Giants' (butts).”

The Giants beat the Cowboys twice last season with New York winning the regular-season finale at the Meadowlands to capture the NFC

East, sending them on a postseason trip that would end with their second title in five seasons.

New York and Dallas will kick off the NFL season on Sept. 5, again at the Meadowlands.

“This is the part of the season you want to instill confidence in your fan base and your team, and I think he chooses to do it by making those types of comments,” Canty said after lunch at the Giants' training camp.

Astros surrender 4 homers in 13-4 loss to Milwaukee

MILWAUKEE (AP) — Had a call gone Houston's way, maybe the score wouldn't have been so lopsided. Then again, it is the Astros.

Ryan Braun hit his NL-leading 29th homer and the Milwaukee Brewers connected four times Wednesday, beating the sloppy Astros 13-4 to complete a three-game sweep.

Houston was trailing 3-2 in the fifth when manager Brad Mills thought Nyjer Morgan was caught stealing third. Replays indicated he was out, and on the next pitch, Braun singled home two runs and the Brewers had a 9-2 lead by the time the inning ended.

“If we get that call at third, that's one out and Braun has two strikes on him,” Mills said. “The whole inning took a different complexion when that happened. It all went downhill after that, obviously.”

“It feels good when you get a lot of runs like that,” Fiers said. “I'm not really worried about that too much. I'm just trying to do my job and put up zeroes.”

Milwaukee, which has won three straight after a 1-9 stretch, benefited from four Houston errors — three within the first six Brewers bat-

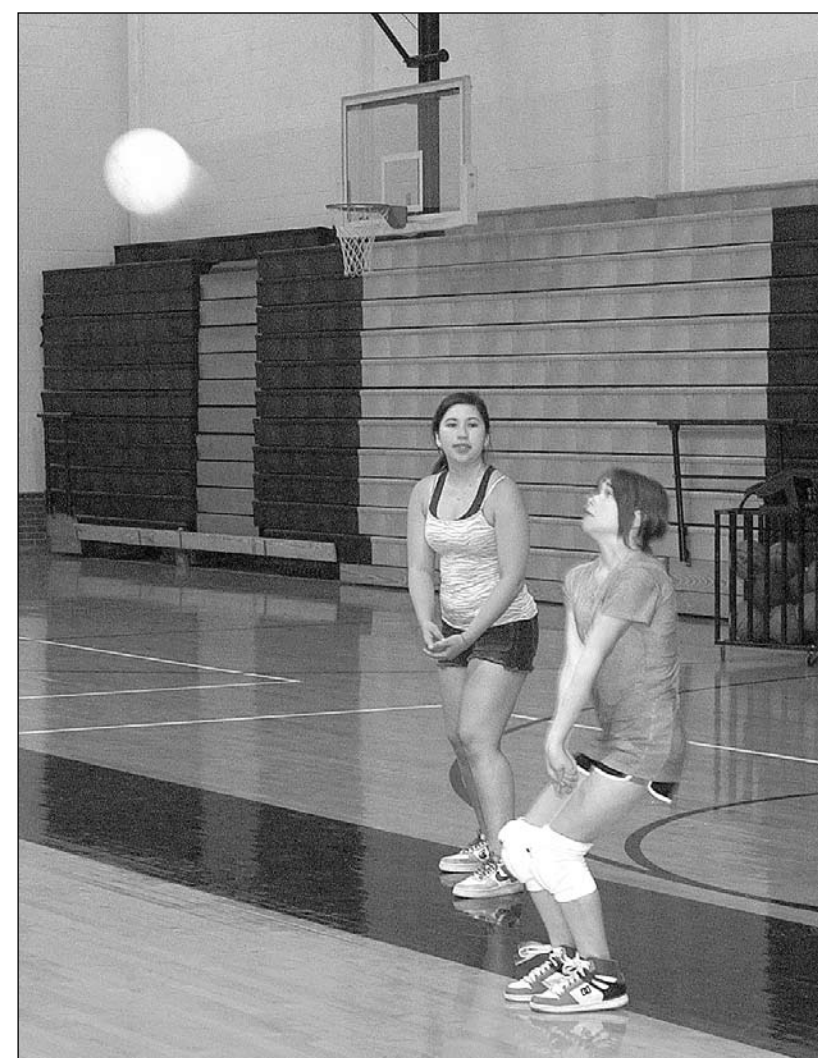
ters. The Astros lost for the 28th time in 31 games, despite Brett Wallace's first two-homer game.

Jordan Lyles (2-8) tied a career high by giving up seven earned runs in five innings. Winless in his last six starts, the right-hander also allowed nine hits and fell to 0-6 on the road this season.

“We got some breaks today,” Milwaukee manager Ron Roenicke said. “That (fifth) inning we had two bloop, Corey (Hart) kind of didn't hit his that good down the line, and Braunie hit a ground ball up the middle. We had four lucky hits in an inning, and that has not happened to us. So that was good. We haven't been getting the breaks.”

Lyles unraveled in the fifth, when Milwaukee batted around. After Braun's single, Corey Hart added an RBI single and Weeks cracked his 12th homer to right-center. Izturis capped the rally with his second home run of the year for a 9-2 lead.

“It looked like the ball beat (Morgan),” Lyles said. “But the umpire called him safe, so I've got to bear down and try to punch out Braun when I had a chance.”



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Students participate in drills at the Big Spring Athletics volleyball camp Wednesday morning. The camp began Monday and concludes today.

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Garage Sales

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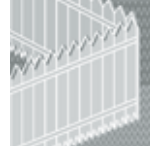
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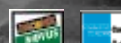
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ARIES (March 21-April 19). Your efficacy depends on having an open mind. Remain flexible and ready to adjust your expectations. When you let go of what

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TO: UNKNOWN HEIRS OF LELDON GENE NIX, DECEASED; UNKNOWN STOCKHOLDERS OF L.G. NIX CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC.; and UNKNOWN OWNERS OR CLAIMANTS OF INTEREST IN LAND HERETOFORE GIVEN TO L.G. NIX DIRT COMPANY, INC. OF P.O. BOX 2395, BIG SPRING, TEXAS 79720, collectively Defendants.
Defendants Greeting:

NOTICE

You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney does not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 AM on the Monday next following the expiration of forty-two (42) days after the date of issuance of this Citation, default judgment may be taken against you.

Said Plaintiff's Petition in Condemnation was filed with the 118th District Court of Howard County, Texas on July 3, 2012, the file number of said suit being Cause No. 48615.

You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's Petition in Condemnation at or before ten o'clock AM of the Monday next after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from the date of issuance of this Citation before the Honorable 118th District Court of Howard County, Texas at the Courthouse of said County in Big Spring, Texas.
The names of the parties in said suit are:
Wind Energy Transmission Texas, LLC (Plaintiff)

v.
L.G. Nix Dirt Company, Inc.; R. Dirt Company, LLC aka or fka L.G. Nix Dirt Company, Inc. and aka or fka L.G. Nix Construction Company, Inc.; L. G. Nix Construction Company, Inc. aka

L.G. Nix Dirt Company, Inc.; Martha Anna Nix, individually and as independent executrix of the Estate of Leldon Gene Nix, deceased; the Unknown Heirs of Leldon Gene Nix, deceased; the Unknown Stockholders of L.G. Nix Construction Company, Inc.; and the Unknown Owners Or Claimants of Interest in Land Heretofore Given to L.G. Nix Dirt Company, Inc. (Defendants).

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit: **Eminent Domain/ Condemnation** as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition in Condemnation on file in this suit in connection with property described as follows:

A 1.104 acre transmission line easement out of the Texas and Pacific Railroad Company Survey, Section 48, Block 32, Township 1 North, Abstract 1016, situated in Howard County, Texas, being a portion of that certain called 10.0 acre tract of land described in a deed to L.G. Nix Dirt Company, Inc., and recorded in Volume 566, Page 608 of the Deed Records of Howard County, Texas.

Plaintiff is represented by: Clark Aspy of NAMAN, HOWELL, SMITH & LEE, P.L.L.C. whose address is 8310 N. Capital of Texas Highway, Suite 490, Austin, Texas 78731.

A Condemnation Hearing will be held on the same on August 30, 2012 at 9:00 AM in the Commissioners' Court in the Howard County, Texas Courthouse located at 300 Main Big Spring, Texas 79721.

Issued and given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Big Spring, Texas, this 17th day of July, 2012.
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Jury Gomez, Deputy
#7446 July 19 & 26 and August 2 & 9, 2012

Tomorrow's Horoscope

you think will happen, what really does happen will wow you.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Organizational experts will tell you that the best place to keep items you don't use or love is out the window. It's a fine day to lighten up by throwing or giving away meaningless possessions.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Mental time travel will be a pleasing pastime. Project yourself into a wondrous future. The best part about this flight of fancy is that you return with an enhanced sense of purpose.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Some problems you can ignore, and they simply go away. Today's issues are not going anywhere, neither are they easily neglected. It's best to deal with them now while they are still manageable.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You quickly tire of passionless work. Let your heart lead the way, and you'll accomplish much more. Your attention span will be remarkable when you love what you're doing.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Security and excitement usually don't come in the same package, but you could find that rare combination all wrapped up in the arms of someone you know and love.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Your inner dialogue probably won't match your outer experience now, as the world inside your head is particularly colorful, whimsical and attention grabbing. Go where you can express yourself freely.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). It's always smart to test out ideas in a small way before taking them to a large scale. Today it's more than smart; it's

imperative to keeping an organization or relationship on good terms.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You like the person who asks a question that makes you think, especially when the question is based on a keen observation about you. It means the person is paying close attention to you.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You'll predict what someone will do, and when that person behaves as expected, you'll find comfort in it. When a person behaves in a consistent manner, you start to feel you can trust that person.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You feel there's a change in you. However subtle the change may be, it will land you in a completely different place from where you would be if you had remained the same.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You'll stand for something. Your message is likely to spread far and wide. So before you tell a single soul, think for a while about what exactly you would like that message to be.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (August 2). You'll be a constant source of inspiration to your people this year. What's your secret? You make sure to get the inspiration you need to stay creative. Next month features a financial exchange. Partnerships grow more beneficial in September. You'll travel with friends in October. New talent emerges in March. Aries and Scorpio people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 7, 30, 25, 41 and 15.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS: "I would ask her to marry me today if I thought she'd say yes, but the Pisces woman I love is proving extremely difficult to pin

down. How can I move her past this hot-and-cold stage into something more committed? I'm a Virgo."

For Pisces women, every aspect of the relationship has to feel right, or she's going to be uncomfortable. Discomfort sends her running. Note that I stated things have to "feel" right; they don't have to actually be ideal. So the key to attracting her lies in your ability to be extremely comfortable in her presence: comfortable with who you are, with your approach, with her response to you, with who she is, comfortable and having fun with all of it. If you're stressed about impressing her or wanting her to be yours, you've lost.

Also, it may help you to note that where she is in the relationship may have more to do with where she is in her life than anything else. So you don't have to take her interest as a gauge of your success or attractiveness. She'll be particularly receptive in October when Venus will be in your sign.

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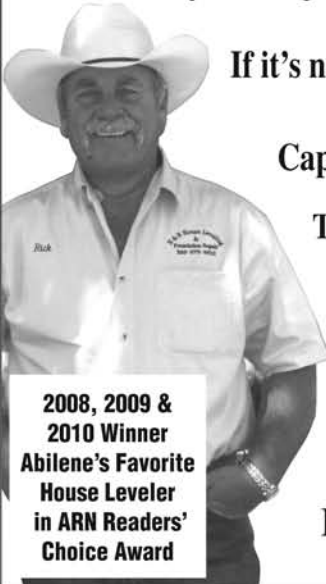
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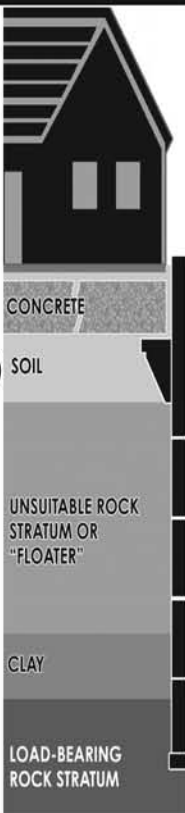
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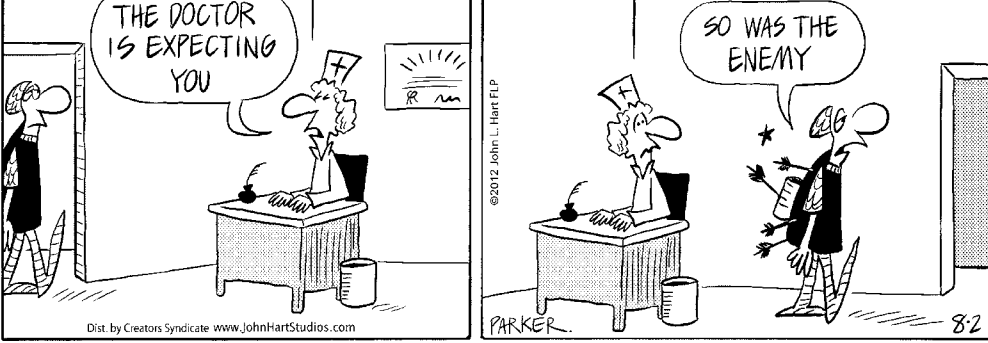


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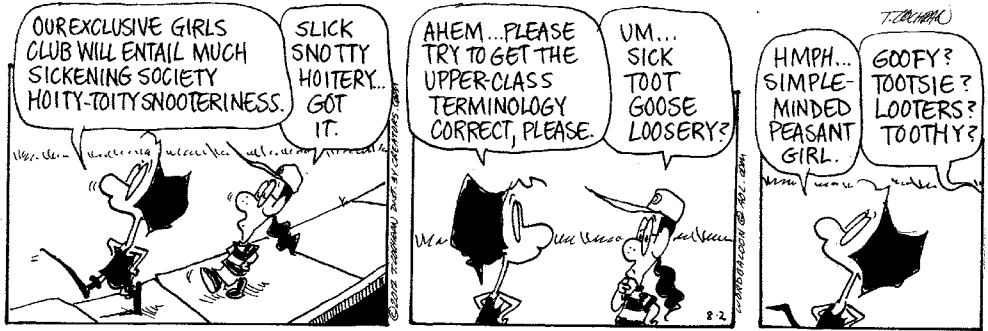
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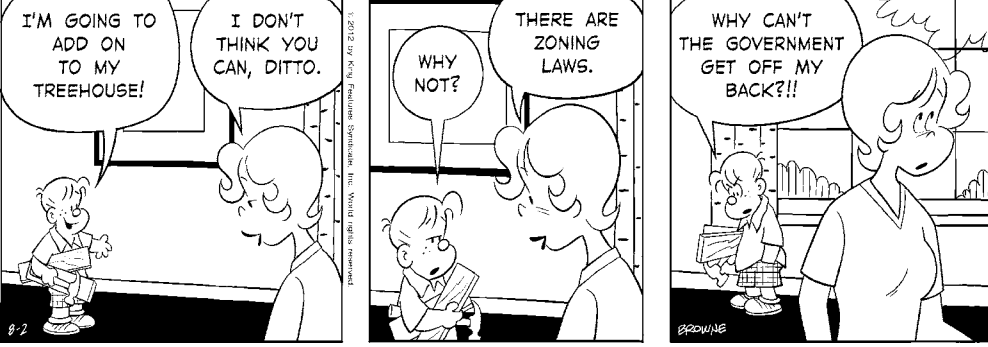
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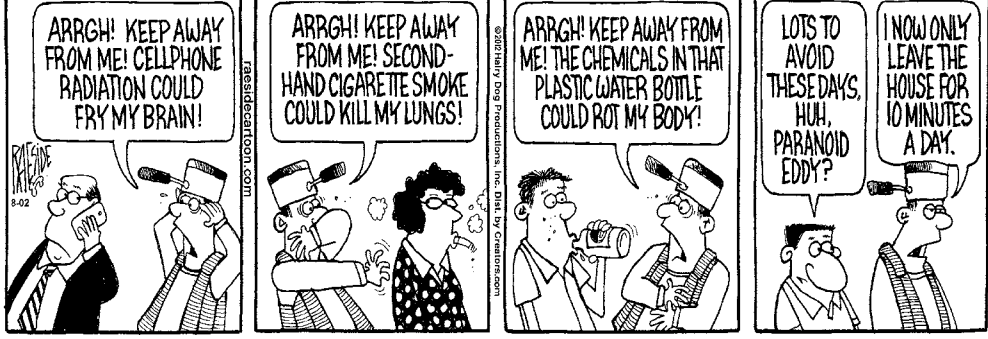
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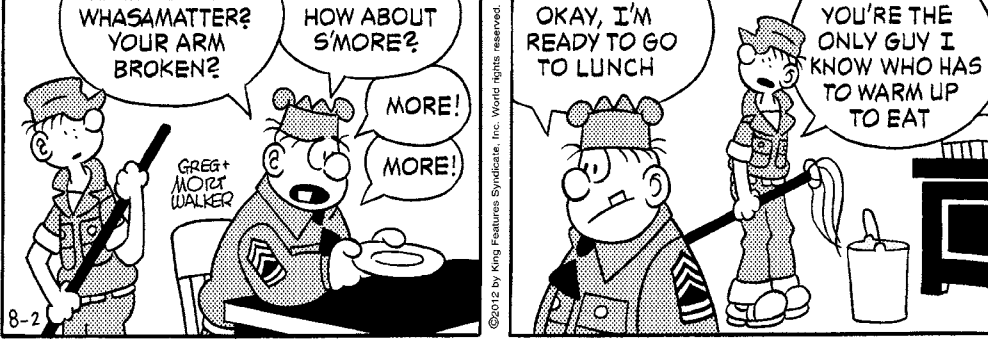
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16 Roused

17 Recent grads' activity

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21 Poetic sphere

22 Took a break

23 A flair for fashion

24 Saltwater game fish

27 Deceptive talk

28 Long ago

32 Basic cable network

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36 Fund-raising effort

38 Optimists' activity

41 Tough row to hoe

42 Koala's color

43 Driving need

44 Playwright O'Casey

45 Show pleasure

46 Margaret Thatcher alma mater

49 Needing spice

54 "You get the idea..."

57 Marker

58 Bringer of bad luck

59 Impractical activity

63 Place for a lecture

64 Heavy knock
- 65 City southwest of Buffalo

66 Slick

67 Becomes involved, with "in"

68 Dispatch
- DOWN

1 Nursery supplies

2 Of age

3 Square

4 Stand for a painting

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9 30th anniversary gift

10 Wonderment

11 "Little piggies"

12 Gumbo ingredient

13 Gusto

18 Draw upon

19 Slugger's stat

24 Prefix for series

25 Backpack seeker

26 Slangy refusal

27 Bottom of the face

29 Deftly done

30 Showed up

31 Additional

32 Sci-fi staples

33 In a bad mood

34 West Wing Emmy winner

35 Feathery scarf

36 Economist Smith

37 Be snoopy
- 39 Leading With My Chin autobiographer

40 Reunion-goer

45 Believed, so to speak

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50 Places for earrings

51 Be wild about

52 Sure to end badly

53 Medicated

54 Say again

55 Spicy cuisine

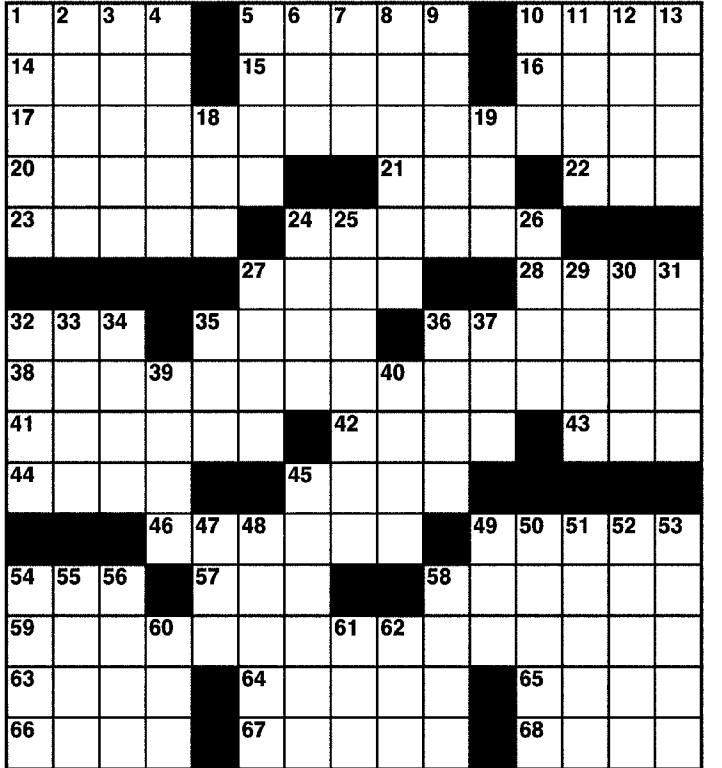
56 Summon

58 Fruit of a rose

60 Underhanded

61 Wish undone

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

3				7				6
	6				4	3	9	
	9		6	8				
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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker
Partnership Rapport

South dealer.
North-South vulnerable.

NORTH	
♠	5 4
♥	K 7 5 4
♦	K 7
♣	K Q 10 7 6

WEST	EAST
♠	Q 9 8 7 2
♥	Q J 10 8 3 2
♦	Q
♣	A

SOUTH	
♠	K 6 3
♥	A 9
♦	A J 8 6 5 4 3
♣	2

The bidding:
South West North East
1♦ 1♥ 2♠ Pass
2♦ 2♠ 3♦ 3♠
5♦

Opening lead — ace of clubs.
Good defense depends largely on partnership cooperation. A fine defensive pair nearly always finds the best defense once the opening lead is made and they have a chance to help each other during the ensuing play.
Today's deal shows how good defensive teamwork can solve a difficult problem. West led the ace of clubs, on which East played the nine. Had East not played the nine, West would have had a difficult choice as

to whether to shift to a spade or a heart. As it was, though, West had no problem.
East's play of the nine was an obvious a suit-preference signal. Considering the club strength visible in dummy, East could hardly be signaling for a club continuation. His high card, the nine, could be interpreted only as directing a shift to the higher ranking of the two side suits (spades and hearts). Had East preferred a heart return because he was void of hearts or had the ace, he would have played his lowest club, the three, on the ace to ask for the lower-ranking suit return.
Accordingly, West led a spade at trick two. But in order to convince East that he wanted a club return at trick three, he led the queen instead of his fourth-best spade. Had West led the seven, East might have won with the ace and been tempted to return a spade, hoping West had the king.
East had no trouble reading the situation correctly. He took the queen of spades with the ace and returned a club. South now could not avoid going down one, and when in practice he tried to make the contract by ruffing with the jack, he was over-ruffed by the queen and later lost another trump trick to East to finish down two.

Tomorrow: Test your play.
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Murray already among top Dallas RBs

OXNARD, Calif. (AP) — DeMarco Murray isn't ready to think of himself in the same company as Tony Dorsett and Emmitt Smith, though he is already listed among the Dallas Cowboys' two Hall of Fame running backs in the team record book.
"Those are two legends," Murray said. "That has never crossed my mind to be compared to them or to have anything to do with them. I have a lot of respect for them. Mentors. I have had a chance to talk with both of them."
On the first carry of his first start, Murray ran 91 yards for a touchdown — the longest for any player's first TD run since the NFL-AFL merger in 1970. The only longer scoring run in Cowboys history is Dorsett's memorable 99-yarder in a 1983 Monday night game.
Murray ran for a team-record 253 yards in that first start, and had 601 yards in his first four — more than NFL career rushing leader Smith ever had over a similar stretch.
And Murray finished as the team's leading rusher for the season even after missing the last three games because of a broken right ankle.
After getting his first start when Felix Jones was hurt last October, Murray came into this training camp for the Cowboys (No. 15 in the AP Pro32) as the No.

1 running back. The first practice in pads was Wednesday, before a day off Thursday.
"It's a great feeling being out here, getting the plays, getting the reps," Murray said. "Not only the physical reps, the mental reps, go back in film and watch myself. It's exciting and I'm glad I got an early start."
Murray, a third-round pick last season out of Oklahoma, said he is still working hard to get the plays down and know his blocking assignments to help protect quarterback Tony Romo when he's not carrying the ball. And Murray wants to get better catching the ball.
He is also watching more film, something he didn't do much in college.
"I would watch it but not understand it," Murray said. "Now coach (Skip) Peete and (new offensive coordinator Bill) Callahan showed me what to look at it and understand what I'm looking at."
What Murray isn't worried about is trying to live up to an impressive injury-shortened rookie season.
"Not at all. I have a lot of high standards. No one sets the bar higher than me, I have a very high standard for myself playing," he said.
"I love this game and I am going to try to do anything and everything I can to help this team

out."
Coach Jason Garrett doesn't like to compare players to each other.
But he also believes it's important not to compare what a guy has done from one year to the next, since the conditions change and there can be different dynamics to the team and different competition.
"It's really important to try to come to work every day, try to be your best, improve in all areas, try to get yourself physically and mentally ready to be your best, and not worry about what you've done in the past, either good or bad," Garrett said. "When you come off a season like he's had, I think it's particularly important for him to do that. Get himself healthy, come to work every day, and just become a better football player."
There are some positive changes for Murray and the entire offense with the offseason addition of veteran fullback Lawrence Vickers and some changes on the offensive line.
"We believe in balance on offense, being a physical football team," Garrett said. "Running the football is a big part of that and we wanted to address some of those things in the offseason."
... DeMarco is going to be a big part of that. And we have tried to make the conditions better for him."

THRILLER

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and 4 1/2 over third-place Oakland.
"We kept battling, we kept grinding and we got blessed," Texas manager Ron Washington said.
Nelson Cruz homered, and Mitch Moreland singled off Jason Isringhausen (3-1) to bring the Rangers to 10-9. With the bases loaded, Andrus drove a single past third baseman Alberto Callaspo to set off a wild celebration near second base.
"It was a crazy game in Texas," Isringhausen said. "I've seen a lot of them. A six-run lead is not safe."
The comebacks seemed unlikely because the Texas offense struggled mightily during a 9-14 July. The Rangers scored 81 runs in the month, last in the American League.
It was only the second

time in Texas history the club has rallied to win after trailing by at least three in extra innings. The Rangers also did it May 18, 1975, against Detroit.
"It was great to break out like this," said Texas second baseman Ian Kinsler, who homered in the bottom of the ninth to tie the game at 7. "Hopefully we can take that into (Thursday)."
Albert Pujols connected twice for his second straight multihomer game. His second home run, a two-run shot in the 10th, was one of four long balls hit between the two teams in the final two innings.
Chris Iannetta also homered in the 10th for the Angels.
Joe Nathan (2-3) gave up Iannetta's homer on a full-count pitch and Pujols' two-run drive but still earned the win.
It was Pujols' 44th multihomer run of his career, third-most among

active players. He had never had consecutive multihomer games in the regular season.
Kinsler's solo shot off Ernesto Frieri with one out in the ninth forced extra innings. It was Frieri's first blown save in 13 chances.
"It was a great, great game on both sides," Angels right fielder Torii Hunter said. "We got their closer, and they got our closer. It was a lot of fun. But at the same time, it broke my heart."
Cruz kept the Rangers within a run in the top of the ninth when he threw out Kendrys Morales trying to score on a single to right.
New acquisition Ryan Dempster will take the mound for the Rangers on Thursday night as they look to split the series against their rivals. He will face left-hander C.J. Wilson, who left Texas as a free agent in the offseason.
"It was a great team effort from top to bottom," Texas' Michael Young

said. "It was definitely a great win for us."
Pujols had four RBIs to give him 1,400 for his career. Hunter and Callaspo each added two RBIs for Los Angeles.
Yu Darvish started for the Rangers and equaled his season-high by allowing seven runs and walking six over five innings.
Garrett Richards, who was starting in place of an ailing Dan Haren, gave up five runs and nine hits before he was chased with two outs in the sixth.
The Angels led 7-1 before the Rangers rallied with four in the fifth and one in the eighth.
David Murphy, who was 3 for 3 and reached base five times, had an RBI single in the eighth that closed the gap to 7-6.
This was Texas' largest comeback since a six-run rally Aug. 13, 2010, against the Red Sox.
The Angels scored six runs on only two hits in their third-inning outburst. They benefited from four walks, an error and Darvish's poor throw on a fielder's choice as 10 men came to the plate.
Pujols lined a 1-1 pitch from Darvish into the Angels bullpen — the first hit for Los Angeles in the game — to make it 4-0.
After two more walks in the third, Callaspo doubled in a pair to make it 6-0.

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