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Whitt gets 10 years in prison

By **THOMAS JENKINS**

Staff Writer

A 54-year-old Big Spring man was sentenced to 10 years in prison Friday morning in 118th District Court, pleading guilty to one count of prohibited sexual conduct after law enforcement discovered he had fathered a child with his daughter.

Edgar Dale Whitt, 54, formerly of 4302.5 S. Highway 87 and currently in the custody of the Howard County Detention Center, had been indicted by a grand jury June 1 on two counts of prohibited sexual conduct and four counts of indecency with a child, all second-degree felonies.

Whitt — along with his daughter, 26-year-old Tamara Ruth Whitt, also of 4302.5 S. Highway 87 — were arrested March 18 after police officials responded to a report of a 7-year-old boy traveling down S. Highway 87 on a bicycle, attempting to run away from home. According to law enforcement officials, there were also two other children living in the home at the time, a 5-year-old and a 2-year-old.

Both Edgar and Tamara Whitt were initially charged with abandoning/endangering a child — criminal negligence when the boy told officers he was running away from home after having been restrained with a straight jacket.

All three children were removed from the home by the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services.

Per the plea bargain with Edgar Whitt, officials with the Howard County District Attorney's Office have agreed not to prosecute Tamara Whitt. At the time of the plea agreement, Tamara Whitt had been charged with two counts of abandoning/endangering a child — criminal negligence.

Tamara Whitt was present in the court's audience Friday morning; however, she was removed from the courtroom by the bailiff prior to the proceedings.

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Steer Nation comes home



HERALD photos/Tony Claxton and Thomas Jenkins
Clockwise from bottom right: Big Spring High School's 2012 homecoming festivities Friday began with a pep rally in the high school gym; a group of BSHS exes wave to the crowd from their float in the homecoming parade; and Melinda Gonzalez and Max Pappajohn were named homecoming queen and king during halftime of Friday's football game vs. Andrews. See additional photos, Page 5A.



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County to finalize tax rate Monday

By **THOMAS JENKINS**

Staff Writer

Howard County commissioners will look to put the finishing touches on their 2012-2013 fiscal plan Monday, as the court looks to adopt its tax rate for the coming year.



Barr

The court — which approved its 2012-2013 budget during the Sept. 10 meeting — will consider adopting a tax rate of 33 cents per \$100 valuation during the meeting.

According to county records, the effective tax rate — the rate which would bring in the same levy as last year — is 30.9221 cents per \$100

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Mark Barr
Howard County Judge

valuation. The rollback rate, which is comprised of the effective rate plus an 8 percent increase in the levy, has been calculated at 33.1460 cents per \$100 valuation.

County Auditor Jackie Olson said the proposed rate — which is slightly less than the rollback rate — will generate \$753,000 more tax dollars for the county than last year's levy, which was 43.6720 cents per \$100 valuation.

According to County Judge Mark Barr, the additional funding is necessary for the county to address its ongoing issue with roadway damages, which continue to grow exponentially due to the current boom in the oilfield.

"We have to address this problem and, unfortunately, it looks like it will be the taxpayers who have to foot the bill for it," Barr said. "Overall, the damage is estimated

at approximately \$22 million right now. What we're hoping to do is be able to spend approximately \$400,000 to \$500,000 a year to try to make repairs. This isn't something we're going to be able to fix all at one time, obviously."

Local taxpayers may not be the only ones to foot the bill for county roads damaged by the increased truck traffic, as the court is expected to dis-

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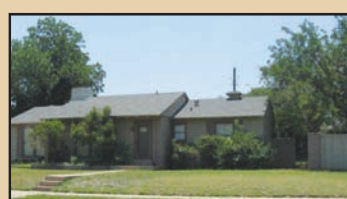
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Obituaries



Annette 'Ann' Marie Weaver

Annette "Ann" Marie Weaver, 81, of Big Spring, died Thursday, Sept. 20, 2012, at Midland Memorial Hospital. The family will receive friends from 1:30 p.m. until 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 23, 2012, at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Graveside services will follow at 3 p.m. at Weaver Family & Friends Cemetery with Wade Cobb, minister of the Gathering in Midland, officiating.

Ann was born July 7, 1931, in Fort Worth, Texas to Sophie Ruth and Jessie Jackson and grew up in Cleo Springs, Okla., where she was a cheerleader and twirler for her school band. After working for Boeing and as a hair model, Ann moved to Big Spring in the 1950s, where she met and married Aubrey Weaver Sr. in 1963. Ann worked as a secretary at Hall-Bennett Hospital for many years and co-owned City Pawn Shop with her husband. In later years, Ann served as secretary, treasurer and organizational backbone for the Howard County Democrats, Mother Advisor to the Big Spring Chapter of the International Order of the Rainbow for Girls, worked as a caregiver, and helped with Meals on Wheels. Ann believed in Christ, was an extraordinary cook, loved children and animals and had a great passion for the well-being of everyone she knew or met.

Ann is survived by three sons: Terry Vaughn (and wife Helen) of Midland, Mackie Vaughn and Aubrey Weaver, Jr. of Big Spring; one daughter: Marci Rogers (and husband True) of Midland, Mich.; four grandchildren: Dax Fields of Sweetwater, Lauren Van Zandt (and husband Kyle) of Altus, Okla., Tansley Rogers and Marcellous Rogers of Midland, Mich.; two great grandchildren: Macie Van Zandt and Lilly Van Zandt of Altus, Okla.; and two sisters, Jessie Dent of Florida and Cleo Burt of California.

In addition to her parents, Ann was preceded in death by her husband, Aubrey, whose cremated remains will be laid to rest with her.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials to American Stroke Association, PO Box 15186, Austin, TX 78761 or American Cancer Society c/o Carolyn Brooks, PO Box 2121, Big Spring, TX 79721-2121.

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

Paid obituary

Police blotter

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

- ERNESTO ALONZO, 39, of 1900 Martin Luther King Blvd., was arrested Friday on a warrant for driving without being secured by safety belt.
- BRESHA DENAE RANDLE, 19, of 1805 Mittel Ave., was arrested Friday on warrants for fail to appear (x2), expired registration and failed to control speed.
- THEFT was reported:
In the 1600 block of E. Sixth.
In the 3500 block of E. I-20.
In the 1100 block of Hwy 176.
In the 300 block of S. Rex in Forsan.
In the 2200 block of Rannels Street.
In the 1700 block of W. I-20.
- ASSAULT was reported in the 400 block of Westover Road.
- CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 1600 block of Lark Street.

Support Groups

MONDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, noon-1 p.m., 615 Settles.

- PEP — Parent Education Program for CPS participating and non-participating parents, single parent, grandparents, adoptive or fostering parents. Every first and fourth Monday of the month from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Northside Community Center. Classes are free. For information, call 263-2673.

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

- Take Pounds Off Sensibly (TOPS) TX 0021 meets at First Christian Church at 10th and Goliad, in the dining hall on the east side of the building. Weigh-in starts at 5 p.m. and meeting starts at 5:30 p.m. We have a different program each week. For more information, please call 213-1342 or 263-6819

TUESDAY

- Big Spring Parkinsons Support Group meeting at the Big Spring Senior Center at 10:30 a.m. the second Tuesday of the month. This is a group for those with Parkinson's Disease, Young Onset Parkinson's, caregivers, and those interested in learning more about the illness. There is time for socializing and information. For more information about the support group or about Parkinson's Disease, contact Jody at 432-699-6640 or midlandparkinsons@yahoo.com or Jo Bidwell at the Lubbock APDA office at 806-785-2732.

- Special Parents for Special Children support group meets the first Tuesday of each month, 6:30 p.m. at Elbow Elementary. Contact Kerri Rosenbaum at 432-816-3320 or kerrirosenbaum9488@msn.com.

Take Note

• Coahoma High School Band Boosters will host a homecoming tailgate dinner at 6 p.m. Friday at the Coahoma football stadium. The plates, which will cost \$7, include brisket sandwich, potato salad or chips, pinto beans, a snake and your choice of soft drink.

• Big Spring Health Department will be administering flu shots from 1:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Oct. 9-10 at 501 Birdwell Lane, Suite 28-B. Five dollar donations are welcomed, however, no one will be turned away for inability to play. Medicare patients, Medicare pays for flu shots and their administration so remember to bring your card. For information, call 432-263-9775.

• To honor the ideas of St. Francis of Assisi, St. Mary's the Virgin Episcopal Church parishioners are sponsoring a dog and cat food drive for the Howard County Humane Society through Oct. 5. Donations can be taken to the Humane Society located at West I H-20 off the service road, Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., or dropped off by the Big Spring Herald, 710 Scurry St., Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

At 10:30 a.m. Friday, Oct. 5, the Rev. Barbara Kirk-Norris, rector of St. Mary's, will hold a community-wide Blessing of the Animal service at the Humane Society shelter. The community is encouraged to bring their pets or stuffed animals, tour the shelter and consider bringing home a furry friend during this pet adoption drive event. Please make sure all living animals are secure either by a leash or carrier. Sunday Oct. 7, the church will hold a second community-wide Blessing of the Animals at 3 p.m. in the Parish's Bennett Garden, 1001 S. Goliad. Food donations for the Humane Society will be taken at this time.

• Compass Hospice is in need of your help. If you would be interested in offering your love and God's comfort to those who are suffering, or to their families, contact Michelle Coutermarsh at 263-5999 or come by 602 S. Main.

Volunteers are needed in many categories including patient care. You may give as much or as little time as you wish. Any amount of time is greatly appreciated. Training is offered free of charge.

• Northside Community Center will be offering after school program from 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Free ESL or SSL will be offered from 10 a.m. until noon Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Free basic computer sessions will be Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. until noon and 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Call 263-2673.

• An account has been established at Big Spring Community Federal Credit Union in the name of Glenda Berger, who was recently diagnosed with inoperable lung cancer. Donations will be used to help defer medical costs and mounting bills. All donations are greatly appreciated. Call Big Spring Community Federal Credit Union at 800-299-6761.

• The Big Spring State Hospital Volunteer Services Council needs assistance in The Chalet Resale Shoppe, 115 East Second St. The Chalet Resale Shoppe is a fast-paced retail shop specializing in gently worn clothing and small household appliance. Volunteers are needed to sort, price, check out and stock donated items. Volunteer hours are flexible. The Chalet is open 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday. For more information, contact Jamey Stegall at james.stegall@dshs.state.tx.us or 432 268-7535.

• Every Friday night from 7:30 p.m. until 10 p.m. is dance night at the Senior Citizen Center. The cost is \$8 per person.

• An account has been established at American State Bank to help defray medical expense for Brad "Ghost" Ugstad, a local resident who was severely injured in a motorcycle accident. All donations will be appreciated.

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

• Spring Tabernacle Ministries, 1209 Wright St., has a brief, inspirational message before giving away food and clothing on Thursday mornings. It's a great way to work off community service and get help, too. Be there at 9 a.m.-11 a.m. and get two for one plus a rehab meeting.

• Home Hospice is seeking volunteers. 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.

• 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 week you are available. Meet new people and enjoy a rewarding experience. For more information, contact Emma Bogard at 432-267-2963.

• The Salvation Army is holding its annual fan drive and is in need of fans. Community members can donate new or used fans. Monetary donations are also welcomed.

Donations can be made at the main office, located at 811 W. Fifth St., Monday through Friday between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

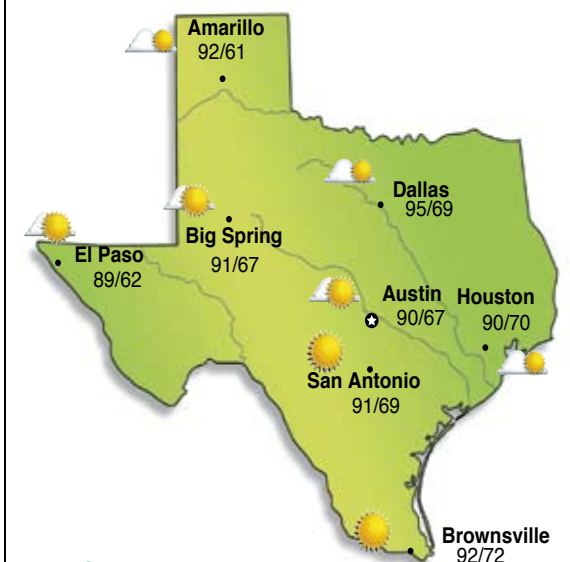
Today's Weather

Local 5-Day Forecast

Mon 9/24	Tue 9/25	Wed 9/26	Thu 9/27	Fri 9/28
				
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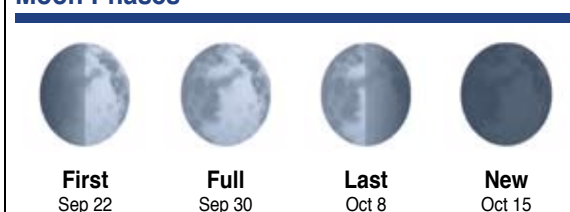
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Amarillo	92	61	pt sunny	Livingston	92	66	pt sunny
Austin	90	67	mst sunny	Longview	92	67	pt sunny
Beaumont	89	69	pt sunny	Lubbock	89	62	pt sunny
Brownsville	92	72	sunny	Lufkin	93	68	pt sunny
Brownwood	94	66	mst sunny	Midland	90	67	pt sunny
Corpus Christi	90	74	sunny	Raymondville	93	71	sunny
Corsicana	94	67	pt sunny	Rosenberg	91	69	mst sunny
Dallas	95	69	pt sunny	San Antonio	91	69	sunny
Del Rio	94	70	sunny	San Marcos	91	67	pt sunny
El Paso	89	62	mst sunny	Sulphur Springs	93	68	pt sunny
Fort Stockton	90	64	mst sunny	Sweetwater	91	66	mst sunny
Gainesville	93	67	pt sunny	Tyler	92	68	pt sunny
Greenville	93	66	pt sunny	Weatherford	93	67	pt sunny
Houston	90	70	pt sunny	Wichita Falls	95	69	pt sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	75	53	sunny	Minneapolis	76	48	sunny
Boston	67	47	mst sunny	New York	68	53	mst sunny
Chicago	69	49	sunny	Phoenix	98	73	mst sunny
Dallas	95	69	pt sunny	San Francisco	71	56	sunny
Denver	79	53	cloudy	Seattle	69	55	pt sunny
Houston	90	70	pt sunny	St. Louis	75	60	pt sunny
Los Angeles	81	62	pt sunny	Washington, DC	70	53	sunny
Miami	83	76	t-storm				

Moon Phases



UV Index

Mon 9/24	Tue 9/25	Wed 9/26	Thu 9/27	Fri 9/28
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The UV Index is measured on a 0 - 11 number scale, with a higher UV Index showing the need for greater skin protection.

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KC Steakhouse is Dine Out Day sponsor

KC Steakhouse, located at 2104 I H 20 on the service road, is the featured Dine Out Day sponsor this week. The restaurant will provide a donation in support of the United Way of Howard County and Big Spring 2013 campaign, with a portion of their earnings from Sept. 24 through Sept. 30. Go out and support your local restaurant and United Way.

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Barry Norris and Angelica Diaz were named homecoming king and queen, respectively, at Sands High School Friday. Norris is the son of Adam and Sandra Hernandez and Diaz is the daughter of Angelica and Juan Diaz.

St. Lawrence festival Oct. 7

By **BILL MCCLELLAN**
Managing Editor

ST. LAWRENCE — If sausage is your thing, don't forget about the St. Lawrence Fall Festival, scheduled for Sunday, Oct. 7, at the St. Lawrence Church.

It's the 56th year of the festival, which draws guests from across Texas and New Mexico — mainly for the fresh, homemade sausage — but also for the many booths and other activities.

The festival begins with a 9 a.m. mass in the church.

Uncooked, homemade German sausage will be sold in the morning for \$5 per pound, with a five-pound minimum, in the Sausage Haus, north of the pavilion.

Lunch is served from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and

includes barbecue brisket, homemade German sausage and all the trimmings, including homemade desserts (and diabetic desserts), tea, coffee and water.

Meal tickets are \$9 for adults and \$6 for children under age 12. Plates to go will be available from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m., as well.

Sausage sandwiches, sauerkraut and other food concessions will be available after 3 p.m.

There will be limited handicap parking spaces and reserved seating for handicapped citizens and seniors.

Booths include a petting zoo, grab bag, dunking booth, coke ring toss, jump houses, duck pond and bean bag toss. These will be entertaining the public from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. Booth tickets are

50 cents each. A Kountry Kitchen will be stocked with local handicrafts, baked and canned items. There will be a booth featuring religious items for sale and balloon man Harlin Rhodes will be showcasing his balloon animals.

Other vendors will offer clothing, jewelry, crafts and a lot more.

Bingo will be held from noon until 4 p.m. under the church pavilion.

A silent auction will be held from 11 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. on the patio, while a live auction will begin at 2 p.m. in the parish hall.

St. Lawrence Parish Hall is located 10 miles south of Garden City on Highway 33, then five miles west on Highway 2401.

For more information, call 432-397-2268.

COUNTY

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Discuss the possible implementation of a road use agreement with the oil companies causing many of the road issues.

"I don't know that we will be able to take action on road use agreements during the Monday meeting," Barr said. "However, we desperately need to get the ball rolling on

the issue."

Commissioners have considered utilizing road use agreements — which would have the oilfield companies using the roadways paying for a percentage of the upkeep — during the past several months.

According to Barr, he's been unable to get any of the local oil companies to sit down with the commissioners court and discuss the matter, despite numerous attempts.

"To my knowledge, none of

them have come forward to discuss this with us," he said. "However, we're at a point where we can't wait for them to come to the table any more. We have to move forward on the matter. We're currently looking at using a similar agreement currently implemented in another Texas county as our template. We'll just have to discuss it Monday and see where it goes."

The court is also expected to consider:

- Inter-local agreement be-

tween Howard County and the Howard County Water Control and Improvement District.

• Renewal of a contract between the county and the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services.

Also during Monday's meeting, commissioners are expected to meet with County Auditor Jackie Olson to discuss Invoices, purchase requests and proposed budget amendments.

County Treasurer Teresa

Thomas is expected to present personnel considerations, as well.

Commissioners will also meet with County Road and Bridge Administrator Brian Klinksiek to discuss pipeline crossings and road maintenance.

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, contact the county judge's office at 432-264-2202.

WHITT

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Whitt was represented by Sweetwater attorney Trey Keith, while Assistant District Attorney Robin Orr represented the state.

The sentence was handed down by 118th District Court Judge Timothy Yeats, who asked if Whitt had any questions.

"My only question is that the court take under consideration my health. I'm a cripple and disabled," Whitt said quietly.

According to Orr, Whitt will be required to serve 25 percent of his sentence — in this case, approximately two years with his time spent in the county detention center awaiting trial considered — before he is eligible for parole.

"Certain offenses are listed in the code of criminal procedure that essentially say the judge cannot grant probation for them and if a person is convicted (of a 3G crime) they cannot accrue good time toward a parole until they have served at least one-

half of their sentence, day for day," Orr said. "(When it is not a 3G offense) you have to serve one-quarter of your sentence, however, you can accrue good time toward that quarter.

"Understand, however, that becoming eligible for parole in a way guarantees you will receive it. It is my understanding that on a lot of sex offenses now, they are serving a much greater percentage of that time. Again, his case will be judged on its own merits — whatever those happen to be — and his conduct while he's in the system will have whatever bearing it will have, good, bad or indifferent."

Orr said he was satisfied with the outcome of the plea agreement, despite the dismissal of several charges.

"It took me a long time just to go through the reports written on this case and try to construct a timeline and get some idea of the sequence in which things occurred," Orr said. "Having done that and having evaluated what I found it was my opinion — in certain respects, especially toward the charge of prohibited sexual conduct

— I felt quite sure we could get a conviction. The question became, 'What would a jury do with that?' My experience with juries is there's no way to tell.

"In this particular case it was a substantial sentence; it wasn't necessary to prepare the case for a trial that necessarily involves the witnesses, some of the family members. Especially in regard to the charges of indecency with a child, I had very substantial doubts as to whether or not — in a legal sense — that case would even get to a jury. So, dismissing that case was us not giving up a great deal. There are times when, as much as you might like to prosecute a certain case, you have to, as a professional, realize the evidence you need is simply not there and that was a large part of my evaluation of that part of the case."

Given the unpredictable nature of a jury trial or subsequent punishment phase, Orr said he felt comfortable with the outcome of Friday's proceedings.

"I don't believe I've ever (met) anyone who confused a 10-year sen-

tence in the Texas prison system with a day at the beach," Orr said firmly. "Regardless of how much time he does serve or not serve, he is a convicted felon. We were able to accomplish that without the risk to us of a trial. I know people might think he might have gotten a different sentence (at trial) ... and that's true, he might have. However, he might not have. What if a jury comes back with a three-year sentence?"

"One of the things I've come to appreciate in the dozen years I've been doing this is I value the certainty of a conviction which results from a plea agreement rather than the chance to perhaps obtain a greater sentence. A bird in the hand is still worth two in the bush.

"I don't think Mr. Whitt is in really good health to begin with. I don't know that he is going to get out of prison," he added. "His health wasn't considered in relation to the plea agreement as far as I know. It was always there, in the background, but I don't believe anyone ever figured, 'Hey, he'll die in prison.' Although, that

is a possibility."

According to Marleigh Meisner, public information officer for the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS), all three children are currently in the agency's conservatorship.

"Two of the children have been placed, together, in a foster home," Meisner said. "The third child has been placed separately. All three are doing very well at this time."

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YOUR VIEWS

First impressions

TO THE EDITOR:

Yesterday, I attended the grand opening of the Republican Headquarters to help myself prepare for my choices on election day.

There were about 30 people there, all visiting, laughing together. Two people spoke to me, a stranger. A lady asked me what I wanted on my hot dog, and a gentleman waiting for his hot dog mentioned to me how great it was to be getting rain.

Emily Post's Etiquette, ISBN 0-06-620957-9, Page 12, says "People often worry about the forms of introductions, but the only truly unforgivable breach of etiquette is the failure to attempt an introduction when people who don't know each other are in your presence. Making errors in order, forgetting or mispronouncing a name, giving an incorrect courtesy or professional title — these embarrassments are minor (and easily corrected) compared to the discourtesy of expecting people to be sociable when they have no idea who the other person or people are."

I am assuming most of the folks at the Republican Headquarters' opening were members and officers of the local Republican Club. It is only they to whom I direct my disappointment. But I really believe that if someone or some group has a social, hosting is a very important function.

As I say, I am preparing myself to make my choices on election day. What an impression from the Republicans!

ORAND CARROLL
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School project

TO THE EDITOR:

My name is Tilly Fultz and I am in fifth grade. I attend Brethren Heritage School in Modesto, Calif.

We are doing state reports this year in our history class. I have chosen to do my report on your state of Texas.

If you should happen to read this in your local newspaper, I would greatly appreciate receiving any information or items regarding your state. You could send pictures, tourist attraction information, trivia about your state or anything that would cause me to be more familiar with your state.

Please send to Tilly Fultz, C/O Brethren Heritage School, 3549 Dakota Avenue, Modesto, CA 95358

Thanks you very much for helping me with my state report . I will appreciate any help you can give me.

SINCERELY
TILLY FULTZ
MODESTO, CALIF.

School issues

TO THE EDITOR:

I am writing this to thank the Big Spring School district for making my granddaughter make her decision not to go the high school.

Last year she was at the junior high, the whole year she was there she was tormented and threatened. The school took the side of the one who was doing the bullying, not my granddaughter. She is the one being tortured and they protect the ones doing it to her.

I talked to school officials several times and nothing was done! She would come home crying because what those girls said to her and they get by with it. My granddaughter is a student involved in band, on the yearbook staff and atheltics and they believe the ones doing it. Now, what is wrong this picture?

We went as far as calling CBS 7 in Midland and they interviewed her at home and then once at my house. They talked to a school official and were told that the school was taking bullying seriously. I fell out of my chair. They are all lies.

School officials did not have time to talk to us. We kept talking to several school officials and they said the same thing, nothing! One official even told us if she wanted to see a movie, then go to Midland, better yet maybe she should move, yea move, that was the answer.

I think the schools are afraid of these kids and let them run things. I spoke to several of my granddaughter's friends and their mom's took and put them into other schools.

Now, about my granddaughter, she is being home schooled and found out this school district was behind the K-12 program, but has caught up and now is classified as a 9th and a 10th grader. I tried to get the school to join an anti bullying program, but he refused and said they had one ... if you want to call it that.

MARILLYN MIEARS
BIG SPRING

A mad, mad, mad, world

To say the world population is generally more angered today than at any time in history is like unto a broad sweep with a whisk broom. Still, if put to a vote, results might support such a theory, provided they could withstand challenging roars of voting irregularities.

Anger topics have grown to the point of being innumerable. If our "mads" were written on the sides of railway cars, the train would stretch over the next hill, perhaps even into the next county. Folks' anger is exceeded only by their fears. Here, too, the list is long. In this epistle, I'll deal only with the obscure. Obscurity — whether by your measurement or mine — can take center stage with warp speed. Like puppy love, it's real to the puppy.

Few teapots can contain brewing tempests, even on local levels.

In Dallas, for example, arms are "upped" upon news of greatly reduced restaurant inspections. City budgetary woes are blamed. Some eateries formerly checked on twice annually haven't seen inspectors in more than a year.

This account reminded my 100-year-old Uncle Mort of a long-ago experience. He and fellow workers ordered café breakfasts. "Make sure I get a clean plate," Mort warned. Upon returning with the orders, the server asked, "OK, who gets the clean plate?"

A current "movie," Innocence



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of Muslims, initially seemed destined for obscurity. After all, it was shot in two weeks with a budget of less than \$100,000.

Though Muhammad's name wasn't mentioned, Muslim radicals took offense, creating furor in many parts of the world. They're madder'n hops at the U.S.

It's not likely to get positive reviews at the international film festival, to say the least.

Doctors are frustrated. So are patients. Young people think they'll never get sick. Oldsters know it's not if, but when. (A friend sought medical help for his "hunker" condition. He has no trouble "hunkering down," but "hunkering up" is a whole 'nuther matter.)

Most of us long of tooth plan schedules around medical appointments.

At one office last week, I settled into the exam chair just as the doctor walked in. He handed me a little cup of bluish liquid to "squish around." I thought little of it, but he offered a second cup, and then a third. Finally, we got on with my eye exam and I made a mental note to buy some industrial strength breath mints.

Receptionists for health care professionals wear many hats, their patience tested by patients' impatience. (I know we are all "time-biders," often thumbing through musty magazines. Too bad about the Titanic, isn't it?)

Receptionists have some of the best "you ain't gonna believe this" stories.

In my hometown years ago, the receptionist at an optometric practice routinely answered phones with a cheerful greeting: "Dr. Smith and staff." One caller asked to speak to Dr. Smith. Advised that Dr. Smith wasn't in,

he responded, "OK, let me speak to Dr. Staff." On another day, there was a call for "Dr. Smith-enstaff."

A few nights ago, I addressed Fort Worth area dentists after they'd decimated a Mexican food repast at River Crest Country Club.

They were affable and relaxed, sharing stories old and new. (Overheard: "Pulled any good ones lately?")

I reminded them that this was one of those rare times when they could all leave the country club harboring pleasant thoughts. "Too often, after a golf game gone bad, you look back at the club, fists shaking, muttering about how you'll get 'em next time." That's the same grouching one hears on planes leaving Las Vegas. Unlucky gamblers, bristling at losses, shake fists back as they depart Las Vegas, vowing they'll inflict heavy damage on the casinos next time."

Finally, the story of a patient told that she'd need to take a certain medicine for the rest of her life.

Worried after picking up the prescription at the drugstore, she called the physician, making sure he said the medicine would be needed the rest of the way. "That's right," her doctor assured. "Then why does the label say 'no refills'?" she questioned.

And then there was the chiropractor who was lambasted by a patient for "rubbing him the wrong way." End of the lines; everybody off.

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Back to school, another year

Every year around this time, Texas children head back to the classroom.

Their young minds are filled with anticipation and excitement of seeing old friends, making new ones and starting fresh.

The start of a new school year is a special occasion for children, making it important for moms and dads to be there to share the joy and provide support. It's also a good time to remind parents of the importance of making regular child support payments.



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It is common knowledge that children depend on their parents for basic needs like food, shelter, health care and back-to-school clothing. But, research shows that it's about more than just money for the necessities. The children of parents who pay their child support have fewer behavior problems, make better grades and stay in school longer than children who do not receive regular support.

Parents who pay child support are much more likely to take an active role in their kids' lives. Children with two involved and caring parents are more self-confident, more likely to exercise self-control and less likely to engage in risky behaviors that can lead to drug use and early pregnancy.

Thankfully, most parents pay their court-ordered child support every month. For parents who need extra encouragement, it is our hope that the new school year brings renewed commitment to do the right thing: pay their child support. All children deserve the security that comes with parents who care enough to make regular child support payments.

Parents who need child support services can contact the Child Support Division of the Attorney General's Office for assistance. The Child Support Division will help:

- Establish paternity;
- Locate a noncustodial parent;
- Establish and enforce child support and medical support orders;
- Review and adjust child support payments; and
- Collect and distribute child support payments.

The Attorney General's Office accepts applications from mothers, fathers and other individuals who need child support services. Customers can apply for services by calling the 24-hour voice response system at (800) 252-8014 or by visiting Child Support Interactive on the main Attorney General website at www.texasattorneygeneral.gov. Parents who receive financial assistance through the Texas Health and Human Services Commission automatically receive child support services.

For the state fiscal year that ended Aug. 31, 2012, the Child

Support Division collected more than \$3 billion in child support. The Office of the Attorney General is committed to Texas children, and we will work with parents to collect the support kids need to lead healthy and productive lives.

Points to Remember
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Children Who Receive Child Support

- Have better health and nutrition
- Have fewer behavior problems
- Make better grades

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BSHS celebrates homecoming

Clockwise from top: Youth football league cheerleaders toss candy to the crowds lining the Big Spring High School homecoming parade route Friday; the BSHS cheerleaders and mascot hitch a ride on a fire truck during the parade; Joni Avery Hires and Troy Tompkins were named Coming Home queen and king prior to the start of Big Spring's football game vs. Andrews at Memorial Stadium.

HERALD photos/
Steve Reagan, Thomas Jenkins
and Tony Claxton



News in brief

Libya: 2 killed in night of protester-militia clashes in Benghazi

BENGHAZI, Libya (AP) — A Libyan hospital official says two protesters were killed as hundreds of demonstrators attacked militia compounds in Benghazi, angry at the unchecked excesses of armed groups in the eastern city including last week's killing of the U.S. ambassador.

Mohammed al-Fakhri, manager of al-Hawari hospital, said Saturday that two young men died and about 30 were injured in overnight clashes near the headquarters of the Rafallah Sehati brigade.

It was the third compound protesters attacked after breaking off from a huge march in the center of the city, part of a growing backlash against the militias. A building used by the Islamist group Ansar al-Shariah, linked to the killing of Amb. Chris Stevens, was among those overrun.

Democrats accuse Romney of applying a political strategy in filing his 2011 tax returns

WASHINGTON (AP) — Democrats say Mitt Romney manipulated his deductions to keep his overall 2011 federal income tax rate below a certain level for political purposes. The Republican presidential nominee is certain to face new questions about his finances.

Romney and his wife, Ann, donated roughly \$4 million to charities last year, but they only claimed a deduction of \$2.25 million on their tax return, filed with the Internal Revenue Service on Friday.

Romney made \$13.7 million last year and paid \$1.94 million in federal income taxes, giving him an effective tax rate of 14.1 percent.

That was a bit above the 13.9 percent rate paid on 2010 income.

Democrats quickly leaped on the documents, saying Romney had claimed fewer deductions than he was entitled to just to keep his rate at such a level.

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Walmart says 'Thank You' to Coahoma teachers



Courtesy photos

Every year Walmart shows its appreciation to teachers and rewards them for all they do. This year Tim Walsh, Walmart Store Manager and Manny Negron, community involvement coordinator, visited Coahoma Elementary with the Teacher Rewards Program. Walmart representatives have made visits in previous years to Forsan School District and to one of the elementary schools in the Big Spring School District. Each of the teachers at Coahoma Elementary were rewarded with a \$50 gift card to use for nutritional snacks or for classroom supplies, officials said.

Greater Big Spring Rotary installs new member, Allen

Bill Allen, right, with Lamun Lusk Sanchez Texas State Veterans Home was installed as a new member of the Greater Big Spring Rotary Friday Club by the Rev. Kenneth McIntosh, left, during the weekly meeting Friday. The Rotary club meets once a week to discuss club business and plan fundraisers and community projects throughout the year. To become a member or to find out more information about Rotary, contact any of the club's members.

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September 27, 2012

Pageant Coordinators: **Kristen Nichols 263-7004**

Each Club, Social, Fraternal, Religious Group, Business, Civic or School organization of Howard County and adjoining counties will be allowed one contestant. Contestants need not be a member of the sponsoring organization, but must be a resident of Howard or an adjoining county.

Each sponsor is required to pay a \$35.00 entry fee. Sponsors fee must accompany the entry.

Contestants must be enrolled in an area high school, college or S.W.C.I.D. She must be single and never been married or had children.

Contestants must be attired in an evening gown. The evening wear is similar to prom dress attire.

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Steers trounce Mustangs 51-14

Tannehill leads high-powered offense, defense stingy in homecoming win

By **BRIAN MCCORMACK**
Sports Editor

The Steers kept their win streak alive in front of an enthusiastic homecoming crowd as Big Spring — led by sophomore quarterback Tobyn Tannehill — walked all over rival Andrews, defeating the Mustangs 51-14 and improving to 4-0 on the season.

For the second straight week, the Steers' opponents drew first blood. Andrews quarterback Shane Dolgener threw a 50-yard touchdown pass to give the Mustangs a 6-0 lead on the first possession of the game when the point after was missed.

The Steer offense promptly responded as Tannehill led a 67-yard scoring drive which was capped by a one-yard run from Tannehill, followed by a valid extra point by Devin Roberson — who booted a 26-yard field goal with six minutes remaining in the first quarter to make it a 10-6 affair.

Dolgener was sidelined early in the game after suffering a knee injury and backup QB Jace Hammack took the snaps for the remainder of the outing.

"Losing their starting quarterback certainly had an impact on the game," said BSHS Head Coach Phillip Ritchey. "It had to take some of the air out of their sails, he's such a good runner. This was the scariest team we've played offensively, they do a good job of spreading it out. We were a little nervous, but our defense deserves credit — I am really proud of the way they played all night."

Big Spring mounted an attack, bringing sharp in the second quarter as Tannehill — who

racked up over 300 yards passing and 150 yards on the ground, scoring three TD's — scored on a 3-yard keeper. Ty'Ral Menefield — who made some big returns last week against Lake View on special teams — joined the fray by catching a 37-yard bomb by Tannehill. Chris Lindem took Tannehill's second touchdown pass into the end zone from four yards out and Tate Kennedy followed suit, after bringing home a 24-yard reception.

By halftime, the Steers had scored 37 unanswered points and were dominating the Mustangs on both sides of the ball.

"We knew going in we would be throwing the ball more," Ritchey said. "(The Andrews defense) keeps seven in the box — we wanted to make them cover the whole field."

With Tannehill hitting every mark, it was quite the task for the Mustangs to keep up.

"(Tannehill) is definitely very poised for a sophomore," Ritchey said. "He makes some mistakes, but he understands them and wants to fix them. He doesn't get mad. He's just a talented kid and he's so easy to coach. He goes out and does what we ask him to do."

With Big Spring already up 37-6, Tannehill struck again, this time with a 12-yard run for a touchdown. The Mustangs had score again when Hammack found a receiver with a 13-yard pass then converted to make an eight-point gain, but that would be all Andrews could muster.

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HERALD photo/Tony Claxton

Big Spring quarterback Tobyn Tannehill (right) hands the ball off to running back Michael Oliva during Friday's 51-14 homecoming win over the Andrews Mustangs.



HERALD photo/Bruce Schooler

The Sands Mustangs held their homecoming game Friday in Ackerly against the Highland Hornets. Sands fell to 2-2 on the year after a 86-44 loss. In other six-man action Lenorah Grady — who also hosted homecoming Friday — defeated Midland Trinity 68-48.

Mariners down short-handed Rangers

SEATTLE (AP) — The Texas Rangers missed two key players along with the opportunity to gain a game in the tight AL West race.

Carlos Triunfel drove in the tiebreaking run in the fourth inning and Miguel Olivo hit a two-run homer in the eighth to lead the Seattle Mariners to a 6-3 victory over the Rangers on Friday night.

Hisashi Iwakuma (7-5) held the Rangers to three runs and eight hits in seven innings, and Justin Smoak had three hits and scored two runs for the Mariners.

Tom Wilhelmsen worked the ninth to pick up his 28th save in 32 opportunities.

The Rangers were without

third baseman Adrian Beltre (stomach) and outfielder Josh Hamilton (sinus/blurred vision). Beltre should be available Saturday, while Hamilton is out for the weekend series while undergoing tests back in Dallas.

"We're not making it easy on ourselves when two guys like that aren't in the lineup but we have plenty of depth," said David Murphy, who had three hits and all three RBI. "We're still going to battle offensively and do whatever we can to scratch runs across."

"Those are our horses. Between them they have 70-something home runs and 200-plus RBI. It hurts but we're not at the point in the year when we can sit back and dwell on that.

We have to keep playing good baseball and keep nailing down wins."

Mariners center fielder Franklin Gutierrez, who had a triple and scored a run, said without Hamilton and Beltre "those guys look a lot different. Those guys make a lot of difference on that team."

Texas remains four games ahead of Oakland in the division with 12 games remaining. The A's lost 2-1 in 10 innings against the New York Yankees.

"We want to win every day. Just the fact they lose doesn't mean it's a must-win situation," Murphy said. "It would have

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Bufs down Indians, Bulldogs beaten, Bearkats make valiant stand

By **BRIAN MCCORMACK**
Sports Editor

TUSCOLA — This time, the Buffaloes hunted the Indians.

The undefeated Forsan Buffaloes traveled to meet the winless Jim Ned High School on Friday, but barely scraped by with a win as the Buffs were forced to mount a 25-point comeback to defeat the Indians, who had jumped out to 21-0 lead by the end of the first half of play.

Forsan's Brendan Roman scored two running touchdowns and rushed for 117 yards and Trevor Burchett had a 37-yard scoring reception. Burchett also shared quarterbacking duties with Marcus Cervantes. Both passed for one touchdown apiece.

Forsan's defense appeared on the gridiron with renewed vigor during the second half, holding the pass-happy Indians scoreless, allowing the offense to start firing on all cylinders.

"We focused on our pass defense all week," Forsan Head Coach Jason Phillips said. "(Jim Ned) usually throws the ball 30 or 40 times a game. Last night, they ran the ball more than we have seen them run all year."

As far as the comeback, Phillips credits his squad's determination.

"Our kids worked real hard in the second half,"

Phillips added. "Our kids could have easily given up when they were behind like they were, but they kept fighting and got back into it. It says a lot about them."

The momentum began to swing in the Buffs' favor late in the second quarter.

"The kids picked up on it. We had a couple of good defensive plays and big third down conversions when we needed them. We came out a little flat ... we had 12 penalties and five turnovers, but by the end we were looking like ourselves again. (Jim Ned) was a lot more physical than we anticipated."

The 4-0 Buffaloes will meet Crane (2-2) on the road next week.

"We are just focused on getting healthy," Phillips said. "We're moving forward as a team. Over all, I think we are getting better every week."

DENVER CITY — The Bulldogs are banged up. The already ailing Coahoma squad (1-3) suffered another physical bout Friday as the Denver City Mustangs (2-2) shut the Bulldogs out 26-0.

Quarterback Tanner Ruiz was removed from the game due to a wrist injury, hindering Coahoma's ability to make explosive plays. Though Coahoma head

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Astros win over fading Pirates

HOUSTON (AP) — The Pittsburgh Pirates came to Houston hoping to turn things around after a three-game sweep by the Brewers.

Instead they opened a three-game series with the last-place Astros on Friday night with a disheartening 7-1 loss, further dampening their already dim postseason hopes.

The Pirates couldn't find much of-fense as they lost their fourth straight game to fall to six games back for the second NL wild card spot. They've lost 16 of their last 20 games in this late-season swoon to fall to 74-76 and increase the possibility of a 20th straight losing season, which would extend their major North American professional sports record.

Things looked good for the Pirates on Aug. 8 when they were 63-47, a season-best 16 games over .500.

"When you don't get the results you want and you don't run the bases, it doesn't look good," Pittsburgh manager Clint Hurdle said. "Sometimes the game can look heavy on you. That's

when I have to make sure I am getting the effort and the attitude we need. We are, but we just aren't getting the results come game time."

Houston starter Edgar Gonzalez lasted just 1 2-3 innings before leaving with a strained right hamstring. That forced the Astros to use six different relievers to cobble together the rest of the game.

The bullpen combined to fan 11 and allow six hits. Fernando Rodriguez (2-10) struck out four in 3 1-3 innings for the win.

"They came in there and brought in one of their better relievers," Pirates catcher Michael McKenry said. "He did a great job. He was able to fill up the zone and got early contact and able to pitch three innings. They did a good job of matching it up and played it to their advantage."

Pittsburgh starter Jeff Locke (0-2) yielded three hits and three runs with a career-high eight strikeouts in five innings. He is 0-5 in eight career major league starts.

AP Source: 'Serious' gaps divide NFL, officials

NEW YORK (AP) — The NFL and its locked-out officials met the last two days, but a person familiar with the negotiations said Friday the sides remain far apart and no further talks are scheduled.

The person said in an email to The Associated Press that there are "significant and serious economic gaps." The person requested anonymity in characterizing the negotiations because they are intended to remain private.

Michael Arnold, counsel and lead negotiator for NFL Referees Association, acknowledged

the discussions, saying his group reached out to the league last week and the NFL agreed to meet. He said there may be additional talks, but it is "not appropriate" to comment on specific issues.

The NFL locked out the regular officials in June and has been using replacements as the season enters its third full weekend. Many players, coaches and fans have been upset with what they say is poor officiating. The NFL has warned teams that it won't tolerate confrontational behavior toward the new of-

ficials.

The NFL locked out the regular officials after their contract expired. Negotiations with the NFLRA broke down several times during the summer, including just before the season. This is the first time the league is using replacements since 2001.

NFL executive vice president Ray Anderson noted "unacceptable behavior" and added "we're not going to tolerate it." He said flags, fines and suspensions are possible for coaches or players who cross the line.

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been nice to shave another game off

that (magic number) but bottom line is we're just playing for wins. We're not worried about what they're doing."

Texas starter Martin Perez (1-2) gave up three runs and six hits in four innings. He struck out three, walked two and threw two wild pitches.

It was even more frustrating for the Rangers because they gave a little help to the Mariners, who scored one run on an error by Michael Young and another on one of Perez's wild pitches.

The Rangers tied the score at 2 in the fourth. With one out, Young singled to right and advanced to third on Nelson Cruz's doubled to left, and both scored on Murphy's single to cen-

ter.

The Mariners regained the lead in the bottom of the inning. Triunfel's double down the left-field line scored Casper Wells all the way from first to put Seattle ahead 3-2.

"That was one of those things," said Young, as he watched the ball bounce over his head. "He made a good pitch and they caught a break right there, a trampoline ball and it worked out well."

Triunfel moved to third on a fielder's choice and scored when Young booted Gutierrez's grounder.

"He hit it hard but it was a routine play," Young said. "I should have come up with that."

Murphy made in 4-3 in the sixth with his 14th homer, and Olivo's shot off Alexi Ogando in the eighth capped the scoring.

Smoak doubled off Perez to open the second inning. It was the first hit Perez yielded to the Mariners in 6 1-3 innings, covering three appearances.

Michael Saunders drew a walk. With one out, Wells lined a double into the

left-field corner, scoring Smoak and sending Saunders to third. That broke a 0-for-23 streak with runners in scoring position.

The Mariners added a run in the third as Gutierrez legged out a triple that bounced off the top of the center-field wall and scored on Perez's wild pitch.

"It was a sinker too hard for the catcher to block," Perez said. "If I happen to throw in the glove, it's different."

Olivo gave Wilhelmsen breathing room in the eighth with his 12th home run off Alexi Ogando.

"A couple plays there and we'd have stayed in the ball game, even though Perez was not at his best," Rangers manager Ron Washington said. "We were in it 'til Ogando hung that slider to Olivo."

Murphy, who fell a triple short of the cycle, added, "it would have been nice to see what would have happened if it was 4-3 in the ninth, to see if could have done anything."

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Coach Trey Gardner declined to go into detail about Ruiz's and other injuries, he admits the team's depth is largely absent due to the injuries. Braxton Iden took the reins at QB upon Ruiz's departure.

"We have to evaluate who we have and who we don't have," Gardner said. "Right now, we are hurting. We need to see who we can put on the field."

Gardner may have to call up some more junior varsity players and make some more position changes to fill the gaps as his defense and quarterback heals up. It wasn't as bad as it could be, considering the injuries at so many key positions.

"Our kids played with amazing effort even though they were behind," Gardner added. "There were times we looked good. T.J. White was back and both he and Caige Miller ran the ball well. We are great between the 20-yard lines ... we continue to hurt ourselves. We are eating up huge chunks of grass on the field, but then we fumble the ball or jump offsides — 99.9 percent

of the time, the effort is there from our kids. They played their rears off and only gave up one touchdown in the second half. If you look at what they were up against, it would have been easy to give up."

Coahoma will face Ballinger at home next week at Bulldog Stadium. Game time is slated for 7:30 p.m.

IRA — Garden City Head Coach Matt Odom referred to the first leg of his Bearkats' schedule as a "meat grinder". He wasn't exaggerating. Borden County, Water Valley and Ira — his most recent opponent — are all state ranked teams. Odom's first win as Bearkats coach came last week against rival Sterling City after a 50-40 victory, but his team couldn't outplay the Bulldogs and fell 45-0.

"I think we were a little outmatched on the field," Odom said. "But we played excellent in spurts. There were too many mental mistakes to beat a team like Ira. Defensively, our effort was the best I have seen since I have been here. It's tough when you play a team with good play action and a good running back in the back field, but they had to work to move the

ball."

Odom has also been plagued by injuries. Austin Odom, starting quarterback for Garden City was injured during practice recently and had to sit out against the Bulldogs.

In his place was Colton Belew, who Odom said was a very capable backup.

"(Belew) did a great job out there," Odom said. "He made good decisions and showed he could lead the team."

The tough, non-district schedule may help the Bearkats, at least Odom hopes so.

"People get caught up in griping about a tough pre-district schedule, but if you can come out of it healthy, it can pay off in the long run."

The Bearkats — who won back-to-back state championship titles in 2009 and 2010, will take on Ropes on Friday at 7:30 p.m.

Other scores:

- McCamey (2-2) def. Stanton (1-3), 42-21.
- Highland (2-2) def. Sands (2-2), 86-44.
- Grady (2-2) def. Midland Trinity (2-2), 68-48.

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STEERS

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Running back Michael Oliva found the end zone on a two-yard run, making it a 51-14 game. Oliva rushed for a total of 112 yards on 23 carries.

The Steers' homecoming was a bit more positive this year than last. Ritchey was pleased to provide the spectators and alumni with a convincing performance.

"It was an unbelievable crowd last night," Ritchey said. "We really appreciate the community support — it's a community effort, in my opinion. We are looking forward to next week and hope we can pack the seats again."

The Steers will meet Seminole on Friday at 7:30 at Memorial Stadium.

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POWs honored during VAMC ceremony Friday

By **AMANDA DUFORAT**
Staff Writer

It cannot be said enough — freedom is not free. Prisoners of war and those who are still missing in action understand that saying all too well.

Twelve of those men, former POWs, were in attendance for the POW/MIA Day celebration luncheon sponsored by the VA Medical Center on Friday. VA staff, family members and friends, along with members from Goodfellows Air Force Base were on hand to pay tribute to them and to remember all those still missing in action.

“The legacy that the men and women who have fought in our previous wars, in this case World War



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Goodfellows Honor Guard posted the colors during the POW/MIA celebration luncheon.

II, Cambodia, Korea, ... their legacy laid the ground-work for our success, our freedom and democracy; we have to protect that,” said Lt. Col. Keith Logeman, commander, 17 TRSS, U.S. Air Force.

For Logeman, being a part of the celebration at the Big Spring Country Club was special.

“It means everything because we in the military have a responsibility to ensure our nation’s freedoms, to be sure we can live in the United States of America that has liberty and to be a part of the military family that goes back generations,” Logeman said.

He continued, “People need to know there are those who have served before, fought and died, so that we can enjoy the lives that we live and oftentimes that gets forgotten. Those who have sacrificed and some who haven’t come home and like these gentleman here today were in prisoner of war camps who sacrificed so that we could live. That should never be forgotten.”

Former POW Elton B. Turner, almost 91-year-old retired Army, recalled his time as a prisoner of war. After serving as part of a group stationed in the Philippines during World War II, Turner

spent 40 months and eight days as a prisoner of war. His group was classified as a group to have gone through the greatest loss the American army has ever suffered.

“We appreciate people recognizing the sacrifices that we made and knowing that they care,” Turner said.

The brutality, the suffering and the lives lost after many were taken prisoners is what Turner feels should be at the forefront of people’s mind and the lives lost should be remembered and included as a part of history.

There are less than 32,500 surviving POWs, according to statistics provided by the VA. The majority came from Vietnam, Korea, World War II.

“All though each story is unique they share a common bond dignity. It is their honor, character and hope that transcends the extreme experiences they survived,” Dan Marsh, VA director and U.S. Air Force Veteran said.

It is for those men and their families that the VA Medical center and the department of veterans affairs is entrusted to fulfill the promise made by President Abraham Lincoln in his second inaugural address to care for him who fought the battle, his widow and his orphan.

“We are committed to redeeming our nation’s debt to her veterans with the utmost dignity, respect and compassion,” Marsh said. “Let us not forget also those Americans still listed as missing in action.”

Statistics show there are more than 73,000 in World War II, 7,900 in Korea hundreds during the Cold War and more than 2,000 in Vietnam.

The battlefields of today present more challenges, according to Director Marsh.

“America will not reset until each and every hero is accounted for. We are dedicated to all veterans, but we have a special place in our heart for those who endured captivity. It is in the hearts of our former POWs that we find unparalleled courage, loyalty and allegiance to America. In their hearts we find an unyielding faith in democratic ideals of America in their hearts we find abdominal spirit that is America,” Marsh said.

“In ceremonies like this one we remember with profound gratitude our nation’s former prisoners of war our nations regard for their sacrifice is deep and unity. Because of their sacrifice and selflessness of their heroism, millions of people now live in freedom and America remains the greatest force for good on earth on this day we honor their role in protecting our country and the liberty of mankind.”

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VA Medical Center hosted a special flag raising ceremony Friday morning and followed up with a luncheon honoring 12 POWs and those who are MIA as part of national POW/MIA Day 2012. Special guests included former POWs and members from Goodfellows Air Force Base.



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Menus

Big Spring ISD	cherry bar, milk.	chicken and broccoli
Monday: Breakfast: frosted flakes, assorted fruit juice, milk. Lunch: charbroiled meatballs, mashed potatoes/gravy, green beans, peaches, sliced bread, milk.	Thursday: Breakfast: muffin, juice and milk. Lunch: chicken quesadilla, pinto beans, seasoned corn, cake and milk.	penne, garden salad, apple slices, breadstick, milk.
Tuesday: Breakfast: taco roll, assorted fruit juice, milk. Lunch: roasted chicken, brown rice pilaf, broccoli, fruit cocktail, cornbread, orange smiles, milk.	Friday: Breakfast: hot pocket, juice, milk. Lunch: lasagna, tossed salad, pineapple tidbits, Texas toast and milk.	Tuesday: Breakfast: breakfast quesadilla, cereal, juice, milk. Lunch: ultimate taco salad, seasoned corn, fresh fruit bowl, lime sherbet, milk.
Wednesday: Breakfast: breakfast pizza, assorted fruit juice, milk. Lunch: spaghetti, pears, garden salad, ranch dressing, peas, milk.	Coahoma ISD	Wednesday: Breakfast: biscuit, sausage and gravy, cereal, juice and milk. Lunch: steak fingers, whipped potatoes with gravy, savory green beans, apple-pineapple D'lite, milk.
Thursday: Breakfast: peanut butter and jelly uncrustable, assorted fruit juice, milk. Lunch: bean and cheese chalupas, lettuce/tomato topping, french fries, baby carrots, ranch dressing, sliced apples, milk.	Monday: Breakfast: quesadilla pizza, fruit or fruit juice, milk. Lunch: cheese enchiladas, nacho, Spanish rice, refried beans, garden salad, hot cinnamon apples, milk.	Thursday: Breakfast: cinnamon tastry, cereal, juice and milk. Lunch: chicken quesadilla, black beans, baby carrots, orange smiles, salsa, milk.
Friday: Breakfast: cinnamon french toast, assorted fruit juice, milk. Lunch: hamburger, sweet potato sticks, cucumbers, ranch dressing, pineapple chunks, banana, milk.	Tuesday: Breakfast: blueberry muffin, fruit or fruit juice, milk. Lunch: hot dog, ham and cheese sandwich, potato tots, baked beans, fruity gelatin, milk.	Friday: Breakfast: cereal, toast, juice, milk. Lunch: pepperoni pizza or cheese pizza, garden salad, fresh veggie cup, mixed fruit, milk.
Sands ISD	Wednesday: Breakfast: sausage roll, fruit or fruit juice, milk. Lunch: grilled cheese sandwich, corn dog, sweet potato fries, fresh veggie cup, fresh grapes, ice cream novelty, milk.	Senior Center
Monday: Breakfast: biscuit and gravy, juice and milk. Lunch: popcorn chicken, broccoli, rice and cheese, pears, cornbread and milk.	Thursday: Breakfast: biscuits, sausage, fruit or fruit juice, milk. Lunch: steak fingers with gravy, hamburger, whipped potato, savory green beans, orange smiles, milk.	Monday: cheeseburger, onion rings, coleslaw, tropical fruit with bananas, milk.
Tuesday: Breakfast: cinnamon roll, juice and milk. Lunch: sloppy joes, pickle spears, corn cobbett, chips, apple and milk.	Friday: Breakfast: blueberry waffles, fruit or fruit juice, milk. Lunch: chicken and broccoli penne, pizza, garden salad, appleslices, breadsticks, milk.	Tuesday: roast turkey with gravy, sweet potatoes, cauliflower, salad, cake, rolls/milk.
Wednesday: Breakfast: cereal, yogurt, juice and milk. Lunch: steak fingers, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, roll,	Forsan ISD	Wednesday: baked potatoes with chili, broccoli with cheese sauce, salad, crackers, key lime pie, milk.
	Monday: Breakfast: breakfast round, cereal, juice, milk. Lunch:	Thursday: chicken salad, pasta salad, spring salad, crackers, pineapple chunks, V8 juice/ milk.

Several area students awarded scholarships

McMurtrey awarded scholarship
Lacy Jill McMurtrey, a graduate of Big Spring High School, has been awarded a scholarship by the Texas Interscholastic League Foundation. McMurtrey received the Meadows Foundation Scholarship in the amount of \$4,000, payable \$500 each semester for four years. The Meadows Foundation awarded scholarships to students who have participated in the University Interscholastic League Academic State Meet Ready Writing contest. McMurtrey competed in literary criticism at the 2012 UIL Academic State Meet. She also competed in UIL ready writing, prose interpretation and one-act play. McMurtrey plans to attend Angelo State University and major in clinical lab sciences.

Stevenson awarded scholarship
James Kyle Stevenson, a graduate of Forsan High School, has been awarded a scholarship by the Texas Interscholastic League Foundation. Stevenson received the Fox Sports Southwest Scholarship in the amount of \$1,000, payable the first year of higher education. The Fox Sports Southwest Scholarship is awarded to students who have competed at the University Interscholastic League Academic State Meet and who have compiled an outstanding record of academic and extracurricular achievement. Stevenson competed in number sense at the 2012 UIL Academic State Meet. He also participated in UIL tennis and team tennis throughout his high school career. Stevenson plans to attend Howard College and major in general studies.

Holdampf awarded scholarship
Sydney Aryn Holdampf, a graduate of Forsan High School, has been awarded a scholarship by the Texas Interscholastic League Foundation. Holdampf received the Harold Lawrence Memorial Scholarship in the amount of \$2,500, payable for the first year of higher education. The Lawrence Memorial Scholarships are awarded to students who have participated in the University Interscholastic League Academic State Meet and who have compiled an outstanding record of academic and extracurricular achievement. Holdampf competed in number sense at the 2011 and 2012 UIL State Academic Meet. She also competed in UIL tennis and calculator applications. Holdampf plans to attend University of Texas of the Permian Basin and her major is undecided.

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Sept. 24 – Games, 1:00-4:00 p.m.
Healthy Woman @ Howard College 7:00 pm

Sept. 25 – Mall Walking, 8:00 a.m.
Supper Club "Cowboy's", 5:30 p.m.

Sept. 26 – Senior Appreciation Day, 11:30 a.m.
Movie, 1:00 p.m. "Jack & Jill"

Sept. 27 – Mall Walking, 8 a.m.
Just Peachy Café "Coffee Club," 10:00 a.m.

Oct. 1 – Games, 1:00-4:00 p.m.

Oct. 2 – Mall Walking, 8:00 a.m.
Coffee @ Park Place, 10:00 a.m.
Supper Club, "Carlo's", 5:30 p.m.

Oct. 3 – Senior Appreciation Day, 11:30 p.m.
Movie, 1:00 p.m. "THOR"

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Pond management course set

Special to the Herald

AUSTIN — The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service will present its Pond Management Class from 9 a.m.-noon Oct. 2 at Hornsby Bend Biosolids Management, 2210 S. Farm-to-Market Road 973 in Austin.

“This class will be useful to landowners wanting to build a pond on their property, as well as those who already have a pond on their property and would like to learn

more about maintaining or stocking it,” said Julie Ansley, AgriLife Extension agent for agriculture and natural resources, Travis County.

Ansley said the program speaker will be Dr. Peter Woods, AgriLife Extension fisheries program specialist based in College Station. His topics will include pond site selection, construction, sealing, fertilizing, clearing and stocking, as well as aquatic plant control and feeding.

Three continuing education units — two general and one integrated pest management — will be offered for Texas Department of Agriculture private pesticide applicators. Refreshments will be provided.

Program preregistration prior to 3 p.m. Sept. 28 is \$20 and must be paid by check or money order made out to Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service. Payment can be made at the AgriLife Extension of-

fice for Travis County, located at 1600-B Smith Road in southeast Austin.

Registration after Sept. 28, including on-site, will be \$25 and also must be paid by check or money order.

Attendees are requested to RSVP to Sue Carrasco at 512-854-9600 or sacarrasco@ag.tamu.edu to ensure an accurate count for handouts and refreshments, and for any additional program information.

Energy Watch



Bhupen Agrawal is branch manager and a managing director — investments for the Wells Fargo Advisors Midland office.



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

Eleven years ago, on Sept. 11, 2001, the world changed forever. What began as a clear, sunny morning ended in tragedy and the deaths of thousands of our fellow citizens. Time seemed to stand still. Stock exchanges and businesses halted their daily routines. But the U.S. picked up the pieces and moved on with an eye toward the future and a promise to never forget.

Since that day, many things have changed. The economy and markets have changed. Over the last 11 years, the stock market has experienced two dramatic pullbacks measuring more than 50 percent each, one as the technology-driven equity market collapsed, and the other in the aftermath of the recent financial crisis. The economy has become more globalized than ever, with supply-chains stretching across many time zones and demand in far-away countries affecting jobs very close to home. And baby boomers are retiring by the thousands every day.

Change seems to happen faster as each year passes. We live in a 24/7/365 information world where news travels quickly. Events in Moscow, Russia can immediately influence decisions in Moscow, Idaho. Today, economic shortcomings in a country like Greece — with an economy representing just 0.4 percent of total global GDP — can wreak havoc on financial markets across the globe.

As one of our favorite icons from the 60s once sang, “The times, they are a-changin’.” And they are a-changin’ quickly. In fact, they could start to change rather dramatically throughout the rest of the year. The European debt crisis is not going away any time soon, but the decision from the German constitutional court on whether or not that country can participate in the region’s permanent bailout fund is critical. Many would argue that without German money, there is no bailout. Likewise, the Dutch elections matter. On the surface, one might wonder why this small country’s elections are important to the future of the Euro zone. But many voters in this fiscally conservative nation are not excited about belt-tightening at home so that other member nations can receive bailouts. Any bailouts need the cooperation and support of the Dutch. And do not forget about the Greeks. Political infighting is hampering efforts to secure the next tranche of bailout funds the country will need to pay its bills in the coming months.

The stock market appears to be pricing in additional easing and monetary accommodation in the near term from the European Central Bank, the Federal Reserve, and the People’s Bank of China. The stock market does not seem to be thinking much about the upcoming elections in the U.S. or the possibility of rolling over the “fiscal cliff” at the end of this year.

Investors will get a glimpse of how the market will respond to disappointment and/or confirmation of expectations. But whatever the outcome, our advice is to fasten your seat belts and get ready for a volatile ride that could last the rest of the year.

Past performance is no guarantee of future results. This article was produced on Sept. 11 by Scott Wren, Wells Fargo Advisors senior equity strategist, and provided courtesy of Bhupen Agrawal, managing director/branch manager of Wells Fargo Advisors’ Midland office, at 432-684-7335. The material has been prepared or is distributed solely for informational purposes and is not a solicitation or an offer to buy or sell any security, or instrumental to participate in any trading strategy. Stocks offer long-term growth potential, but may fluctuate more and provide less current income than other investments. An investment in the stock market should be made with an understanding of the risks associated with common stocks, including market fluctuations.



THE BEST

Courtesy photo

Kyndra Jones was named Thursday as the Big Spring State Hospital Activity Therapies Department Employee of the Year. Presenting the award is Josh Preston, director of the Activity Therapies Department. Jones was nominated by her peers and selected by a committee of past winners. The Activity Therapies Department employs 45 people; 15 were nominated for the award. Jones has worked at Big Spring State Hospital since Jan. 2 as a special needs program coordinator.

DQ adds Orange Julius beverages

Special to the Herald

COAHOMA — The Coahoma Dairy Queen store is among the first in a new wave of installations in the state to install new equipment to produce products that for a long time were available only in a free-standing Orange Julius facility.

Re-introduction to the 86-year-old formula is ongoing throughout area DQs owned by TheRichesonGroup.

In 1929, an orange juice stand owned by Julius Freed collaborated with real estate developer Bill Hamlin to develop the frothy, creamy product, and people lined up at the free-standing store, demanding, “Give me an Orange,

Other local news

Herman’s Restaurant is now open from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday and Sunday for breakfast.

Julius!” Thus the new product was ordered as Orange Julius. Orange Julius was named the official drink of the 1946 New York World’s Fair, and in ensuing years became known with the slogan, “A Devilish Good Drink.”

In 1987, the Orange Julius chain was bought by International Dairy Queen and in 1999 became part of Berkshire Hathaway, as part of its purchase of International Dairy Queen.

The local Orange Julius menu

will feature the Original Premium in its primary flavor as well as Strawberry Banana, Mango Pineapple and Tripleberry, which will also be the flavors for the new Smoothies, made with real fruit and yogurt.

TheRichesonGroup is a 53-store organization based in Graham, Texas, with stores in 10 of the State’s 18 designated marketing areas. Annually it provides jobs for some 1,000 people.

“We are proud to bring Orange Julius products into our Dairy Queen operation, and thus include right in the midst of our full menu one of the long-esteemed frothy beverage favorites,” said Doris Richeson, Chairman of the Board.

Public Records

Howard County Justice of the Peace Outstanding IBC Warrants:

Sherri Monique Aldridge, 1507 E. Sixth St., Big Spring
Amanda Nicole Bair, 1103 E. 15th St., Big Spring
Jessica Lynn Banks, CR 1200, Lubbock
Nancy Ramirez Banuelos, 1515 A Sycamore, Big Spring
Johnny Barraza, 429 Westover, Big Spring
Tiffany Burke-Mendoza, 1503 Robin, Big Spring
Vanessa Calderon, 1504 Kentucky, Big Spring
Charles Campanella, 2511 Fisher St., Big Spring

Emerlinda Chavarria Cano, 215 N.E. Ninth St., Big Spring
Donald Cervantes, 1211 Lloyd, Big Spring
Trystan Taelor Cevallos, 3912 E. Hwy. 350, Big Spring
Crisleda Chavera, 1601 Grand Ave., Sweetwater
Kimberly Gayle Conaway, 1800 N. Birdwell, Big Spring
Melissa Crawford, 1207 Mulberry, Big Spring
Jennifer R. Crow, 1714 Fort Worth, Brownwood
Stephen Cruz, 12222 Blanco No. 1605, San Antonio
Julie E. Davis, 5202 Ban-

gor Ave. Apt. K301, Lubbock
Stefan Deal, 102 Casie Ln. Apt. 1, Fort Worth
Manuel Delosrios, 707 Lorilla, Big Spring
Teana Demeny-Roberts, 5601 N. Service Rd., Big Spring
Delores Dohnalik, 1500 Stones Throw, Horseshoe Bay
Josepy James Eckert, 1123 Newhaven Trail, Pearland
Maria Luisa Elizondo, 603 S. Second, Meadow
Kristi L. Elliot, 603 E. 12th St., Big Spring
John Randall Evatt, 4301 W. 49th St. Apt. 329, Amarillo

Kristen Falcon, 2606 Fairchild, Big Spring
Sharlamarr Frink, 3723 Monclair, Odessa
Joey Lee Garcia, 3102 Ave. C, Snyder
Joe Nick Garfias Jr., of 1309 Runnels, Big Spring
Rosa M. George, 509 W. Second, Stanton
Allen David Gilbert, 1507 Johnson, Big Spring
Joseph Blake Gist, 3500 Cedar Run, Abilene
Becky Lynn Gonzales, 2201 Runnels, Big Spring
Roxanne Deanda Gonzales, 539 Westover Apt. 211,
See **RECORDS**, Page 5B

Smart business: Be prepared for a disaster

PERMIAN BASIN — September is National Preparedness Month; a full month dedicated to educating the public about how to prepare for emergencies, including natural disasters. Better Business Bureau supports this effort and urges families to devise their own emergency preparedness plan.

The anniversaries of the events of 9/11 and the disastrous Texas wildfires of 2011, remind us that life-changing

events can be sudden and unexpected. Knowing what to do before, during and after an emergency is a critical part of being prepared.

There are two things every family should do to prepare for any kind of disaster:

1. Make a plan. Discuss



with family and friends how you’ll contact each other, where you’ll meet and what you’ll do for different situations.

2. Prepare an emergency kit. If disaster

strikes your community, you might not have access to food, water or electricity.

Your emergency kit should include such items as:

- a. Water – a gallon of water per person per day for at least three days
- b. Nonperishable food at least a three-day supply for each family member
- c. Flashlights with extra batteries
- d. First-aid kit
- e. A whistle to signal for help
- f. Tools, such as a wrench or pliers

g. Power inverter or solar charger for electronics such as your cell phone.

Families may also want to consider including such items as prescription medications, infant formula and diapers, pet food and cash.

Other things to keep in mind:
—Catalogue your valuables. Take pictures of your valuables. This can help the

See **BBB**, Page 5B

Local base honored by Air Evac Lifeteam

Special to the Herald

The Big Spring, Texas Air Evac Lifeteam base has been selected as the company's 2012 Region 5 Community Service Base of the Year. Region 5 consists of Air Evac Lifeteam bases in Texas.

The Community Service Base of the Year Award is presented to the base in the Air Evac Lifeteam system that has shown outstanding community service in its market area.

"The Big Spring base has recognized the need for strong marketing and outreach education in its area, and for several years now has gone above and beyond to be a presence in the community," said Regional Director of Base Operations Pete Wolf.

"They attend nearly every event held by the hospitals, EMS agencies, fire departments, schools, churches and civic organizations. The crews have embraced these activities and love participating in them. The smiles on



Courtesy photo

The Big Spring, Texas base was selected by Air Evac Lifeteam as its 2012 Community Service Base of the Year for Region 5. Shown from left are Regional Maintenance Manager Mark Kassel, flight paramedic Cody Poston, Regional Director of Base Operations Pete Wolf, Educator Shawn Hart, Senior Program Director Martha Headrick, Membership Sales Manager Mary Frances Malone, Base Clinical Lead Jeana Amos, mechanic Jack Perry, flight paramedic Jack Perry, flight paramedic Shane Terry, Program Director Debra Wallace, flight nurse David Spence, Regional Director of Flight Operations Mark Fisher, pilot Jake Gaston and pilot Richard Nesby.

their faces, the cheerful presentations, and the reactions from the people they present to demonstrate just how much they love their jobs,

their company, and their community."

The Big Spring base is located at B Rickabaugh Drive and is led by Program Direc-

tor Debra Wallace, who is in charge of all operations at the base.

Air Evac Lifeteam is a membership-supported air

ambulance company.

For more information about Air Evac Lifeteam services, call 1-800-793-0010, or visit www.lifeteam.net.

RECORDS

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Big Spring
Eunice Torres Gonzalez, 7311 Westmoor, Odessa
Whitney Marquez Gray, 2934 Old Anson Rd., Abilene
Robert Earl Green II, 2512 Fairchild, Big Spring
Kimberly Hargrove, PO Box 1985, Big Spring
Tracy Lenn Haynie, 503 Kylie Lane, Wylie
Gloria Annette Henry, 100 Ash, Coahoma
Ruby G. Hernandez, 1002 N. Main St. Apt. 48, Big Spring
Ashley Rae Hodge, 3214 Drexel, Big Spring
Danny Holt, of 125 Farney Rd., Lorena
April M. Horton, 1705 Charles, Portsmouth, Ohio
Bradley Ryan Horton, of Linda Lane, Big Spring
Dana Michelle Hudgins, P.Q. Box 837, Coahoma
Regina Hunt, 804 Longhorn, Welch
Ashley Nicole Islas, 1104 Wood, Big Spring
Brian Ivanchan, 1208 Mulberry, Big Spring
Justin Lee Jernigan, 2302 Lynn, Big Spring
Irene Castillo Johnson, 2502 Cheyenne, Big Spring
Lonnie Malcolm Johnson, 1211 Ridgeroad, Big Spring
Donald Jones, 3718 Ave. V, Snyder
Nickolas Vance Jones, 304 Circle, Big Spring
Jason Earnest Key, 900 Abrams, Big Spring
Albert Leal, 2522 Albrook, Big Spring
Jesse Campbell Lockett, 538 Westover Rd. Apt. 141, Big Spring
Robert Lee Lopez, 503 E. 18th, Big Spring
Aaron Christopher Mack, 2134 Bonham, Odessa
James Elijah Marlow, 2001 Runnels, Big Spring
Todd Vincent Martin, 409

Woodcrest, Midland
Joe Martinez, 2525 Fairchild, Big Spring
Manuel Martinez Jr., 702 NE Iowa, Lamesa
Fidel M. Martinez, 705 N.W. Eighth St., Big Spring
Ronnie Trevino Martinez, 1109 E. 11th place, Big Spring
Norman James McNeese, 1098 LCR 317, Colorado City
Betty Jane McWilliams, 2511 Hunter, Big Spring
Cory James Michalewicz, 1106 Briscoe Cove, Hutto
Nicholas Craig Mills, 3225 Cornell, Big Spring
Chelsea Kristyne Millspaugh, 7403 N. Service Road, Big Spring
Robert Paul Newton, 715 Dealy, Big Spring
Melissa Nieto, 615 Tulane, Big Spring
John Randall O'Harrow, 107 S. Main, Big Spring
Abigail Lynn Ortega, 700 E. 17th St., Big Spring
Nancy Ortega, 1111 E. 14th, Big Spring
James Michael Perez, 626 Tulane, Big Spring
Fred Allen Perry, 1425 E. Sixth, Apt. 107, Big Spring
Joshua Plaia, 1401 E. 18th, Big Spring
Jarum Renee Pryor, 802 N. Plaza, Big Lake
Bobbie Ann Ritchie, 803 St. Francis, Stanton
Michael Neal Roberts, 538 Westover, Apt. 103, Big Spring
Oliva Rosa Rodriguez, 1201 Settles, Big Spring
Roberta Garza Rodriguez, 1103 Stanford, Big Spring
Lisa J. Rubio, 1303 Sycamore, Big Spring
Anastasia Clarice Sanders, 1401 Culpepper Ave., Wilson
Brittany Nicole Savell, 425 E. Davis Rd., Big Spring
Kennedra Wynnell Shelton, 400 N. Fourth, Corsicana
Amy Leigh Shifflett, 209 N. Main, Coahoma

Angela Gay Smith, 102 N. Ash, Coahoma
Charles Ray Smith, 2911 W. Highway 80, Apt. 155, Big Spring
Tiffany Katherine Stokes, 1407 E. 19th St., Big Spring
Timothy Donald Taylor, 4000 W. Highway 80 No. 18, Big Spring
Trinity Renee Terrazas, 2202 Morrison, Big Spring
Glenn Joe Thompson, 1111 Jeffery, Big Spring
David Wayne Turner, 3204 Irving, Snyder
Abram Unger, 503 NE Fourth, Seminole
Brittania Kay Upchurch, 4303 Princeton, Midland
Alonzo Vasquez, 306 W. Seventh St., Iraan
Anthony A. Vasquez, 710 Willia, Big Spring
Timothy Shea Wargo, 624 State, Big Spring
Charles Watson, 804 W. I-20 Apt. 127, Big Spring
Thomas Weeks, P.O. Box 110891, Anchorage, Alaska
Michael Wade Welch, 700 S. Aylesford, Big Spring
Jamie Wiggins, 1905 Wasson Rd. Apt. 28, Big Spring
Calvin Williams, 1313 Mulberry, Big Spring
Mary Lou Wilson, 610 N.E. Ninth, Big Spring
Frances Elena Yanez, 1610 Cardinal, Big Spring
James Edward Young, 3313 Auburn, Big Spring
Dennis Anthony Zaragoza, 4534 Sinclair, Big Spring
Mary Esther Zubiate, 1103 S. 11th Place, Big Spring

District Court Filings:
In Re Isaiah Jesus Clemens, family.
Bryan Paul Templin vs. Heather Templin, family.
Amiee Gomez vs. John Gomez, divorce.
Rebecca R. Holleman vs. David Alan Holleman, divorce.

Marriage Licenses:

Joseph C. Brookins, 24, and Lauren K. Dorn, 22, both of Big Spring.
Louis Wayne Pritchett, 44, and Deedra Ann Boul-din, 48, both of Big Spring.
Aaron Robert Shaffer, 28, and Priscilla Abreo Ginetti, 33, both of Big Spring.
Gerald R. Griego, 40, and Christina Jiminez, 29, both of Big Spring.
Rusty Allen Miller, 25, and Christy Leigh Williams, 37, both of Willow Park, Texas.

Warranty Deeds:
Grantor: Steve Howell
Grantee: Malinda Oliva-res
Property: Lot 7, Block 1, Hillcrest Terrace
Date: July 9, 2012

Grantor: Peggy Christian
Grantee: Alberta Marti-nez
Property: A 1.65-acre tract out of Section34, Block 32, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey
Date: July 17, 2012

Grantor: Jacques Roy
Grantee: Big Spring ISD
Property: Lot 11, Block 5, Monticello Addition
Date: July 16, 2012

Grantor: Winnie Everett
Turney

Grantee: Glenda Ferrell
Property: The W/2 of Lot 3 and all of Lot 4, Block 3, Sunset Place
Date: Aug. 9, 2012

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Grantee: Glenda Ferrell
Property: The E/21 feet of Lot 5, Block 3, Sunset Place
Date: Aug. 9, 2012

Warranty Deeds with Vendor's Lien:
Grantor: Lon O. Rhoudes and Brandi Rhoudes
Grantee: Shane Henry Kemper
Property: The E/2 of Lot 10 and all of Lots 11-12, Block 13, Edwards Heights
Date: Aug. 10, 2012

Grantor: John H. Stull and Janet Stull
Grantee: Lucy Flores
Property: Lots 5 and 6, Sunset Place Addition
Date: July 9, 2012

Grantor: Billy Maurice Roper
Grantee: Joe Dudley and Debbie Dudley
Property: Lot 5, Block 6, Western Hills Addition
Date: July 9, 2012

Grantor: Claven C. Larson
Grantee: Sammy

Rodriguez Sr. Augustina Rodriguez
Property: The N/13 feet of Lot 9 and all of Lot 10, Block 8, North Belvue Ad-dition
Date: June 22, 2012

Grantor: Johnnie Leon Hobbs and Frances Hobbs
Grantee: David Burris and Kandi Burris
Property: Lot 10, Block 37, Original Town of Big Spring
Date: May 1, 2012

Grantor: Belarmino Gon-zalez and Willy Gonzalez
Grantee: Hugo Hildago and Anna Morales
Property: Lots 3-4, Block 44, town of Forsan
Date: April 30, 2012

Grantor: Nancy Gunsel-man
Grantee: Virginia Pherigo
Property: Lots 7-8, Block 1, Hilldale Addition
Date: July 2, 2012

Grantor: Jeffrey D. Ward and Latisha Ward
Grantee: Coby Levi Landis
Property: Lot 15, Block 9, Kentwood Unit No. 1
Date: July 2, 2012

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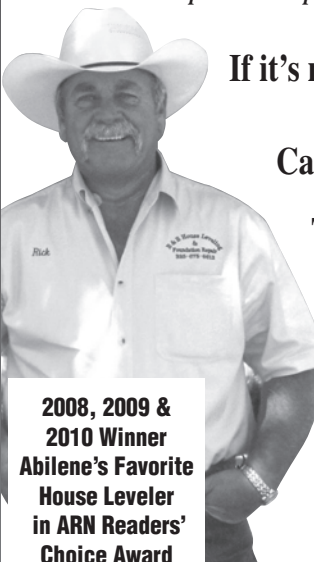
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Tomorrow's Horoscope

The sun has joined the party in Libra. Also on the guest list are Mercury and Saturn, mellowed by the temperate energy of this cautious sign. The sun carries over the thoughtfulness of Virgo into the Libran realm and adds a moral layer to the analysis. You may suddenly wonder whether what you're doing is good for you, others and the planet.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Your finances beg to be addressed now. Spend some time sorting through them, and you're likely to come up with clever ways of holding on to more of your money.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). There are some people you don't have to know very long in order to be completely comfortable around them. According to the new friends you meet today, you're one of those people.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You'll discover shortcuts to your goals. For instance, you don't have to leave the house to get in shape. A fitness guru can provide a serious workout for you through the magic of

media.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You respect people who take control of the situation, especially when it's a scene that's unfamiliar to you. Yes, you could just as easily be in charge, but you'd rather take a back seat now.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You may be making a project more complicated than it needs to be. For instance, you don't need to set up a plan to get rid of what's bothering you. All you need to do is throw it away. You won't miss it.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You have the sense that even though your plans were not executed in the manner you would have preferred at the time, you got something wonderful out of the deal, something you're still enjoying today.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). With the sun now in your sign, you feel the excitement of possibility at every turn. Also, you have the courage to venture away from your usual path. In short, it's a beautiful day.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Solve one problem, and your life will be easier. Your success in this matter might tempt you to solve other problems, but don't rush into this. Savor the particulars of today's mixed blessings.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You have a talent for choosing the right people to hang out with. That doesn't mean they are always easy to be around, though. Your friends will be mentors, motivators and reality checkers.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You'll feel inclined to share your feelings as the moon beams from your part of the sky. It will benefit you to declare what you intend to add to your life — and to note what you no longer want.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Engrossed in a main event, it will be surprisingly easy to forget the basics. In order to do what you do, you

need to take excellent care of yourself. Otherwise, you're in for a counterproductive experience.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Before you take someone up on the favor that's offered, you will wonder about the motives behind this kindness. More than likely, a sense of satisfaction and a "helper's high" are all that's involved.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Sept. 23). You'll develop new rules to live by, as the old ones no longer apply. The whimsy with which you approach October attracts a fantastic friendship. November seals a deal. Travel in December and March will open different sources of income. February sees you investigating and developing a special talent. Aries and Taurus people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 4, 14, 39, 20 and 11.

CELEBRITY

PROFILES: Jason Alexander's depiction of George Costanza may very well be the most memorable, loveable, hilarious, selfish jerks in television history. Alexander's natal chart suggests a far more giving character in real life, as Venus and Uranus in Leo is an indication of spiritual generosity. On his birthday, the sun was in both Virgo and Libra, so depending on his time of birth, this cusp-baby could go either way. Mercury and Mars in Libra lends intense artistry.

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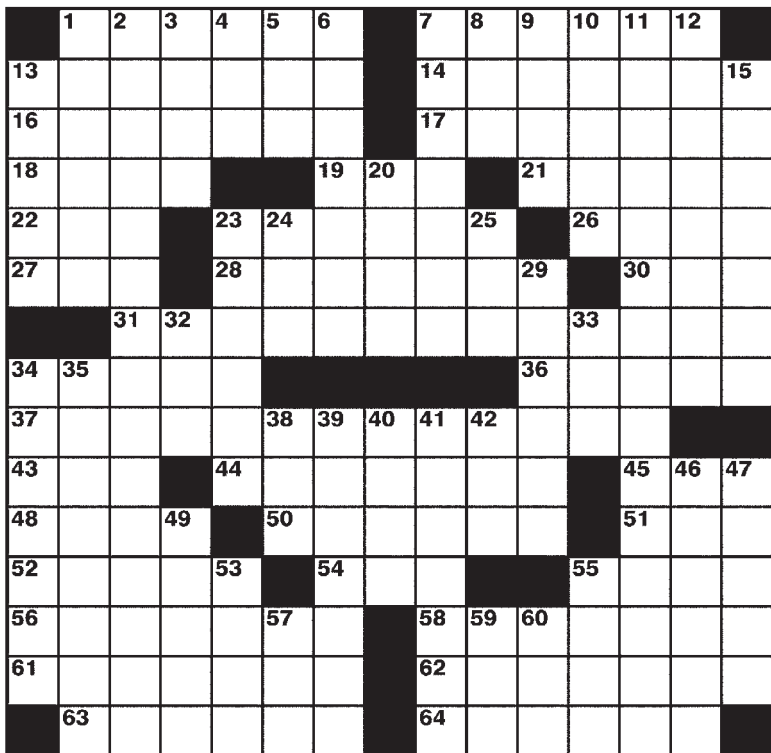
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31 Stuck together
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37 Shared experiences
43 *The Soul of a Butterfly* autobiographer
44 Lasting
45 "Until Every One Comes Home" grp.
48 Wood shaper
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52 Cartographic closeup
54 __ Airport Network
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- 1 Shakespearean jester
2 Sidewinder, for one
3 Trunk feature
4 Texas senator who succeeded Lloyd
5 Identity
6 Break
7 Pygmalion's sculpture
8 Meryl Streep, circa 1974
9 Coin depicting a springbok
10 Engender
11 PR pro
12 Gum-bound product
13 Headlands
15 Leaves alone
20 Masterworks
23 Blew up
24 "That's it!"
25 Sub-Saharan staple
29 Do calligraphy
32 Power __
33 Mockingbird prey
34 Less comforting

- 35 Perforated plastic product
38 Painkiller ingredient
39 Put up
40 Cursed
41 John Williams composed its on-air theme
42 Paul Bunyan's blacksmith
46 View closely
47 Viewed closely
49 Pioneer brand of craft beer
53 Just so
55 French word for "key"
57 Apply
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Lt 4, Bk 21, College Park Addn, City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas

Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiffs for taxes in the following amount: \$6,046.21, 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 BERNICE COATS AKA EDITH BERNICE COATS AKA EDITH BERNEICE COATS AKA BERNICE COATES, DECEASED, 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 6166 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(s), 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 8th day of October, 2012 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 27th day of August, A.D. 2012.
Jury Gomez
Clerk of the District Court
Howard County, Texas,
118th Judicial District.
#7502 September 16 & 23, 2012

Legals

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of DARLENE JEAN HILDEBRAND, Deceased, were issued on September 13, 2012, in Cause No. P-14100, pending in the County Court of Howard County, Texas, to: TOMMY GLEN HILDEBRAND, JR.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

c/o:
TOMMY GLEN HILDEBRAND, JR
109 W. Robinson Road
Big Spring, Texas 79720
DATED the 4th day of September, 2012.

Joshua Hamby
Attorney for TOMMY GLEN HILDEBRAND, JR
State Bar No.: 24034471
107 W 4th St.
PO Box 2199
Big Spring, TX 79720
Telephone: (432)263-8395
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#7515 September 23, 2012

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN AS FOLLOWS:

TO: Deborah Carol Hanson 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:

Lt 2, Bk 5, Piner Heights Addn, City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas

Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiffs for taxes in the following amount: \$1,423.60, 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 DEBORAH CAROL HANSON and others, as Defendant(s), by petition filed on April 29, 2010, in a certain suit styled HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. DEBORAH CAROL HANSON, 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 5817 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(s), 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 8th day of October, 2012 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 27th day of August, A.D. 2012.

Jury Gomez
Clerk of the District Court
Howard County, Texas,
118th Judicial District.
#7503 September 16 & 23, 2012

Legals

PUBLIC NOTICE

Howard County is accepting sealed bids for base and paving, for the parking lots of the Troy M Hogan Law Enforcement Center.

Specifications may be obtained from Brian Klinskiak in the Road Engineer's Office, 1011 N. San Antonio St, Big Spring, TX or by calling (432)264-2208.

Bids must be received by 10:00 A.M. on Friday, October 5, 2012 in the office of the County Auditor, Jackie Olson, 300 S. Main, Room 203 and will be opened at that time.

Bids will be presented to the Commissioners' Court at 10:00 A.M. on October 8, 2012 for their consideration. Project will be paid for out of current County funds. The Court reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

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Lots 3-5, Block 39, Block 39, Original Town of Forsan, Howard County, Texas; Amt. Due- \$4,300.04 Assessed Value- \$20,222.00

Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiffs for taxes in the following amount: \$4,966.67, 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 MELANIE A. MARTIN and others, as Defendant(s), by petition filed on November 30, 2010, in a certain suit styled HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. MELANIE A. MARTIN, 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 5900 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(s), 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 8th day of October, 2012 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 27th day of August, A.D. 2012.

Jury Gomez
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#7504 September 16 & 23, 2012

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Construction of 2 (two) New Buildings, 1 (one) Academic and 1 (one) Student Service, on the Howard College- San Angelo campus located at 3501 N. US HWY 67, San Angelo, TX 76905.

Estimated Project Budget: \$10,500,000.00

Documents may be obtained from Jason Mims, Director of Business Services, Howard College, 1001 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring, TX 79720, (432)264-5167. Responses will be accepted through 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 16, 2012, in Old Main South Annex, room 105A, Howard College, 1001 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring, TX 79720, at which time they will be read into record. Proposers are instructed that a formal opening will not occur. Any proposals received after the deadline will be returned to the sender unopened. The college will negotiate with qualified proposers concerning the proposals and qualifications submitted. The final determination of award will be made at a future board meeting. **There will be no pre-submittal conference.**

All questions should be directed to Jason Mims, Director of Business Services, 1001 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring, TX 79720, e-mail jmims@howardcollege.edu (432)264-5167. Howard County Junior College District reserves the right to reject any and all responses.

#7516 September 23 & 30, 2012

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LEGAL NOTICE:

This Texas Lottery Commission Scratch-Off game will close on October 5, 2012. You have until April 3, 2013, to redeem any tickets for this game: **#1355 Weekly Grand** (\$2) overall odds are 1 in 3.91. This Texas Lottery Commission Scratch-Off game will close on October 27, 2012. You have until April 25, 2013, to redeem any tickets for this game: **#1403 Black Pearls** (\$5) overall odds are 1 in 3.83. These Texas Lottery Commission Scratch-Off games will close on November 28, 2012. You have until May 27, 2013, to redeem any tickets for these games: **#1350 Bingo Multi-Prize** (\$5) overall odds are 1 in 3.53, **#1407 Hot Numbers®** (\$2) overall odds are 1 in 4.73, **#1408 20th Anniversary** (\$5) overall odds are 1 in 3.52, **#1445 The Avengers™** (\$1) overall odds are 1 in 4.30. The odds listed here are the overall odds of winning any prize in a game, including break-even prizes. Lottery retailers are authorized to redeem prizes of up to and including \$599. Prizes of \$600 or more must be claimed in person at a Lottery Claim Center or by mail with a completed Texas Lottery claim form; however, annuity prizes or prizes over \$1,000,000 must be claimed in person at the Commission Headquarters in Austin. Call Customer Service at **1-800-37LOTTO** or visit the Lottery Web site at **txlottery.org** for more information and location of nearest Claim Center. The Texas Lottery is not responsible for lost or stolen tickets, or for tickets lost in the mail. Tickets, transactions, players, and winners are subject to, and players and winners agree to abide by, all applicable laws, Commission rules, regulations, policies, directives, instructions, conditions, procedures, and final decisions of the Executive Director. A Scratch-Off game may continue to be sold even when all the top prizes have been claimed. Must be 18 years of age or older to purchase a Texas Lottery ticket. **PLAY RESPONSIBLY.** The Texas Lottery supports Texas education.

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Dear Margo: I have a friend we'll call Bill. We don't live in the same state, and we're not all that close, but he always struck me as a decent guy. I learned that he's getting married, and I was surprised, as he and "Sally" haven't been together for even a year.

But as time passes and the wedding gets closer, I'm worried about several things.

Neither has a permanent job, they've been living at her family's house with a lot of other people, and this economy stinks, but I don't feel right saying, "Hey, maybe you shouldn't get married yet." Recently, though, a mutual friend, "Abigail," confessed to me that she and Bill had an online emotional affair.

Abigail also lives in another state, and though the two have never actually met, the exchanges have been intense and explicit. It seems Bill has cooled off with his wedding coming up, and Abigail is going more and more off the rails. As the date gets closer, Abigail has told me she cries herself to sleep, and she has started to make cryptic comments about "not being available" after a particular date this year, which would be after the wedding.

I keep trying to talk her out of confronting him in person, but it seems every day she's losing it more and more, despite the fact that she's seeing a counselor. What can I do? Should I confront Bill about what he's doing to Abigail? Am I obligated to get word to Sally about the affair? (I keep telling Abigail not to do that, but she does have damning proof.) And most of all, I'm terrified Abigail will do something to harm herself. She feels completely alone while the happy couple goes on with their lives. — *Completely Lost Here*

Dear Com: I know it is tempting to try to salvage the situation, but you really have no place in this mess, which truly sounds like it's a cross between Pandora's box and a box of snakes. Do not be the

messenger. It is their business if they want to live in a basement with no jobs, and the "emotional affair" part clearly does not involve you. I suspect Abigail is not wrapped real tight, but if the suicide threats continue, I would recommend you call a mental health facility or a suicide hotline for guidance. — *Margo, convolutedly*

If There's a Will, There's a Way

Dear Margo: May I expand on an answer you previously gave? There are two likely explanations for a husband spending every night in his office until 4 or 5 a.m.: He is up looking at porn as up to 20 percent of American men are now doing, or he is on Internet sex or sex chat sites. In either case, these are signs he is a sex addict.

Any woman who is living with this situation should install web-tracking software on his computer to determine whether this is what is going on.

If that is the case, she should try to get him to attend meetings of Sex and Love Addicts Anonymous, SLAA. More information can be found at www.slaafws.org. And marital counseling with someone who understands sex addiction may also help. SLAA recovery has saved my life. It could save her marriage. — *Recovering Sex and Love Addict in Boston*

Dear Rec: Thank you for the cyber-gumshoe suggestion, as well as the link to the organization. It is wonderful that you were able to climb out of the deep well of dysfunction. Not everyone is willing to go anywhere for help, however, because they don't view it as a problem. And therein lies the rub. — *Margo, hopefully*

Dear Margo is written by Margo Howard, Ann Landers' daughter. All letters must be sent via the online form at www.creators.com/dearmargo. Due to a high volume of e-mail, not all letters will be answered.

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Briefs: Unemployment rates rise in half of U.S. states

WASHINGTON (AP) — Unemployment rates rose in more than half of U.S. states last month, the latest evidence that hiring remains tepid across the country.

The Labor Department said Friday that rates increased in 26 states. They fell in 12 states and were unchanged in the other 12.

Unemployment also rose in seven of the 11 key swing states in this year's presidential election.

Nationwide, employers added only 96,000 jobs in August. That's below July's gain of 141,000 and the average of 226,000 jobs a month added in the January-March quarter.

The U.S. unemployment rate fell to 8.1 percent last month from 8.3 percent in July. But that was only because many people gave up looking for work. The government only counts people as unemployed if they are actively searching for jobs.

In August, unemployment increased in several competitive states in this year's presidential race.

The rate in Michigan rose to 9.4 percent from 9 percent. The rate ticked up a tenth of a point to 12.1 percent in Nevada, which has the highest unemployment in the nation. GOP nominee Mitt Romney campaigned in Nevada on Friday.

Unemployment rates also rose in five other battleground states: Wisconsin, Pennsylvania, North Carolina, New Hampshire and Iowa.

Still, unemployment was flat in three closely contested states that are rich in electoral votes: Florida, Virginia and Ohio.

The rate in Florida held steady at 8.8 percent. Florida also recorded the second-highest job gain in the nation last month, adding 23,200 jobs.

Ohio's rate stayed at 7.2 percent, and unemployment in Virginia was unchanged at 5.9 percent. Both rates also stayed well below the

national average, as did the rates in Iowa (5.5 percent), New Hampshire (5.7 percent) and Wisconsin (7.5 percent).

Colorado was the only swing state to see a decline in unemployment in August. The rate fell to 8.2 percent from 8.3 percent in July.

AA says it won't lay off flight attendants

DALLAS (AP) — American Airlines says it expects to avoid laying off any flight attendants after 2,205 of them signed up for severance payments.

The airline said Friday that it will stagger the workers' departures over the next year.

As top-scale attendants leave, the airline says it even expects to begin recruiting new ones later this year.

The attendants' union had sought the early-out payments of \$40,000 each to reduce the chance of furloughs.

American and parent AMR Corp. filed for bankruptcy in November. The company is trying to cut \$1 billion in annual labor costs.

Wal-Mart's holiday hiring to be up slightly

NEW YORK (AP) — Wal-Mart Stores Inc. said Friday it expects to hire more than 50,000 people this holiday season and will be offering more hours to its existing employees.

The world's largest retailer, based in Bentonville, Ark., said that this year's seasonal hiring will be up slightly from last year, although it declined to give a precise figure for increase.

The discounter operates more than 4,000 stores in the U.S. and employs about 1.4 million people nationwide. It is the nation's largest private employer.

The news follows Kohl's announcement Tuesday that it will be hiring more than 52,700 people, up more than 10 percent from last year.

Kohl's Corp., based in Menomonee Falls, Wis.,

operates 1,146 stores in 49 states. It also expects to hire 5,700 people for jobs at its distribution centers and 30 people for seasonal positions in its credit operations business. As of January, Kohl's had about 30,000 full-time and 112,000 part-time associates.

Analysts study the holiday hiring figures from Wal-Mart and other merchants for clues about overall employment trends and sales expectations for the holiday season, the most important period of the year for retailers.

Stores typically begin to hire for the holidays in mid-September and ramp up hiring in mid-October.

AP Source: Time Warner Cable to add NFL Network

NEW YORK (AP) — A person with knowledge of the deal says Time Warner Cable has agreed to carry NFL Network.

The person spoke on condition of anonymity Friday because the deal had not been signed. The news was first reported by Bloomberg.

The nation's fourth-largest pay TV signal provider, with about 12 million homes, had been the lone holdout among

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Opening lead — five of spades.

The Flannery convention, used mostly in tournaments, was devised for those hands where the opening bidder has specifically five hearts and four spades and usually less than 16 points in high cards — a hand that is difficult to describe in standard bidding methods. Those who play Flannery open such a hand with an artificial bid of two diamonds. Partner then makes whatever response is appropriate for his high-card values and distribution.

This deal occurred some years ago in the Blue Ribbon Pairs. At most tables, North got to four hearts and made four after East led a club to West's ace and ruffed the club return.

But our story concerns itself with the table where South, playing Flannery, got to be declarer at four hearts and West led his singleton spade. South played dummy's eight, which held the trick. Then, unaware of the catastrophe about to befall him, declarer led dummy's queen of diamonds, at which point the roof caved in.

East took the diamond with the ace and returned a low spade, ruffed by West. West led the ace and another club, ruffed by East. East played another spade, ruffed by South with the nine and overruffed by West with the ten.

The debacle continued when West led another club, ruffed by East, and East then returned a fourth round of spades. Declarer ruffed with the four, overruffed by West with the six, and South's agony was finally over.

It is true that declarer could have made the contract by simply drawing trumps at the start of play. In fact, he might even have made an overtrick. But instead, he went down four — 400 points — all because of his seemingly innocuous play of the queen of diamonds at trick two!

Tomorrow: Famous Hand.
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The prospective groom is Jerry Ray Griego, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Holacher of Tucumcari, New Mexico, and the late Phillip T. Griego.

The wedding will be held at the Dora Roberts Community Center in Big Spring on Sept. 29, 2012.

The bride-elect is employed at Lamun Lusk State Veterans Home in Big Spring. The prospective groom is employed at Texas Energy in Big Spring.

Life! forms can be found at www.bigspringherald.com



Bill Stockton and Jeri Lynn Kenton

Jeri Lynn Kenton of Big Spring, daughter of the late Bill and the late Pat Kenton, and Bill Stockton of Big Spring, son of Larry and Janie Stockton, announce their engagement.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Edwin "Tex" and Caroline Kenton and E.M. "Buddy" and Gladys Cohn, all deceased.

The prospective groom is the grandson of G.B. and Ethel Stockton and Clint and Evasue James, all deceased.

Jeri is employed at Texas Wicks. Bill is employed at Deserts Quarries.

The couple plans to exchange wedding vows Oct. 11, 2012, at 7 p.m. at St. Mary's Episcopal Church.

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Birth



Emily Rodriguez

Emily Rodriguez, daughter of Veronica Martinez Rodriguez and Rigo Rodriguez of Mesquite, Texas, was born Aug. 30, 2012.

She weighed 10 pounds and 10 ounces.

She is the granddaughter of Oralia and John C. Tovias of Big Spring. She is the great granddaughter of Ofelia Flores of Big Spring.

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Who's Who



Stormi Layne Smith

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Stormi was also named to the Presidents List in the Fall 2011 and Deans List for the spring semester 2012.

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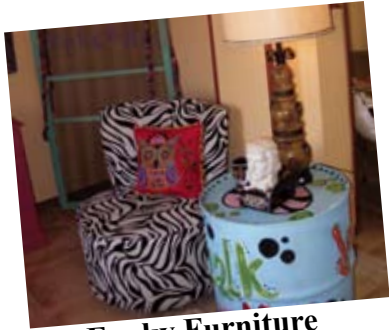
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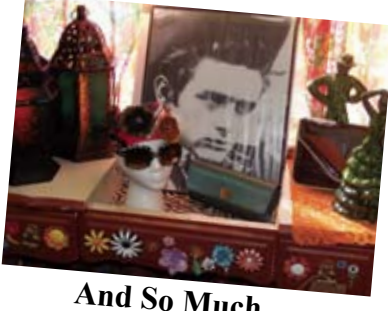
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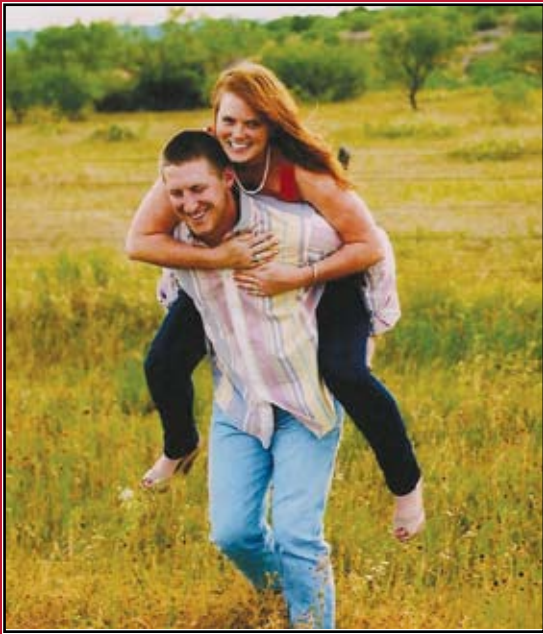
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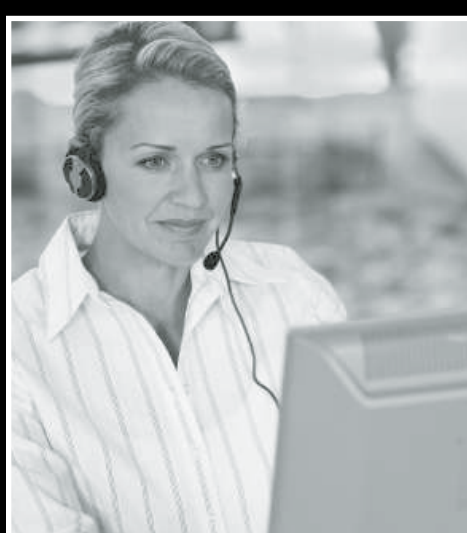
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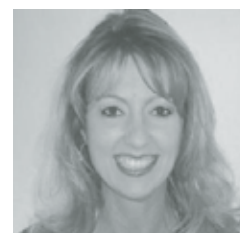
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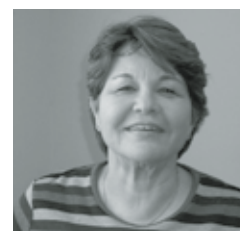
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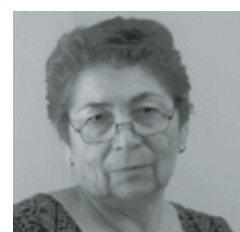
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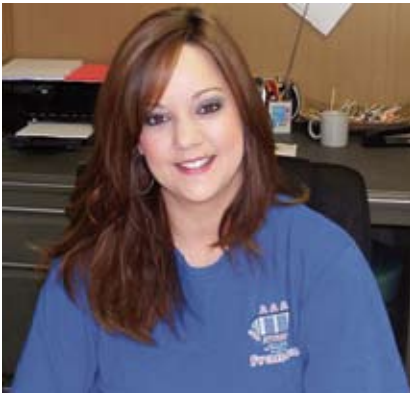
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