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Pigs and cattle and goats, oh my!



File photo
A young man displays his goat during the 2015 Howard County Junior Livestock Show. The 2016 show will be held in January at the Broughton Ag Complex on the Howard College campus.

Livestock show, ag appreciation day event will be all-in-one affair

By LYNDEL MOODY
Staff Writer

Combining the annual community Ag Appreciation Day with the Howard County Junior Livestock Show just seems natural and, according to organizers of both groups, has been so far.

"It's been really easy," said Michelle Hamlin, secretary of the Howard County Junior Livestock Show Association. "The Chamber gave me its mailing list and a lot of the names are the same people who come to our luncheon."

"I think this will bring everybody

together," said Debbye ValVerde, Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce executive director.

Normally held in October, the community wide Ag Appreciation Day and Luncheon honors all in the area who work in the agriculture field, those who clothe and feed our society. The Ag Producer and Ag Business of the Year are announced during the luncheon which has been traditionally free to all who are in the industry.

After days of competition and showmanship, the Howard County Junior Livestock Show holds a

barbecue luncheon for it supporters and buyers before the awards announcement and stock sale.

According to Debbye ValVerde, a third party suggested combining the two to bolster support for both events. And it's come together well, ValVerde and Hamlin both said.

"We want this younger generation to see what the older generation does to support our community and maybe we can inspire some of the kids to step into the agricul-

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Officials say vetting for refugees will be rigorous

By DOUGLASS K. DANIEL
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Obama administration is assuring governors that refugees who come to the United States in its resettlement program undergo a "rigorous security vetting process," particularly if they are fleeing from Syria.

"In short, the security vetting for this population — the most vulnerable of individuals — is extraordinarily thorough and comprehensive," Secretary of State John Kerry and Homeland Security Secretary Jeh Johnson write in letters sent to all state and territorial governors and to the mayor of Washington, D.C.

After last week's attacks in Paris by the Islamic State, several governors vowed to block efforts to resettle Syrian refugees in the U.S. for fear their ranks would be infiltrated by IS militants planning a domestic attack. In the House, lawmakers voted overwhelmingly to erect high hurdles for Syrian and Iraqi refugees.

The administration countered that the vetting process was thorough and could take nearly three years. President Barack Obama has said the U.S. will remain a welcoming place for refugees from around the world.

In their letters to governors, Kerry and Johnson said the vetting process is multi-layered and intensive and involves multiple law enforcement, national security and intelligence agencies and includes even more precautions for Syrian refugees. A copy of the letter addressed to New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo and dated Friday was obtained Saturday by The Associated Press.

Noting that more than 4 million people have fled Syria, the American officials say some of the closest U.S. allies and other nations are pledging to take in Syrian refugees. They say the plan to bring at least 10,000 to the U.S. this fiscal year "represents a modest commitment by our government." Most of the refugees, they add, are families, victims of torture and children.

A refugee applicant cannot be approved for travel and admission to the U.S. until all required security checks have been completed and cleared, according to the letter to Cuomo.

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Community responds to call for Feast volunteers

By JULIE BASS
Staff Writer

Since the announcement of the H.E.B. Feast of Sharing a few weeks ago, there has been a large response from the community in answer to the call for help.

The Feast of Sharing is a community wide, sit down dinner that will take place on Dec. 6 from noon to 4 p.m. at Dorothy Garrett Colesium. The event plans to feed 5,000 people with the help of 200-250 volunteers.

Local businesses and organizations that are now spon-

soring the event include Howard College, Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, Big Spring Visitors Bureau, Keep Big Spring Beautiful, KBST Radio Group, Big Spring Herald, Big Spring Fire Department, Big Spring Police Department, KBYG Radio, and the Howard County Volunteer Fire Department.

H.E.B. will donate the food and ask their vendors to donate food as well.

Debbie Moreno of the volunteer committee is working to organize volunteers to be greeters, table captains, seating and cleaning, line serv-

ers, drink servers, pie servers and other various needs.

The clean up committee is Keep Big Spring Beautiful which will take care of trash cans, liners, mopping and other miscellaneous needs.

The children's area will be handled by Becky Woodall. She is organizing mascots, activity tables and various forms of crafts and entertainment for the children.

Gale Pittman is heading the decoration and set up committee. They will have decorations made by elementary children, color code sections, set up and other projects.

Kenda Jones and H.E.B. Have worked on publicity to notify the media and advertise to let people know that this is a community wide dinner.

Suzanne Markwell is heading the entertainment committee and has organized bands, church choir, dance groups, individuals to entertain and the opening ceremony.

Kim Plew, with Meals on Wheels will be organizing deliveries of meals to individuals who are homebound.

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Obituaries

Randy McKinney



Randy McKinney, 61, of Big Spring, passed away Friday, Nov. 20, 2015, at his residence. There will be a private family service at a later date.

He was born Sep. 6, 1954 to Billie Eschew McKinney and Mac McKinney in Rankin, Texas. He was a lifelong resident of Big Spring. He married Katie Hodge on June 2, 1984 in Big Spring.

Randy was a home construction/improvement contractor. He was Native American and was affiliated with the Rainbow Tribe. He was affiliated with The Big Spring Pow Wow Com-

Preston Savell



Preston Wayne Savell, 35, of Coahoma died Friday, Nov. 20, 2015. The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. Monday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Graveside service will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Mount Olive Memorial Park with Doug Shelley, pastor of East Side Baptist Church, officiating.

He was born Aug. 23, 1980 in Big Spring. He worked in the oil field and most recently for Robinson Drilling. He was a lifelong resident of Howard County. He loved music, fishing, singing, and family time.

He is survived by one daughter: Ashley Dawn

mittee for 11 years serving as treasurer and public relations officer. He was also on the committee for the Vietnam Memorial for 11 years. He did a lot of the construction work at the memorial. He wrote “Walking the Red Road,” a recurring feature, for *The Big Spring Herald*.

He is survived by, his wife: Katy McKinney of Big Spring; one daughter: Becky Mazur and her husband Clay of Fort Worth; two sisters: Sondra McKinney of Big Spring and Kayla Wiggins and her husband Mike of Arkansas; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

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

Savell of Missouri; one son: Jordan Wayne Savell of Missouri; mother: Susan Overton of Coahoma; father: Deland Wayne Savell of Big Spring; stepfather: Raymond Overton of Big Spring; grandparents; Brothers and sisters: Desiree Savell of Grape Creek, Pat Savell of Lubbock; Shawnta Savell of Levellend, Steven Savell of Big Spring, Susan Humphrey of Colorado City, Wesley Overton of Grapecreek, and Eddie Overton of Coahoma; stepbrothers and stepsisters: Samantha Savell, Preston L. Savell, Becky Overton, and Raymond Overton, Jr, all of Big Spring; several aunts and uncles; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by one brother: James Overton; both grandfathers; and two uncles.

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

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **MICHAEL DEAN NALL**, 36, of 1809 Mittel Ave. was arrested on warrants for failure to maintain financial responsibility, expired registration and two counts of bail jumping/failure to appear.
- **CHANCE ALLEN PERRYMAN**, 31, of 225 Brooks Rd. was arrested on a charge of driving while license invalid.
- **ZACHARY DONNELL ALEXANDER**, 21, of 108 Moore Rd. was arrested on a charge of failure

Sheriff

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

Note – Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 59 inmates at the time of this report.

- **ZACHARY DONNELL ALEXANDER**, 21, was booked by the HCSO on a warrant for motion to revoke probation – fail to identify by giving false/fictitious information and a charge of fail to identify – fugitive giving false/fictitious information.
- **TOMMY ANDREW GONZALES**, 21, was booked by the BSPD on warrants for no driver’s license, fail to maintain financial responsibility and charges of possession of marijuana and possession of a dangerous drug.
- **TOMMY BILLALBA JR.**, 27, was booked by the HCSO on warrants for theft of property, more than \$50 but less than \$500; theft by check, more than \$1500 but less than \$20k; failure to appear, theft by repetition; failure to appear, theft of stolen property and failure to appear, theft class B.
- **TRACI MARGARET HERRERA**, 25, was booked by the BSPD on warrants for driving while license invalid, fail to maintain financial responsibility and violate promise to appear.
- **ABEL MARTINEZ JR.**, 40, was booked by the

BSPD on warrants for failure to display or displaying expired motor vehicle safety certificate and displaying expired registration.

- **JUDY ANN MATA**, 47, was booked by the BSPD on charges of public intoxication and possession of drug paraphernalia.
- **MICHAEL DEAN NALL**, 36, was booked by the BSPD on warrants for failure to maintain financial responsibility, display expired registration and two counts of failure to appear.
- **CHANCE ALLEN PERRYMAN**, 31, was booked by the HCSO on a charge of driving while license invalid.
- **MOISES ANTONIO SARACHO**, 22, was booked by the BSPD on a warrant for duty on striking fixture/highway landscape.
- **JOE ERNEST VALENCIA JR.**, 32, was booked by the BSPD on a charge of aggravated assault on date/family/housemate.
- **ARTURO JUAN VELA**, 33, was booked by the HCSO on a charge of public intoxication.
- **LOUISE EUGENE VELA JR.**, 34, was booked by the BSPD on a warrant for harassment.
- **LUIS SOTELO**, 50, was booked by the BSPD on a charge of driving while intoxicated, 3rd or more offense.

Support Groups

MONDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous, As Bill Sees it, 615 Settles, 6:06 p.m. to 7 p.m.

TUESDAY

- VA Alcoholics Anonymous support group, 7-8 p.m., Veterans Healing Center.
- Reformers Unanimous International is a faith-based addictions program helping people find freedom from addiction. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Mondays at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Enter at the main entrance of the church.
- Stepping Stone Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at Spring Town Plaza (inside the mall, next to Attitudes Hair Salon, down by Bealls). 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

- VA Alcoholics Anonymous support group, 7:30-8:30 p.m., Veterans Healing Center.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; newcomers meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.
- Al-Anon, 615 Settles for family members and friends of alcoholics meets at 8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

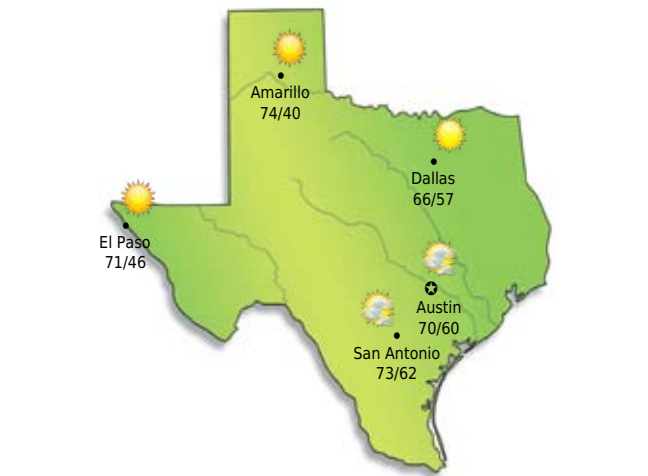
- **RSD (Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy)** a chronic pain disease, a support and informative group, meets at 213 Circle. Call Lucy at (432) 517-9207 for further information.

Samuel Martinez

Samuel Martinez, 67, of Big Spring died Saturday, Nov. 21, 2015 in a Midland hospital. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Crematory.

Local 5-Day Forecast				
Tue 11/24	Wed 11/25	Thu 11/26	Fri 11/27	Sat 11/28
 69/49 Sunny skies. High 69F. Winds SSW at 10 to 20 mph.	 71/57 Clouds giving way to sun. Highs in the low 70s and lows in the upper 50s.	 69/50 Windy with t-storms in the area. Highs in the upper 60s and lows in the low 50s.	 47/27 Mainly cloudy with rain, windy. Highs in the upper 40s and lows in the upper 20s.	 38/29 Ice changing to rain. Highs in the upper 30s and lows in the upper 20s.
Sunrise: 7:23 AM Sunset: 5:42 PM	Sunrise: 7:24 AM Sunset: 5:42 PM	Sunrise: 7:25 AM Sunset: 5:41 PM	Sunrise: 7:25 AM Sunset: 5:41 PM	Sunrise: 7:26 AM Sunset: 5:41 PM

Texas at a Glance



Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Ablene	64	44	Sunny	Kingsville	69	56	Sunny
Amarillo	65	36	Sunny	Livingston	63	42	Sunny
Austin	63	45	Sunny	Longview	61	40	Sunny
Beaumont	61	42	Sunny	Lubbock	64	36	Sunny
Brownsville	70	62	Sunny	Lufkin	62	39	Sunny
Brownwood	62	40	Sunny	Midland	65	42	Sunny
Corpus Christi	66	58	Sunny	Raymondville	70	59	Sunny
Corsicana	62	44	Sunny	Rosenberg	64	47	Sunny
Dallas	61	42	Sunny	San Antonio	66	48	Sunny
Del Rio	64	48	Sunny	San Marcos	64	44	Sunny
El Paso	66	42	Cloudy	Sulphur Springs	59	41	Sunny
Fort Stockton	67	44	M Sunny	Sweetwater	63	43	Sunny
Gainesville	59	40	Sunny	Tyler	59	41	Sunny
Greenville	61	40	Sunny	Weatherford	62	42	Sunny
Houston	64	46	Sunny	Wichita Falls	66	41	Sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	51	32	Sunny	Miami	77	67	M Sunny
Boston	39	28	Sunny	Minneapolis	39	27	Sunny
Chicago	37	30	Sunny	New York	45	34	Sunny
Dallas	61	42	Sunny	Phoenix	81	50	Sunny
Denver	57	32	Sunny	San Francisco	57	51	M Cloudy
Houston	57	32	Sunny	Seattle	48	38	Cloudy
Los Angeles	78	54	Sunny	Saint Louis	54	30	Sunny

Moon Phases

 First Nov 19	 Full Nov 25	 Last Dec 3	 New Dec 11
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UV Index

Tue 11/24	Wed 11/25	Thu 11/26	Fri 11/27	Sat 11/28
4	3	2	2	2
Moderate	Moderate	Low	Low	Low

The UV Index is measured on a 0 - 11 number scale, with a higher UV Index showing the need for greater skin protection.

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All or Nothing Day 02-03-04-05-07-11-12-13-19-20-21-24	Pick 3 Day 2-4-0, Sum It Up: 6
All or Nothing Evening 03-05-07-09-11-12-13-14-15-18-19-20	Pick 3 Evening 3-3-1
All or Nothing Morning 01-03-09-10-12-13-15-16-17-19-20-24	Pick 3 Morning 8-3-0
All or Nothing Night 01-03-04-05-07-09-12-15-16-19-20-21	Pick 3 Night 8-7-6, Sum It Up: 21
Lotto 07-11-18-44-53-54 Estimated jackpot: \$7.5 million	Powerball 3 7 - 4 7 - 5 0 - 5 2 - 5 7 , Powerball: 21, Power Play: 3 Estimated jackpot: \$80 million
	Triple Chance 03-08-12-20-24-27-29-41-51-54



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Take note

• A pig showmanship camp sponsored by the Howard County Livestock Association will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Dec. 12 at Howard College. The cost is \$10 and is open to the first 50 exhibitors. Lunch is included in the cost. Topics covered is basics of showmanship, feed and nutrition and daily management. To registrar, e-mail HCJLA01@gmail.com.

• The Big Spring Chamber of Commerce will be accepting toy donations through Dec. 9. Please bring new, unwrapped toys for boys and girls (ages 2-18) to 215 W. 3rd St. Call 432-263-7641 for more information.

• Home Hospice is in need of volunteers of all ages. The organization is requesting volunteers to sit with patients, make items for patients and help with office work. Volunteers set their own hours. For more information, contact Sherry Hodnett at 264-7911 or 432-213-0150.

• Mobile meals is in need of volunteer delivery drivers. If you donate one hour per week to help deliver meals to the elderly, call Kim Plew at 263-4016 or 213-7960.

• Crossroads Hospice needs volunteers for patient care. Contact Eva at 263-5300.

• The Feast of Sharing is looking for volunteers to help with the community wide meal that will take place Dec. 6 at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. Looking for Mr. and Mrs Claus, servers, greeters, entertainers, etc. Contact Debra Moreno at 432-816-6018.

• The Big Spring Symphony Board of Directors meets every first Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. at the symphony office, 808 Scurry Street.

• The Kiwanis Club of Big Spring meets at noon every Thursday in the Cactus Room at Howard College. Visitors are welcome.

• Howard County Community Health Center, 1300 South Gregg St., has certified application counselors who will help you apply and enroll in the Healthcare Marketplace during open enrollment. Please call 432-517-4557 to make an appointment to enroll in health coverage or renew/change last year's coverage. The certified application counselor will help you decide what coverage options best fit your needs, as well as what financial assistance you may qualify for.

• Victim Services is a non-profit independent community-based program serving victims of all violent crime, including, but not limited to, assault, sexual assault and domestic violence. Victim Services advocates are available 24 hours of day, 365 days a year to provide crisis intervention or accompaniment to the hospital and law enforcement agencies as needed. If you can commit to 30-hour training, an interview process and a background check, we need you. For more information, call Linda Calvio at 432-263-3312.

• The largest fundraiser for the Hangar 25 Air Museum, the Silver Wings Ball will be held at the Hotel Settles, Jan. 23, 2016. Cocktail hour will begin

at 6 p.m. and dinner will be served at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$50 per person and can be purchased from any board member. To find out more information or to become a sponsor for the event, contact Hangar 25 Air Museum at 432-264-1999.

• Applications for the annual Man and Woman of the Year are now being taken at the Chamber of Commerce.

Criteria for selection is as follows:
• The nominator must be a Chamber member but the nominee does not have to be.

• Nominations must be in writing and should be based on a record of accomplishments rather than a single contribution or an achievement although it will not be ruled out if that contribution is of sufficient importance. The committee will base its choice on information provided in the written nomination and not on personal knowledge of the nominee.

• Nominators must submit their name, address and phone number on the form for contact purposes of the committee.

• Nominees can not currently hold a political office.

Nominations must be submitted by Dec. 1. To return an application, send the form addressed to Man and Woman of the Year Nomination; Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce; 215 W. 3rd St. or P.O. Box 1391; Big Spring, Texas 79721. For more information, contact the Chamber at 432-263-7641.

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

Sacking dates are as follows (please note the group starts at 5:30 p.m.) Nov. 30-Dec. 1.

Our sacking location has moved to the Lakeview High School gym located at 1107 NW 7th. To get there take Gregg Street north and turn left on Delaney which is the block just past the Salvation Army Store. Delaney turns into 7th Street, you will go over the railroad tracks and the school is on the left.

Currently we are distributing food at Golliad, Marcy and Moss Elementary Schools. If you want additional information about getting your child on this program please contact your child's school.

• An account has been set up at Western Bank (account number 1017623) for Blantyn Gusman and Zachary Duncan, who were seriously injured in an accident.

• The mission of CASA of West Texas is to promote and support quality volunteers who speak for the best interest of abused and neglected children in court in an effort to find each child a safe, nurturing and permanent home.

We need your help. If you're interested in volunteering, contact Sara Basaldua at 1-877-316-8346 or visit www.BecomeaCASA.org or www.casawtx.org.

Everybody loves same day shopping, until bill is due

NEW YORK (AP) — Everyone likes the idea of same-day delivery. But who wants to pay for it?

That's the problem merchants face as the busy holiday shopping season approaches. They want to offer customers the near-instant gratification that usually only comes with shopping in stores or via apps like Uber and Seamless. But the logistics and costs of same-day delivery — the fuel, labor, infrastructure and other costs — has been a difficult challenge to surmount.

This year, Amazon has been making an aggressive push to offer same-day delivery to people who've paid its \$99 fee for Prime loyalty club membership. That service is now available in 23 metro areas. And where Amazon goes, other retailers must follow.

"Over the past 18 to 24 months Amazon has been pushing the bar" for fast and cheap delivery, said Daphne Carmeli, CEO of Deliv, a startup that works with retailers to provide same-day delivery. "If you're in retail, you have to step up to the new bar."

Amazon, of course, doesn't have to pay for the cost of store upkeep, not counting its new bookstore in Seattle. And it makes money from other non-retail areas, such as its cloud computing arm, so it can afford to offer delivery services others can't.

"Retailers trying to compete with Amazon on the road Amazon created will always be at a disadvantage," said shipping industry expert Satish Jindel. "There's only so long they can absorb the cost, it's a huge challenge for retailers."

Providing hassle-free, same-day delivery has been a quixotic quest for retailers for more than a decade.

During the first Internet boom, startups like Kozmo.com became ubiquitous in New York as employees with purple messenger bags fanned out to deliver snacks and household goods. But it didn't make money, went bust, and became a cautionary tale for the future.

"I remember using Kozmo.com a decade ago," said C.J. Dugan, 37, a TV producer in Chicago.

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Safety is being organized by Carl Condray of the Big Spring Fire Department and will organize the food permits, Big Spring Police to direct traffic, parking, paramedics and police to ensure a safe and fun dinner.

"The Feast of Sharing is not just for the homeless or for those in need.

This is for everyone in the community. It is H.E.B.'s way of giving back and saying thank you," said Moreno.

While the number of volunteers has increased over the last weeks, there is still room for those willing to assist with the dinner.

To volunteer, contact Moreno at 432-816-6018.

Contact Staff Writer Julie Bass at 432-263-7331 ext. 232, or email life@bigspringherald.com.

VETTING

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The vetting process includes:

—An interview with the U.N. high commissioner for refugees to determine if the applicant meets the definition of refugee and to see if any "red flags" would render the applicant ineligible.

—A referral by the UNHCR to the U.S., after which a resettlement support center contracted by the State Department conducts interviews, collects documents and initiates a security check conducted by the U.S. government.

—A biographic check conducted by the State Department that includes checking the ap-

plicant against names in the various law enforcement and intelligence databases and watch lists.

—A referral to U.S. Citizen and Immigration Services at the Homeland Security Department, which oversees refugee status interviews and additional security vetting with a focus on security checks. Fingerprints are collect-

ed from those ages 14 to 79 and screened against records held by the FBI, the Homeland Security Department and the Defense Department.

—Personal refugee status interviews conducted by highly trained refugee officers of Citizen and Immigration Services, who have also received special training regarding Syrian refugees.

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ture industry," ValVerde added.

The Junior Live Stock Buyer/Ag Appreciation barbecue luncheon will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 16, 2016 at the GC Broughton Ag Complex located on the Howard College campus, 1001 Birdwell Lane. The luncheon is free to the community. The awards ceremony will begin at 1 p.m. Cade Peterson, the farmer who produced the first bale of cotton ginned in Howard County for 2015, will also be recognized during the ceremony.

"When we give out the awards for the Ag Appreciation, we hope to have the kids present the awards to the Ag Producer and Ag Business of the Year," Hamlin said. "Then we would like them (Ag

Producer and Business of the Year recipients) to stay up there and give the Stock Show awards to the kids."

Following the awards show, the Junior Live Stock Show will begin its Premium Auction. In this particular auction, the youth will still be able to keep their animals to show at larger competitions such as Houston and Fort Worth and use the funds they receive from the "sale" of the livestock to help supplement the expense for the care of the animal.

For the 2015 show, the Howard County Junior Live Stock Show had nearly 80 participants showing off months of hard work caring for, exercising and feeding their show animals. Besides the annual show, Hamlin added, the Association is holding camps to give pointers to beginners on how to

raise and take care of individual animals. A pig showmanship camp will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Dec. 12 at Howard College. The cost is \$10 and is open to the first 50 exhibitors. Lunch is included in the cost. Topics covered are basics of showmanship, feed and nutrition and daily management.

To registrar, e-mail HCJLA01@gmail.com with the following information, exhibitor's name, age, county and contact information including a phone number.

The Howard County Junior Livestock Show will begin Jan. 13, 2016.

The schedule of events is as follows:

• Wednesday, Jan. 13, 3 p.m. — Lamb and Goat Show.

• Thursday, Jan. 14, 6 p.m. — Rabbit Show.

• Friday, Jan. 15, 9 a.m. — Heifer & Steer

Show; 1 p.m. — Barrow Show.

• Saturday, Jan. 16, 11 a.m. — Buyers/Ag Appreciation barbecue; 1 p.m. — Ag Appreciation & Junior Livestock Show Awards followed immediately after by the Junior Livestock sale.

Contact Staff Writer Lyndel Moody at 263-7331, ext. 234, or by emailing citydesk@big-springherald.com.

—A vetting by U.S. Customs and Border Protection before the applicant arrives at a port of entry, followed by additional background checks upon arrival.

—A determination of an appropriate resettlement site in the U.S. by the State Department and the Health and Human Services Department.

"With these measures in place, we believe that we are able to both protect the American peo-

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Weekend high school roundup:

Bulldogs earn title at Westbrook tourney

By TAYLOR ELLIS

Sports Editor

WESTBROOK — The Coahoma boy's basketball team showed they had bite as well as bark over the weekend, winning first place in the Westbrook Tournament.

After winning their opening game on Thursday, Coahoma played Midland Trinity, beating the Chargers 60-38.

Kyler Franks had a game-high 20 points, shooting 36 percent from the field. Franks also forced seven steals, grabbed seven rebounds, and dished four assists.

Jon Bermea recorded a double-double with 10 points and 12 rebounds, split evenly between offense and defense.

Coahoma's defense held Trinity to two first quarter points, and out-scored the Chargers in each quarter.

The Bulldog's offense shot 38 percent from the field and 57 percent from the free throw line.

The victory propelled Coahoma into the championship round where they faced Westbrook Saturday afternoon.

Once again the Bulldogs' defense stifled the Wildcats,

holding them to eight points in the first half. The Bulldog's won convincingly 63-33, as four players hit the eight-point mark. Mason Moore poured in 20 points, giving him 32 in two games. Bermea had 14 and Austin Sosa had nine.

Franks was named Most Valuable Player of the tournament for his dynamic play throughout the three days.

Coahoma will host the Miles Bulldog's in a canine confrontation Tuesday night at 8 p.m.

Lady Steers edge rival Andrews, 51-46

Big Spring girl's basketball team notched another win Saturday afternoon against long-time rival Andrews.

Senior center Diamonique Mayes had her second straight dominant game, posting 17 points, eight rebounds, five steals, and three blocked shots. Mayes shot 6-of-7 from the field.

August Alexander poured in a team-high 17 points, shooting 3-of-8 from beyond the arc. Alexander, a bench player and senior, provided a second go-to player for the

Lady's Steers offense.

"We did a good job putting up points," head coach Stacy Smalley said. "We are continuing to push for 60 points per game."

Andrews out-rebounded Big Spring by 12 boards, utilizing their size advantage in the post.

"We gave up way too much in the paint. We need to get better at crashing the boards, and giving ourselves opportunity for second chance points," Smalley said.

Besides Mayes' team-high eight rebounds, Kiana Ramsey and Kaylie Penny each had five boards apiece.

Big Spring had some communication issues on defense in the first half, Smalley said. Andrews shot 37.5 percent from the field, but struggled from beyond the arc shooting 20 percent.

After several halftime adjustments, Big Spring improved their play and limited Andrews to just 12 points in the paint in the second half — a stark improvement from the 20 they allowed in the first half.

Big Spring's offense also improved after the short trip to

the locker room, coming out more aggressive and forcing Andrews into foul trouble.

"We attacked the zone and got to the free throw line quite a bit, but only his 12-of-24," Smalley said.

Their next game will be at Steer Gym Tuesday night against the Coahoma Lady Bulldogs. Varsity will tip-off at 7:30 p.m., and junior varsity at 6 p.m.

Abilene saws Steers 115-47

ABILENE — The Big Spring boy's basketball team lost Saturday afternoon in Abilene, dropping to 0-2 on the season under first-year head coach Nicholas Tyerman.

"We let Abilene dictate the pace of the game with their large inside presence," Tyerman said.

Abilene, member of 6A Region 1 District 3, had eight players standing at least 6 feet in height, including two at 6-foot7 and above. This is the second game in a row the Steers faced a team in a higher classification.

"I am proud that the young men continued to play hard while they were on the floor,"

Tyerman said.

Israel O'Guin led the team with 10 points. Lorenzo Jones and Chase Williams each had nine apiece.

"As a team we saw a large improvement in our free throw shooting percentage," Tyerman said. "We need to continue to work on moving the ball on offense for a great shot instead of settling for an average shot."

The Steers will face another Class 6A team, San Angelo Central on Tuesday in Steer Gym.

Lady Bulldogs 2-1 in Westbrook Tournament

After losing their opening game to Garden City, Coahoma girl's basketball won two games by an average margin of 25 points.

The Lady Bulldogs lost responded from their 20-point loss to Garden City in the opener with a 55-37 victory over Sands. Coahoma also had success against Midland Trinity, as did the boy's squad, winning 58-26 to start a winning-streak.

Coahoma will play at Steer Gym in Big Spring Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.

Howard College Hawks' offense provides spark in win over Cedar Valley; women go 1-1

By TAYLOR ELLIS

Sports Editor

LANCASTER — After losing at Weatherford College on Friday night, the Howard College men's basketball team bounced back at Cedar Valley College, winning 75-64. The Hawks shot the lights out Saturday afternoon, hitting 54.2 percent from the field and 52.6 percent from the three-point arc.

There was no shortage of offense, as guards Reggie Oliver and Winston Morgan accounted for all 38 of the Hawk's bench points. Oliver scored 20 points, eight of which came from 11 trips to the charity stripe. He also recorded a team-high six rebounds.

Morgan had 18 points, perfect from beyond the arc and 7-of-9 from the field.

Howard held Cedar Valley to 23 points in the first half, and was out-scored by just one in the second half.

Starting guard Srdjan Budimir had 17 points, shooting 7-of-12 from the field.

After shooting 5-of-22 from beyond the arc against Weatherford, Howard responded with 10-of-19 from downtown.

The Hawks had a strong post presence, out-rebounding Cedar Valley 38-28. Howard had 18 assists, just one off their 19 per-game average.

Howard return to action against Ranger College tonight at home at 7:30 p.m.

Lady Hawks split two over the weekend, 7-3 this season

The Howard College women's basketball team won Friday night against Weatherford 57-39. The Lady Hawks shined defensively, limiting Weatherford to nine points in the first half.

Head coach Earl Diddle's squad won their second game in a row with stifling defense. Marie Tsoungui was especially active on defense, with three steals and eight rebounds.

Camille Hoover and Dabrona Williams each had nine points. Dejah Joshua had eight and Ashlyn Hoover had seven.

The Lady Hawks shot 39.3 percent from the field, and struggled from beyond the arc, shooting 17.6 percent. Howard converted 10-of-15 from the free throw line.

The following day, Howard lost 64-50 against Hill College. It seemed as if a lid was on the basket for stretches through the game for Howard, as the Lady Hawks shot 29.7 percent from the field and 27.3 percent from three-point range.

Hill, on the other hand, operated on the opposite end of the spectrum, pouring points in at a 50.9/56.3 clip.

Ashlyn Hoover was the lone Lady Hawk in double digits, scoring 12 points, shooting 4-of-8 from distance.

The Lady Hawks now stand at 7-3 on the season in non-conference play.

Ranger College will travel to Howard College tonight at 5:45 p.m. looking for revenge after an earlier 70-52 defeat at the hands of the Lady Hawks.

Cowboys win in Romo's return

MIAMI GARDENS, Fla. (AP) — Now that Tony Romo has shaken off the rust, he's ready to take on unbeaten Carolina.

The Dallas Cowboys might be ready, too.

They looked like a different team Sunday thanks to a Romo revival. He returned from a broken collarbone to throw two touchdowns and help beat the Miami Dolphins 24-14.

"We looked like our old selves in a lot of ways," Dallas tight end Jason Witten said.

Romo sat out for two months, and now he'll play twice in five days, with Carolina visiting Dallas on Thanksgiving.

Here are things to know about Romo's latest comeback:

BROKEN STREAK: The Cowboys (3-7) won for the first time since Romo was hurt and snapped a seven-game losing streak, their longest in a single season since 1989.

"Winning," Romo said, "is go-

ing to put a little more pep in everyone's step."

The Cowboys are still in the mix in the NFC East, where no team is above .500. But they need to beat the Panthers, who improved to 10-0 by beating Washington 44-16.

"We know how good they are," Romo said. "They're going to provide a great challenge."

AMBIDEXTROUS: Romo scrambled in the back of the end zone before improvising to throw his first pass in two months — left-handed. It went for a short gain.

"I didn't envision after my two-month layoff coming back with a left-hander," he said. "I did practice that about seven or eight years ago, so I was ready for it."

"It gave me a shiver," Cowboys owner Jerry Jones said, "and I know it inspired the team."

DEZ DANCE: Dallas receivers

Dez Bryant and Terrance Williams were flagged for unsportsmanlike conduct for doing the dab, a dance becoming trendy in the NFL.

The penalty came during a touchdown celebration and forced the Cowboys to kick off from their 20 late in the half. Miami went on to score with 16 seconds left.

"That was bad by us," Dallas coach Jason Garrett said. "Celebration penalties ... we can't allow that to happen."

Bryant defended the celebration.

"We don't want a flag," he said, "but that strikes confidence. Everybody on the sideline sees it, and the guys on the field. It just gives you an extra boost."

CLAMPDOWN: Dallas' defense dominated, beginning when linebacker Rolando McClain scored the game's first points and his first career touchdown on a 12-yard interception return.

Busch wins first NASCAR title

HOMESTEAD, Fla. (AP) — When he crashed into a concrete wall at Daytona, Kyle Busch knew instantly his right leg and left foot were broken.

His first thought was that his career was over.

"I was really worried. I was like, 'Man, I don't know if I'm ever going to be able to get back in a car again,'" Busch said.

"It did cross my mind, I was thinking, 'My wife's pregnant and I got no job.' I think that's just the emotion that goes through in that moment."

Busch completed a comeback for the ages on Sunday when he won at Homestead-Miami Speedway to earn his first Sprint Cup championship.

It came nine months after his crash into a concrete wall the day before the Daytona 500 — a wreck that forced NASCAR to make serious

safety improvements across the circuit.

Busch watched the season opener from a hospital bed, had multiple surgeries and withstood a grueling rehabilitation program. He wound up missing just 11 races and returned to his Joe Gibbs Racing Toyota right before his 30th birthday and right before wife Samantha gave birth to their first child, a son.

In the hours after that February crash at Daytona, no one predicted he'd end the year as champion.

"I was just terrified that he was really, really in bad shape," said crew chief Adam Stevens. "I didn't know what shape his legs were in, if it was going to be this year or next year, or if he would walk again."

But once he was back in the car, there was no stopping Busch.

He reeled off four wins in five weeks to earn a berth in the Chase for

the Sprint Cup championship, then weathered three rounds of eliminations to knock Kevin Harvick from his perch as reigning champion. Busch also denied Jeff Gordon a fifth crown in his final race.

Harvick finished a distant second, Gordon was sixth, and Martin Truex Jr., the fourth driver in the championship field, finished 12th.

There was a strong sentimental push for Gordon to go out on top in his final race. But he was only average all season, and that didn't change Sunday night in front of a huge contingent of friends and family that included Formula One champion Lewis Hamilton and Mario Andretti, who both sat atop his pit box at the start of the race.

Gordon led nine laps early in the race and was third for an early restart but he bobbled it and plummeted to eighth. That was about as good

as he'd be the rest of the race as he struggled mightily with the handling of his Hendrick Motorsports Chevrolet.

"Gosh, I'm a little disappointed, I'll be honest," Gordon said. "I thought going into the race we had something for them."

Gordon eventually made his way to victory lane to congratulate Busch, who began his career as Gordon's teammate at Hendrick Motorsports. Temper tantrums and wrecked race cars led to his release before the 2008 season, and Busch has been chasing a Cup championship ever since. He's the most successful driver in the second-tier Xfinity Series and on Friday he captured his fourth owners' championship in the Truck Series.

"All he's been through this year, nobody's more deserving than him," Gordon said about the new champion.

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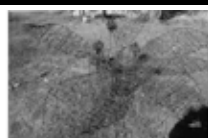
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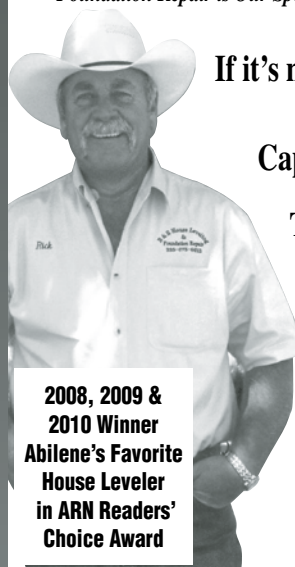
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Sagittarius Sun Agenda

The Scorpio sun was a constant reminder that in the

blink of an eye, everything can change. The Sagittarius sun flips the idea by visiting new topics and insisting that change happens because we seek out what's novel and crave all things fresh. The Sagittarius sun will be your guide to starting up some fun.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Simple things may seem difficult to you, while what is extremely difficult for others may seem very simple. There is no "one size fits all" situation for life.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Leadership requires inner discipline. You'll wonder if you have what it takes. You do. You just need more practice; that's all. Know that when you rule what's happening inside yourself, you are ruling the most difficult territory of all.

Dear Annie: I am six months into a separation from my husband of seven years. (The separation was his idea.) I thought our relationship was solid and was completely blindsided when he told me he felt deserted and lonely.

While I am still hoping for reconciliation, I have recently begun seeing someone else. My relationship with Mr. New is of the friends-with-benefits nature. I have no desire to actually date him (we want very different things in life), and at any rate, he is leaving the area in a couple of months. But for the moment, he's a fun distraction and a much-needed boost to my ego.

If I reconcile with my husband, am I required to disclose this liaison? My husband has been seeing other women for quite some time, although this was not a factor in our separation. We have a "don't-ask-don't-tell" type of open marriage and seeing others is accepted. -- Still Married

Dear Still: If you have a "don't-ask-don't-tell" relationship, then you are under no obligation to disclose anything about your extra-

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). The 20 or so individuals around you are powerful, but they are not the only people in the world. There are approximately seven billion others. Why limit yourself by only knowing a few?

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You can sense when you are being manipulated. You respect when it's being done very well. All that's going on right now inclines you to go along, just to see what happens.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You have armored yourself against your own problems. That's why you are more sensitive to other people's pain than you are to your own. This is the reason you'll be caught off-guard today.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). The people you're around will be the biggest factor in your experience. There's someone whose influence will be extremely strong. This connection is physical, psychic and cosmic.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You'll

curricular activities. However, if your husband feels lonely and abandoned, you might want to rethink the type of marriage you have. Open marriages don't work for everyone, and yours may not be as satisfying as either of you expected.

Please don't assume your problems will resolve themselves during the separation. The two of you should have a frank and honest discussion and see whether you can get to the root of your issues. Then you can work on making the necessary adjustments so things improve. Otherwise, professional counseling can help steer you in the right direction, together or separately.

Dear Annie: There's another option to consider when it comes to "Guilty by Accusation," the 20-year-old whose parents accused him of taking their Xanax because he had once done so when he was 15.

Xanax is prescribed for anxiety. For those who experience it, anxiety is a truly troubling ailment. Those suffering from it keep the issues that bother them roiling around in their heads much more intensely than

consider living more dangerously. Those rebels in your midst do have a point: Pushing yourself causes a feeling of being fully alive. That's important to your over all well-being!

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Well, it's interesting the different ways people see things. You live so close to another person you will wonder how there can be such a magnificent difference between your point of view and theirs.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). The people who like you don't need you to do much else besides just be yourself. The people who (SET ITAL) use (END ITAL) you require much more. Knowing this, you'll make a decision or two about your relationships.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). The answer is what it always is -- love. The bottom-line question to ask yourself: What is the most loving choice you could make? That is the choice that will prove to be right.

the average person. The Xanax calms this and helps them "let go" a bit easier.

So one needs to take the parents' response into consideration -- that they were more anxious about the missing pills than they were convinced that their son had stolen them. Accusing him was the easiest answer to their anxiety.

Most of us have done something when we were young that we'd like to take back. I hope "Guilty" realizes that his youthful slip-up doesn't define who he is. He sounds like a guy who cares. So when he asks what else he can say to his parents, I suggest he

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Don't lend more than you can afford to lose. People aren't as ethical as you today and they don't care as much. Protect yourself with a bubble of awareness.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). If you want to have the place to yourself, you're not being selfish, rather, you are getting in touch with the soft animal inside you -- the one who cares about territory and will defend it when pushed.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Nov. 23). Part of you feels that no matter what you've done in the past, you've really just arrived. No one can tell you how to feel about yourself. You know who is good for you, and who is a drain. Spend your year with those in the former category. December brings a lucky financial break while March shines a light on your love life. Cancer and Libra adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 1, 50, 13, 29 and 15.

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Dear Pharmacist: You make a good point that people with anxiety issues might worry tremendously about their misplaced medication, blaming whoever is handy. We hope the Xanax turns up soon so that their son is off the hook.

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Holiday. It seems to most astrologers on the web that being born with Saturn in the eighth house is a bit of a curse. I'm hoping for a more positive spin. Do you have any encouraging insights to share? Thank you. -- Amy"

I think it's cool. I'm just curious: Are you the kind of person who can pretend to be someone else for a while so that you can experience the world from another point of view? Do you change more easily than others? Saturn is the lessons planet and having it in the eighth signals to me that your lessons are profound. I'm trying not to say the "D" word, but it's unavoidable here. I have to know ... are you less afraid of death than other people around you seem to be? The reason astrologers think it's a curse is that they are phobic about death. For most people, the entire nature of life is to try to keep it going; try to make it great; do it up. There's another personality who focuses more on the totality of

life, a purpose on the planet, a cycle that includes many incarnations in a lifetime or perhaps many lifetimes with different incarnations. Anyway, it's deep stuff and I would consider Saturn in the eighth to be a blessing.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: This celeb's smiley nature earned her a nickname that later became a household name. Miley Cyrus has even more to smile about now that she's a major force in the entertainment industry -- not to mention the clothing industry and countless other merchandising outlets. Venus, Uranus and Neptune all in Capricorn suggest she'll continue to make the business decisions that keep her on top.

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North dealer.
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♠ Q 2		♠ —	
♥ K J 9 7 6 3		♥ 10 8 5 4 2	
♦ A 6		♦ 10 2	
♣ Q 7 4		♣ A K J 6 5 2	

WEST		SOUTH	
♠ 10 8 5 4		♠ A K J 9 7 6 3	
♥ A Q		♥ —	
♦ J 9 8 5 4 3		♦ K Q 7	
♣ 8		♣ 10 9 3	

The bidding:
North 1♥ 2♣ 2♠ 3♥
East 2♣ Pass 4♠
South 2♠ 4♠
West Pass

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club. Declarer plays low from dummy, and East wins with the jack. East then cashes the king of clubs, and West has to choose a discard. Most defenders would probably discard a low diamond on East's king of clubs, in which case declarer eventually makes the contract, losing three club tricks — period.
But if West considers the matter carefully at trick two, he discards the queen of hearts instead! And when East next cashes the ace of clubs, West discards the ace of hearts!
East then leads a heart, and South goes down one. Regardless of what declarer elects to play on the heart return, he cannot avoid eventually losing a trump trick to West.
Very fancy, you might say, but how can anybody holding the West hand be expected to be that smart? Nevertheless, the fact remains that no harm can come from discarding the heart queen at trick two. When declarer then follows to the third club, jetisoning the ace of hearts assures defeat of the contract, while the failure to do so will in some cases — this one in particular — allow declarer to make the contract.

Tomorrow: A bridge player's soliloquy.
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In 1890, William III, King of the Netherlands and Grand Duke of Luxembourg, died, ending 75 years of Dutch rule over Luxembourg.

In 1903, Enrico Caruso made his American debut at the Metropolitan Opera House in New York, appearing in "Rigoletto."

In 1914, the seven-month U.S. military occupation of Veracruz, Mexico, ended.

In 1936, Life, the photojour-

nalism magazine created by Henry R. Luce (loos), was first published.

In 1945, most U.S. wartime rationing of foods, including meat and butter, was set to expire by day's end.

In 1959, the musical "Fiorello!", starring Tom Bosley as legendary New York Mayor Fiorello LaGuardia, opened on Broadway.

In 1963, President Lyndon B. Johnson proclaimed Nov. 25 a day of national mourning following the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

In 1971, the People's Republic of China was seated in the U.N. Security Council.

In 1980, some 2,600 people were killed by a series of earthquakes that devastated southern Italy.

In 1995, movie director Louis Malle ("Pretty Baby"; "Atlantic City"; "My Dinner with Andre") died in Beverly Hills, California, at age 63.

Ten years ago: In Iraq, gunmen broke into the home of a senior Sunni Arab leader and killed him, three of his sons and a son-in-law. A commuter train slammed into several vehicles caught in a traffic jam on a busy road in Elmwood Park, Illinois, starting a chain reaction that injured at least 10 people. Ellen Johnson Sirleaf was confirmed as the winner of Liberia's presidential election.

American-born actress Constance Cummings died in Oxfordshire, England, at age 95.

Five years ago: North Korea bombarded South Korea's Yeonpyeong (yuhn-pyuhng) Island with artillery fire, killing four people and raising tensions between the two countries. Texas outfielder Josh Hamilton was a runaway winner of the American League's Most Valuable Player award. Actress Ingrid Pitt, who'd survived a Nazi concentration camp and dodged Communist police to become one of Britain's best known horror stars, died in London at 73.

Thought for Today:

"It is better to debate an important matter without settling it than to settle it without debating it."

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10 "Too bad!"

14 Spot of land in the sea

15 Group of troops

16 Bath powder ingredient

17 Traffic tie-up

18 Pig food

19 Stubborn equine

20 24-hr. cash source

22 Press clothing

23 Narrow cut

24 As of now

26 BLT sandwich part

30 Adolescent

31 Admired one

32 Salt Lake's state

35 Bus passenger

39 General standard

40 Discussion subject

42 High wind

43 Pick up the check

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46 Snake's sound

47 Think over

49 Frequent flying elite

51 Be in charge of

54 Leave speechless

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57 One of two in "épée"

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67 Horse-hoof sound

68 Wet, as weather

69 Loch __ monster

70 Berets and fedoras

71 Male deers

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1 Passport stamp

2 Does not exist

3 Loud door sound

4 School semester

5 Finally

6 Japanese raw fish

7 Not illuminated

8 Pop singer Celine

9 Tampa neighbor, for short

10 When Cinderella left the ball

11 First Lady before Michelle

12 Parcel out

13 Division of a play

21 Special influence

25 "___ the fields we go..."

26 Windshield coloration

27 Aroma

28 Something extra

29 Grads' schools

30 The one here

33 Heavy book

34 Chimp or gorilla

36 Banquet platform

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38 Take a break

41 New Orleans cuisine

44 Sharp yank

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50 Walks in

51 Bricklayer

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News in brief

Belgium police arrest 21, Paris fugitive still at large

BRUSSELS (AP) — Belgian police launched more raids in Brussels and beyond early Monday, detaining five more people as they continued their hunt for a fugitive suspect in the Paris attacks.

In Paris, British Prime Minister David Cameron said he will ask for parliamentary approval for the U.K. to join airstrikes against Islamic State extremists in Syria.

The raids began late Sunday, capping a tense weekend that saw hundreds of troops patrolling and authorities hunting for one or more suspected extremists including Salah Abdeslam, a fugitive since being named a suspect in the Nov. 13 Paris attacks. Between Sunday night and midday Monday, 21 people were detained.

The Belgian government kept the capital on the highest state of alert in the face of what it described as a “serious and imminent” threat, preventing a return to normal in the city that is also host to the European Union’s main institutions.

Federal prosecutor Eric Van Der Sypt said 19 raids were carried out Sunday in Molenbeek, home to many of the Paris attackers, and other boroughs of Brussels, and three raids were carried out in Charleroi. Abdeslam was not among those arrested. Van Der Sypt said no firearms or explosives were found.

Turkey asks ‘what happened to us’ over fans’ disrespect

ANKARA, Turkey (AP) — On a night of European soccer matches between national teams, the scenes in London and Istanbul were a study in contrast. The British and French fans at London’s Wembley Stadium sang the French national anthem in solidarity over the Paris attacks, while in Istanbul hundreds of Turkish fans booed the Greek national anthem and disrupted a moment of silence for those killed in Paris.

The ugly incident illustrated what has been an ambivalent reaction to the attacks in Turkey — France’s NATO ally.

While soccer fans are in no way representative of society as a whole, the scenes showed that the Paris attacks did not draw the same outpouring of grief as elsewhere in the mainly Muslim country, where recent research showed 8 percent of the population had a favorable view of the Islamic State group. Analysts said the episode revealed the dim view some Turks have of European nations they accuse of insensitivity toward attacks by Kurdish rebels and other groups that have plagued Turkey over the past few decades.

During the outburst at Istanbul’s Basaksehir Fatih Terim Stadium on Tuesday night, team captain and Barcelona midfielder Arda tried fruitlessly to silence the crowd. And after the match ended in a 0-0 draw, Turkey’s national team manager was furious.

“What has happened to us?” Fatih Terim said at a post-match news conference. “As we hold a minute of silence for the dead, can’t we show patience even for a minute?”

Russia’s Putin in Iran for talks set to focus on Syria

TEHRAN, Iran (AP) — Russia’s President Vladimir Putin was in Tehran on Monday for talks with Iranian leaders expected to focus on the Syrian crisis and an international peace plan intended to end the conflict.

The visit comes as Russia, the United States, France and others are talking about possible joint action against the Islamic State group following the terror attacks in Paris and the downing of a Russian passenger jet in Egypt. Putin’s trip also comes on the heels of agreement on an incomplete peace plan that calls for talks between Assad and his foes.

Moscow and Tehran have been the key backers of Syrian President Bashar Assad throughout his nation’s civil war, which has killed over 250,000 people and turned millions into refugees.

Russia has shielded Syria from international

sanctions, and on Sept. 30 it launched an air campaign against the Islamic State group and other insurgents, while Tehran has sent military advisers to shore up Assad.

Putin, on a one-day visit to attend a gas exporting nations’ summit, is set to meet with Iran’s Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei and President Hassan Rouhani. Assad’s fate will likely dominate the agenda.

Police investigate New Orleans shooting that left 16 wounded

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Police have been trying to figure out what sparked a gun battle in a crowded New Orleans park that left 16 people wounded and the mayor is calling on witnesses to come forward.

Hundreds of people were gathered at a playground for a block party and music video shoot when two groups in the crowd opened fire on each other Sunday evening, police said.

Police were on their way to break up a big crowd at Bunny Friend Playground when gunfire erupted at the park in the city’s 9th Ward, the police said in a statement.

New Orleans Mayor Mitch Landrieu, speaking in a news conference aired on WWL-TV, called on people who were in the park to come forward with information. The police have also asked people who might have any video of the shooting to bring it to police.

“At the end of the day, it’s really hard to police against a bunch of guys who decide to pull out guns and settle their disputes with 300 people in between them. That’s just not something you can tolerate in the city,” Landrieu said.

‘Kirchner era’ ends with opposition win in Argentina

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina (AP) — President-elect Mauricio Macri’s promises to revitalize Argentina’s sagging economy with free-market reforms and improve strained relations with the United States resonated with voters, carrying him to a historic win that ended 12 years of often-conflictive rule by President Cristina Fernandez and her late husband.

But when the business-friendly opposition candidate takes office Dec. 10, he will inherit a country with around 30 percent inflation, near-zero economic growth and entrenched government social spending that private economists warn is not sustainable. He also lacks majorities in either chamber of Congress to pass his deep reforms.

“Macri will begin his mandate in a difficult political position,” wrote Daniel Kerner from the Eurasia Group, a political risk consultancy. “He will have to make difficult economic adjustments and face serious political constraints.”

With 98 percent of the vote counted from Sunday’s election, Macri had 51.5 percent support compared to 48.5 percent for ruling party candidate Daniel Scioli, Fernandez’s hand-chosen successor. Scioli conceded defeat and Macri claimed victory.

“Today is a historic day,” Macri crowed while his supporters celebrated. “It’s the changing of an era.”

Pfizer, Allergan \$160B deal forms world’s largest drugmaker

Pfizer and Allergan are joining in the biggest buyout of the year, a \$160 billion stock deal that will create the world’s largest drugmaker.

It’s also the largest so-called inversion, where an American corporation combines with a company headquartered in a country with a lower corporate tax rate, saving potentially millions each year in U.S. taxes.

Pfizer, which makes the cholesterol fighter Lipitor, will keep its global operational headquarters in New York. But the drugmaker will combine with Botox-maker Allergan as a company that will be renamed Pfizer Plc and will have its legal domicile and principal executive offices in Ireland.

The combination will essentially be Pfizer “but with a lower tax rate,” Bernstein analyst Dr. Tim Anderson said in a research note. He said he expects a tax rate of about 18 percent after the deal, which compares to Pfizer’s current rate of 25 percent.

Several U.S. drugmakers have performed inversions through acquisitions in the past several years, in part to escape high U.S. corporate tax rates. The list of companies includes Allergan, which still runs much of its operation out of New Jersey, and the generic drugmaker Mylan.

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