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Comanche Warrior Triathlon participants head out on the bicycle portion of the competition at Comanche Trail Park Saturday morning.

BSISD officials set Q&A forum

By **STEVE REAGAN**
Staff Writer

Big Spring Independent School District officials are going to get some serious face time with members of the public.

Attendance at BSISD school board meetings has been much higher than normal the past few months, but public comments in those settings are limited to specific agenda items.



Saldivar

School Superintendent Steven Saldivar wants to open things up a bit.

“I’d like to set up some sort of meeting ... to go over things you would want to talk about,” Saldivar told those attending Thursday’s BSISD trustee meeting. “We could present to you some of the things we’re trying to do and you

could ask questions about things you’re interested in.”

The meetings would not be formal school board sessions; Saldivar envisions himself and a few other school officials meeting with the public in an open-forum setting.

The first such meeting will be held at 6 p.m. Monday in the high school board room.

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Ten years after

Chambless recalls the day terrorists attacked Pentagon

By **AMANDA MORENO**
Staff Writer

Some images just don’t go away, even after 10 years.

Sept. 11, 2001, began like any other day, but by 9:30 a.m. the entire nation was in chaos, the Twin Towers were gone and thousands of lives were lost.

Major Orville Chambless — new major at the Big Spring Salvation Army — was on hand at the Pentagon after the Sept. 11 attacks and recalls the emotions of that day as if were only yesterday.



Chambless

“I have been to a lot of disaster relief situations, but that day was different,” Chambless said. “We are used to seeing disaster and once we get there we hit the ground running like clockwork, but with that situation, it wasn’t only different than other situations ... it was scary.”

By the time Chambless and his six-man team arrived in Washington D.C. — almost 24 hours after the attack — security had been set up and the rescue and recovery missions were underway. Upon arrival, his team was instructed

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Campaign contribution probe in D.A.’s hands

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
Staff Writer

Law enforcement officials say the case against a trio of elected Big Spring officials alleging they accepted illegal campaign contributions is in the hands of the local district attorney.

Big Spring Mayor Tommy Duncan, along with newly elected District 1 Councilman Marcus Fernandez and District 3 Councilman Glen Carigan, have been under investigation by the Texas Rangers since early May for allegations they each accepted campaign contributions from a pair of corporations, Quad A Inc. and Hydro Dynamics.



Wilkerson

According to District Attorney Hardy Wilkerson, the investigation has been turned over to his office, with evidence in the cases expected to be presented to a grand jury.

“The Ranger in charge of the investigation turned over the evidence in the case shortly before our last meeting of the grand jury, so we weren’t able to present it then,” Wilkerson said. “However, I expect to present the allegations to the grand jury during its next meeting. Once we see what the grand jury wants to do with it, we’ll decide how to proceed with the case.”

According to the campaign report submitted by Duncan during his 2010 bid for mayor, he accepted a \$300 political contribution from Hydro Dynamics Inc. and a \$500



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Kaley Owens was crowned Coahoma High School homecoming queen Friday. Owens, the daughter of Jack and Leslie Owens, was escorted by her father.

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Obituaries

Pedro M. Correa

September 9, 1924-September 7, 2011

Pedro M. Correa, age 85, peacefully passed away Wednesday, Sept. 7, 2011, in Del Rio. He was born Sept. 9, 1924, in Stamford, Texas.

Pedro was a retired truck driver. He lived most of his life in Big Spring, Texas. There, he and his wife raised their 10 children. He was strong, loving and a very giving man. He was always ready to help a person in need. He had a strong faith in God and worshiped and honored his word.

Preceding him in death were his parents Severo and Maria Correa; brothers, Marcos Correa and Leopoldo Correa; and sister, Anita Correa.

Surviving family members include his sons: Har-

vay Correa and wife Teresa of Center Point, Texas, Albert Correa and wife Adelina of Canyon, Texas, Arthur Correa and wife Lisa of Garden City, Texas, and Rodolfo Correa and wife Carolyn, Pedro Correa Jr. and wife Sally, and John Paul Correa and wife Christina, all of Amarillo, Texas; daughters: Rosa Salazar of Big Spring, Texas, Yolanda Huerta of Lubbock, Texas, and Maria de Jesus Correa and Sherrie Lanell Correa, both of Del Rio; Pedro is also survived by 32 grandchildren, numerous great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be held today from 2 to 9 p.m. in chapel "A" of Don's Funeral Chapels. A prayer service will begin at 7 p.m.

A chapel service was scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 10, 2011, at 10 a.m. at the funeral home. Interment will follow at the San Felipe Cemetery.

Funeral arrangements are under the care and direction of Don's Funeral Chapels in Del Rio, Texas.

Paid obituary

Police blotter

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

- **LYNDSEY RACHELLE KELLY**, 23, of 620 State St., was arrested Friday on warrants for expired motor vehicle inspection certificate (two counts), expired registration and driving while license invalid.
- **SAMMY FERRELL**, 49, of 509 N. Johnson St., was arrested Friday on a charge of public intoxication.

- **CAROL THOMAS SCAGGS**, 64, of 510 S. Benton St., was arrested Friday on a warrant for possession drug paraphernalia.
- **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported in the 800 block of W. 17th Street.
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported: In the 1500 block of Pennsylvania Avenue. In the 400 block of E. Fourth Street.
- **THEFT** was reported in the 1200 block of E. 11th Place.

Take Note

- Texas Department of State Health Services, located at 501 Birdwell Lane, Suite 28B, will no longer be giving immunizations on a walk-in basis. Call 432-263-9775 and leave a message regarding name, birthdate and call-back telephone number. A nurse will call you within 24 hours with the date and time of your appointment. It is imperative you bring your child's immunization record with you when you come for your appointment.
- Immunizations will only be given Tuesdays and Wednesdays by appointment only.

- **ISIAIAH 58 Food Drive** will take place until Sept. 23. Drop off locations are at the Big Spring Herald office, United Way office, Walmart and H-E-B. All non-perishable foods are accepted.

- **American Cancer Society** will have their board meetings starting noon, Sept. 13 on the second Tuesday of the month through April. Lunch will be furnished. Meetings will take place at Home Hospice, located at 111 E. Seventh.

- Are you a 1971 BSHS graduate? Come to our 40th reunion Sept. 30-Oct. 1. For information, contact bshs71@yahoo.com or Susan Green McLellan at 432-267-5759.

- Home Hospice is seeking volunteers. Training will be provided and geared to your time frame. 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.

- Every 10 years, Texas requires that marks and brands be re-registered in the county or counties in which you operate.

The current re-registration period began Aug. 31 and runs through Feb. 29, 2012. At the conclusion date, all marks and brands that have not been re-registered are automatically available for registration by another party. For additional information, contact the Howard County Clerk's Office at 264-2214 or 264-2213.

- Hangar 25 Air Museum needs your help! We are in need of volunteers to fill a variety of positions such as tour guides, front desk, clerical, events, and many others. Set your hours and days of the

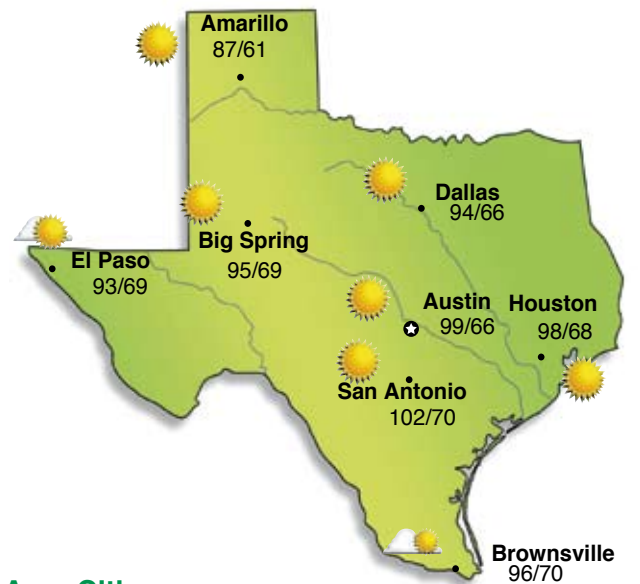
Today's Weather

Local 5-Day Forecast

Sun 9/11	Mon 9/12	Tue 9/13	Wed 9/14	Thu 9/15
 95/69 Mainly sunny. Hot. High around 95F. Winds light and variable.	 101/73 Mix of sun and clouds. Highs 99 to 103F and lows in the low 70s.	 100/71 Sunny. Highs 98 to 102F and lows in the low 70s.	 96/70 Mostly sunny. Highs in the mid 90s and lows in the low 70s.	 94/66 Times of sun and clouds. Highs in the mid 90s and lows in the mid 60s.
Sunrise: 7:27 AM Sunset: 7:58 PM	Sunrise: 7:28 AM Sunset: 7:56 PM	Sunrise: 7:28 AM Sunset: 7:55 PM	Sunrise: 7:29 AM Sunset: 7:54 PM	Sunrise: 7:30 AM Sunset: 7:52 PM



Texas At A Glance



Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	95	67	sunny	Kingsville	100	69	sunny
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Austin	99	66	sunny	Longview	95	64	sunny
Beaumont	93	66	sunny	Lubbock	88	64	sunny
Brownsville	96	70	pt sunny	Lufkin	99	63	sunny
Brownwood	98	68	sunny	Midland	95	69	sunny
Corpus Christi	98	71	sunny	Raymondville	98	69	sunny
Corsicana	96	67	sunny	Rosenberg	99	68	sunny
Dallas	94	66	sunny	San Antonio	102	70	sunny
Del Rio	99	72	sunny	San Marcos	100	66	sunny
El Paso	93	69	mst sunny	Sulphur Springs	94	65	sunny
Fort Stockton	94	69	sunny	Sweetwater	94	67	sunny
Gainesville	93	65	sunny	Tyler	95	64	sunny
Greenville	94	65	sunny	Weatherford	95	66	sunny
Houston	98	68	sunny	Wichita Falls	94	65	sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	85	60	sunny	Minneapolis	87	65	pt sunny
Boston	71	58	pt sunny	New York	71	66	rain
Chicago	80	61	pt sunny	Phoenix	95	76	pt sunny
Dallas	94	66	sunny	San Francisco	65	56	pt sunny
Denver	81	56	mst sunny	Seattle	87	58	sunny
Houston	98	68	sunny	St. Louis	85	66	t-storm
Los Angeles	76	58	pt sunny	Washington, DC	83	68	t-storm
Miami	89	78	t-storm				

Moon Phases



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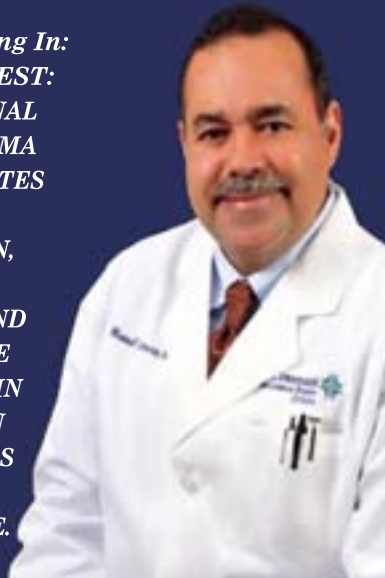
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FISD trustees mull tax breaks for wind firms

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political contribution from Quad A Inc. According to a similar campaign finance report filed by Fernandez during his 2011 run for the District 1 seat on the City Council, he accepted a donation of \$1,000 from Quad A Inc. and a \$200 donation from Hydro Dynamics, 4312 S. Highway 87 in Big Spring. Carrigan reported he had received \$1,000 from Quad A Inc. and \$400 from Hydro Dymanics. Information on the illegal campaign transactions was uncovered by the *Big Spring Herald* in early May and turned over to the Howard County Sheriff's Office, which requested the Texas Rangers conduct the investigation. Similar complaints were filed by the *Herald* against Carrigan and Fernandez more than a week later.

Herald Publisher Ron Midkiff said the newspaper felt compelled to turn the information over to the authorities. "We have an obligation to report these findings to the authorities and to the people of Big Spring

"Once we see what the grand jury wants to do with it, we'll decide how to proceed with the case."

Hardy Wilkerson
District Attorney

and Howard County," *Herald* Publisher Ron Midkiff said. Under the Texas Ethics Commission Title 15 Election Code, candidates seeking to hold office are not allowed to accept campaign contributions from corporations. Wilkerson confirmed the alleged violations are considered third-degree felonies and could be punishable by 2 to 10 years in prison and a fine not to exceed \$10,000. All three candidates have maintained they were not aware it was illegal to take the campaign contributions at the times they were accepted. When filing for an elected position, candidates for Big Spring City Council, including the office of mayor, are required to fill out and

sign various forms, one of which details appointment of a campaign treasurer. That document includes the statement "I am aware of the restrictions in Title 15 of the Election Code on contributions from corporations and labor organizations." All three men signed the affidavits saying they understood the state law governing campaign contributions. Wilkerson also confirmed the trio would have to give up their seats on the city council if convicted, but urged citizens not to jump too far ahead of the legal proceedings. "There's quite a distance between these charges going to the grand jury and these men being convicted for accepting illegal campaign contributions," Wilkerson said. "We'll have to see what the grand jury does with these allegations before we even consider a trial or conviction." While the allegations against the three council members could hold criminal penalties, the civil ramifications could also take a shot at their wallets, according

to Texas law. According to Sec. 253.131 of the Election Code, candidates challenged during the election by a person who accepts an illegal campaign contribution is liable for civil damages to the tune of "twice the value of the unlawful contribution," as well as "reasonable attorneys fees incurred in the suit." A civil suit by the three council members' challengers during their last election could cost Fernandez \$2,400 — payable to longtime council member Stephanie Horton, who was unseated in the election — and a total of \$2,800 from Carrigan, who would have to pay the amount to challengers Joann Staulcup, Shannon Thomason and Oscar Velasco, for a total of \$8,400. Duncan could be liable for \$800 per challenging candidate in the 2010 mayoral race — which included incumbent Russ McEwen, Thomason and Velasco — for a total of \$2,400.

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FISD trustees mull tax breaks for wind firms

By STEVE REAGAN
Staff Writer

FORSAN — School trustees here will consider a resolution approving tax credits for two wind energy firms when the school board meets at 7 p.m. Monday in the administration wing board room. The tax credits are part of 10-year agreements signed between Forsan Independent School District and wind energy firms Octillo Wind Power and Elbow Creek Wind Project three years ago. "As part of those agreements, the companies agreed to pay full taxes on their properties for two years, then they could request tax credits which we would grant if they fulfilled their end of the contract, which is what they have done," said Randy Johnson, FISD superintendent. The total amount of the tax credits is being finalized, but Johnson said it would not nega-

tively impact the school district. "It's a wash, as far as we're concerned," Johnson said. "Any money we lose through the tax credits will be made up by the state." A third wind energy firm, Airtricity Panther Creek Project, will be eligible for the tax credits in 2012. Also Monday, trustees will consider approval of seven early dismissal days for the current school year:

- Oct. 11 (elementary campus only).
- Dec. 1.
- Dec. 15-16.
- April 16, 2012 (secondary campus only).
- May 23-24, 2012.

If approved by trustees, classes will be let out at noon on the above dates. In other business Monday, trustees will consider:

- An adjunct faculty agreement with the Howard County Extension office.

BSISD

man, president of the BSISD school board. "I think it's important we communicate what the district is doing, as well as get input from the community."

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Facing potentially contentious issues such

as the recent "academically unacceptable" rating leveled on BSISD by the Texas Education Agency, many believe the informal meetings are a good way to im-

prove communication between the district and its constituents. "I see a lot of things the district is doing the public might not understand," said Jeff Bror-

man, president of the BSISD school board. "I think it's important we communicate what the district is doing, as well as get input from the community."

"I think people just want to know we are going to make improvements," District 3 Trustee Kenneth McIntosh said. "They want to know what we are going

to do to move forward." Contact Staff Writer Steve Reagan at 263-7331 ext. 235 or by e-mail at reporter@bigspringherald.com

PENTAGON

staring at the giant hole with fire, smoke and numerous bodies and realizing the lives lost.

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to set up their base in the inner circle of the Pentagon — the main hub of the destruction. "Normally the federal, state and local governments come together with the Red Cross and Salvation Army and lock arms to lend a hand in disaster situations, but not this time," Chambless said. "This was the federal government's back yard and they were not playing around. They had just been attacked and they were going to do whatever it took to protect. We were in the federal government's back yard." The billowing smoke, guys in black suits armed with machine guns and numerous emergency response vehicles added to the commotion of the event. On top of the destruction, there were environmental threats being created by the chemicals rising from the plane and the physical and emotional exhaustion of the emergency personnel. Numerous checkpoints were securing any and all vehicles and individuals coming in and out of the Pentagon area. "Even the ambulances that were helping people and providing medical treatment were having to be checked each time they entered the area," Chambless said. "It was a situation that will be with me for the rest of my life." The Pentagon disaster was not the first disaster situation he had been in, but it was the one that managed to make an everlasting impres-

sion, just as it did for many people around the world. "It was the most uncomfortable feeling and a feeling of what if this is only the beginning," Chambless said. The team spent two weeks at the Pentagon offering not only sandwiches and drinks, but also emotional support. During that time donations poured in and numerous local restaurants and corporate chains such as Burger King and McDonalds extended their services as well. "They weren't looking at this as a way to get their name out there or publicize themselves, but as a way to lend a helping hand. On top of that, the Salvation Army brought in a field kitchen which allowed us to feed 5,000 people," Chambless said. "As devastating as Sept. 11 was, there isn't another event in the past 50 years I can think of that united us like it did." It's a day that should be remembered for the unity it brought to the nation, but also in recognition and honor to those who lost their lives that day Chambless said. "It's important we remember the innocent that died that day, those who sacrificed their lives and gave willingly to help others and in the process lost their lives. They were the firefighters, police officers, emergency responders, chaplains ... anyone who rushed in to help that day," Chambless said. A few miracles did come out of that day and a few lives were saved,

but the thoughts and emotions of those involved will remain unknown. "It's one of those situations where you just wonder if there is any hope," Chambless said. "I can still picture, if I try hard enough, the faces of those I helped in other disaster situations, but the faces, cries and agony of that day at the Pentagon is something that will never leave my mind. The fear upon my heart when I saw the people dressed in all black with machine guns is a very different feeling than I'm used to." However stressful, chaotic and unexplainable a situation is, Chambless said the Salvation Army goes in to help. He recalled how he found himself handing out water and sandwiches and staring in disbelief at the scene around him. He recalls

staring at the giant hole with fire, smoke and numerous bodies and realizing the lives lost. "It brought to mind the conversations with my grandparents about the feelings of Dec. 7, 1941," Chambless said. "It's one of those times where you hope the little things, the drinks, the food, the hand on the shoulder, are making an impact to somebody." The same Salvation Army which was present that day is still the same organization extending itself to help in disasters, including those in Bastrop, Possum Kingdom, at the Gulf Coast and numerous other places. "They are stretching themselves thin, but offering their assistance in whatever way possible," Chambless said. Any donations made to the local Salvation Army go towards help-

ing not only Big Spring and the surrounding area, but also reach well beyond the county line. "All donations go towards helping the community and in situations where we are called into action," Chambless said. Chambless said a plan is in the works to create a couple of disaster response teams in Big Spring which would be able to go and respond during a disaster situation when called upon. He extends an invitation to all those who would like to become part of one of these teams to contact the Salvation Army at 267-8239. "When it all comes

down to it, it's about offering support," Chambless said. "That experience will never leave me and it is one that should never be forgotten."

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OUR VIEWS

Never forget
Sept. 11, 2001

New York is known for being the city that never sleeps, but 10-years ago it stopped. Two planes and the destruction of two towers brought not only the city of New York, but the entire nation to a complete and total standstill.

The entire nation was a no fly zone, traffic stood still and a sense of confusion overtook us all. Three planes used in terrorist attacks were aimed at striking fear into Americans, aimed at destroying a nation, but instead created a bond that was for a time indestructible.

Through all the devastation, loss and heartache a nation found a way to unite stronger than ever before and dove head first into the situation.

Since that tragic day many more lives have been lost, but at the same time, many heroes have risen from the ashes.

America has found a way to go on, get through the turmoil and live our lives. In the years following 9-11 the memorials and the remembrance ceremonies were overwhelming, but 10 years later they have started to taper off.

As we mark the 10-year anniversary of Sept. 11, take the time to fly the American flag high and with pride. Take a moment to remember all those brave men and women who responded without ever thinking and did their best to save lives. Give thanks to those who made the ultimate sacrifice to serve this great nation.

Make it a point, today and always to never forget, never let them be forgotten.

Thank you to all who served and helped in any way. To all those who lost their lives that unforgettable day and since then ... you will never be forgotten!

YOUR VIEWS

Mr. President, now what?

TO THE EDITOR

Mr. Pres. Talked about getting people jobs. If he is so very concerned about people without jobs, then why did he shut down NASA?

With Texas burning up with no rain in sight, is Mr. Pres. going to help Texas?

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

Dear Lord, please bless all our heroes.

Amen

Thinking back 10 years ago

Ten years ago, I found myself in Lost Maples State Park, on vacation, in a pop-up camper with my wife.

It was good to get a break from work, and the wife, the dogs and I were looking forward to relaxing a few days in the Hill Country before heading east for a family reunion.

We'd had only one problem. A portion of the trailer hitch had come undone from the frame of the pickup — a situation we had to get corrected before we could move on in a day or two.

So, that morning we headed toward Leakey on Ranch Road 337. It's a small town, but every community has someone with a welding torch, and soon enough, we had directions to a fix-it man's house several miles from town.

We pulled into the drive of an old farmhouse/workshop where a burley, bearded hulk of a man in blue coveralls was hammering a piece of metal on an anvil.

He greeted us cordially, but I couldn't help but notice that for his size — at least 6'3" — his voice was quiet, almost as if we were in church.

I told him what I needed, and didn't ask how much he'd charge because it didn't matter; I had to have the job done or I wasn't going to be able to tow anything.

It took him about five minutes, honestly. A simple job for an experienced young man, and a job well done.

"There 'ya go," he said with a smile. "That oughta do 'ya."

I thanked him and said "What do I owe you?"

"Nuthin," he replied.

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"Well I have to pay you something," I said. "That would cost me at least 25, 50 bucks anywhere else."

And I started to pull out my billfold but he placed his hand on mine, and looked me straight in the eye.

"Not today, Brother," he said. And he shook my hand, then hugged me, and said "God bless America."

A bit shocked at the sudden embrace, I said "God bless you, too, sir." And then he hugged my wife, told her "God bless America" as well, and we went on our way.

"What was that all about?" my wife asked as we got down the road a bit.

"I have no idea. That was a bit strange, but he seemed like a real nice guy."

Back in Leakey, we decided to stop at a Mexican food restaurant for some lunch.

Dixie went to a gift shop next door while we were waiting on our order.

"Can you believe it?"

"Can you believe it?"

I suddenly realized the man at the table next to me was talking ... to me.

"I can't believe it," he said.

"Can't believe what?" I said.

"You haven't heard?" he replied incredulously. "Someone has flown planes into the Twin Towers. Thousands of people have been killed!"

And that is how I learned of the 9/11 terror attacks on the United States — hours after they occurred, on a camping trip, in the middle of Texas, at a restaurant, over enchiladas and refried beans.

Actually, I'd learned about the attacks an hour earlier, when a big, bear of a man hugged me, said "God bless America" and didn't charge me a dime for repairing my pickup's hitch.

I just didn't realize it at the time.

We, of course, rushed back to Lost Maples, dug out the 6-inch portable black and white television, and watched blurry, snow-filled news reports of airplanes crashing and towers collapsing for hours — numb through it all.

Over the next few days, weeks, even months, the actions and words offered by that young man near Leakey were repeated across the United States.

God bless America was the same as saying "goodbye, friend." And hugs and acts of kindness were the norm.

Ten years later, we don't think often about 9/11, especially far away in West Texas.

Most of us didn't have a close family member directly connected to the tragedy, though certainly some do, considering it prompted war in Iraq and Afghanistan.

But as for 9/11 itself, other things take over in our lives, both bad and good, and we move on.

Still, on this 10th anniversary of that cowardly attack on America, it's heartwarming for me to remember the acts of a total stranger, treating me as his brother, reaching out to help because I was a fellow American.

On this special day, I am sure all of you who were in grade school or older can remember what you were doing, when you learned the United States was under attack. It was a terrible time, but a very solidifying time.

Terrorists wanted to scare and horrify people. But what they did was bring them closer together, with more resolve than ever.

God bless America.

God bless you.

Contact Bill McClellan, Big Spring Herald managing editor, at 263-7331 ext. 230 or by email at editor@bigspringherald.com.

Sept. 11; A day Americans will likely never be able to forget

The morning of September 11, 2001, is one I, and all Americans, will never forget.

We all remember the moment we heard about the Twin Towers, the Pentagon and the field in Pennsylvania.

We remember where we were and what we were doing that morning.

In my U.S. Senate office in the Capitol, disbelief turned to horror and then to resolve. America was attacked unprovoked by an insidious enemy that targeted innocent civilians.

How would the nation respond?

At the time, my DC home was only a few blocks from the Capitol building. After the Pentagon was hit, it was believed that another plane was headed to the Capitol. Police only had a few minutes to clear the Capitol buildings. Many of my staff members could not get home because of jammed roads and subways as the entire center of the city was hurriedly being evacuated, so they walked with me to my townhouse and we waited — and watched. We got groceries at the small corner market and made sandwiches for lunch and dinner.

Many of my younger staff members are from Texas and their families were anxiously waiting for word. Cell phone networks were jammed. It would be many hours before they could return safely home and contact their families.

After the shock and horror of

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September 11, my lasting memory is of the unity and resolve of our nation — and the bravery of so many.

The courage of the first responders who rushed into the burning buildings. The sacrifice of the passengers of United flight 93 who took their plane down in a field in Pennsylvania rather than allow the terrorists to use it as a weapon. The unity of our nation as we faced this terrible moment together.

That night, still raw with the horror of the tragedy, Senators, Congressmen and staff returned to the Capitol. It never crossed our minds to stay away. We were the elected representatives of the people of the United States.

The Capitol Dome is one of the greatest symbols of our republic. So many people died to protect this nation and all it stands for and we needed to band together and show strength to the world.

Late in the evening of that fateful day, spontaneously, members of the House and Senate made their way to the steps of the Capitol and together joined to sing "God Bless America."

Partisan divisions were forgotten. In the days and months after September 11, we were not Republicans or Democrats, we were all Americans.

We convened Congress on September 12 to show the business of the country would go on; we began the work of repairing our broken air security system; we faced the realities that outdated communications systems hampered rescue efforts; we looked carefully at our intelligence communities to determine if greater cooperation would make it easier to identify threats.

We geared up for the war that

had just been declared. While we did not always agree on the best way to resolve issues, we worked together.

Our brave men and women in uniform answered the call of their country and took the fight to the strongholds of terror.

Far from our nation's borders for 10 years of continuous combat, 2 ½ million men and women have been deployed to support combat operations in Iraq and Afghanistan.

What is most remarkable is that nearly all of them joined the military after that tragic day in September 2001, and they all volunteered for service.

They did not join for college money or to get tax-free groceries at the base commissary.

They joined to fight for America, for our defense, for our values, and for our freedom.

They joined to fight against a ruthless enemy, knowing that it might be the last job they ever have. They and their families continue to make sacrifices daily to keep us safe.

As we learned, the terrorists of 9/11 despised our freedoms, they hated our liberties.

They thought that by destroying the symbols of our democracy, they would destroy our nation.

They were mistaken. They only made us stronger.

We must never forget.

Kay Bailey Hutchison is the senior U.S. Senator from Texas. Contact Kay Bailey Hutchison by mail at U.S. Senator 703 Hart Office Building, Washington D.C. 20510-4305. Her office can be reached by calling 202-224-5922. Visit her website at hutchison.senate.gov. to find out more and keep up to date with Hutchison.

Hearing on county budget Monday

By **THOMAS JENKINS**

Staff Writer

Howard County commissioners will hold a public hearing Monday concerning their proposed 2011-2012 budget, as the court looks to move forward with its fiscal planning for the coming year.

The budget — which is based on a tax rate of 43.6 cents per \$100 valuation, considerably lower than last year's 52.2406 cents — includes a number of fiscal cuts, according to

County Judge Mark Barr, but should suffice for the coming year.

"We've done some cutting this year, but I think we'll be OK," Barr said. "We weren't hit as bad as the school district by state funding cuts this year. We lost about \$30,000 in state funding, so we were able to make up for that in the budget."

Barr said one of the toughest annual costs to predict is for fuel, but he feels the pro-

posed budget should be able to cover it and other unpredictable costs.

"You never really know what's going to happen with fuel prices," Barr said. "We've budgeted based on the current gas prices, so as long as they stay about the same or maybe dip a little lower, we should be fine."

Another what-if situation facing the court in this year's budget is anything but a stranger, as Alon USA —

owner of the Big Spring Refinery and one of the county's biggest taxpayers — recently filed a lawsuit in 118th District Court against the Howard County Appraisal District contesting the most recent valuation of the facility, which was placed at approximately \$215 million.

The oil giant filed similar petitions in 2006, 2007 and 2008, with the dispute going to trial in 2008. In 2009, Alon once again filed a petition

against the appraisal district, claiming the 2009 valuation of \$169 million was inflated, as well. The oil company came back in November 2009, however, dropping the case and agreeing to pay taxes on the assessed value.

Barr said the 2011-2012 proposed budget takes the legal maneuvers into account. Commissioners were faced with budgetary shortfalls in

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Public information: Salaries

In an effort to maintain transparency in local government, the *Herald* has gathered public information regarding the salaries of a number of area officials.

The following list contains only base salaries, not additional pay or compensation.

Howard County

Co. Judge (Mark Barr) — \$61,951 (\$46,951 from county, \$15,000 from state)
Comm. Precint 1 (Emma Brown) — \$32,215
Comm. Precint 2 (Donnie Baker) — \$32,215
Comm. Precint 3 (Jimmie Long) — \$32,215
Comm. Precint 4 (John Cline) — \$32,215
Co. Clerk (Donna Wright) — \$47,834
Co. Attorney (Joshua Hamby) — \$72,825 (\$51,992 from county, \$20, 833 from state)
Sheriff (Stan Parker) — \$50,363
Tax Assessor-Collector (Kathy Sayles) — \$47,834
Treasurer (Theresa Thomas) — \$47,834
Justice of the Peace P1P1 (Bennie Green) — \$44,180
Justice of the Peace P1P2 (Kathryn Wiseman) — \$42,980
Justice of the Peace P2 (Quail Dobbs) — \$44,511
Constable P1 (Kneel Stallings) — \$300
Co. Auditor (Jackie Olson) — \$53,729
District Judge (Timothy Yeats) — \$140,000 (\$125,000 from state, \$15,000 from county)
District Clerk (Colleen Barton) — \$47,834
District Attorney (Hardy Wilkerson) — \$141,931 (\$125,000 from state, \$16,931 from county)
Elections Administrator (Saundra Bloom) — \$35,000
Adult Probation Director (Kent Minchew) — \$70,845 (state funded)
Juvenile Probation Director (Gerri Randle) — \$59,840 (state and county funded)
Road and Bridge Administrator (Eddy Jameson) — \$47,380
Information Technology (Johnny Moore) — \$40,000

City of Big Spring

Mayor (Tommy Duncan) — No salary, reimbursed \$300 a month (\$3,600 annually)
City Co. District 1 (Marcus Fernandez) — No salary, reimbursed \$200 a month (\$2,400 annually)
City Co. District 2 (Manuel Ramirez Jr.) — No salary, reimbursed \$200 a

month (\$2,400 annually)

City Co. District 3 (Glen Carrigan) — No salary, reimbursed \$200 a month (\$2,400 annually)

City Co. District 4 (Gloria McDonald) — No salary, reimbursed \$200 a month (\$2,400 annually)

City Co. District 5 (Craig Olson) — No salary, reimbursed \$200 a month (\$2,400 annually)

City Co. District 6 (Terry Hansen) — No salary, reimbursed \$200 a month (\$2,400 annually)

City Manager (Gary Fuqua) — \$129,507

Asst. City Manager (Todd Darden) — \$97,067

City Attorney (Linda Sjogren) — \$110,879

Airpark Director (Jim Little) — \$72,176

Finance Director (Peggy Walker) — \$85,792

CVB Coordinator (Debbie Wegman) — \$41,918

Human Resources Dir. (John Medina) — \$72,176

Fire Chief (Brian Jensen) — \$85,792

Fire Marshal (Carl Condray) — \$63,970

Municipal Court Judge (Tim Green) — \$64,214

Police Chief (Lonnie Smith) — \$92,389

Landfill Manager (Kenny Davis) — \$59,232

D&C Manager (Rick Boiles) — \$59,232

Code Enforcement (Chad Averette) — \$39,899

Howard College

Dr. Cheryl Sparks, president — \$116,106.

Terry Hansen, district executive vice president — \$93,154.

Dr. Amy Burchett, district vice president of academic and student affairs — \$82,905.

Dr. Javier Flores, provost/Big Spring campus — \$80,058.

Dr. Mark Myers, Provost/SWCID campus — \$77,211.

LeAnne Byrd, Provost/San Angelo campus — \$77,950.

Carol Hanes, campus dean of general studies/Big Spring campus — \$51,326.

Kinsey Hansen, campus dean of workforce development/Big Spring campus — \$45,333.

Deidra Fuller, dean of student support services/Big Spring campus — \$51,863.

William Kincade, district dean of libraries — \$49,124.

Jeff Ward, dean of student life/Big Spring campus — \$45,710.

Danny Campbell, campus dean of academic affairs/SWCID campus —

\$51,807.

Nancy Bonura, campus dean of student affairs/SWCID campus — \$51,862.

(Note: SWCID and San Angelo campus salaries are not paid through Howard County taxpayer dollars.)

Big Spring ISD

Steven Saldivar, superintendent — \$127,000.

Danny Ferrell, asst. superintendent — \$103,126.

Ann McClarty, executive director for personnel and instruction — \$92,492.

Darrell Ryan, director of federal programs — \$75,613.

Phillip Ritchey, athletic director/head football coach — \$87,067.

Mike Ritchey, high school principal — \$94,124.

George Bancroft, junior high principal — \$75,500.

Tim Tannehill, Goliad Intermediate principal — \$79,010.

George Martin, Moss Elementary principal — \$81,391.

Fabian Gomez, Bauer Elementary principal — \$69,578.

Kelli Wigington, Kentwood Elementary principal — \$66,036.

Rita Faulkner, Marcy Elementary

principal — \$77,350.

Dalia Benavides, Washington Elementary principal — \$74,923.

Coahoma ISD

Superintendent — Position currently vacant (the previous superintendent, Dr. Randy Brown, was paid \$95,000).

Carrie Conley, high school principal — \$65,100.

Ted Hallford, junior high principal — \$60,048.

Patricia Bennett, elementary principal — \$58,048.

Trey Gardner, athletic director/head football coach — \$58,053.

Forsan ISD

Randy Johnson, superintendent — \$110,500.

Keith Stone, high school/junior high principal — \$82,295.

Madge Patterson, elementary principal — \$74,295.

Terry McDonald, athletic director/assistant principal — \$73,788.

(Note: Howard College and public school district trustees do not receive monetary compensation for their service.)

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Movie 1:00 p.m. "Red"
- Sept. 15** — Mall Walking, 8:00 a.m.
Just Peachy's Cafe, 10:00 a.m.
- Sept. 16** — Pot Luck & Bingo, 11:30-2:00 p.m.
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Hobbs Casino
"Horse Racing", 9:00-7:00 p.m.
- Sept. 20** — Mall Walking, 8:00 a.m.
Coffee @ Marcy House, 10:30 a.m.
Supper Club "Hunan's", 5:30 p.m.
- Sept. 21** — Senior Appreciation Day, 11:30 p.m.
Ben E Keith Food Show, 10:00 a.m.
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Frustration grows for wildfire evacuees

1,400 homes, 45 square miles scorched in Central Texas blaze

BASTROP (AP) — Residents left homeless by a massive Central Texas wildfire turned their attention Friday to what they need to move forward, with some voicing frustration over a perceived delay in federal response even as early signs of recovery appeared in reopened neighborhoods.

Firefighters focused on extinguishing hotspots and had isolated remaining flames from the blaze that has burned for almost a week in and around the city of Bastrop, destroying nearly 1,400 homes and sweeping across about 45 square miles of rain-starved landscape.

“We believe the forward progress (of the fire) has been stopped, thank God for that,” Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst told evacuated residents gathered at the fire command center.

Still, thousands of evacuees were prevented from returning to their

homes for a sixth day because trees continued to burn underground, loose power lines hung from scorched poles and more than 800 firefighters were working to tamp down the remainder of the fire 25 miles east of Austin.

“It’s just really frustrating,” said Dee Redenius, 40, who came to the fire command center for answers. “You want to know if your house is there or if it’s not. ... They don’t let you in, you know. You can’t get assistance.”

Dewhurst said the state is working with the Federal Emergency Management Agency and state emergency management personnel on specific fire declarations. FEMA spokeswoman Rachel Racusen said on Friday the agency “received the first request from the governor for individual aid to help Texas residents whose homes were damaged or destroyed in the

“It’s just really frustrating. You want to know if your house is there or if it’s not. ... They don’t let you in, you know. You can’t get assistance.”

Dee Redenius

fires, or who suffered other personal losses.”

She said FEMA would “work with the White House to review this request as expeditiously as possible.”

Dewhurst also made a public plea for President Barack Obama to make a major disaster declaration that he said would remove red tape and give the state access to more resources. Hours later, White House officials announced that Obama had signed a declaration declaring a major disaster exists in Texas.

The move allows federal funding to be made available to individu-

als in Bastrop County. Assistance can include grants for temporary housing and home repairs, low-cost loans to cover uninsured property losses and other programs.

“We need help yesterday ... Mr. President, we need a statewide disaster declaration right away,” Dewhurst said prior to Obama’s declaration.

Texas is in the midst of its worst wildfire outbreak in state history. A perilous mix of hot temperatures, strong winds and a historic drought spawned the Bastrop-area fire, the largest of the nearly 190 wildfires

the state forest service says erupted this week, killing four people, destroying more than 1,700 homes and forcing thousands to evacuate.

The Texas Forest Service said Friday that the Bastrop fire had racked up a bill of at least \$1.2 million so far. But the agency cautioned the figure was an early estimate and was expected to climb. The early price tag includes firefighting costs but not damage caused by the blaze.

A DC-10 jet originally meant to dump fire retardant on the Central Texas wildfires was diverted Friday to help firefighters with a stubborn 22,000-acre blaze straddling three rural counties northwest of Houston. The fire in Montgomery, Grimes and Waller counties forced some people in the area to leave their homes, but was not threatening any towns or cities, Texas Forest Service spokesman

Ralph Collum said.

In Bastrop, tables set up at the entrance to a neighborhood that had reopened a day earlier filled up with donated clothing and toiletries. A first aid station was assembled and streets began to buzz with tree-trimming crews and building contractors.

Officials also announced that schools would reopen Monday. But Bastrop Independent School District superintendent Steve Murray said.

“We anticipate the homeless student count in Bastrop ISD to triple, quadruple or even more.”

To deal with that, school officials were developing plans to pick up students at hotels, shelters and other locations.

Monica Turner, 34, was growing more frustrated every day. She had seen photographs of her family’s house in ashes.

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previous years as Alon paid only a percentage of their owed taxes prior to the 2008 trial.

Commissioners are expected to vote on the budget following the public hearing.

Also during Monday’s meeting, the court is expected to consider a 90-day extension of the existing burn ban. According to Barr, the ban is necessary, especially with no rain immediately in sight.

“We hope it doesn’t get any

worse this year, but until we get some rain we’re going to continue living under the serious threat of wildfires,” Barr said. “This year has been one of the worst on record for these grass fires and wildfires.”

Barr said there are exceptions to the ban, but area residents considering burning anything outdoors should make sure they have a good reason for doing so.

“This burn ban does not prohibit outdoor burning activities related to public safety that are authorized by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, fire-

fighter training, public utility, gas lines and pipelines or the planting or harvesting of agricultural crops,” said Barr. “Also, burns that are directed by prescribed burn managers are not prohibited by the burn ban.

“There are some exclusions from the ban. However, if you’re going to burn something, you better have a really good reason. It’s a \$500 fine, and if it gets away from you it can get a lot more expensive than that. We’re going to enforce the law, and chances are you’re going to end up in County Court. If anyone has any questions, they can call

my office or call Volunteer Fire Chief Tommy Sullivan.”

Also during Monday’s meeting, County Auditor Jackie Olson will present the court with invoices, purchase requests and budget amendments, as well as award fuel bids. Olson will also present her office’s monthly financial report.

County Treasurer Teresa Thomas is also scheduled to meet with commissioners to discuss personnel considerations and payroll, while County Road and Bridge Administrator Eddy Jameson will discuss pipeline crossings and a report on road

maintenance within the county.

County Clerk Donna Wright will also present her office’s monthly report while Indigent Healthcare Director Irene Dominguez will ask the court to award pharmaceutical bids.

The meeting will get underway at 10 a.m. in the commissioners courtroom, located on the third floor of the county courthouse. For more information, call 264-2202.

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President urges unity on anniversary

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Barack Obama is calling for national unity ahead of Sunday’s anniversary of the Sept. 11 attacks and reflecting on a decade that tested America’s character.

“The terrorists who attacked us that September morning are no match for the character of our people, the resilience of our nation or the endurance of our values,” the president said Saturday in his weekly radio and Internet address a day ahead of the 10th anniversary of the attacks.

“We’re doing everything in our power to protect our people,” he said. “And no matter what comes our way, as a resilient nation, we will carry on.”

Intelligence officials have been working around the clock to determine the validity of a new threat of a possible al-Qaida attack on New York or Washington timed to coincide with the anniversary.

Obama, a state senator in Illinois at the time of the attacks, and his wife, Michelle, planned to participate in a service project Saturday afternoon in the Washington area.

The president on Sunday was scheduled to visit New York City, Shanksville, Pa., and the Pentagon, the sites where hijacked planes struck 10 years ago. In the evening, he planned to speak at a memorial event at the Kennedy Center in Washington.

In the weekly address, Obama sought a balance between remembering and moving forward. He also tried to summon the feeling of unity that existed after terrorists killed nearly 3,000 people.

“They wanted to deprive us of the unity that defines us as a people. But we will not succumb to division or suspicion,” Obama said. “We are Americans, and we are stronger and safer when we stay true to the values, freedoms and diversity that make us unique among nations.”

Obama thanked American troops who have served in the post-Sept. 11 wars in Iraq and

Afghanistan. He praised the military successes that led to advances against al-Qaida and the killing of the group’s leader, Osama bin Laden.

He also reaffirmed his commitment to winding down the conflicts he inherited.

“Yes, we face a determined foe, and make no mistake — they will keep trying to hit us again,” Obama said. “But as we are showing again this weekend, we remain vigilant. We’re doing everything in our power to protect our people.”

Former New York City Mayor Rudy Giuliani, who gave the GOP address, said the terrorists achieved their goal of killing Americans, but failed to destroy the American spirit.

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“The country was not broken, but rather, it was more united in the days after Sept. 11 than at any time in my lifetime,” Giuliani said. “We displayed heroic spirit in many ways, but perhaps the most heroic was the unity of spirit that we shared as Americans. The American people demonstrated one of the most basic values that we share — our love of freedom and the value we place on individual human life.”

Without mentioning Obama by name, Giuliani also used his address to criticize the administration’s policies, saying that America is safer, but not as safe as it should be.

At Flight 93 memorial, a sense of loss, grace

SHANKSVILLE, Pa. (AP) — Some of the writing in the guestbook is elegant script, some a labored scrawl. The notes are from Maine, Michigan, South Carolina, Idaho, Florida and many states in between. All of them were written in the last 24 hours.

In this quiet, remote part of western Pennsylvania, people from all over the country came pay their respects to the passengers and crew of United Flight 93, which crashed into a desolate field nearly 10 years ago.

Family members of those who died on Flight 93 shed tears Friday, but they also celebrated the spirit of the crash site’s guestbook — a rare feeling that people from vastly different walks of life had come together.

“I don’t focus on what happened. You can’t change that,” said Lorne Lyles, whose wife, CeeCee Ross Lyles, had been working as a United

The faithful reflect: ‘We must remember with love’

NEW YORK (AP) — Nancy Ahluwalia sat on a bench outside St. Paul’s Chapel across from the World Trade Center, where cranes towered over the site, her Bible open on her lap.

“I wanted to come and pay my respects,” Ahluwalia, 30, said of her decision to visit the chapel this past week. “I was looking for the story of Joseph in the Bible — the one who got sold by his brothers. He knew at the end of the day it was God’s will. It was my way of relating to 9/11 and the negative effects of it.”

Around the country, the faithful will be reflecting on the 10-year anniversary of the 9/11 attacks and looking to their spiritual leaders for guidance on how to commemorate in prayer what is already heavily laden with grief and symbolism.

Religious leaders have been calling on their congregations to reflect on forgiveness, coexistence with other faiths and unity as a nation, while emphasizing the need to remember the 3,000 people who lost their lives when terrorists hijacked jetliners on Sept. 11, 2001.

At the St. Innocent Russian Orthodox Cathedral in Anchorage, Alaska, a special ceremony for Sept. 11 victims on Sunday will seek to illustrate how far-reaching the attacks were. In Denver, parishioners of Park

Hill United Methodist Church will gather outside singing a hymn and link arms in a U-shape around the historic building in what one organizer called a “human link of love.”

The mostly 30- and 40-something members of an evangelical Christian church that didn’t even exist 10 years ago in Denver will be asked to reflect about the role a crisis can play in changing people’s lives and what factors can make that transformation either positive or negative.

“9/11 united all of us as a nation. We believe as a church that we can be redeemed and that (each person’s) story can be restored into something that’s much better than it was before,” said Nancy Ricks, associate pastor of Restoration Community Church.

Across New York City, the 9/11 anniversary was being commemorated in mosques, churches and synagogues.

The Archdiocese of New York called on its clergy to focus on readings of forgiveness.

The Rev. Kevin Madigan, pastor of St. Peter Roman Catholic Church, just a block from the trade center site, said he would challenge the faithful to seriously consider the word. Although “nothing justified the attack,” he said, one of the first steps to forgiveness is self-reflection.

“We have to examine ourselves to see where we bear some responsibility,” he said.

On Friday night, steps from ground zero, Trinity Church staged a memorial concert with choirs from sites linked to the terror attacks: Washington, Pennsylvania, Boston and New York.

“It is not enough to remember, we must remember to love,” Trinity’s vicar, the Rev. Canon Anne Mallonee, told



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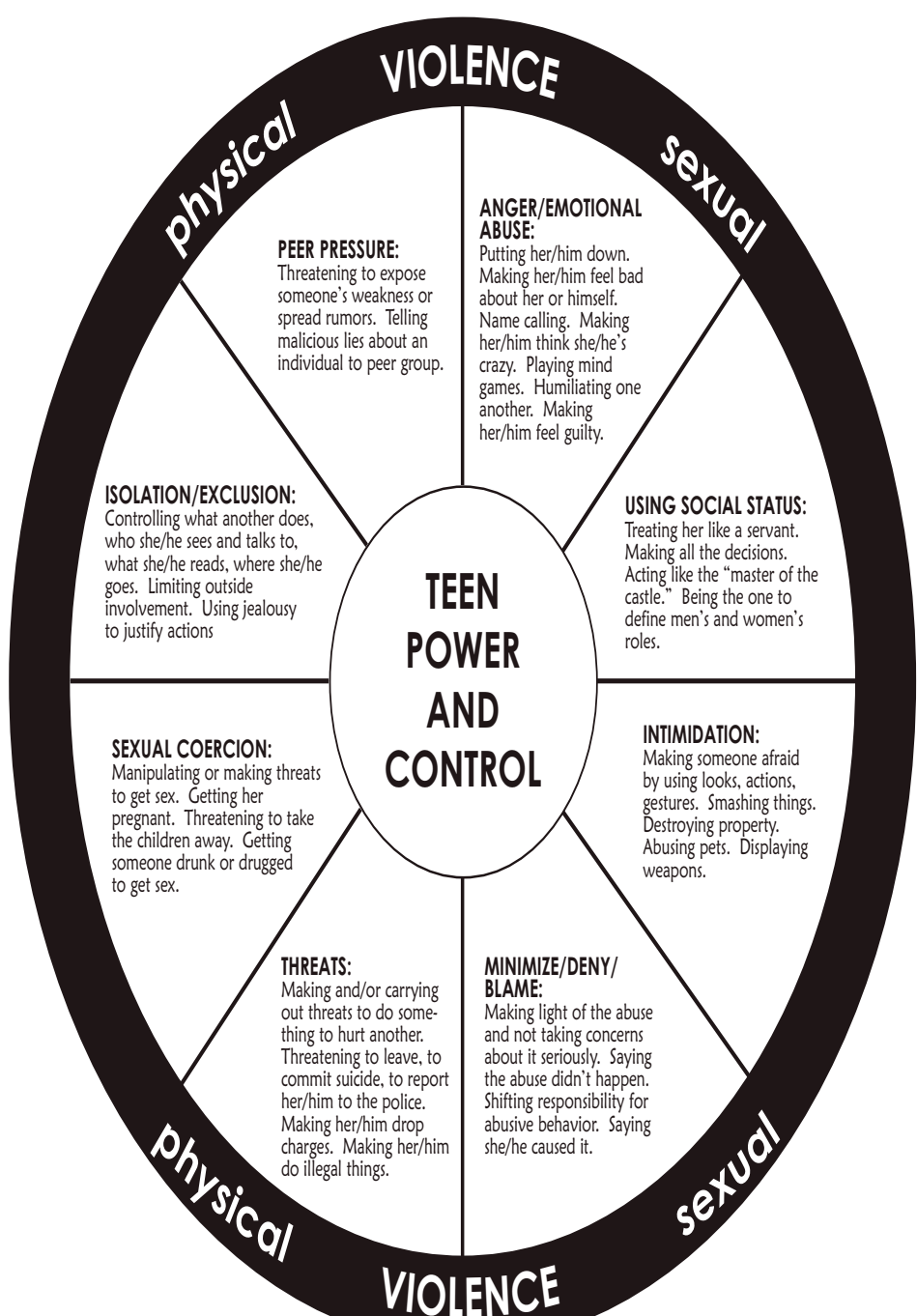
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Dark days for U.S. postal service

By **RANDOLPH E. SCHMID**
Associated Press
WASHINGTON — Imagine a nation without the Postal Service.
No more birthday cards and bills or magazines and catalogs filling the mailbox. It's a worst-case scenario being painted for an organization that lost \$8.5 billion in 2010 and seems headed deeper into the red this year.
“A lot of people would miss it,” says Tony Conway, a 34-year post office veteran who now heads the Alliance of Nonprofit Mailers.
Businesses, too.

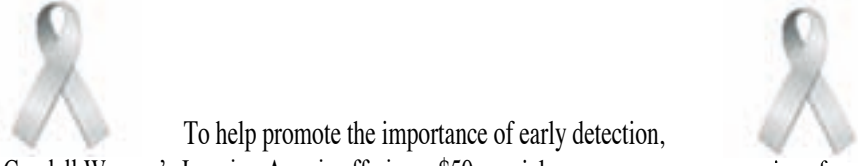
The letter carrier or clerk is the face of the mail. But hanging in the balance is a \$1.1 trillion mailing industry that employs more than 8 million people in direct mail, periodicals, catalogs, financial services, charities and other businesses that depend on the post office.
Who would carry mail to the Hualapai Indian Reservation in the Grand Canyon? To islands off the coast of Maine? To rural villages in Alaska? Only the post office goes to those places and thousands of others in the United States, and all for 44 cents. And it's older than the United States itself.
Ernest Burkes Sr. says his bills, magazines and diabetes medication are mailed to his home in Canton, in northeast Ohio, and he frequently visits the post office down the street to send first-class mail, mostly documents for the tax service he runs. As his business increased over the past three decades, so has the load of mail he sends, and it's still pretty steady.
“I don't know what I'd do if they'd close down the post offices,” said Burkes, who doesn't use rival delivery services such as UPS or FedEx. “They need to help them, just

like they helped some of these other places, automobiles and others.”
Postmaster General Patrick Donahoe is struggling to keep his money-losing organization afloat as more and more people are ditching mail in favor of the Internet, causing the lucrative first-class mail flow to plummet.
Donahoe has a plan to turn things around, if he can get the attention of Congress and pass a series of hurdles, including union concerns.
“The Postal Service is not going out of business,” postal spokesman David Partenheimer said. “We will continue to deliver the mail as we have for more than 200 years. The postmaster general has developed a plan that will return the Postal Service to financial stability. We continue to do what we can on our own to achieve this plan and we need Congress to do its part to get us there.”
He acknowledged that if Congress doesn't act, the post office could reach a point next summer where it doesn't have the money to keep operating.
That wouldn't sit well with Mimi Raskin, a wine and antiques store owner in Grants Pass, Ore., who likes her birthday card mailed. “If you get a birthday card on the Internet, it's like, well, I didn't care about you enough to go to a store, buy a card that suited your personality, and mail it,” she said.
Donahoe and his predecessor, John Potter, have warned for years of the problems and stressed that the post office will be unable to make a mandated \$5.5 billion payment due Sept. 30 to a fund for future medical benefits for retirees.
A 90-day delay on the payment has been suggested, but postal officials and others in the industry say a long-term

solution is needed.
Donahoe has one. It includes laying off staff beyond the 110,000 cut in the past four years, closing as many as 3,700 offices, eliminating Saturday delivery and switching from the federal retirement plan to one of its own.
Cliff Guffey, president of the American Postal Workers Union, called the proposal “outrageous, illegal and despicable.”
A contract signed in March protects many workers from layoffs. Guffey said the attempt to change that now “is in utter disregard for the legal requirement to bargain with the APWU in good faith.” Other unions, including the National Association of Letter Carriers, are negotiating their contracts with the post office.
Yet Donahoe's efforts are drawing praise from people such as Conway, the head of the nonprofit mailers, who says these are necessary steps that officials have shied away from in the past.
Several bills proposing ways to fix the agency are circulating in Congress. One, by Rep. Darrell Issa, R-Calif., would impose a control board to make the tough decisions.
When it was first introduced, the bill was perceived as “way out there,” Conway said. But as the postal financial problems have become more obvious, “you're seeing people thinking maybe it isn't that extreme.”
Gene Del Polito, of the trade group American Association for Postal Commerce, said now that Donahoe has offered a plan, “why not give him the authority to do to do what needs to be done.” If that fails, then a control board could be instituted, he said.
Closing offices seems an easy way to save, but members of Congress never want

cuts in their districts, and while the public may mail less, people still want their local office to stay open.
The changes that Donahoe are proposing would mean a different post office, but one that still operates for people such as Jovita Camesa, who's 75 and lives in a downtown Los Angeles retirement complex. She said she's sending more first-class mail than ever due to her expanding circle of grandchildren.
Camesa said she wouldn't think to use the Internet for those birthday and holiday greetings, or start going online to seek out the articles she now reads in the issues of Vogue, Readers Digest, Prevention and other magazines that are delivered to her. “I'm not interested in the Internet or computers,” she said. “I'm very traditional.”
Ellen Levine, editorial director of Hearst Magazines, told a Senate hearing that the Internet has not eliminated the need for mail delivery of magazines.
“Nearly all publishers use the United States Postal Service to deliver their magazines to subscribers,” she said. “While most consumer titles are also available on newsstands, mail subscriptions will remain the major component of hard-copy magazine circulation in the United States for the foreseeable future.” Overall, Levine said subscriptions account for about 90 percent of magazine circulation.
Olive Ayhens, an artist who lives in Brooklyn, N.Y., says she pays her bills online but still uses first-class mail. She was mailing announcements of her newest gallery opening; one was going to her son in London.
“Less than a dollar, I'm sending to London,” she said during a stop at the James A.

Farley Post Office in Manhattan.
The internet, along with the advent of online bill paying, has contributed to a sharp decline in mail handled by the post office, from 207 billion in 2001 to 171 billion last year. Although the price of stamps has increased from 34 cents to 44 cents over the same period, it is not enough to cover the post office's bills, in part because of higher labor costs.
Yet one of the biggest problems isn't mail flow or labor or other costs. Rather, it's a requirement imposed by Congress five years ago that the post office set aside \$55 billion in an account to cover future medical costs for retirees. The idea was to put \$5.5 billion a year into the account for 10 years. That's \$5.5 billion the post office doesn't have.
No other government agency is required to make such a payment for future medical benefits, so why not drop it for the post office.
Like everything in Washington, it's not that simple.
The Postal Service is not included in the federal budget, but the Treasury Department account that receives that payment is.
That means that when the post office deposits that money, it counts as income in the federal budget. So, if it doesn't make the payment, the federal budget deficit appears \$5.5 billion bigger, something few members of Congress are likely to favor.
In announcing his bill, Issa warned of a need to avoid a “bailout” of the post office, which does not receive taxpayer money.
Others, however, have characterized the \$5.5 billion payments as a post office bailout of the federal budget because it makes the deficit appear smaller.



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News in brief

At least 2 suspects in anniversary plot believed to be Americans

WASHINGTON (AP) — Al-Qaida may have sent American terrorists or men carrying U.S. travel documents to launch an attack on Washington or New York to coincide with memorials marking the 10th anniversary of 9/11, government officials say.

One U.S. official says al-Qaida dispatched three men, at least two of whom could be U.S. citizens, to detonate a car bomb in one of the cities. Should that mission prove impossible, the attackers have been told to simply cause as much destruction as they can.

Word that al-Qaida had ordered the mission reached U.S. officials midweek. A CIA informant who has proved reliable in the past approached intelligence officials overseas to say that the men had been ordered by newly minted al-Qaida leader Ayman al Zawahri to mark the 10th anniversary of the 9/11 attacks Sunday by doing harm on U.S. soil.

The tipster says the would-be attackers are of Arab descent and may speak Arabic as well as English. Counterterrorism officials were looking for certain names associated with the threat, but it was unclear whether the names were real or fake.

Counterterrorism officials have been working around the clock to determine whether the threat is accurate, but so far, have been unable to corroborate it, the officials said, speaking on condition of anonymity to discuss the investigation.

Egypt: 3 killed, 1,093 injured in clashes with police

CAIRO (AP) — A senior Egyptian official says at least three people died and more than 1,000 were hurt during street clashes with police and army troops after an angry mob attacked the Israeli embassy in Cairo.

Deputy Health Minister Hamid Abaza say one of the three fatalities in the violence late Friday was a man who died of a heart attack.

Abaza told The Associated Press on Saturday he doesn't know the cause of the other two deaths. He says at least 1,093 people were injured in the clashes.

The protesters pelted the police and the military with rocks, prompting the troops to fire tear gas and shoot into the air. Only 38 of the injured remained in hospital.

Earlier, the protesters tore down a security wall outside the Israeli mission and stormed the embassy's offices.

Obama jobs plan targets solutions to black unemployment

ATLANTA (AP) — President Barack Obama's jobs pitch is already playing well with blacks, who had grown plenty irked with him over what they

perceived as his indifference to their needs.

A day after Obama laid out before Congress his plan to kick-start job growth, many blacks hoped it would translate into reduced misery for them over the coming months. While the country's unemployment rate stands at 9.1 percent, black unemployment has hit 16.7 percent, the highest since 1984. Unemployment among male blacks is at 18 percent, and black teens are unemployed at a rate of 46.5 percent.

The early signs of their reaction were positive.

Social media sites were abuzz with highlights from the president's plan. Amid the comments were excited responses to the proposal, especially from the black community. Twitter was full of similar bursts of excitement over the plan, with some black Tweeters defending the president and applauding his message. One user tweeted: "Taking a sharp tone 'cause the NumbersDontLie! Pass this bill and put America back to work."

Libya fighters gear for final battle to take one of Gadhafi's last bastions

WISHATA, Libya (AP) — Volunteer fighters poured in from the Libyan capital and other towns held by the former rebels on Saturday to join what they expect to be the final battle for Bani Walid, one of Moammar Gadhafi's last remaining strongholds.

After a weeklong standoff over a peaceful surrender of the town, the Libyan fighters on Friday launched a two-pronged assault on Bani Walid that soon dissolved into street fighting.

Revolutionary forces had initially given tribal leaders and pro-Gadhafi loyalists in Bani Walid until Saturday to surrender, but said they were drawn into fighting on Friday night after former regime fighters attacked with rockets.

Volunteers asking to join the battle said Saturday they were getting increasingly impatient with the standoff. Dozens crowded around a desk at a mosque in Wishtata, a hamlet about 25 miles (40 kilometers) from Bani Walid, to register their names, blood type and other information.

Abdel Wahab Milad, a 26-year-old teacher from the town of Gharyan, drove dozens of miles to the front in a pickup truck with six friends. Dressed in army fatigues, he said he signed up for battle because it was time to "get rid of Gadhafi once and for all."

Susquehanna recedes in Pa., NY from highest-ever levels

BLOOMSBURG, Pa. (AP) — As the Susquehanna River and its tributaries in Pennsylvania and New York receded Saturday from some of the highest floodwaters ever seen, tens of thousands of people forced from their homes in the already-soggy Northeast were left to imagine the devastation that

awaited them.

About 135 water and sewage plants in Pennsylvania were flooded, causing sewage to spill into streams and rivers. Swirling brown waters carried off at least 10 houses in the state and filled other homes to their rooftops, forcing rescues by boat and helicopter and putting severe strain on the floodwalls that protect some towns.

Farther south, in waterlogged northern Virginia, the remnants of Tropical Storm Lee on the heels of Hurricane Irene a week and a half earlier closed roads, schools and a commuter rail line, and a retaining wall was brought down near a townhome complex, causing evacuations.

In the flood-prone Huntington neighborhood near Alexandria, Saul Romero borrowed a plastic storage bin to float his 2-year-old daughter up the street to dry land.

"I was just worried for my daughter," he said, as he and others used hoses to wash inches of slimy mud off their sidewalks.

Afghan official: Talks narrowing divisions on U.S. bases, troops after combat ends in 2014

WASHINGTON (AP) — A senior Afghan official predicted Friday that the United States and Afghanistan will soon sign a broad deal for U.S. use of Afghan soil for counter-terrorism missions and U.S. obligations to the fledgling democracy it has sponsored since toppling the Taliban regime in Afghanistan weeks after the terror attacks of Sept. 11, 2001.

The two nations remain divided over terms for their relationship after most U.S. forces leave the country following two days of negotiation over a framework for long-term U.S. military and economic support for the country.

Afghan national security adviser and former Afghan foreign minister Rangin Dadfar Spanta said two days of talks closed some gaps over sticking points such as who will control detention of suspected militants and leadership of counterterrorism raids that Afghans generally despise as intrusive and indiscriminate.

He told The Associated Press the overarching goal of the agreement is to establish Afghan sovereignty over its national security and external affairs, a position potentially at odds with U.S. contingency plans to pursue terrorists or militants who threaten the United States.

Tropical storm heads for Mexico as crews hunt for 10 missing workers

VILLAHERMOSA, Mexico (AP) — Authorities on Mexico's gulf coast are preparing for Tropical Storm Nate, while air and sea search teams hunted for 10 oil workers missing since abandoning a disabled research vessel in stormy waters.

Forecasts said Nate was still moving toward the coast very slowly, but was expected to pick up some speed Saturday. They said the storm would approach the coast Sunday, mostly likely just below hurricane strength.

Mexico's state oil company, Petroleos Mexicanos, had two ships searching for the missing oil workers. A port official said Friday that they included four Americans, four Mexicans, one from Kazakhstan and a 10th of unconfirmed nationality.

The workers, employees of Houston-based Geokinetics Inc., called for help Thursday afternoon after leaving a vessel known as a liftboat, the Trinity II, on an enclosed life raft.

"We're deeply concerned about the incident in the Gulf of Mexico involving our employees and others who had to abandon a disabled liftboat due to conditions brought about by Tropical Storm Nate," Geokinetics spokeswoman Brenda Taquino said.

Blackout a reminder of the vulnerabilities in power grid

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Power has been restored to millions of people in the Southwest and Mexico, but questions linger over how such a massive outage could have been caused by a single utility worker doing a minor repair job.

Thursday's blackout has puzzled authorities and experts and was a reminder that the nation's transmission lines remain all too vulnerable to cascading power failures.

"There are a lot of critical pieces of equipment on the system and we have less defense than we think," said Rich Sedano at the Regulatory Assistance Project, a utility industry think tank based in Montpelier, Vt.

There have been several similar failures in recent years. In 2003, a blackout knocked out power to 50 million people in the Midwest and the Northeast. And in 2005, a major outage struck the Los Angeles metropolitan area.

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Annie’s Mailbox

Dear Annie: I am married to a wonderful man with a teenage son from a previous marriage. I love them both dearly. We now have two toddlers and a baby on the way.

The problem is my mother-in-law. She left my father-in-law several years ago for a more exciting life (which has failed miserably). Mom maintains a close relationship with my hubby’s ex, which is fine. However, she insists on inviting us to the same family functions. The first time she did it, we told her it makes us uncomfortable, and she had a temper tantrum and asked us to leave.

Our relationship with her is rocky at best. She often invites the ex to family functions at her home instead of us, and then complains to others that she doesn’t see our children enough. Of course, if anyone mentions my father-in-law, she bristles and says something derogatory.

She is welcome to maintain her ties to her first daughter-in-law. But when she specifically chooses the ex’s company over ours, she forfeits that time with our children and distances herself further from our family. We don’t hate the ex. We just don’t care to share every family barbecue with her.

We have very close relationships with my own parents, as well as my father-in-law, which provide lots of quality grandparent time. Are we wrong in not being more accepting of Mom’s behavior? We’ve tried talking with her about it, but she’s never been wrong in her life. What do we do? — *Daughter-in-Law in Wyoming*

Dear Wyoming: Since the ex is your stepson’s mother, it’s best if you can coexist. But if Mom chooses to invite the ex-daughter-in-law instead of her son and his family, that is her choice and she must deal with the consequences. If you want to have a closer relationship, invite her to your place.

Dear Annie: After almost three years with my beautician, I cannot get her to carry on a conversation. I like the beautician’s work, but the si-

lence is getting to me. I’ve had three perms and a cut and set, and the rest of the time I take care of my own hair. What do you think is going on? — *The Silent Treatment*

Dear Silent: Your stylist may prefer concentrating on your hair rather than chatting, and many patrons would be grateful for the silence. Also, if you have been there only four times in three years, you haven’t formed much of a bond. If you are happy with the beautician’s work, we suggest you learn to relax and enjoy the pampering. If conversation is important to you, take the initiative and ask her a few questions that will show your interest.

Dear Annie: You have mentioned many times that adoptees should have their medical histories. We and others in this situation have been screaming from the rooftops on behalf of those who were adopted in Ohio during a blackout period starting in the early 1960s.

Our daughter has several medical issues that cannot be resolved without this important information. Why can’t we fix it? I’m now 83 years old and have been pounding away at this frustrating issue for 40 years. My daughter needs her medical history now more than ever. When will this nightmare end? Will you help to get this word out? — *Thousand Oaks, Calif.*

Dear Calif.: Ohio has an unusual setup, whereby those adoptees born between 1964 and 1996 do not have the same access to their records as those born before or after. The Ohio Adoption Registry can help if your daughter’s biological family is searching for her. Otherwise, try Adoption Equity Ohio (adoptionequityohio.org), an advocacy group that you can also find on Facebook and Twitter.

Dear Annie: I’m 12 years old, and my brother is verbally and physically abusive. Sometimes it’s just playing around, but other times it really

hurts. When I yell out, my mom gets involved. She sends us both to our rooms without even knowing what the problem is. She doesn’t want to hear it. She always says, “You’ll just have to work it out on your own.”

I’ve tried to ignore it when my brother hits me, but it really hurts, and when he calls me names, that hurts, too. Recently, I’ve developed some medical problems with my head. I don’t think my brother is the cause, but you never know.

I don’t really have an adult I can talk to, and my friends wouldn’t know how to help. This doesn’t seem like a matter for any authorities. What should I do? — *Bruised in Nebraska*

Dear Bruised: A certain amount of arguing between siblings is normal, and unkind words are not unusual. But the hitting needs to stop. Your mother sounds as if she is tired of refereeing your fights. Instead, work on what sets your brother off. In most sibling altercations, neither sibling is totally blameless. Consider that you are somehow provoking him, even unintentionally. It’s also possible that your brother cannot control his jealousy or competitive nature, in which case, you may need to avoid him. Discuss this with your school counselor, and ask your doctor if your head problems are connected to your brother’s volatility. Then show your mother this letter, and tell her you wrote it.

Dear Annie: I live in an assisted-living facility. One of the other residents is grossly overweight and has high blood pressure and bumps on his arm that bleed. Any activity leaves him struggling for breath.

I am concerned about this guy because the kitchen staff constantly gives him fattening foods that the other residents do not eat. Worse, they sometimes serve him a second helping of meals. This man does not simply eat food. He attacks it.

I don’t want anyone to get into trouble by complaining to the staff. Should I tell the head nurse or those



KATHY MITCHELL
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family members who visit? Or do I say nothing until he drops dead? — *Wondering*

Dear Wondering: This is something for the family members to handle, so please speak to them at their next visit. However, if the family won’t be coming by for a month, or if they do nothing, we hope you will go to the head nurse and say that you’ve noticed the man eating unusually fattening foods and receiving second helpings. But please keep in mind that the residential facility may simply be doing what the man and his family have agreed upon, in which case, there’s nothing more you can do.

Annie’s Snippet for Patriot Day (Credit Kurt Vonnegut): I can think of no more stirring symbol of man’s humanity to man than a fire engine.

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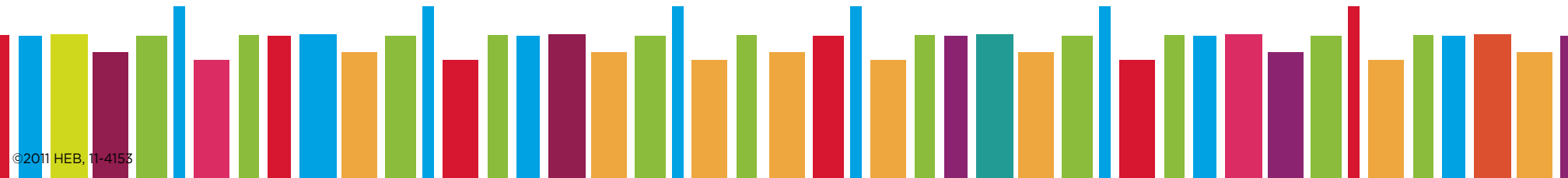
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Dear Margo

Dear Margo: My ex and I had a daughter 10 and a half years ago. He was verbally abusive and extremely controlling, and I ended the relationship during my pregnancy. He was very unstable during the first six years of her life due to drug use. I tried to maintain some contact between the two of them and personally accompanied my daughter when she would see him. I truly want her to have both parents in her life and to know she is loved. Her father has not been consistent, either with visitation or child support in the past four and a half years, but there has been progress, and in his mind, that was grounds to take me to court and sue for custody two years ago. The outcome was that her father is able to take her for a few weeks during the summer and has visitation every other weekend — essentially what we already had been doing. Since this court date, he has continued to be inconsistent and does not follow the order. However, he still wants to control everything and frequently sends me texts about going back to court and getting full custody if I don't bend to his every demand. I feel completely shaken and angry each time he sends me a message. There are many reasons why this situation is upsetting, but the main one is that my daughter deserves better. Getting a lawyer is a luxury I cannot afford. Do you have any suggestions to make this as painless as possible and minimize the effects on my daughter? — **Wanting To Handle this Better**

Dear Want: I would document what you have told me about his being inconsistent, not following court orders, and being abusive and delinquent. Rather than gaining full custody, I suspect you might be able to get him cut back or possibly cut out. You are good to want your daughter to have two parents and to know she is loved, but her father sounds like a negative force in her life, and feeling loved does not require both parents. As for finances, I would try a Legal Aid lawyer, or go to court "pro se," which means for yourself.



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This is not an unusual occurrence in family court. If you document the history, I believe you might even get an order that he not text you. Good luck. — *Margo, proactively*

Do Not Hit "Send"
Dear Margo: Because of where I am now (1,000 miles from where I usually live), I wonder if I could email my girlfriend that I want out. I will be here for another two months. We've been together for three years, there's nothing going on in the relationship, and now it's kind of like a habit. I'm not into her anymore, but I think she may have more positive feelings about me. The reason I don't want to phone her is that I don't want to get into an argument or have to deal with her maybe crying. I would never text, of course, because I know that would be kind of insensitive. But I think email is a little more formal. What do you think? — **Wanting To Start Again**

Dear Want: I think breaking up by email would be rude and awful. Would you like to read an email from a girlfriend that the jig was up after three years? I don't think so. If you are intent on hiding from a conversation, at the very least write a letter. This was done often "in the olden days," though I have a hunch those letters were a little more poetic than yours might be. Be as gentle as you can, and say that you seem to have grown apart. -- Margo, considerately

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Toby Rodgers scored twice in Big Spring's game in Plainview Friday night.

Steers stumble in Plainview

By ROBERT GRIFFIN

Sports Editor

The Big Spring Steers fell in their third straight game Friday night to open the season 0-3. In spite of an impressive start to the second half, scoring twice to take a 10-7 lead, the Steers eventually fell to the Plainview Bulldogs by a 27-16 score.

Toby Rodgers had over 100 receiving yards and scored both of Big Spring's touchdowns on passes from Garrett Stuteville, both coming in the second half.

Big Spring could not find their rhythm early and with the exception of one drive, spent the first half on defense. There was only 5:17 left in the half before Big Spring registered a first down in the game. They were able to start moving the ball at the end of the second quarter and got a shot into the end zone as time expired in the half.

The second half showed a completely different Steers team as Stuteville spread out the defense and looked almost unstoppable. The Herd put together an 82 yard drive, capped by 33 yard touchdown pass from Stuteville to Rodgers on a fourth and 19 play. Jared Doporto added an extra point and tied the game at seven apiece.

Big Spring's defense stepped up on the next series — though they played very tough in the first half as well — and made a great momentum-swinging stand with Max Pappajohn and Isaac Garza terrorizing the Bulldog backfield. Again, Stuteville and the Steers

drove the field. With big runs by Michael Oliva and a little help from Bulldog penalties, the Steers were knocking again. A second touchdown pass to Rodgers was called back on a Big Spring penalty and the Steers settled for a 30 yard Oliva field goal to take a 10-7 lead.

The score stayed the same until Plainview scored on a seven yard run to regain a lead at 14-10, though things looked up briefly when Lukas Falcon intercepted a pass and returned it all the way to the Plainview 41 yard line. But a fumble on the next play gave the ball right back to the Bulldogs, leading to a short field and their score.

Trouble on the ensuing kick-off gave the ball right back to the Bulldogs on the Steers' 32 yard line. Five plays later, they were crossing the goal line again.

But the Steers kept coming back. Another drive, consisting of diving catches by Rodgers and Tyler Hall, set up another Rodgers touchdown, bringing the Steers back within striking range at 21-16. But with only 1:38 left in the game, the Steers had no choice but to attempt a tricky kick. The Bulldogs recovered near midfield and a few plays later, broke one for over 50 yards to seal the deal.

A final drive with less than 30 seconds on the clock, fueled again by passes to Rodgers and Stuteville scrambles fell just short, ending on the Plainview eight yard line.

Big Spring ended the game with 59 rushing yards and 203 in the air.

Home field sweet for Coahoma

By ROBERT GRIFFIN

Sports Editor

The Coahoma Bulldogs claimed their first win in front of their hometown fans Friday night, defeating Wink 36-12. Ten different players rushed the ball for the Bulldogs en route to a 296 yard night on the ground.

"It was a real group effort in our running game," Coahoma Head Coach Trey Gardner said. "No one player was asked to rush for over 200 yards and carry the load by himself. Everyone stepped up in this one."

The Bulldog defense started out playing pretty good, but got down right stingy as the game wore on. After scoring on touchdown passes of 40 and 23 yards in the first half, Wink's offense was held to only one first down in the second half and never saw the end zone again.

"Our defense played a great game, especially in the second half," Coach Gardner said. "If we can build off of their effort in this one, we feel the future looks really good for us."



HERALD photo/Bruce Schooler
Coahoma's Tanner Ruiz denies a long pass Friday night in the Bulldogs' 36-12 homecoming game win.

Roman, Johnson power Forsan to 34-21 victory

By ROBERT GRIFFIN

Sports Editor

With two players rushing for over 100 yards and their quarterback throwing for another, the Forsan Buffaloes improved to 2-1 on the season with a 34-21 victory against Irion County.

"When you have two kids go over 100 yards, it makes for a good game," Head Coach Jason Phillips said.

"The offensive line did an outstanding job in this game."

Brendan Roman and Ty Johnson combined for 258 rushing yards and scored five touchdowns in the game, while quarterback Foster Burchett completed five out of eight passes for 106 yards in the air.

The Buffaloes recorded just under 400 yards of total offense, while limiting Irion County to only 280.

"They were a little better than we saw on film," Coach Phillips said. "We were quite impressed with them. They have some big kids and a very solid team. They gave us a good game."

Stats:

Forsan 34, Irion County 21
Forsan 6 15 6 7 —34
Irion 0 14 0 7 — 21

First Quarter:

Brendan Roman 35 run (kick failed), 10:12

Second Quarter:

Ty Johnson 46 run (Marcus Cervantes pass from Foster Burchett), 7:28
Roman 5 run (Bryson Phillips kick), :25

Third Quarter:

Johnson 3 run (kick failed), 3:59

Fourth Quarter:

Roman 51 run (Phillips kick), 9:44

Forsan / Irion County

First downs 11/15
Rushes-Yards 31-282/47-244
Passing 102/43
Comp-Att-Int 5-8-1/5-14-0
Punts 2-29/2-43.5
Fumbles-Lost 1-0/2-0
Penalties-Yards 10-65/6-45

Coahoma 36, Wink 12

Stats:

Wink 6 6 0 0 —12
Coahoma 13 9 7 7 —36

First Quarter:

Justin Coker 4 run (kick failed), 9:57.
Aaron Acevedo 45 run (Marco Molina kick), 4:50.

Second Quarter:

Justin Coker 17 run (Molina kick). 6:09.
Coahoma safety

Third Quarter:

Caige Miller 42 run (Molina kick), 7:38.

Fourth Quarter:

Acevedo 9 run (Molina kick), 11:07.

Wink — **Coahoma**

First Downs 11/15

Rushes-Yds. 27-0/42-292

Passing Yds. 166/4

Comp.-Att.-Int. 17-29-1/1-4-0

Punts-Avg. 3-19/2-38

Fumbles-lost 1-0/0-0

Penalties-Yds. 9-80/10-90

Area scores

Garden City 58, Paducah 8
GARDEN CITY — The Bearkats scored 52 of their 58 points in the first half against Paducah Friday night. The game was called as the third quarter was just getting started when Michael Lopez scored for Garden City, triggering the mercy rule call.
Bearkat fans saw touchdowns by Lopez, Reggie Halfmann (3), Ruben Mier (2), Juan Bustos and Brody Halfmann.
Garden City threw for 208 yards and rushed for 131 more in the short game.

Stanton 0, Ozona 19
STANTON — Stanton was shut out Friday night against Ozona in a 19-0 stunner. A bad night for the Buffaloes got worse as they handed over the ball five times and were only able to generate 178 yards on offense.
Quarterback Andres Chavez rushed for 76 yards and threw for 43 more in the effort. Nathan Koonce caught one pass for 17 yards to lead the receivers.

Grady 22, Rankin 70
LENORAH — The Grady Wildcats dropped to 1-2 on the season after falling to undefeated Rankin Friday night in a one-sided 70-22 game.
E.J.Rodriquez, Michael Jimenez and Zach Sieffert scored for the Wildcats in a game that was called in the third quarter.

Sands 60- Loop 14

NFL relaxes uniform policy for players

NEW YORK (AP) — The NFL relaxed its normally rigid uniform policy on Friday so players can commemorate the 10th anniversary of the Sept. 11 attacks.
League spokesman Michael Signora tweeted that the league told its 32 clubs that players may wear special shoes and gloves from official NFL equipment licensees for Week 1 games.
The move came one day after Chicago linebacker Lance Briggs tweeted that he had expected to be fined for wearing red, white and blue cleats and gloves designed by Reebok. Briggs said it would be “by far the best fine he will ever have to pay.”
NFL spokesman Greg Aiello said the league does not “anticipate any issues.”
“We have extensive plans for Sunday to respectfully recognize the significance of the day,” Aiello said in an email.
“Lance Briggs and all players will participate.”
Briggs declined to comment when he left the practice field Friday. He instead put the shoes on display in the locker room, the back of the left shoe bearing the word “Never,” while the right had “Forget.”
Coach Lovie Smith said he has no problem with Briggs defying the NFL dress code in this instance.
“I mean, we’re going to do an awful lot before the game as an organization — the NFL as a league — to honor the victims,” Smith said. “But you know, if they (the NFL) say it’s OK and the guys are good with it, of course we’re all for it, too.”
Kansas City Chiefs running back Jamaal Charles also said on Twitter that he plans to wear Reebok-issued gloves and cleats to honor the day.
Like Briggs, Charles posted a picture online. It showed an all-red bottom surface around

the cleats beneath a white shoe with large blue stripes wrapped around it and white stars along the heel. The back of the glove is all red, with the words, “Never forget,” circled around the date, Sept. 11, 2001. The palm of the glove is blue, with white stars.
Charles and Briggs will have some company Sunday.
Colts receiver Reggie Wayne, a five-time Pro Bowler, showed up at Friday’s practice with a stars-and-stripes design on his gloves and shoes. He plans to wear the same accessories Sunday at Houston. Wayne’s teammate and friend, Pro Bowl safety Antoine Bethea, is expected to don the same attire.
Shortly before the league announced its policy change, Wayne told reporters it would be the “best fine” he ever paid and that he expected the league to alter the policy within 24 hours.
He was right.

Statewide high school football scores

Class 4A Angleton 35, Dayton 27 Arlington Seguin 34, Dallas Carter 16 Austin Vandegrift 35, Boerne 9 Azle 28, FW Paschal 6	Barbers Hill 13, Nederland 10, OT Beaumont Central 38, Galveston Ball 21 Beeville Jones 49, CC Ray 14 Brenham 21, Houston Lamar 10	Buda Hays 49, San Marcos 27 Burleson 31, Weatherford 21 Canutillo 21, Gadsden, N.M. 6 CC Calallen 22, Victoria East 0 Cedar Park 18, Leander 16 Cedar Park Vista Ridge 27, Del Valle 0 Corsicana 43, West Mesquite 35 Dallas Adamson 30, FW Polytechnic 14 Dallas Conrad 17, Seagoville 8 Dallas Highland Park 56, Sherman 14 Dallas Kimball 61, Dallas Lincoln 42 Dallas South Oak Cliff 30, Dallas Roosevelt 8 Denison 36, Dallas Madison 27 Denton Ryan 49, North Garland 14 Dripping Springs 42, Manor 34 El Campo 21, Clear Falls 14 El Paso 42, Santa Teresa, N.M. 7	Elgin 21, Taylor 12 EP Address 42, Clint Horizon 24 EP Bowie 21, San Elizario 0 EP Burges 37, EP Riverside 20 EP Chapin 50, EP Parkland 20 EP Del Valle 35, EP Austin 6 EP Irvin 42, EP Ysleta 14 Freeport Brazosport 13, Sweeny 7 Frisco Centennial 21, Lewisville The Colony 0 Frisco Liberty 55, Greenville 3 Frisco Wakeland 70, Wichita Falls 26 FW Boswell 16, Saginaw 13 FW Eastern Hills 26, FW North Side 7 FW Southwest 20, FW Wyatt 7 FW Western Hills 13, FW Trimble Tech 7 Galena Park 28, Houston Sharpstown 14 Granbury 40, Carrollton Turner 20 Gregory-Portland 40, CC Carroll 15 Houston Kashmere 34, Needville 13 Houston North Forest 39, Houston Furr 8 Houston Reagan 54, Houston KIPP 6 Houston Stratford 28, Friendswood 13 Humble 33, Baytown	Sterling 7 Hutto 7, Austin McCallum 0 Kyle Lehman 44, Austin Crockett 0 Lake Dallas 52, Arlington Houston 7 Lake Travis 62, Aledo 35 Lancaster 28, Forney 27, OT Little Elm 50, Carrollton Creekview 49 Magnolia West 24, Willis 21 Manvel 44, Baytown Goose Creek 19 Marble Falls 35, Burnet 21 McKinney North 41, Denton 20 Mission Memorial 13, Hidalgo 8 Montgomery 72, Houston Jones 6 Mount Pleasant 19, Texarkana Pleasant Grove 7 N. Richland Hills Birdville 48, Crowley 30 New Braunfels Canyon 28, SA Lee 0 Pearland Dawson 56, Crosby 26 Pflugerville Connally 52, Austin LBJ 40 Pflugerville Hendrickson 41, Leander Rouse 30 Plainview 27, Big Spring 16 Port Lavaca Calhoun 62, CC Tuloso-Midway 6 Port Neches-Groves 41, Texas City 27	Red Oak 56, Ennis 27 Rockwall 21, Royse City 10 Rockwall-Heath 20, Garland Lakeview Centennial 14 Roma 55, Pharr Valley View 7 Rosenberg Lamar 35, Clute Brazoswood 14 Rosenberg Terry 54, Baytown Lee 28 SA Alamo Heights 41, SA Southwest 21 SA Brackenridge 21, Floresville 13 SA Harlandale 42, SA Burbank 14 SA Kennedy 41, Lytle 29 SA Lanier 17, Pleasanton 12 SA McCollum 41, SA Highlands 14 Smithson Valley 20, SA MacArthur 19 Stephenville 66, Brownwood 0 Sulphur Springs 70, Whitehouse 49 Texarkana Texas 21, Texarkana, Ark. 0 Vidor 35, Kirbyville 7 Waco University 19, Killeen Shoemaker 7 Weslaco East 55, La Joya Juarez-Lincoln 3 Wolfforth Frenship 32, Lubbock Monterey 12 Wylie 30, Garland Rowlett 27 Wylie East 52, Northwest Nelson 21
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Bellville 21, Cuero 13
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Bowie 35, Jacksboro 6
Bridge City 20, Beaumont Kelly 7
Bullard 36, Palestine Westwood 18
Canon 40, Mabank 22
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CC Miller 13, Port Isabel 7
Celina 43, Pilot Point 12
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Clint 20, EP Jefferson 14
Coldspring-Oakhurst 60, Crockett 20
Commerce 37, Princeton 34
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Dalhart 44, Brownfield 6
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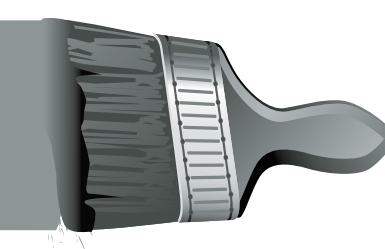
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Latin Celebration
John Giordano, Guest Conductor
Curt Thompson, Violin
Saturday, September 17, 2011 - 8:00 p.m.
First Baptist Church ~ 705 W. FM 700

Our great friend Maestro Giordano comes once again to give a thunderous kick-off concert for our concert season. Works from South American composers will keep our feet tapping to the Latin Rhythms. Curt Thompson, Professor of Violin at TCU, will play the 'other' Four Seasons: *The Four Seasons of Buenos Aires* by Piazzola.



Piano Celebration
Haochen Zhang, Piano
Gold Medalist, 2009 Van Cliburn Competition
Saturday, February 4, 2012 - 8:00 p.m.
Big Spring Municipal Auditorium

The Big Spring Symphony is a presenting orchestra for the prestigious Van Cliburn piano competition. As such we have been fortunate to present a finalist of the competition on our stage every four years. This is the first time in our history that we have presented the Gold Medalist of the competition. Young Chinese Gold Medalist Haochen Zhang will play for us the Prokofiev *2nd Piano Concerto*. What a way to celebrate our 30th Anniversary!



Pops Celebration
Paul Williams, Fabulous Song-writer
Saturday, March 31, 2012 - 8:00 p.m.
Big Spring Municipal Auditorium

What a fitting and wonderful treat we have to end our 30th anniversary season. Fabulous song-writer and ASCAP President Paul Williams returns to perform some of his ageless hits with our Symphony. His recent appearances on "Late Night with Jimmy Kimmel" along with his pianist/arranger Chris Caswell reminds us of the timeless beauty of many of his songs. His first appearance with the Big Spring Symphony was a huge success prompting Paul to tell us that "I've never had a better symphonic experience" and "you've made an old song-writer proud"! We look forward to an even more memorable musical experience with the great Paul Williams. Come early because we're going to pack the house!



Nutcracker Ballet
Midland Festival Ballet
Saturday, December 17, 2011 - 7:30 p.m.
Reopening Municipal Auditorium

At long last, our Symphony will return home to the Municipal Auditorium. What a way to celebrate! You'll hear the complete Nutcracker Ballet played by our orchestra and danced by the Midland Festival Ballet. We'll also see some of our local children on stage! Come early to a get a good seat!



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► Births



Adrian Rocky Yanez

Adrian Rocky Yanez, son of Rocky and Ariella Yanez of Big Spring, was born Aug. 6, 2011, at Odessa Regional Hospital in Odessa. Adrian measured 20 inches and weighed 6 pounds 12 ounces.

His maternal grandparents are Jeronimo and Susana Diaz. Paternal grandparents are the late Victor and Rosalinda Yanez. He was welcomed home by his siblings, Arron and Adam Yanez.



Hailynn Clair Breckenridge

Hailynn Clair Breckenridge, daughter of Tamra Wallace and Drew Breckenridge of Big Spring, was born June 1, 2011, at 4:32 p.m.

She weighed 6 pounds 10 ounces and measured 18 ½ inches long.

Her maternal grandparents are Denise Reed of Big Spring and Ricky Wallace of Big Spring. Her paternal grandparents are Stephanie Breckenridge of Big Spring and John Breckenridge of Alvarado.



Julia Ann Belew

Allan and Jessica Belew of Kings Bay, Ga., are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Julia Ann.

Julia was born in Kings Bay on Aug. 5. She weighed 9 pounds and was 20 inches long. She was welcomed home by her big brother, Nicholas.

Grandparents include Richard and Virginia Belew of Big Spring; Dominick Jr. and Debbie Ferraro of Lantana, Texas. Great-grandparents include Dominick Sr. and Josephine Ferraro of Port Chester, N.Y.

Her late great-grandparents are Ray and Mary Hentze, Salvador Sr. and Eliza Hernandez and Pete and Agnes Belew.

► Wedding



Mr. and Mrs. Jon Bentley

White and Bentley

Sandy White of Coahoma, daughter of Richard and Debra White of Coahoma and Jon Bentley of McCamey, son of Rusty and Vikki Bentley of McCamey, exchanged wedding vows Sept. 10, 2011, at First Baptist Church of Big Spring.

The bride is a 1997 Coahoma High School and Howard College graduate.

The groom is a 1988 graduate of McCamey High School and San Angelo State graduate. He is employed by Baker Hughes.

Horton and Crowson

Greg and Bonnie Horton of Overland Park, Kans., announce the engagement of their

daughter, Stephanie Nicole Horton of Overland Park, Kans., to Andrew James Crowson of Leavenworth, Kans., son of Mark Crowson and the late Sybl Crowson, Leavenworth, Kans.

The bride-elect is a 2006 graduate of

Blue Valley North High School and a 2010 Truman State University graduate.

She is the granddaughter of Joe and Patti Horton of Big Spring, and Joyce Plants of Loveland, Colo.

She is a student at Kansas State University College of Veterinary Medicine.

The groom to be is a 2003 Leavenworth High School graduate.

He is enrolled as a student at Kansas State University.

The couple will exchange vows July 15, 2012, in Kansas City, Mo.

► Who's Who

Maranatha Baptist Academy receives international recognition

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Maranatha Baptist Academy believes their school's achievement is attributed in part to community commitment to maintain an atmosphere where a school such as Maranatha Baptist Academy can effectively educate our youth today for tomorrow's achievements.

The academy is excited to already to be involved in our sixth week in our year-round school.

Reader's Corner

Old Man

He moves a slow and steady pace.

He's not in the lead, but he's still in the race.

He'll likely not win, but he doesn't care.

As long as he's moving

And people know he's there

He's been running a long, long time

He knows his limitations

And is doing just fine.

It's inevitable though

There will come a time

when he looks down the road

And see's the finish line.

He won't speed up

He won't slow down.

He'll continue on

Till he wins the crown.

He's happy in spirit.

His mission remains true.

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Members of the 1953 Hyperion Club gathered together for their fall luncheon meeting Wednesday at Dorothy Wheeler's house. The Hyperion Club is a study club and focuses its attention on learning new technologies, keeping up with community advancement and making lasting friendships.

Club News

1953 Hyperion Club starts new year

Mrs. Gordon Bristow started the 1953 Hyperion Club in January 1953. It was a club designated for young married women of the community.

Mrs. James Little and Mrs. Piner were put in charge of selecting and presenting names of prospective members to the 1953 Hyperion Club. That spring, Charlotte Sullivan held an organizational meeting which marked the beginning of the club.

According to Barbara Ratliff, there are 27 members in the present-day club. There is a limit of 30 members allowed. Each member is selected and invited in by a current member and then voted on by the entire club.

The current club president is Janell Davis, vice president is Dorothy Wheeler, secretary Lora Warren, treasurer Tootsie Grantham and parliamentarian is Rita Fort.

Members kicked off the 2011-12 year with their fall luncheon Wednesday under the direction of hostesses Dorothy Wheeler, Dorothy Downey, Sharon McDonald and Barbara Ratliff.

Throughout the year the club meets the first Wednesday of the month September through May. Each gathering includes learning about technical advancements or other happenings in the community. Last year, members learned about wind turbine technology, visited the college dance troop and learned about the Spring of Siloam.

Ratliff said it's about keeping up to date on what's going on in Big Spring, learning about the arts and making life long friendships.

Next month's meeting will consist of a tour of the Settles Hotel.

► Menus

FORSAN ISD

Monday: Breakfast: graham-wich, juice, milk. Alternative: cereal. Lunch: toasted ham and cheese, veggie dippers, orange smiles, baked chips, chocolate chip cookie, milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: cheese omelet, toast, juice, milk. Alternative: cereal. Lunch: crispy tacos, lettuce and tomato, Spanish rice, pinto beans, fancy gelatin, milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: pancake, sausage, juice, milk. Alternative: cereal. Lunch: spaghetti and meat sauce, garden salad, savory green beans, garlic toast, apple crisp, milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: breakfast muffin, juice, milk. Alternative: cereal. Lunch: submarine sandwich, lettuce, tomato, pickle, tater tots, sliced peaches, brownie, milk.

Friday: Breakfast: cereal, cinnamon toast, juice, milk. Lunch: chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, glazed carrots, strawberries and bananas, hot roll, milk.

omelet, sausage, juice and milk. Lunch: grilled cheese sandwich, chicken noodle soup, crackers, apple and milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: french toast, juice and milk. Lunch: spaghetti/meat sauce, seasoned corn, tossed salad, bread stick, sliced peaches and milk.

Friday: Breakfast: breakfast pizza, juice and milk. Lunch: chicken patty sandwich, oven fries, western beans, orange smiles and milk.

BIG SPRING ISD

Monday: Breakfast: frosted flakes, assorted fruit juice, milk. Lunch: rib patty sandwich, baked doritos, baby carrots, ranch dressing, peaches, orange smiles, milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: sausage/gravy pizza, assorted fruit juice, milk. Lunch: Asian teriyaki chicken, fried brown rice/vegetables, broccoli, mandarin oranges, egg roll, milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast: breakfast pizza, assorted fruit juice, milk.

Lunch: chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes/gravy, green beans, sliced apples, chocolate pudding, roll, milk.

Thursday: Breakfast: pea-

nut butter and jelly uncrustable, assorted fruit juice, milk. Lunch: chicken fajitas, whole wheat tortilla, ranch beans, corn, pineapple chunks, lettuce/tomato salad, salsa, milk.

Friday: Breakfast: blueberry muffin top, assorted fruit juice, milk. Lunch: cheeseburger, sweet potato fries, lettuce, tomato, pickles, pears, banana, milk.

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Wednesday: chicken spaghetti, California blend vegetables, tossed salad, garlic bread, cake, milk.

Thursday: taco salad, fiesta corn, guacamole, tortilla chips/salsa, cherry pink cloud, cookies, milk.

Friday: chicken strips with gravy, french fries, tossed salad,

SANDS CISD

Monday: Breakfast: biscuit, sausage, juice and milk. Lunch: pizza choice, tossed salad, fruit cup, chocolate cake and milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast: cinnamon roll, juice and milk. Lunch: crispy tacos, lettuce and tomatoes, Spanish rice, pinto beans, fancy gelatin and milk.

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Rosalinda and Luz Viera, center, were named top winners in the Practice with Cactus, sponsored by KBST and Sonic. Mike Abusaab, Pat Simmons, Mayor Tommy Duncan and Malinda Flenniken were on hand to present the winners with their certificates and prizes.

Practice with Cactus names top three landscaping winners

By **AMANDA MORENO**

Staff Writer

Practice with Cactus was set up to inspire Big Spring residents to conserve water.

Malinda Flenniken, KBST general manager, reported having six entries. All were judged on a point scale regarding beauty, creativity and water efficiency. Judges were Pat Simmons of Keep Big Spring Beautiful, Brad Tatum of Top Notch Landscaping and Debbie Wegman of the Big Spring Convention and Visitors Bureau.

First place went to Rosalinda

and Luz Viera, located on State Street. Second place was Lloyd Lindsey, whose home on Baylor was submitted by his nephew. Third place was awarded to Howard and Vicki Stewart on Coachman's Circle.

Viera had been working on his yard for the past few years and recently was awarded the Doing Your Part Award by Keep Big Spring Beautiful.

"We are from New Mexico so landscaping like this is something they do quite often," Luz Viera said. "I started working on my yard after my dad put the idea

in my head."

The Vieras' yard consists of scattered, colored rock, stepping stones and small fish ponds. The greenery is provided by cacti and palm trees.

"This is a concept everyone should be practicing, considering the drought is still going and things are getting worse," Viera said.

The Vieras received \$500 prize money, a \$25 Sonic gift card provided by United Country Heart of the City Realtors, \$25 worth

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Obama tax cut would boost typical pay by \$1,500 in 2012

By **STEPHEN OHLEMACHER**

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Typical workers would get an extra \$1,500 in their paychecks next year under a plan by President Barack Obama to expand a payroll tax cut that is scheduled expire at the end of the year. Higher paid workers would get more, and businesses would get tax breaks, too.

The tax cuts are part of a nearly \$450 billion package of tax reductions and new spending designed to revive the economy and entice employers to hire more workers at a time when the national unemployment rate is stuck at 9.1 percent.

The goal of cutting payroll taxes is to increase take-home pay for workers in the hope they will spend the money, creating more demand for consumer goods

and services. Under Obama's plan, workers making \$50,000 a year would see their take-home pay boosted by \$1,550 next year; those making \$100,000 would get \$3,100.

Economists say the president's jobs package could go a long way toward preventing the economy from getting worse, but significantly boosting job growth will be harder to achieve.

"The thing that is going to induce firms to hire is having demand for their product," said Robertson Williams, a former tax analyst at the Congressional Budget Office who is now a senior fellow at the Tax Policy Center. "If they see brighter skies ahead, they'll start hiring people to meet the demand. But until they see the promise of that, they are going to be very leery of expanding their payroll, and it doesn't mat-

ter whether you're subsidizing the cost of hiring a new worker or subsidizing the cost of an investment."

Mark Zandi, one of several economists asked by the White House to evaluate the president's proposal ahead of his speech, said that if enacted the plan would add 1.9 million jobs and reduce the unemployment rate by 1 percentage point. Zandi is chief economist for Moody's Analytics.

In December, Congress passed a one-year cut in Social Security taxes, reducing the rate for workers from 6.2 percent to 4.2 percent for 2011. Employers still pay the 6.2 percent rate, which is applied to wages up to \$106,800.

Obama proposes to extend the tax cut for a year and make it bigger — reducing the Social

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Energy Watch



Bhupen Agrawal is branch manager and a managing director — investments for the Wachovia Securities Midland office.

Bill Franks, AAMS, is a senior registered client associate and the senior associate to the branch manager.



On this 10th anniversary of the terrorist attacks, we pause for a moment to honor the victims of 9/11 and to remember how lucky we are to live in the United States of America. Our weekly column often focuses on what's happening in the economy and the financial markets at this very moment. On this special day, we want to recognize and reiterate how important it is to keep things in proper perspective, with a constant view towards the bigger picture. We hope that this broader viewpoint is what always informs the observations we provide, the guidance we offer and the outlook we maintain.

What are the differences between recent market action plus the economy's present state and what happened during the Great Recession of 2008? It's true, the U.S. economy faces many long-term challenges, including a weak housing market, high unemployment and massive government debt. These factors have hurt us during the past two years. As a result, the recovery from the recession that ended in 2009 has been weaker than previously hoped for. Nevertheless, we have indeed been slowly digging out of the hole that we fell into just a few years ago.

The differences between now and then lie in several indicators that point to further growth rather than renewed recession. Indeed, we are not experiencing many of the problems that often cause or characterize recessions. Credit is not getting tighter. Inventories are not bloated. Companies do not have too many people on their payrolls. And inflation is not too high. As we've said before, the key for the market will be whether the shock to confidence this summer was a temporary event or a longer-lasting setback. If confidence recovers and stabilizes, then the economy is likely to expand further instead of relapse into recession.

Of the factors mentioned above, one of the most important ones affecting the economy is the ready availability of credit. The credit markets are operating well right now, and credit availability is increasing rather than decreasing. In fact, the latest Federal Reserve survey of senior loan officers across the country showed that more lenders are willing to lend than those who are recalcitrant to lending. Amidst an increased willingness to lend, companies find it easier to finance growth and therefore create jobs. This scenario is the opposite of what normally takes place prior to or during a recession, when credit is typically tight and lenders are hesitant to take risk by extending loans.

In addition, a recessionary environment usually coincides with the Federal Reserve tightening credit in order to ward off inflation. Such tightening often chokes off business borrowing that is used to finance inventory expansion or capital expenditures. When credit dries up, companies typically cut production as well as jobs.

But liquidity in our present system remains high because the Fed is holding short-term interest rates at zero percent. This easy money policy encourages businesses to borrow. As willingness to lend increases, companies can finance more equipment purchases and increase their hiring. Unfortunately, this can be a slow process and it is currently taking a long time to develop in our current economic cycle. Nonetheless, the latest report on durable goods orders, including business equipment orders, showed an improving trend upwards through July. This is also unlike

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Diabetic Walgreens clerk fired for eating chips

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — The U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission is suing the Walgreens drugstore chain on behalf of a diabetic clerk in South San Francisco who was fired for taking a bag of chips to stabilize her blood sugar levels.

The commission alleged in a federal lawsuit filed Thursday that Walgreens' decision to terminate Josefina Hernandez after her nearly 18 years of unblemished service to the company constituted discrimination under the Americans with Disabilities Act.

According to the suit, Hernandez was working as a cashier in September 2008 when she felt an attack of hypoglycemia coming on. She grabbed a bag of chips, gobbled them down and paid for them as soon as she could the same day.

Walgreens declined to comment.

EEOC attorney William Tamayo tells the San Francisco Chronicle that employers are required to make reasonable accommodations for disabled employees.

BLM to initiate rulemaking on oil, gas provision

DENVER (AP) — The Bureau of Land Management plans to write new guidelines for using a provision that allows for speedier environmental reviews of oil and gas development on public land.

BLM Deputy Director Mike Pool said at a House subcommittee hearing Friday that the public will have a chance to comment as it writes new rules for using so-called "categorical exclusions" of certain land from extra environmental reviews.

The exclusions were allowed under a 2005 law aimed at streamlining approvals needed for oil and

gas development on federal land. The BLM developed guidance last year on how to use the exclusions, but a federal judge last month said the agency hadn't given the public a chance to comment on it first.

Pool says he expects high interest in the rulemaking effort.

Fiat's Doblo van to enter U.S., Canada

ROME (AP) — Fiat SpA, which controls Chrysler, plans to sell its Doblo van in the U.S. and Canada starting in 2013.

The Turin-based automaker said Friday the Fiat Doblo vehicles would be sold under the Ram brand. Fiat said it had signed a letter of understanding

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

Though movies often paint a frightening picture of the spirit world, many imagine the ethereal realm to be much like this one, except lighter and more peaceful. It is easy to connect with the more peaceful version now, while the soulful moon waxes toward tomorrow's full moon in Pisces — fitting for a day of remembrance.



HOLIDAY MATHIS

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Wanting to be good at a game will make you a lesser player. Play to have fun. Expect that things will develop, and be ready to groove right along with what's happening.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Protect the relationship that has given such treasure to your life. Though things may be status quo in this relationship right now, there is more on the horizon. The goose that laid the golden egg is sure to lay another one.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You'll come to terms with something that has been holding you back. Be brave and also very patient with yourself. It's an incremental process, but you'll get past this obstacle soon enough.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Instead of being jealous, you make it your

intention to inwardly praise the one who has what you want. In this way, you bring your desires closer to you. Also, the involvement of a Capricorn will be key to attaining one of your goals.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Maybe your body isn't matching the criteria of your ideal size and shape. Nonetheless, you can feel good about who you are and how you show up in the world. You will positively shine today.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You will work to understand the perspective of others, even if the "others" in question are not exactly your friends. Instead of stooping to a level that to you feels petty and small, you'll rise to a higher place.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You will witness people rushing around and presenting themselves as stressed-out lunatics. This makes you want to go the other direction. You'll be grateful that you are not in such a hurry.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Something is working for you, and so you'll stick with it. You would feel disloyal not to. Further investigation and exploration will occur only if you have a reason to be unhappy.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You believe that people are deserving of the attention they need from you, so you make sure to connect in even the smallest of

interactions. You look people in the eye and smile.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Staying healthy is the theme. Take time out of your day to revitalize your energy and keep your body healthy. Also, this is an excellent time to catch up on routine doctor and dentist appointments.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You may feel stressed, but you are careful not to project your sense of urgency onto others. You will find appropriate ways to cope with your feelings, and something beautiful comes out of this day.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You feel changed for knowing a certain person. However, you're still trying to decide whether this change is for the better. If your relationship with this person were a movie, what kind of movie would it be?

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Sept. 11). You'll live your life with full awareness of how much it really matters. Your decisions affect many, and people around you will be inclined to match your moods. October brings upgrades of machinery and equipment. There will be a harmonious end to the year, as friends and family cooperate. June brings joyous news. Leo and Scorpio people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 8, 40, 11, 16 and 12.

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CITY OF BIG SPRING
NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Pursuant to the authority granted by the City Council of the City of Big Spring, Texas, the City of Big Spring will receive sealed bids on the following date/time for the purchase of the below listed items/equipment:

Date/Time: Tuesday, September 20, 2011, at 2:00 p.m., for the following
Bid# 12-009

Radio Tower Maintenance
Bids are to be opened and read aloud in the City Council Chambers at 307 East 4th Street, Big Spring, Texas 79720, with award to be made at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Big Spring City Council. Bid information and specifications may be obtained from the Office of the Purchasing Agent, 1380 Airpark Drive East, Bldg. #19, Big Spring, Texas 79720. All bids must be marked with the date of the bid and a general description of the bid item(s). The City of Big Spring reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any or all formalities.
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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS
OF PROPOSED
TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION (TxDOT)
CONTRACTS

Sealed proposals for contracts listed below will be received by TxDOT until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read.

CONSTRUCTION/
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Dist/Div: Abilene
Contract 6225-01-001 for INSTALL THERMOPLASTIC PAVEMENT MARKINGS in TAYLOR County, etc will be opened on October 6, 2011 at 1:00 pm at the State Office for an estimate of \$1,526,348.65.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a

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Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TXDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin.

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if living, and if any or all of the above named Defendants be dead, the unknown heirs of such person if he should be deceased, and any and all other persons, including adverse claimants, owning or claiming or having any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the land described in Plaintiffs' petition on file in this cause; and the executors, administrators, guardians, legal representatives, legatees, devisees, trustees, officers, directors, stockholders, partners, managers or other governing persons of the above named persons or entities, who own or claim some interest in the land described in Plaintiffs' petition on file in this cause, to-wit:

The North 110 feet of Tract 12, Wm. B. Currie Subdivision of the SE/4 of Section 42, Blk 32, T-1-N, T&P Ry. Co. Survey, Howard County, Texas; Amt. owed-\$221.09 Assessed Value-\$2,469.00

The South 110 feet of the North 220 feet of Tract 12, Wm. B Currie Subdivision of the SE/4 of Section 42, Blk 32, T-1-N, Howard County, Texas; Amt. owed-\$80.31 Assessed Value-\$897.00

Being a 2.0 acre tract of land out of SW/4 of Section 24, Block 33, T-1-S, T&P Ry. Co. Survey, Howard County, Texas; described by metes and bounds on the attached Exhibit "C"; Amt. owed-\$8,766.48 Assessed Value-\$33,928.00

Being a 3.02 acre tract of land out of Section 24, Block 33, T-1-S, T&P Ry. Co Survey, Howard County, Texas; described by metes and bounds on the attached Exhibit "D"; Amt. owed-\$930.03 Assessed Value-\$9,238.00

Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiffs for taxes in the following amount: \$9,997.91, exclusive of interest, penalties, and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes all said interest, penalties, and cost thereon, allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein.

You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL as Plaintiffs, against JUAN T. MORENO aka JUAN MORENO AND MARIA RODRIGUEZ and others, as Defendant(s), by petition filed on August 26, 2010, in a certain suit styled HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. JUAN T. MORENO aka JUAN MORENO AND MARIA RODRIGUEZ, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Howard County, Texas 118th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is T-5877 that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit, are NONE.

Plaintiffs and all other taxing units who may set up their tax claims herein seek recovery of delinquent ad valorem taxes on the property hereinabove described, thereon up to and including the day of judgment herein, and the establishment and foreclosure of liens, if any, securing the payment of same, as provided by law.

All parties to this suit, including Plaintiffs, Defendant(s), and Intervenor, shall take notice that claims not only for any taxes which were delinquent on said property at the time this suit was filed but all taxes becoming delinquent thereon at any time thereafter up to the day of judgment, including all interest, penalties, and cost allowed by law thereon, may, upon request therefore, be recovered herein without further citation or notice to any parties herein, all said parties shall take notice of and plead and answer to all claims and pleadings now on file in said causes by all other parties herein and all of those taxing units above named who may intervene herein and set up their respective tax claims against said property.

You are hereby commanded to appear and defend such suit at or before 10:00 o'clock a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from and after the date of issuance hereof, the same being the 24th day of October, 2011 before the Honorable District Court of Howard County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, then and there to show cause why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes, penalties, interest, and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the constitutional and statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiffs and the taxing unit parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein, and all costs of this suit.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said court in the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, this 6th day of September, A.D. 2011.

Brandie Martinez
Deputy Clerk of the District Court
Howard County, Texas,
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TO: Alfredo Flores, Jr.

if living, and if any or all of the above named Defendants be dead, the unknown heirs of such person if he should be deceased, and any and all other persons, including adverse claimants, owning or claiming or having any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the land described in Plaintiffs' petition on file in this cause; and the executors, administrators, guardians, legal representatives, legatees, devisees, trustees, officers, directors, stockholders, partners, managers or other governing persons of the above named persons or entities, who own or claim some interest in the land described in Plaintiffs' petition on file in this cause, to-wit:

Lts 1, 2 & 3, Blk 21-A, Amended Fairview Heights Addition, City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas: Assessed Value-\$29,088.00 Amt. owed-\$6,864.80

Lts 4, 5 & 6, and 10' of alley adjacent to Lt 6, Subdivision "A", Fairview Heights Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas: Assessed Value-\$9,763.00 Amt. owed-\$1,409.66

Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiffs for taxes in the following amount: \$9,684.12, exclusive of interest, penalties, and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes all said interest, penalties, and cost thereon, allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein.

You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL as Plaintiffs, against IRENE C. FLORES AND ALDREDO FLORES, JR. AND EVELYN GRAY and others, as Defendant(s), by petition filed on March 29, 2011, in a certain suit styled HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. IRENE C. FLORES AND ALDREDO FLORES, JR. AND EVELYN GRAY, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Howard County, Texas 118th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is 5986 that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit, are NONE.

Plaintiffs and all other taxing units who may set up their tax claims herein seek recovery of delinquent ad valorem taxes on the property hereinabove described, thereon up to and including the day of judgment herein, and the establishment and foreclosure of liens, if any, securing the payment of same, as provided by law.

All parties to this suit, including Plaintiffs, Defendant(s), and Intervenor, shall take notice that claims not only for any taxes which were delinquent on said property at the time this suit was filed but all taxes becoming delinquent thereon at any time thereafter up to the day of judgment, including all interest, penalties, and cost allowed by law thereon, may, upon request therefore, be recovered herein without further citation or notice to any parties herein, all said parties shall take notice of and plead and answer to all claims and pleadings now on file in said causes by all other parties herein and all of those taxing units above named who may intervene herein and set up their respective tax claims against said property.

You are hereby commanded to appear and defend such suit at or before 10:00 o'clock a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from and after the date of issuance hereof, the same being the 10th day of October, 2011 before the Honorable District Court of Howard County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, then and there to show cause why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes, penalties, interest, and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the constitutional and statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiffs and the taxing unit parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein, and all costs of this suit.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said court in the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, this 31st day of August, A.D. 2011.

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if living, and if any or all of the above named Defendants be dead, the unknown heirs of such person if he should be deceased, and any and all other persons, including adverse claimants, owning or claiming or having any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the land described in Plaintiffs' petition on file in this cause; and the executors, administrators, guardians, legal representatives, legatees, devisees, trustees, officers, directors, stockholders, partners, managers or other governing persons of the above named persons or entities, who own or claim some interest in the land described in Plaintiffs' petition on file in this cause, to-wit:

Lots 5 & 6, Blk 2, Banks Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas,

Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiffs for taxes in the following amount: \$3,431.57, exclusive of interest, penalties, and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes all said interest, penalties, and cost thereon, allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein.

You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL as Plaintiffs, against HOSEA BANKS, HOLSTON BANKS, SR., CHRISTINE BANKS BOLDEN AND JOE LOUIS BANKS and others, as Defendant(s), by petition filed on April 30, 2008, in a certain suit styled HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. HOSE BANKS, HOLSTON BANKS, SR., CHRISTINE BANKS BOLDEN AND JOE LOUIS BANKS, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Howard County, Texas 118th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is 5530 that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit, are NONE.

Plaintiffs and all other taxing units who may set up their tax claims herein seek recovery of delinquent ad valorem taxes on the property hereinabove described, thereon up to and including the day of judgment herein, and the establishment and foreclosure of liens, if any, securing the payment of same, as provided by law.

All parties to this suit, including Plaintiffs, Defendant(s), and Intervenor, shall take notice that claims not only for any taxes which were delinquent on said property at the time this suit was filed but all taxes becoming delinquent thereon at any time thereafter up to the day of judgment, including all interest, penalties, and cost allowed by law thereon, may, upon request therefore, be recovered herein without further citation or notice to any parties herein, all said parties shall take notice of and plead and answer to all claims and pleadings now on file in said causes by all other parties herein and all of those taxing units above named who may intervene herein and set up their respective tax claims against said property.

You are hereby commanded to appear and defend such suit at or before 10:00 o'clock a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from and after the date of issuance hereof, the same being the 10th day of October, 2011 before the Honorable District Court of Howard County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, then and there to show cause why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes, penalties, interest, and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the constitutional and statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiffs and the taxing unit parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein, and all costs of this suit.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said court in the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, this 31st day of August, A.D. 2011.

Brandie Martinez
Deputy Clerk of the District Court
Howard County, Texas,
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TO: Pete G. Gonzales and

Juan O. Gonzales, Deceased

if living, and if any or all of the above named Defendants be dead, the unknown heirs of such person if he should be deceased, and any and all other persons, including adverse claimants, owning or claiming or having any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the land described in Plaintiffs' petition on file in this cause; and the executors, administrators, guardians, legal representatives, legatees, devisees, trustees, officers, directors, stockholders, partners, managers or other governing persons of the above named persons or entities, who own or claim some interest in the land described in Plaintiffs' petition on file in this cause, to-wit:

Lts 6-7, Bk 4, Lincoln Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas,

Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiffs for taxes in the following amount: \$817.27, exclusive of interest, penalties, and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes all said interest, penalties, and cost thereon, allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein.

You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL as Plaintiffs, against PETE G. GONZALES and others, as Defendant(s), by petition filed on December 20, 2010, in a certain suit styled HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. PETE G. GONZALES, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Howard County, Texas 118th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is 5924 that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit, are NONE.

Plaintiffs and all other taxing units who may set up their tax claims herein seek recovery of delinquent ad valorem taxes on the property hereinabove described, thereon up to and including the day of judgment herein, and the establishment and foreclosure of liens, if any, securing the payment of same, as provided by law.

All parties to this suit, including Plaintiffs, Defendant(s), and Intervenor, shall take notice that claims not only for any taxes which were delinquent on said property at the time this suit was filed but all taxes becoming delinquent thereon at any time thereafter up to the day of judgment, including all interest, penalties, and cost allowed by law thereon, may, upon request therefore, be recovered herein without further citation or notice to any parties herein, all said parties shall take notice of and plead and answer to all claims and pleadings now on file in said causes by all other parties herein and all of those taxing units above named who may intervene herein and set up their respective tax claims against said property.

You are hereby commanded to appear and defend such suit at or before 10:00 o'clock a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from and after the date of issuance hereof, the same being the 24th day of October, 2011 before the Honorable District Court of Howard County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, then and there to show cause why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes, penalties, interest, and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the constitutional and statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiffs and the taxing unit parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein, and all costs of this suit.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said court in the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, this 6th day of September, A.D. 2011.

Brandie Martinez
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Lot 5, Blk 1, Buckner Place Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas,

Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiffs for taxes in the following amount: \$4,548.25, exclusive of interest, penalties, and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes all said interest, penalties, and cost thereon, allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein.

You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL as Plaintiffs, against WALTER B. FIELDS and others, as Defendant(s), by petition filed on November 30, 2010, in a certain suit styled HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. WALTER B. FIELDS, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Howard County, Texas 118th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is 5902 that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit, are NONE.

Plaintiffs and all other taxing units who may set up their tax claims herein seek recovery of delinquent ad valorem taxes on the property hereinabove described, thereon up to and including the day of judgment herein, and the establishment and foreclosure of liens, if any, securing the payment of same, as provided by law.

All parties to this suit, including Plaintiffs, Defendant(s), and Intervenor, shall take notice that claims not only for any taxes which were delinquent on said property at the time this suit was filed but all taxes becoming delinquent thereon at any time thereafter up to the day of judgment, including all interest, penalties, and cost allowed by law thereon, may, upon request therefore, be recovered herein without further citation or notice to any parties herein, all said parties shall take notice of and plead and answer to all claims and pleadings now on file in said causes by all other parties herein and all of those taxing units above named who may intervene herein and set up their respective tax claims against said property.

You are hereby commanded to appear and defend such suit at or before 10:00 o'clock a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from and after the date of issuance hereof, the same being the 24th day of October, 2011 before the Honorable District Court of Howard County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, then and there to show cause why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes, penalties, interest, and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the constitutional and statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiffs and the taxing unit parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein, and all costs of this suit.

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Howard County, Texas,
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if living, and if any or all of the above named Defendants be dead, the unknown heirs of such person if he should be deceased, and any and all other persons, including adverse claimants, owning or claiming or having any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the land described in Plaintiffs' petition on file in this cause; and the executors, administrators, guardians, legal representatives, legatees, devisees, trustees, officers, directors, stockholders, partners, managers or other governing persons of the above named persons or entities, who own or claim some interest in the land described in Plaintiffs' petition on file in this cause, to-wit:

Lot 3, Blk 4, Hall Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas,

Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiffs for taxes in the following amount: \$907.12, exclusive of interest, penalties, and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes all said interest, penalties, and cost thereon, allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein.

You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL as Plaintiffs, against RENE VILLA AND LAURA VILLA and others, as Defendant(s), by petition filed on March 31, 2008, in a certain suit styled HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. RENE VILLA AND LAURA VILLA, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Howard County, Texas 118th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is T-5627 that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit, are NONE.

Plaintiffs and all other taxing units who may set up their tax claims herein seek recovery of delinquent ad valorem taxes on the property hereinabove described, thereon up to and including the day of judgment herein, and the establishment and foreclosure of liens, if any, securing the payment of same, as provided by law.

All parties to this suit, including Plaintiffs, Defendant(s), and Intervenor, shall take notice that claims not only for any taxes which were delinquent on said property at the time this suit was filed but all taxes becoming delinquent thereon at any time thereafter up to the day of judgment, including all interest, penalties, and cost allowed by law thereon, may, upon request therefore, be recovered herein without further citation or notice to any parties herein, all said parties shall take notice of and plead and answer to all claims and pleadings now on file in said causes by all other parties herein and all of those taxing units above named who may intervene herein and set up their respective tax claims against said property.

You are hereby commanded to appear and defend such suit at or before 10:00 o'clock a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from and after the date of issuance hereof, the same being the 24th day of October, 2011 before the Honorable District Court of Howard County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, then and there to show cause why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes, penalties, interest, and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the constitutional and statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiffs and the taxing unit parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein, and all costs of this suit.

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Pickett and Laura Pickett Grantee: Benny Lee Pickett and Kathy Pickett Property: Lots 7-8, Block 5, Cole & Strayhorn Addition Date: Aug. 16, 2011 Grantor: Carlene Rose Grantee: Marcellous Weaver Property: The S/2 of Lot 2 and the N/2 of Lot 3, Hancock Addition Date: Aug. 16, 2011 Grantor: Roland Gore Grantee: Derwood C. Zant Property: The N/10 feet of Lot 10, Block 14, McDowell Heights Date: Aug. 17, 2011 Grantor: Derwood C. Zant Grantee: BDC Properties/Construction Inc. Property: Lot 11, Block 14, McDowell Heights Addition Date: Aug. 17, 2011 Grantor: Derwood C. Zant Grantee: BDC Properties/Construction Inc. Property: The N/10 feet of Lot 9 and the S/40 feet of Lot 10, Block 14, McDowell Heights Date: Aug. 17, 2011 Grantor: Steve Park and Judy Park Grantee: Christopher Shane Sayles and Jenny Sayles Property: Lots 5-8, Block 46, Original Town of Forsan Date: Aug. 18, 2011 Grantor: C&H Enterprises Grantee: Paul Edward Lance Jr. Property: Lots 11 and 13, Tract 4, Foster Subdivision Date: Aug. 18, 2011 Grantor: Mendi Strickland Grantee: Vital Enterprises Inc. Property: Lots 22-24, Block 7, South Haven Addition Date: Aug. 25, 2011 Grantor: Steven Dickson Grantee: Lakisha Lashawn McGregor Property: Ronnie Lee Bell Date: Aug. 26, 2011 Grantor: Maria G. Gonzales Grantee: Pete G. Gonzales Property: Lots 1-2, Block 4, Lincoln Addition Date: Aug. 30, 2011 Grantor: Kris L. Honeycutt Grantee: Diane Emery Property: Lot 8, Block 7, Replat of Wasson Place Date: Sept. 2, 2011 Grantor: Leota M. Haney Grantee: Stanley Haney Property: A tract out of Section 43, Block 27, H&TC RR Co. 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2004 Ford F-250 Superduty Crewcab Diesel - Blue w/Tan Cloth, XLT, Excellent Condition, 2WD. Stk# 2511A. Was \$21,995 **NOW \$19,995**

2008 Ford F150 Supercrew Lariat 4X4 - Black w/Black Leather, Navigation, Moonroof, One Owner. Stk# 2639A. Was \$34,995 **NOW \$32,995**

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2005 Ford Freestyle SEL - Black w/Gray Sweep, All Power, Local One Owner w/73,000 Miles. Stk# 2529A. Was \$12,995 **NOW \$10,995**

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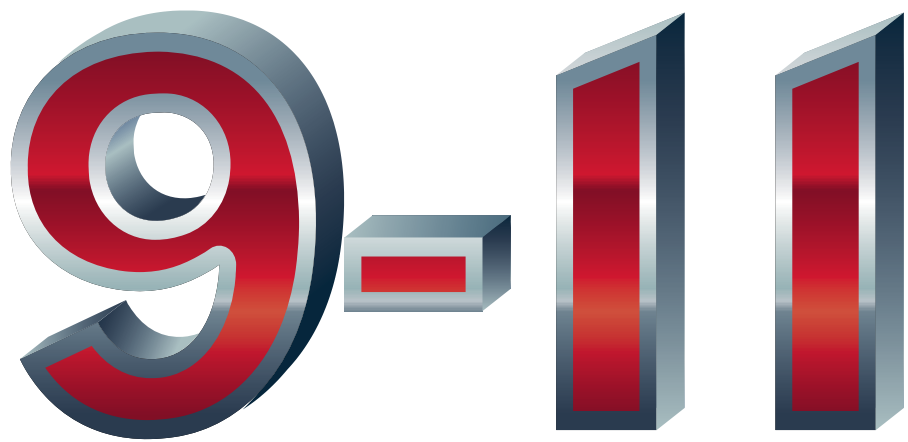
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