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A day to honor

Memorial Day ceremony Monday honors veterans who gave the ultimate sacrifice in all wars

By JULIE BASS
Staff Writer

On Saturday, the Boy Scouts of the Buffalo Trail Council were out placing miniature American flags on U.S. veterans graves in the Trinity Memorial Park in preparation of Monday's Memorial Day Ceremony.

On Monday, Trinity Memorial Park and Nalley-Pickles & Welch Funeral home will hosting the 32nd annual Howard County Memorial Day Ceremony. The ceremony begins at 2 p.m. and the park is located 5 miles south of Big Spring on Highway 87. The public is welcomed and encouraged to attend.

In honor of Howard County Veterans, there will be more than 100 full size American flags flying in the Avenue of Flags. Veterans organizations of Howard County will participate in the wreath laying ceremony at the main flagpole.

For more information about the event, contact Cyndi Morris at 432-267-8243.

Big Spring will be one of many cities across the country to host Memorial Day ceremonies held to honor U.S. military men and women who gave their life in defense of the country throughout the history of the nation.

City, county offices closed Monday

Howard County and city of Big Spring offices will be closed Monday in honor of Memorial Day.

The city of Big Spring will close all offices including the landfill and sanitation department. There will be no sanitation pickup on Monday.

Emergency Services and law enforcement will continue normal operations.

For the city, emergency utilities staff will also be on call and can be contacted at 264-2392.

colorblast 2015

Hundreds of people participated in the BSHS student council CFG Color Blast 5K Walk/Run Friday evening at the Comanche Trail Park. Participants were pelted with a non-toxic, biodegradable paint powder at various stations throughout the course. The event was held to honor three Big Spring ISD employees who died earlier this year; Jim Campbell, Danny Ferrell and Carol Green.

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DPS increasing patrols this holiday weekend

Special to the Herald

A 4.7 percent increase of travelers are expected to hit the roadways this Memorial Day compared to last year, with an estimated 37.2 million people journeying 50 miles or more from their home, according to a AAA report.

The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) will increase trooper patrols Friday through Monday, looking for drunk drivers, speeding, seat belt and other traffic violators statewide.

"DPS urges Texans to celebrate Memorial Day responsibly as they honor the men and women who have made the ultimate sacrifice to protect our nation," said DPS Director Steven McCraw. "Keeping our roadways safe for all travelers is a top priority for the department, and troopers will be watching for dangerous drivers who disregard the law and endanger the lives of others."

Last year during the Memorial Day weekend, DPS troopers arrested 413 drunk drivers and issued 5,439 speeding citations, 1,053 seat belt and child safety restraint tickets, and cited 684 drivers for driving without insurance. Additionally, troopers made 182 fugitive arrests and 168 felony arrests.

DPS will also be participating in the "Click It or Ticket" enforcement campaign to encourage drivers and passengers to comply with state seat belt laws.

Drivers can take a variety of measures to help ensure safe travel during the Memorial Day weekend, including:

- Do not drink and drive.
- Slow down — especially in bad weather, construction areas, heavy traffic and unfamiliar areas.

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Sprucing things up a bit...

By **Amanda Duforat**

Special to the Herald
Task: Complete a community project before graduation. Status: Task completed.

New paint, new rock, new plants and a little bit of time can go a long way, according to the members of Leadership Big Spring. Upon receiving their task, members of the Leadership class decided on a project that would not only leave a lasting impression on the community, but help refresh an already important lasting impression to history.

"It's a piece of history that is so important to our town, but yet it's often forgotten. The Vietnam Memorial serves as a reminder of those who gave such an important gift to all of us, the least we could do is help give it a new lease on life," a Leadership Big Spring class member said.

The memorial itself has its own history. The idea for the memorial sprouted in the late 1980s when the Vietnam Memorial Moving Wall made its way to Big Spring. The Moving Wall served as such a significant reminder and made such a lasting impact on the area vet-

erans that it was decided that the land on which the Wall had stood could see no other purpose, but to serve as a site for a memorial helping the

ing to the history page of the Big Spring Vietnam Memorial website, the land where the memorial sits today was obtained through a lease

from the Howard County College District.

In the late Fall of 1990 progress was made and the foundation was poured. Within just a few short months, the plaza

was constructed and the memorial was assembled. Dedication of the Vietnam Memorial took place on May 27, 1991.

Members of the committee felt the memorial didn't receive the attention needed for such an important spot to recognize the sacrifice of our military personnel. They decided to roll up their sleeves and do something about it.

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community to ensure the sacrifices of those men and women would never be forgotten.

Once the decision was made, a committee was formed - only a small number remains of active members - and planning commenced. Accord-

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Pictured at right are Big Spring Chamber of Commerce assistant Nancy Davenport, Executive Director Debbye ValVerde and member of the 2015 graduating class of Leadership Big Spring. The class includes: Royal Brawley, city of Big Spring; Patrick Bunning, Manny Chavira, Amanda Duforat, Karrah Epperson, John Haynes, Hayley Lewis, Joe Macias, Angela Martinez, Melinda McCann, Timothy Teston, Samuel Vasquez, and Mack Word.

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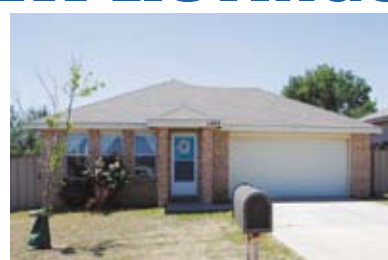
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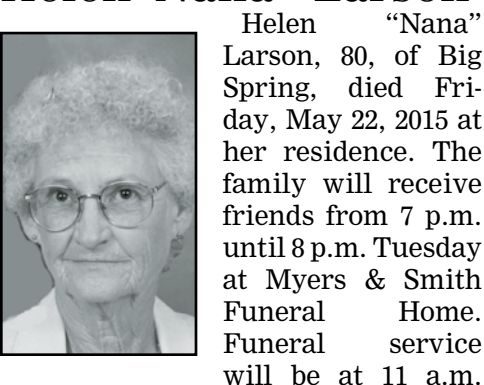


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Obituaries

Helen "Nana" Larson



Helen "Nana" Larson, 80, of Big Spring, died Friday, May 22, 2015 at her residence. The family will receive friends from 7 p.m. until 8 p.m. Tuesday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Myers & Smith Chapel with Randy Cotton, pastor Trinity Baptist, officiating. Burial will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

Helen was born May 29, 1934 in Hawley, Texas to Katie Arizona (Tucker) and James Clinton. She married Blaine Larson on Nov. 5, 1953 in Big Spring and he preceded her in death on Oct. 18, 2003. She was a homemaker but also worked at College Park Safeway for 17 years. Following that, she worked as a substitute teacher for

Big Spring Independent School District for more than 20 years. She had been a lifetime resident of Big Spring and was a member of Trinity Baptist Church.

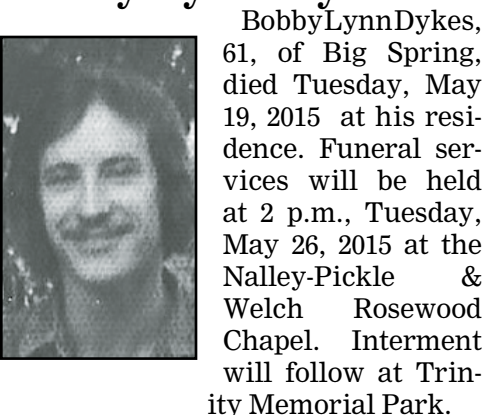
Helen is survived by two daughters, Brenda Kae Larson and Jan Benford and husband Joe, all of Big Spring; two sons, David Larson and wife Larenda and Timothy Larson and wife Audrae, also all of Big Spring; one brother, Elmer Clinton and wife June of Big Spring; eight grandchildren; 10 great grandchildren and a number of nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by three sisters, Tessie Decker, Prue Armstrong and Vivian Ethridge and one brother G.C. "Buddy" Clinton.

The family suggests memorials to Trinity Baptist Church Building Fund, 1701 E FM 700, Big Spring, TX 79720.

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

Bobby Lynn Dykes



Bobby Lynn Dykes, 61, of Big Spring, died Tuesday, May 19, 2015 at his residence. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m., Tuesday, May 26, 2015 at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

Bobby was born Feb. 14, 1954 in Big Spring to Billy Gene and Sybil Jean Dykes. He married Sherri Ruth

Thompson Dec. 27, 1975 in Dallas. She preceded him in death, May 28, 2007.

Bobby is survived by a son; Bob Dykes Jr. of Amarillo, Texas; a daughter, Tanya Jewett and husband, Jeremy of Arvada, Colo.; four grandchildren; two brothers; Gerald Dykes and Charles Dykes both of Big Spring; and one sister; Karen Brown of Fort Worth.

He was also preceded in death by his parents, and two brothers, Billy and William Dykes.

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

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

• **ROBERT ALLEN STEWART**, 42, of 104 W. 13th St. was arrested on charges of public intoxication and use or possession of illegal smoking material.

• **ESMERALDA LEWIS**, 40, of 1100 Pickens St. was arrested on charges of theft, more than \$50 but less than \$500 shoplifting; and a warrant from another agency.

• **RUBEN LOPEZ CASTANEDA**, 31, of 1100 Pickens St. was arrested on charges of theft, more than \$50 but less than \$500 shoplifting; failed to maintain financial responsibility; fail to report change of name/address, safety seat system – child less than 8 years of age or less than 4'9" tall and fail to appear.

• **ARTHUR M. HILARIO JR.**,

25, of 2500 Carleton Dr. was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• **VICTOR RAYMOND YANEZ IV**, 31, of 1211 E. 17th St. was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• **CALEB LEE ROBERTSON**, 38, of 117 Hoosier Rd. was arrested on a charge of driving while license suspended/invalid with previous convictions and a warrant from another agency.

• **SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY** was reported in the 2100 block of S. Gregg St.

• **BURGLARY IN PROGRESS** was reported in the 3100 block of W. Hwy 80.

• **MINOR ACCIDENT** was reported at

the intersection on Avondale near Wasson.

• **CITIZEN ASSIST/REQUEST OFFICER** was reported in the 2000 block of S. Gregg St.

• **THEFT** was reported in the 200 block of W. FM 700.

• **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 1800 block of Wasson Rd.

• **HARASSMENT** was reported in the 1500 block of Wood St.

• **ASSAULT** was reported in the 1300 block of Mt. Vernon Ave.

Take Note

Post No. 506, 3203 W. Highway 80, will hold a fish fry this Saturday. Plates are \$12 each, with serving from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and delivery available from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more information, call 263-2084.

• The time period to transfer into the Forsan ISD system as a student for the 2015-2016 school year has begun. Students entering grades pre-kindergarten through fifth grade must have their transfer application to the school by May 29. Students in grades sixth through 12 have until July 30. Guidelines, timelines and applications are available at each Forsan ISD campus.

• The Big Spring Art Association area wide art show will be held May 23-30. Entries will be accepted Saturday, May 23, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Heritage Museum, 510 Scurry. Judging will be at 2:30 p.m. Categories are 1. oil/acrylics; 2. pastels; 3. photography; 4. mixed media; 4. watercolor; 6. 3D/sculpture, pottery, jewelry, stained glass; and 7. graphics and charcoal. All work must be original and completed within the past two years. No copy work will be accepted.

Entry fees are \$10 per item for BSAA members; \$15 per item for non-members; and \$10 per item for students. Cash prize and ribbons will be awarded.

For more information, contact Kay Smith at 432-213-1153; kay197smith@aol.com or Ruby

Bruns, 432-664-1942, [rubybruns@yahoo.com](mailto:rubbybruns@yahoo.com).

• The Coahoma High School classes of 1952-1956 will have a get-together from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. July 24 at the Hampton Inn of Big Spring's Cowboy Meeting Room. For more information, call 432-213-3259.

• SOS — Save Our Symphony. The Big Spring Symphony Association needs funds to help pay off debts occurred in this past symphony season. Contributions can be made to the Big Spring Symphony, P.O. Box 682, Big Spring, Texas 79721 or can be directly deposited to the symphony's account at Western Bank, 607 S. Scurry St. For more information, contact Symphony President Suzanne Markwell at 214-256-1674.

• For information on Garrett Parrish's condition, or to post messages of support, visit his Facebook page (#GPSTRONG). Parrish was seriously injured in a recent sledding accident.

• An account has been set up at Wells Fargo Bank for Briana Mendoza to help with medical cost. Briana was recently diagnosed with cancer.

• The Big Spring Symphony Board of Directors meets every second Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the symphony office, 808 Scurry Street



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Weddings

Berend-Swinney



Mr. and Mrs. Berend

Megan is the daughter of Dean and Jackie Swinney of Keller. She is the granddaughter of Jan Foresyth and the late Jerry Foresyth and Melva Swinney and the late Joe Swinney of Big Spring. Beau is the son of Lonny and Leann Berend of Windthorst. He is the grandson of Beverly Wilde and the late Clarence Wilde of Archer City and the late Della Allen and James Allen, as well as the late Hubert Berend of Windthorst.

Given in marriage by her parents and escorted by her father, the bride wore a gown by Stella York. The dress was made of ivory Dolce satin, covered with vintage lace. The dress had a trumpet silhouette and featured a sweetheart neckline with a floating vintage lace overlay.

Maid of honor was M'Lyn Swinney of Keller, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Kasey Skidmore of Paris, Kelsey Swearingen of Abilene, Kelsie Berend of Stephenville, and Ashton Rea of Houston. Flower girls were Emery Ishmael of Jacksboro and Camille Cabrera of Henrietta.

Bestman was Matt Berend of Abilene, brother of the groom. Groomsmen were Ben Wolfe of Henrietta, Andrew Meurer of Windthorst, Joseph Berend of Berea, Kentucky, and Scott Thomas of Wichita Falls. Ushers were Waylon Wolf of Fort Worth, Thomas Meurer of Carrollton, and Josh Scarbrough of Justin. Ring bearer was Thor Milner from Pilot Pointe.

The bride is a 2011 graduate of Tarleton State University. She is currently an imaging tech for Bass Companies in Fort Worth.

The groom is a 2010 graduate of Tarleton State University and a 2015 graduate of the University of Texas at Arlington. He is currently an operations geologist for Newark E&P Operating in Fort Worth.

Following a honeymoon trip to Great Exuma, Bahamas, the couple will be at home in Fort Worth.

Megan Brenn Swinney and Beau Daniel Berend were united in marriage on May 16, 2015 at 6 in the evening at

May 16, 2015
The Orchard
Azle, Texas

The Orchard in Azle. Virgil Feinsod, former youth minister at First United Methodist Church Big Spring, officiated. Vows were exchanged in front of friends and family during an outdoor ceremony.

The bride and groom stood under a crystal chandelier, suspended from a wooden pergola, and draped in white organza and spring flowers. During the ceremony, the bride, groom, and guests shared a moment of silence for those loved ones that had passed. Scripture was read by Cindy Berend, aunt of the groom. The bride and groom shared in lighting the unity candle.

A reception followed with dinner and dancing. The music was provided by John Swinney, uncle of the bride. On the eve of the wedding, the groom's parents hosted a rehearsal dinner honoring the wedding party at Viewside Veranda in Weatherford.

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Menus

Big Spring ISD

Monday
Breakfast: apple or cherry frudel, string cheese, grapes, assorted fruit juice and milk; Lunch: crispy tacos, ranch beans, spanish rice, tomato/cucumber cup, apple-pineapple d'lite, fresh fruit bowl and milk.

Tuesday
Breakfast: mini maple pancakes, strawberry yogurt, applesauce cup, assorted fruit juice and milk; Lunch: meaty queso, tortilla chips, garden salad, mexicali corn, pears, refried

beans, fresh fruit bowl and milk.

Wednesday
Breakfast: sausage roll, string cheese, peach cup, assorted fruit juice and milk; Lunch: chicken patty, baby carrots, fresh veggie cup, fruity Jell-O, fresh fruit bowl and milk.

Thursday
Breakfast: cheese stuffed sandwich, banana, assorted fruit juice and milk; Lunch: meaty macaroni, breadsticks, green beans, garden salad, grapes, animal crackers, fresh fruit bowl and milk.

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Who's Who

in Howard County

Name: Debbye Valverde
Where do you work: Executive Director, Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce.
Where were you born: Big Spring, Texas.
City you live in: Big Spring, Texas.
Family: Larry Valverde, husband; Gina Salazar, mom; Denise Salazar and Marty Deanda, sister and brother-in-law; Sophie Deanda, niece.
Hobbies, Organizations, Clubs: Greater Big Spring Rotary Club, Keep Big Spring Beautiful, Coloring and riding the Harley with my husband.
Favorite book: I love all reading.
Favorite show: Big Bang Theory, Grey's Anatomy and too many more to name.
Favorite movie: Steel Magnolias
Where would you visit if you could go anywhere: Rome, Italy



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Who's who

Halfmann earns a 2015 All American Scholar Award



Holly Halfmann

San Antonio — Holly Halfmann of Garden City was selected to receive the 2015 All American Scholar Award sponsored by Catholic Life Insurance, one of the nation's largest fraternal life insurers. Each year, Catholic Life awards 35 scholarships worth \$1,000 each to graduating high school seniors who have

not only demonstrated outstanding leadership skills and academic achievements, but have also gone above and beyond in their civic duties and made a difference in their communities.

The All American Scholar Award was designed to offset tuition costs for young Catholic Life members attending an accredited college or university in the fall semester immediately following their senior year of high school. This award recognizes those special individuals who have dedicated their valuable time and efforts to helping others while remaining devoted to their academic

studies.

Halfmann, who plans to attend Blinn College in the fall, is the daughter of Scott and Tana Halfmann. Her resume of extracurricular activities and community service include the Brownwood 4-H Center, Glasscock County ISD spokesperson for teens against drunk driving, Garden City Community Center spokesperson, St. Lawrence Catholic Church, Catholic Youth Organization, National Honor Society, Business Professionals of America (BPA), Student Council, UIL, cross country, basketball, track and golf, and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA).

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Don Boling, a Vietnam veteran, salutes a wreath during the Trinity Memorial Park Memorial Day Ceremony in 2014.

CEREMONY

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Earlier this month, a group of motorcycle riders consisting mostly of veterans and family members who were taking part in the Run for the Wall made a stop at the Big Spring Vietnam Memorial on their national wide

trip from California to Washington D.C. to join in on Memorial Day ceremonies.

On Monday, these cyclist will join with hundreds of thousands of Motorcyclist for the Rolling Thunder Parade Freedom Ride.

The annual event is held as a call to action to remember and honor military veterans and soldiers who are missing in action. It will begin at 7 a.m. at the

Pentagon and riders will enter D.C. via Memorial Bridge after they've filled both the North and South Pentagon parking lots with motorcyclists. They'll then ride around the National Mall.

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

Support Groups

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

• Reformers U n a n i m o u s International is a faith-based addictions program helping people find freedom from addiction. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Mondays at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Enter at the main entrance of the church.

• Stepping Stone Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at Spring Town Plaza (inside the mall, next to Attitudes Hair Salon, down by Bealls). Open meeting at 7 p.m.

TUESDAY
• Big Spring and Snyder Parkinsons Support Group meeting at the Big Spring Senior Center at 10:30 a.m. the second Tuesday of the month.

This is a group for all Parkinson's disease patients, spouses and caregivers.

For more information about the support group or about Parkinson's Disease, contact Jo Bidwell at the Lubbock APDA office at 806-785-0942

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

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

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

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

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; open 12 & 12 study meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

THURSDAY
• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, open discussion noon to 1 p.m.; women's meeting; 6:30 until 7:30 p.m. Non-smoking closed discussion meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

• Spring Tabernacle Ministries has a faith-based support group for

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

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

• Stepping Stone Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at Spring Town Plaza (inside the mall, next to Attitudes Hair Salon,

down by Bealls). Open meeting at 7 p.m.

• A Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder support group meeting is at 6:30 p.m. at the VA Medical Center Veteran's Healing Center.

FRIDAY
• Stepping Stone Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at Spring Town Plaza (inside the mall, next to Attitudes Hair Salon, down by Bealls). Open meeting at 7 p.m.

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According to AAA, this weekend will be the highest travel volume for the holiday in 10 years.

Herman Wouk writes book to mark 100th birthday



This May 15, 2000, file photo, shows author Herman Wouk in Palm Springs, Calif. (AP Photo/Douglas L. Benc Jr., File)

BY HILLEL ITALIE

AP National Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — As he nears his 100th birthday, Herman Wouk has a book planned with a title permitted only to a man of his age.

Wouk's "Sailor and Fiddler: Reflections of a 100-Year-Old Author" is coming out in December, Simon & Schuster told *The Associated Press* on Friday.

The book will cover his years in the Navy during World War II, inspiration for his Pulitzer Prize-winning novel "The Caine Mutiny," and will include reflections on his Jewish faith, a recurring theme in his work.

"I've lived to a great age, and for that I thank Providence," Wouk said in a statement issued

through his publisher. "To the readers who've stayed with me for the long pull, my warm affection, and I hope you'll enjoy the light-hearted memoir about my writings."

Wouk turns 100 on May 27 and has been a published author for nearly 70 years. His other books include the best-selling novels "Marjorie Morningstar" and "The Winds of War" and the nonfiction works "This Is My God" and "The Will to Live On."

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Elodia Gutierrez, 71, died Tuesday. Funeral Mass was at 10 a.m. this morning at Holy Trinity Catholic Church with burial at Coahoma Cemetery.

Helen "Nana" Larson, 80, died Friday. The family will receive friends from 7 p.m. until 8 p.m. Tuesday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park.

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Celeste De La Paz, pinned by her mother, Connie Guerra and her boyfriend Ty Gibson; Carl L. Friddle, pinned

his father Marvin L. Friddle; Jesse Nicole Garcia, pinned by her father Robert Garcia; Marisela Hernandez, pinned by her parents Araceli and Rene Hernandez; Ken Johnson, pinned by his wife Keely and mother Louis Johnson; and Kelli Keel, pinned by her boyfriend Aaron Gandy and her daughter Jailyne; Jackie Llanas, pinned by her parents Felix and Ofelia Llanas.

Dani Lykins, pinned by her fiance Nathan Bobbitt; Meagan Merket, pinned by her mother Melissa Merket and her niece Bransan Merket; Aubrea Newton, pinned by her brother James Newton, sister Amy Peterson, Father Harrell Newton and her children; Laura Olague-Swatzell, pinned by her husband Marcus Swatzell; Alyx Pappajohn, pinned by her husband, Tony Woodward; Cameron Nicole Ray, pinned by her

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Friday

Breakfast: french toast, mixed fruit cup, assorted fruit juice and milk; Lunch: sack lunch bag and milk due to early dismissal at 12:30.

New Hope

Monday

Closed for Memorial Day

Tuesday

Breakfast: cereal, apple juice and milk; Snack: string cheese and animal crackers; Lunch: ham and cheese sandwich, peas, french fries and milk.

Wednesday

Breakfast: pancakes, applesauce and milk; Snack: sliced ham and buttery crackers; Lunch:

mini corndogs, corn, Pork n'beans, bread and milk.

Thursday

Breakfast: breakfast bits, peaches and milk; Snack: sliced cheese and saltine crackers; Lunch: chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, green beans, bread and milk.

Friday

Breakfast: Pop Tarts, banana halves and milk; no snack or lunch. Half day, dismissed at noon.

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Monday

No school

Tuesday

Manager's choice

Wednesday

Breakfast: manager's choice; Lunch: field day with hot dog cookout.

Thursday

Manager's choice and sack lunch.

Friday

Manager's choice and sack lunch.

Big Spring Senior Center

Monday

Closed for Memorial Day

Tuesday

Cheeseburger, lettuce/tomato/pickle/onion, sweet potato fries, oatmeal cookie and V8 juice/milk.

Wednesday

Green chili stew, vegetables, key limesquares and milk.

Thursday

Turkey/dressing/gravy, green beans, cranberry sauce, mixed fruit/whipped topping, rolls and milk.

Friday

Chicken and beef fajitas, refried beans, guacamole salad, chips and salsa, tropical fruit and milk.

Life Policies

The Big Spring Herald has instituted a 600 word limit for all wedding submissions.

All wedding articles will be edited to fit the above listed policy.

All submissions for Sunday's life section must be turned in by noon Wednesday to be published in Sunday's edition.

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Walking the Red Road:

The way the Creator made it

Long before anyone remembers, the Creator, in his wisdom, created the American continent for his children — the Native Americans. To the Red People, he had made a perfect world.

A land with forests and woodlands, mountains and valleys, prairies and fresh flowing waters. A land filled with game — mammals, fowl and fish. A land that provided all that they needed to sustain themselves. The land offered them food, clothing and shelter.

It was a perfect world with room for all peoples. The Native Americans saw no need to change the world the Creator had made for them.

Although the Red man saw it as a perfect world, the white man did not. When the Europeans came, they saw a land they could change to better suit their needs. They set about to change it.

Forests became fields, great holes were dug into Earth Mother in search of gems, minerals and coal. A large portion of the wildlife was killed, some to the brink of extinction. Some were exterminated completely, as the passenger pigeon was.

Later on, rivers were transformed into lakes and holes were poked into Earth Mother to extract oil and gas. A land that had been the same for countless centuries was vastly changed. Much of it has not recovered to this day.

Locally, this same thing has occurred. What were once prairies are now fields and pastures. Land where buffalo once roamed by the thousands is now filled with cattle, cotton and oil wells. In the drilling of oil wells, much land has been ruined and water supplies contaminated.

What was once an oasis on the prairie for the American Indian is now completely changed. For centuries, Howard County had several flowing springs. Between 15 and 20 springs flowed here in the time of the Indians. Now none of them flow because of the coming of the white man and his actions.

Historical sites have been altered or destroyed. Miles of Comanche camp grounds were destroyed in the building of Big Spring. How much history was lost in the process is impossible to determine.

And this is still continuing today. The City of Big Spring has a new plan called the Restoration of the Big Spring. This plan calls for rock plazas to be built all around the spring. A new overlook is to be built between the spring and the lake.

Excuse me please, this is restoration? To restore something means to put in back as it was. Restoration? To me, it is more like desecration of the spring.

Destruction of the spring began with the railroad, which gained land rights to the spring in the 1880s. After almost pumping it dry, they attempted to increase water flow by using dynamite. This act completely sealed off the water flow to the spring and the spring dried up.

When I spoke with a city employee about the project, I was told they wanted to make the spring more visually attractive so that more people will visit it. They said it's not pretty as it is.

To me, the full beauty of the spring can not be seen with just the eye. The spring's beauty lies within its spirit and it's power.

The white man sees only with his eyes, an Indian sees with his heart as well as his eyes. When I am at the spring I feel it's spirit and it's power. I can feel the presence of the old ones, the Native Americans that used the spring for it's life giving water for centuries.

I feel this project should not be allowed to move forward, it needs to be stopped. We are talking about changing something that is a historical site to the white man and a sacred site to the Red Man. If you agree with me help me fight this battle — call the city council and the mayor, let them know how you feel.

People of Big Spring, this is going too far. Let us leave some things the way the Creator intended them to be.

Randy A McKinney is a member of the Sunrise Wind Clan of Two Bear Claws and has been given the title of Life Guide and Spiritual Leader for his people



RANDY
McKINNEY

A community college for the deaf

The majority of our students would probably take issue with the statement that they have a handicap. They don't view themselves as being handicapped or disabled. They view themselves as being different, but in a good way."

That quote is from Danny Campbell, dean of academic affairs at Southwest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf in Big Spring. It's known as "SWCID" and is a part of Howard College. The school opened in 1980 on the former Webb Air Force Base.

"It was a culture shock for me," says Danny, "because I was the only hearing faculty member. All the other instructors here were deaf. So I never saw a hearing person all day long at work. It was a bit of an adjustment that first year."

One hundred and twenty students attend the campus in Big Spring, but teaching in American Sign Language goes all over the state from the facil-



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ity through internet TV. Danny is currently teaching a biology class in ASL so deaf students at other colleges can take the course on their own campus.

Forty percent of the students in Big Spring are from Texas. Sixty percent are from out of state. Twenty students are from foreign countries. Danny says it's the only junior college for the deaf in the world. "We're quite proud of that. Deaf students have an opportunity to get an education at a place that is affordable and helpful. We constantly track the students' progress and encourage them to do their best. It's a very deaf-friendly environment." Danny learned sign language because he had a sister with a hearing problem.

The school has basketball and volleyball teams called the Rattlers. The first president of SWCID, Dr. Douglas Burke, had a hand in naming the mascot. "The very first day the school opened in 1980, we were meeting with the first group of students, which numbered somewhere between 15 and 20. Dr. Burke introduced the faculty to the students. We were all sitting in one room and he went around the teaching staff giving their

names and fields of study. When he got to me he introduced me not as Daniel Campbell but as Daniel Boone. He said that I was a direct descendant of the famous Daniel Boone from Kentucky and that he had hired me because I was a specialist in genetics. And he just made this up. I had no idea it was coming.

"He said that I was hired because of West Texas rattlesnakes and the fear that goes along with them. Rattlesnakes warn hearing people but they don't warn deaf people. So he had hired me to mate rattlesnakes with lightning bugs so that the babies' tails would light up instead of rattle, thereby warning deaf people. And he said it was only appropriate because rattlesnakes are deaf. He made up this long tale about why I had been hired and everything. Shortly after that, we picked the rattlesnake as our mascot." An artist painted a picture of a rattlesnake with a light bulb on its tail. It hung in Dr. Burke's office.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

SMMC treated me very well

To the Editor:
After hobbling on a torn meniscus in my right knee for the past 2½ months, the VA Medical Center made arrangements for me to consult with an orthopedic physician. After his examination, he recommended surgery.

I went to Scenic Mountain Medical Center that Monday at 5:30 a.m., registered and was shown my room just after 6 a.m. I got to totally strip and put one of those funny gowns on. The nurse came in, updated their files, started an IV and said she would be there when I came back from surgery.

At 7 a.m. they rolled me down to another room for more conversation. The anesthesiologist was very concerned about the permanent trachea in my neck; I tried to tell him that he could tube just like anyone else, except he would have to put the tube in the hole in my neck instead of down my mouth. He finally decided he would rather just give me a spinal block instead of that. OK by me.

I was wheeled into surgery, given the spinal block

and then lay there as they worked on my knee. I tried to convince them to remove the sheet hanging in front of my face so I could watch, but they copped out by saying they didn't want to contaminate the knee with anything from my face, nose or mouth. After the surgery, four of them helped move me back to my bed and off to recovery we went. I stayed there until I could wiggle both feet (sure was a weird feeling).

Back in my room, the doctor came in, bringing photos of what he found and fixed inside the knee. To my untrained eye, that tear in the meniscus looked like a recreation of the Grand Canyon. After badgering the nurse, she finally told me that if I could walk to the door and back, she would remove the IV. I made it, but I sure had my doubts at times. We finally got discharged just before 1 p.m.

I have got to say this stop in Scenic Mountain Medical Center was a very pleasurable experience. I could not have had better service from the nurses or doctors. The floor nurse, recovery nurse and operating room nurses were very competent and pro-

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Small town shenanigans

Home towns keep bars held high when they measure up to the ways they are remembered. Memories' afterglow is abundant with "warm fuzzies." We gather memory bouquets of roses, giving little thought to thorns encountered in their gathering.

Folks growing up in small towns believe experiences during their youth are unique, far different from others coming of age in the city.

Uniqueness, though — like much else — is in the mind's eye of the beholder.

Adam Hill, a 9-year-old in Albany, Texas, is bound to have a trove of tales to one day tell his kids and grandkids. He'll brag about growing up in a small West Texas community where it's a given that parents "look after" all children — theirs and others.

With their "one for all, all for one" spirit, much of life in Albany is little different than 30, 40 or even 50 years ago.

The youngest of four children of Kevin and Kim Hill, Adam is making memories as an observer — and an occasional participant — in a popular summertime game. Sometimes, he joins older brother Ryan in what is called "Ding-Dong-Ditching."

It's kinda like Halloween, except the players are all in for tricks. Treats aren't in the equation.

The game calls for children-most of them 10-12 years of age-to ring doorbells, then running

down the street, hoping to avoid being identified. "They don't realize parents are 100 percent 'in' on what's going on, happily playing along by 'chasing' the children down the street," Kim said.

When Adam participates, he's always barefoot, sometimes "dressed down" to his underwear. During one of his recent "observation sessions," darkness set in.

That night, one of Kim's friends sent a text warning that bell-pushers soon would appear at the Hills' front door. Overhearing the conversation, Adam hid in a front yard bush to take it all in.

Later, darkness fully in place, Adam asked, "Okay, Mommy — I have a really important question: Do cats sneeze?" Kim answered she was sure they do.

Adam was greatly relieved by her answer. "That's good. When I was hiding in the bushes tonight, something in there with me sneezed, and I was sure hoping it was just a cat."

Some accounts withstand the test of time, like a son who stubbornly showed up his dad years ago in Sulphur Springs. He accompanied his father, a longtime farmer, to the Sulphur Springs Cattle and Dairy Auction, where they planned to sell a cow and a calf.

A special needs son, he begged his pappy to sell the cow and calf separately. The old man was adamant, however, insisting they be sold as a pair.

The auctioneer was so instructed.

While his dad was getting coffee, the son — obsessed with a hunch that the animals should be offered separately — revisited the auctioneer. He said his pap-

py had changed his mind—they should be auctioned separately.

When the animals paraded separately into the ring, the farmer was furious, ready to march on the auctioneer. He mellowed quickly, however, upon learning the proceeds of the two sales would be several dollars more than if the cow and calf had been offered together.

"I never thought I'd ever see the day when a calf was worth more than its mammy and I was smarter than my pappy," the happy 40-something son beamed.

Fort Worth citizens recently paid homage to 92-year-old Jim Wright, who rose to be Speaker of the House in Washington, DC.

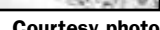
Two stories untold at the funeral date back to the late Christian statesman's years as "boy mayor" of Weatherford. On a sleepy afternoon, he received two bird-related phone calls a few minutes apart. One caller on the west side complained of the growing sparrow population in his neighborhood. Another on the east side was angry that some youngsters with air rifles were firing at sparrows. "I relocated the kids with air rifles to the side of town where they'd be more welcome, thus pleasing both callers," Wright said.

At a dinner honoring the late Larry Hagman — Weatherford actor who played JR Ewing on TV's long-running Dallas TV series — Wright spoke of being Hagman's boxing coach. "Thank goodness you weren't my acting coach," Hagman responded.

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professional. The anesthesiologist could not have been any better and Dr. Franks has my total support.

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To the Editor:
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The myth of
appraisal caps

To the Editor:
Revenue caps and appraisal caps are again being touted by some legislators as a solution to increases in property tax appraisals and revenues. These misguided restrictions have been tried in California, Florida and Colorado with disastrous results. Let's look at the real driver of property taxes in Texas.

First, Texas is a low-tax state, ranking around 45th among the states in total state and local taxation. However, Texas is a high property-tax state. Why? Because Texas has no state income tax, and the state has mandated that local governments (schools, counties and cities) perform functions and services that are state-funded in other states. What tool has the state given to local governments to fund these mandated functions? The local prop-

erty tax.
Further, the state has prescribed a system of property appraisal guaranteed to keep appraisals high, ensuring an increasing source of property tax funding for public schools and limiting the amount of state funding. The appraisal system certainly needs reform (such as uniform price disclosure) to repair the inequities in the process, but artificial limits that distort the values is not an answer.
Second, local governments, especially counties, are caught in an impossible situation. Faced with unfunded mandates from the state and rising costs of services for an increasing population, they must either curtail their discretionary services — such as law enforcement and transportation — to continue the mandated services, or increase their tax revenue.

No local official looks forward to increasing property taxes. They must pay them on their own property, and they must explain the necessity to their voters. However, the present statutes allow no other options if public safety is to be maintained and the roads are to remain passable.

Imposing revenue caps and appraisal caps on local government will not reduce the cost of local government by one cent, but it will reduce local services that citizens need. If the state Legislature wants to join local governments in their efforts to restrain property tax increases, it should provide funding for its mandated services and release the dedicated funds that are being improperly held to

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conspiring to deceive the public about the health consequences and addictiveness of smoking cigarettes. After hearing testimony from 162 witnesses over nine months, U.S. District Judge Gladys Kessler found in 2006 that the companies had engaged in a massive fraud campaign.

The judge ordered the companies to take out ads addressing the negative health effects of smoking, nicotine manipulation, the health impact of secondhand smoke and the truth about “light” and “low-tar” brands. The ads would appear in newspapers, on TV, websites and cigarette pack inserts.

While the appeals court struck down the preamble to the ads, it left the remaining content largely intact.

The case now goes back to the district court for further proceedings.

Matthew Myers, president of the advocacy group Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids, called the ruling “a resounding victory for public health,” though he said he was disappointed the companies would not be required to admit they deceived the public.

“This decision provides a path for forcing the companies to finally tell the truth about their product,” said Myers, whose group was a party in the case. “It should not take long to translate this decision into a workable order, assuming the tobacco industry does not try to further delay.”

Altria spokesman Brian May said the company was pleased that the court struck down the preamble language, which he called “the critical part of the appeal.”



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Partee Drilling Inc. was a recent recipient of the Chamber of Commerce’s “We Appreciate Your Investment in our Community” banner.

Texas jobless rate holds steady at 4.2 percent

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The Texas unemployment rate for April held steady at 4.2 percent, the Texas Workforce Commission reported Friday.

The state’s rate — the lowest level since July 2007 — compares to the national jobless rate is 5.4 percent. Texas had seven straight

months of jobless rate declines through March. In April 2014, statewide unemployment was 5.2 percent.

Texas added an estimated 287,000 seasonally adjusted jobs over the past year, according to the commission.

The leisure and hospital-ity industry led job gains in Texas, adding 6,900 posi-

tions. Other job gains hap-pened in the information and trade, transportation and utilities sector, the agency reported.

Amarillo had the state’s lowest jobless rate for April at 2.7 percent. The McAllen-Edinburg-Mission area had the highest unemployment statewide last month at 7.3

percent.

Information is available to assist companies inter-ested in hiring additional people, officials said.

“The employers in Texas are strong and resilient and have a talented pool of workers to choose from,” TWC Commissioner Hope Andrade said.

RECORDS

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Warranty Deeds

Grantor: Loretta Sundy Norwood
Grantee: Wendy K. Walker
Property: Lots 16 and 17, block 4, Cen-tral Park addition
Date: May 13, 2015

Grantor: Oleta D. Carter
Grantee: Kevin Legg and Emilee Legg
Property: N.E. quarter of Sec 43, block 32, T-1-S T&P RR Co. Survey
Date: May 13, 2015

Grantor: Rosi Rodriguez
Grantee: Anthony Marc Baccari and Jennifer Dawn Baccari
Property: Lots 8 and 9, block 16, Saun-ders addition, Coahoma
Date: May 12, 2015

Grantor: E & J Miller, LLC
Grantee: Rebecca Suzanne Smith
Property: Lot 33, block 5, College Park Estates
Date: May 11, 2015

Grantor: Dorrace J. Smith
Grantee: Joe Torres
Property: Lot 3-4B, block 27, Fairview Heights addition
Date: May 4, 2015

Grantor: Richard C. Reed and Delynda Reed
Grantee: Eddie Earls and Tina Earls
Property: S.W. quarter of Sec 16, block 32, T-1-S T&P Ry Co Survey
Date: May 13, 2015

Grantor: Debra Kay Ivie
Grantee: Debra Lusk, Eric Lusk and Sonia Lusk
Property: Lot 13, block 3, Hall addition
Date: May 20, 2015

Grantor: Mildred Armstrong Hutchin-son
Grantee: Golda Wellsworth
Property: Lot 11, block 4, College Heights addition
Date: May, 11, 2015

Grantor: Gene Hector
Grantee: Rebecca Suzanne Smith
Property: N. half of lot 25, block 31, T-1-N T&P Ry Co. Survey
Date: May 20, 2015

Warranty Deeds with Lien

Grantor: LiveSage, LLC doing business as Wegman Homes
Grantee: Silver Leaf Communities, LLC
Property: Lot 3, block 1, University Gar-dens addition
Date: May 14, 2015

Grantor: James Saint, Steven West-brook and Judy Westbrook

Grantee: Timothy Paul Merki and Heidi Faye Merki
Property: S. half Sec 18, block 32, T-1-S T&P RR Co. Survey
Date: May 11, 2015

Grantor: Gregory M. Ivie and Robin N. Ivie
Grantee: Samuel C. Castro and Rachel S. Hurford
Property: Lot 7, block 4, Thorp Subdivi-sion
Date: Nov. 27, 2013

Grantor: Stanley Family Trust
Grantee: James Anderson
Property: Lot 2, block 6, College Park Estates
Date: May 8, 2015

Grantor: Jimmy Leal
Grantee: Scotty Story and Brandi Sto-ry
Property: Lot 7, block 2, N. McEwen addition

COMING TO BIG SPRING on May 29th and 30th.

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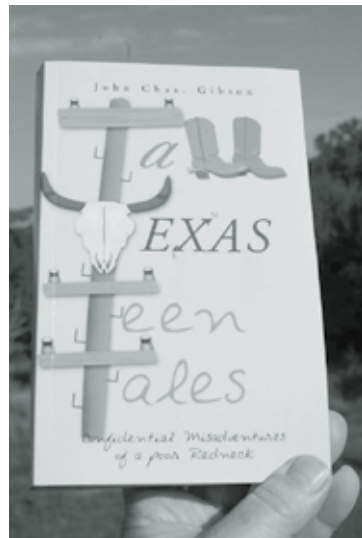
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Regulators order pipeline testing in wake of oil spill

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The company responsible for a pipeline that spilled thousands of gallons of oil along the California coast was ordered to take a series of steps before it can restart the line, federal regulators said Friday.

The Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration required Plains All American Pipeline to remove the damaged section of pipe, test it and empty the remainder of the line.

The agency said it did not yet know the cause of the leak, which spilled up to 105,000 gallons of crude into a coastal ditch Tuesday.

About a fifth of that amount is estimated to have flowed into the sea northwest of Santa Barbara.

Investigators for the agency are looking into the cause of the failure and whether there was something Plains should have known

about conditions in the underground pipeline and factors that could have contributed to the accident.

The corrective action order said the 10.6-mile line had recently been inspected, but the results weren't known. Tests of the 24-inch pipe in 2012 found 41 anomalies mostly due to external corrosion, frequently near welds, the agency said.

The company has said there were no previous problems with the pipe.

A corrective action order is issued to protect people, property and the environment. If violations are found, the agency said it would issue a strong enforcement action order.

Plains said it could take weeks or even months before investigators find what caused the disaster.

Bad weather slowed cleanup efforts early Friday at the spill site in Santa Barbara County.

Wal Mart's push on animal welfare seen as game-changer

NEW YORK (AP) — Wal-Mart's push to get its suppliers to give farm animals fewer antibiotics and more room to roam is expected to have a big impact on the food industry, experts say.

Though the steps are voluntary, Wal-Mart, which sells more food than any other store, has a history of using its retail muscle to change the way products are made and sold across the retail industry.

Wal-Mart told The Associated Press that it's asking meat producers, eggs suppliers and others to use antibiotics only for disease prevention or treatment, not to fatten their animals, a common industry practice.

The guidelines also aim to get suppliers to stop using pig gestation crates and other housing that doesn't give animals enough space. They're also being asked to avoid painful procedures like de-horning or castration without proper painkillers.

Other major companies, including McDonald's Corp., Nestle and Starbucks Corp., have already pledged to reduce or eliminate the use of gestation crates for pregnant sows and otherwise improve animal treatment.

But activists hailed Wal-Mart's steps and said its guidelines

would be one of the most sweeping and could become the blueprint for the food industry.

Concerns are growing that antibiotic overuse is leading germs to develop resistance to the drugs, making diseases more difficult to treat.

Shoppers are also driving changes. They want to know more about where their food comes from and are choosing foods they see as more healthy or natural.

Wal-Mart said its own research showed 77 percent of its shoppers said they will increase their trust and 66 percent will increase their likelihood to shop at a retailer that improves the treatment of livestock.

Activists have reported animal abuse at farms supplying Wal-Mart and other major companies, launched petition campaigns and staged protests at its stores.

Kathleen McLaughlin, senior vice president of Wal-Mart's sustainability division, said Wal-Mart wants suppliers to produce annual reports on antibiotic use and animal welfare and post them on their own websites. It's also pressuring suppliers to report animal abuse to authorities and take disciplinary action.

Animal activists groups

praised the steps but want more.

"This is a historic and landmark day for the protection of farmed animals in America," said Nathan Runkle, president of Mercy for Animals, an animal rights group that has pressed Wal-Mart for change. "We urge Wal-Mart to add greater teeth to this announcement by making the new guidelines a requirement rather than a mere recommendation and to set aggressive deadlines."

Still, Wal-Mart's size — it accounts for 25 percent of the U.S. food business — gives it outsized influence on its suppliers' practices.

When Wal-Mart asked its suppliers to reduce packaging about a decade ago, it spurred innovations. Procter & Gamble introduced tubes of Crest toothpaste that could be stood upright on shelves without boxes.

"We think what's needed is a fresh look at how we can look at producing food. This is an industrywide change. It won't happen overnight," Wal-Mart's McLaughlin said. "It's about transparency."

Wal-Mart said it has adopted the "five freedoms" outlined by the World Organization for Animal Health to guide its approach to animal welfare.

Clinton: GOP threatening small-business jobs

HAMPTON, N.H. (AP) — Republicans in Congress and GOP presidential hopefuls are threatening tens of thousands of small business jobs by seeking to cut a little-known government agency that guarantees loans to help U.S. exporters, Hillary Rodham Clinton said Friday.

Clinton said during a round-table discussion at Smuttynose Brewery that Congress should renew financing for the Export-Import Bank. She argued the GOP is risking up to 164,000 jobs supported by the bank.

The Democratic front-runner said Republicans in the 2016 presidential campaign would rather threaten those jobs rather than "stand up to the tea party and talk radio."

Clinton toured the brewery and joined with small business owners during her second trip to New Hampshire since announcing her presidential campaign.

As she did so, the State Department released thousands of pages of emails as part of a congressional probe over the 2012 attacks on a U.S. diplomatic post in Benghazi, Libya, that killed four Americans. Republicans are seeking additional testimony on the investigation from Clinton, who was secretary of state at the time.

Conservative Republicans have sought to eliminate the Export-Import Bank, arguing it gives the government too big a role in helping some large American companies sell products overseas at the expense of others. Among its major beneficiaries are Boeing and General Electric.

Clinton said she learned as secretary of state that the U.S. was in a global competition for business and the notion that Congress would eliminate "this relatively small but vital" agency is "absolutely backwards."

Republican Rep. Jeb Hensarling of Texas, chairman of the House Financial Services Committee, said Clinton is a "natural cheerleader" for the bank because its "biggest beneficiaries are foreign governments and giant corporations."

These, he said in a statement anticipating her defense of the bank, are "among the biggest donors to the Clinton Foundation as well as major underwriters of the speaking fees that added millions of dollars to the Clinton bank account."

At the brewery, Clinton spoke about her wish for regulations to be loosened on community banks to ease lending to small businesses.

Joanne Francis, Smuttynose co-owner, said it was a "white-knuckle ride" securing loans and other money to start the brewery and open a new operations facility in 2014. "It was terrifying, to be honest with you,"

Francis said.

But Clinton criticizes Republicans for wanting to roll back regulations on the types of large financial institutions that contributed to the 2008 economic crisis. She said Republicans were holding a community banking overhaul hostage to their attempt to overturn the 2010 financial regulation law known as Dodd-Frank.

"We should build on Dodd-Frank, not undermine it," Clinton said, surrounded by stacked kegs and boxes of craft beer.

Sen. Richard Shelby, R-Ala., the Senate Banking Committee chairman, has introduced legislation to give banks with assets of more than \$50 billion a chance to avoid tighter supervision. Some Democrats say regulatory relief should be limited to credit unions and smaller community banks.

Clinton is planning events in South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, New Mexico, Texas and Connecticut before speaking June 13 at the first major rally of her campaign.

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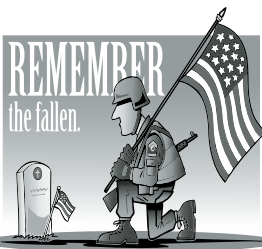
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NBA playoffs:

In this postseason, three-pointers are paramount

The Associated Press

Those notable names of the past, the ones still insisting that NBA playoff offenses must pound the ball inside, have been awfully quiet this week.

Perhaps they've finally come to accept that the days of packing the paint are over. In this generation, offense is predicated on space, passing and plenty of 3-point shooting.

Never has that been more apparent than in these playoffs.

The four remaining teams — Golden State, Houston, Cleveland and Atlanta — are among the five teams that made at least 10 3-pointers per game during the regular season. The fifth team, the Los Angeles Clippers, was the last to get knocked out in the second round, losing at Houston in Game 7.

"It's funny that we're facing

the Rockets, because throughout the year the so-called critics and experts would contemplate our style of play and poke at it and think, 'Oh, both are finesse teams. They shoot a lot of 3s. Don't really know if that lasts in the playoffs,'" Warriors guard Klay Thompson said. "Now look at us. We're both playing each other for the Finals. It's pretty cool to see how the game has gone that way."

Relying on 3-pointers is not

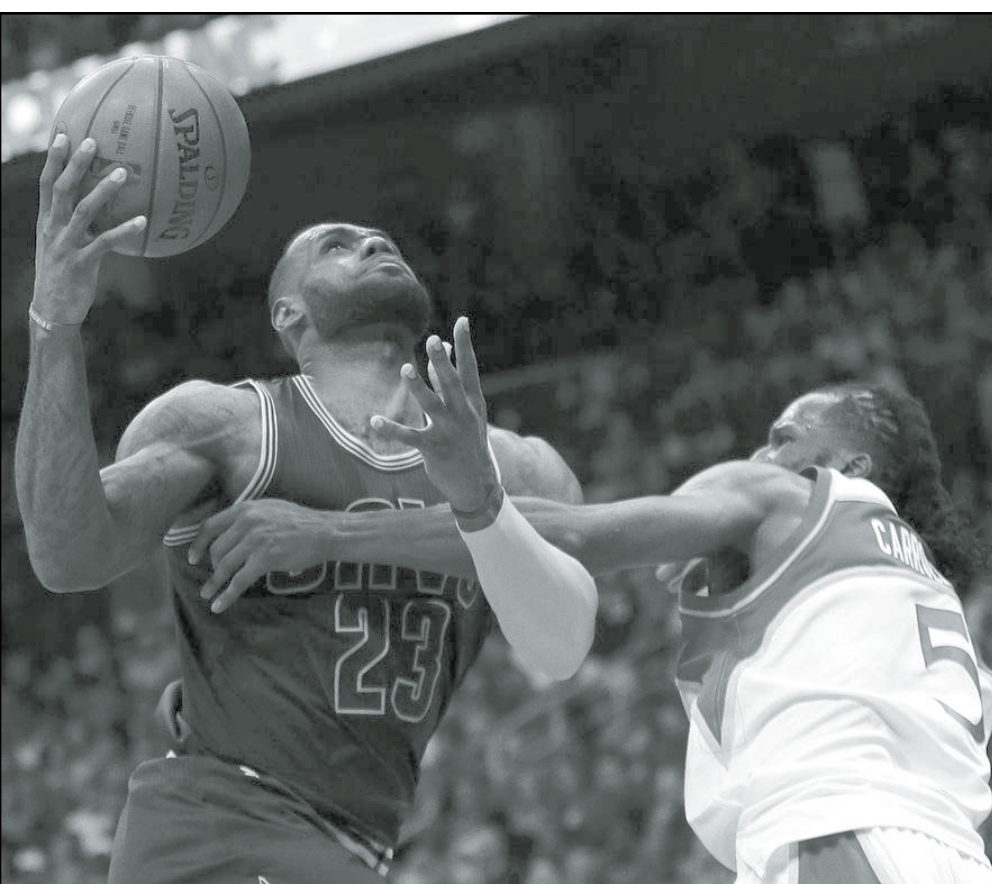
exactly a new concept. But the perception of the 3-point line, which was widely viewed as a gimmick when it was adopted by the NBA in the 1979-80 season, has changed as teams win titles in large part because of it.

San Antonio led the league at 39.7 percent shooting from 3-point range last season. In the NBA Finals, the Spurs shot a scorching 47 percent from beyond the arc to dethrone the two-time champi-

on Miami Heat — who ranked second the year before at 39.6 percent from deep.

"You have to have a combination of 3-point shooting and great defense," Warriors coach Steve Kerr said. "That's been the formula the last few years. All those teams defended really well, made 3s. You've got to be healthy and you've got to be clicking and playing well, but the 3 is a

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Associated Press photo

Cleveland Cavaliers forward LeBron James (23) shoots as Atlanta Hawks DeMarre Carroll (5) defends during the second half in Game 2 of the Eastern Conference finals of the NBA basketball playoffs Friday in Atlanta.

All hail The King

James powers Cavs to 2-0 lead over Atlanta

ATLANTA (AP) — Forget the Big Three.

One is enough for the Cleveland Cavaliers, as long as it's the King.

LeBron James scored 30 points and the Cavaliers took total command of the Eastern Conference final even without injured star Kyrie Irving, beating the Atlanta Hawks 94-82 on Friday night for a 2-0 lead with the series heading to Ohio.

Cleveland pulled away with a dominating third quarter. James scored 11 points, the Hawks shot just 32 percent (7 of 22), and Cleveland led by as many as 20.

This was a blowout in every sense.

The final margin, with

a bunch of backups on the court, was as close as Hawks had been since midway through the third.

"You really can't make me do what I don't want to do," James said. "I play the right way."

He'll get no argument from the Hawks.

Irving was scratched before the game because of an ailing left knee. Even so, the Cavaliers cruised to their second straight win in Atlanta.

James assumed many of the ball-handling duties, taking advantage of Atlanta's DeMarre Carroll being at less than 100 percent.

Carroll started after being carried off the court just two nights

earlier, but he hardly looked like the "Junkyard Dog."

He wasn't the only one struggling. The Hawks were totally outclassed for one of the few times all season.

"In the playoffs, it takes more," Atlanta coach Mike Budenholzer said. "It takes better execution, better screening. You've got to do things harder."

The Cavaliers can wrap up the best-of-seven series simply by winning at home. The next two are in Cleveland, beginning with Game 3 on Sunday night.

This is why James returned home after

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Fielder's 2 HRs highlight Texas win over Yanks

NEW YORK (AP) — Prince Fielder provided plenty of power, hitting a pair of long drives. Yet in a game of home run derby at Yankee Stadium, it all came down to pitching and defense.

Surprise closer Ross Ohlendorf made just enough good pitches, and second baseman Tommy Field swooped in to glove the final out.

Fielder launched two homers, drove in four runs and helped the Texas Rangers hold off New York 10-9 Friday night for their third straight win. The Yankees have lost four in a row and eight of nine.

"We needed all of those," Fielder said. "Hopefully we don't

have to do that much often."

Quickly down 7-0 and still trailing 10-5, New York rallied in the eighth inning on pinch hitter Garrett Jones' three-run homer.

Ohlendorf took over to begin the ninth, gave up a one-out home run to Mark Teixeira and walked Chase Headley with two outs. Stephen Drew followed with a hard one-hopper that glanced off Ohlendorf's stomach, and Field rushed in to retrieve the ball and throw to first.

"It's about scoring one more run," Texas manager Jeff Banister said.

Ohlendorf wound up with his first career save.



Associated Press photo

Texas Rangers' Prince Fielder (84) celebrates with Mitch Moreland, left, and Elvis Andrus, right, after hitting a home run during the seventh inning of a baseball game against the New York Yankees on Friday in New York.

Martinez' big blast keys Detroit's second straight win over Astros

DETROIT (AP) — Alfredo Simon doesn't overpower opposing hitters, as much as he confuses them.

Using an assortment of pitches that included a curveball that didn't even register on the Comerica Park radar gun, Simon allowed two un-

earned runs in seven innings as the Detroit Tigers beat the Houston Astros 6-2 on Friday night.

"I think today was really good," Simon said. "This is a park for pitching, because when I get behind in the count, I know I can throw a

fastball, and even if they hit a fly ball, it's not easy to hit for a home run."

Simon (5-2) has a fastball that he throws in the low 90s, a curveball, a cutter and a splitter, but late last season he added yet another delivery, one that he jokingly calls

a "slow splitter". It resembles the soap-bubble curve throw by Cuban pitchers, and usually comes in at around 55 mph.

Simon also dropped down to throw one pitch sidearm, and still might not be out of tricks. When asked if he had reached

the end of his arsenal, he simply smiled and said "no".

"No one ever really knows what he's going to do, including the catcher," said rookie James McCann. "He just kind of feels like doing something

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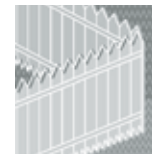
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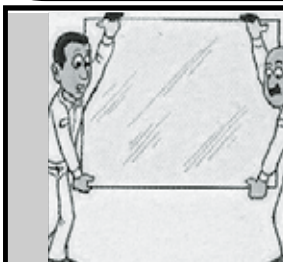
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huge part of the game.”

There is still a vocal minority who question whether that’s a winning formula.

Hall of Fame player and outspoken TNT analyst Charles Barkley has been leading the charge for years. He said before the playoffs that “jump-shooting teams” can’t win championships.

“I like teams that are built inside-out,” the former power forward said.

New York Knicks President Phil Jackson, who won 11 titles as a coach, sent out a pair of charged Twitter posts on the topic last week when the Rockets, Warriors and Cavaliers all trailed in their second-round series. Jackson asked NBA analysts to “give me some diagnostics” on how 3-point oriented teams were faring in the playoffs.

As quick as a 3-point burst, those opinions have been proven wrong.

The Warriors lead the Rockets 2-0 in the Western Conference finals, which resumes Saturday in Houston. The Cavaliers head into Friday night’s game at Atlanta with a 1-0 lead in the Eastern Conference finals.

“These four teams, I think it’s a credit to each of their guys’ ability to make shots. In this case, 3s,” Hawks coach Mike Budenholzer said. “Whatever it is, however your team is built, you have to do it well in the playoffs, and that’s the challenge for all of us in our league.”

None of the final four are about force. Instead, they’re about finesse — cutting, passing and making shots from long range.

Golden State is led by NBA MVP Stephen Curry, who eclipsed his own league record for most 3-pointers in a season, hitting 286 from long range. Thompson, his backcourt mate and fellow “Splash Brother,” finished second with 239. And the Rockets attempted 2,680 3-pointers in the regular season, the most in NBA history.

But there’s still merit to those who believe shooting too many 3-pointers can get you beat. Philadelphia, Detroit and Denver ranked in the top half of the league in attempts, and they ended up in the draft lottery.

The Hawks also went 4 for 23 from 3-point range in their 97-89 loss to Cleveland in Game 1 as they struggled to get the ball inside. Then again, J.R. Smith made 8 of 12 3s to pace the Cavs.

For the remaining playoff teams, just as important as their 3-point shooting is their passing. All four ranked in the top 10 in assists during the regular season, with the Warriors (27.4) and Hawks (25.7) leading the way per game.

Where those passes end up is just as critical. Rockets coach Kevin McHale encourages players to shoot 3-pointers instead of long jumpers inside the arc. After all, it’s simple math.

“You step back that much and you get 3 for it,” McHale said, putting up his hands a few feet apart to demonstrate.

But McHale also doesn’t think playing inside and shooting 3s are mutually exclusive. He wants his team to play inside-out, believing that more penetration collapses defenses and leads to open 3-point looks.

In brief

Baylor avoids elimination, beats Texas Tech 5-4 in Big 12

TULSA, Okla. (AP) — Adam Toth hit a two-run homer to help give Baylor an early lead and the Bears held on to edge Texas Tech 5-4 in a pool play elimination game Friday in the Big 12 Tournament.

Toth’s homer off Texas Tech starter Dylan Dusek (2-2) came in the second inning and gave eighth-seeded Baylor (23-31) a 3-0 lead after Mitch Price’s RBI single in the first.

Texas Tech, seeded fourth, threatened to score several times but the Red Raiders (31-24) went 1 for 15 with runners in scoring position.

Baylor’s Nick Lewis (4-2) allowed two runs and seven hits in 8 1/3 innings. Sean Spicer got the final two outs and stranded the tying run on third for the save.

Kevin Na closes with ‘good bogey,’ leads wet Colonial

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — Kevin Na had gone 26 holes without a bogey at Colonial before his last tee

shot Friday was swept away by flowing water after going into a rain-swollen drainage culvert.

Not even that could dampen Na’s second round that gave him the lead halfway through the soggy tournament.

Na took the penalty drop near the 17th fairway, and hit a blind approach shot over bleachers to the back side of the 18th green. His two-putt from 20 feet wrapped up a 4-under 66.

“A good bogey,” Na said.

At 10-under 130, Na was two strokes ahead of Ian Poulter (67).

Na also made some long birdie putts. His 30-footer off the fringe at No. 14 came right after rolling in a 22-footer at the 13th, where he broke into a dance for the rowdy fans surrounding the par 3 situated on the edge of Hogan’s Alley.

“I want to call it the Big Bird dance. ... It just came out. I wasn’t really thinking about it,” the 31-year-old Na said. “You know, the crowd has been very supportive. I felt like I was from Texas.”

Masters champion Jordan Spieth, a real Texan, was alone in the lead without a bogey before losing four strokes in a two-hole span.

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and goes for it.”

Collin McHugh (5-2) lost for just the second time in his last 14 decisions, giving up three runs on nine hits and a walk in seven innings. McHugh’s two losses have been in his last three starts after he had gone unbeaten in 16 outings dating back to last August.

A rare lapse by Detroit’s infield defense gave the Astros two runs in the top of the third. With two out, Ian Kinsler misplayed a routine grounder, allowing Jason Cas-

tro to score, and George Springer followed with a 420-foot RBI double over centerfielder Anthony Gose’s head.

The Tigers, though, came back with three in their half of the inning. After Jose Iglesias and Gose singled to start the inning, McHugh retired Kinsler and Miguel Cabrera. Martinez hit McHugh’s next pitch 350 feet foul down the left-field line, then hit an 0-1 fastball into the right-field stands for a three-run homer.

“That’s a huge swing in the game right there,” said Houston manager A.J. Hinch. “They’ve got two on and no one out, but we get Kinsler and Cabrera, and then Martinez

misses one by a couple inches. At that point, you think you are out of the inning, and then he crushes the next one the opposite way.”

Martinez was waived in spring training last year by Houston, and signed a minor-league deal two days later with Detroit. In 165 games with the Tigers, he is hitting .302 with 32 homers and 97 RBIs, but he said he’s past any bitterness against his former employers.

“It’s nice to hit a homer against anyone, but I feel like I squashed that last year,” he said. “Everything happens for a reason, and I’m here now, trying to help the Tigers win games.”

JAMES

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spending four years in south Florida, leading the Heat to a pair of NBA titles.

The Cavaliers, who have never won a championship, assembled a Miami-like Big Three with James, Irving and Kevin Love, but the King is carrying the load with Irving sidelined and Love out with a season-ending injury.

“How much does it help to have LeBron on your team?” Cleveland coach David Blatt said, repeating a question incredulously. “Do I really have to answer that?”

Nope.

To be fair, James had a bit of help. Tristan Thompson was a beast on the inside, grabbing 16 rebounds to spark Cleveland to a 47-39 advantage.

When Thompson dunked off a pass from James with just under 5 minutes remaining, the Cavaliers led 93-74 and many Atlanta fans began heading for the exits, surely sensing they had seen their team for the last time in this most unexpected season. Atlanta won a franchise-record 60 games to claim the top seed in the East, but the Hawks have been picked apart by the best player in the world.

James had 31 points in Game 1.

The Hawks had hoped

that Carroll’s appearance would provide an emotional boost. An injury that looked much more serious turned out to be only a sprain, and he drew a big cheer from the crowd when he did his customary sprint across the court during the opening introductions.

But at less than full speed, Carroll had no chance trying to guard James, who made 10 of 22 shots including a pair of 3-pointers. When the Hawks began collapsing toward the lane, trying to give Carroll help, James always seemed to find the open man — often lurking behind the 3-point stripe.

James had 11 assists and just missed a triple-

double, also grabbing nine rebounds.

The Cavaliers finished 12 of 30 beyond the arc. Iman Shumpert knocked down four from long range and finished with 16 points.

Dennis Schroder led the Hawks with just 13 points. Carroll played a team-high 33:47 but managed only six points — 10 below his playoff average.

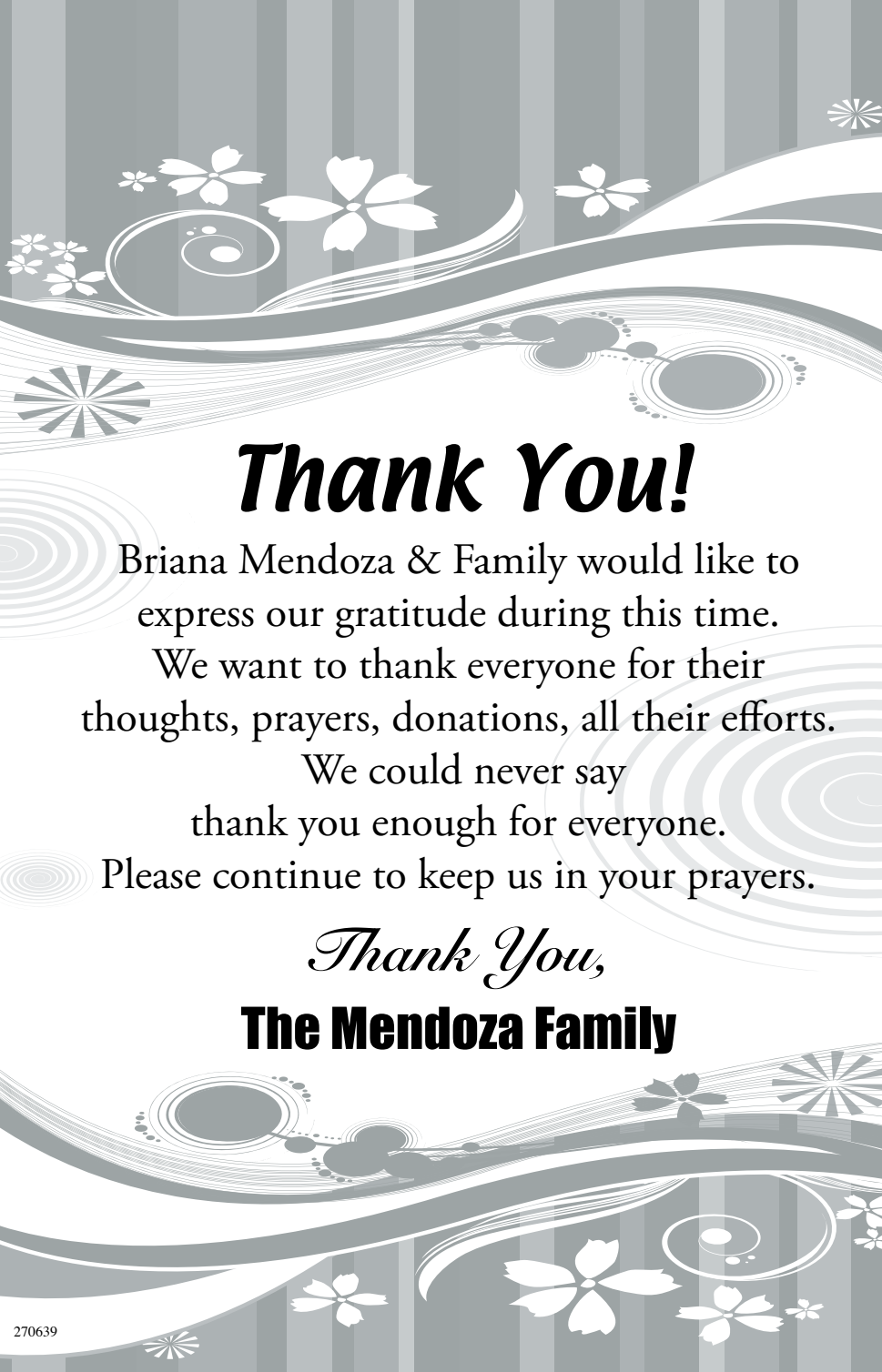
Carroll wasn’t the only one hurting. Kyle Korver’s right ankle was rolled going for a loose ball late in the third quarter and he didn’t return. Al Horford banged his knee early in the fourth and hobbled to the sideline, though he was able to come back.

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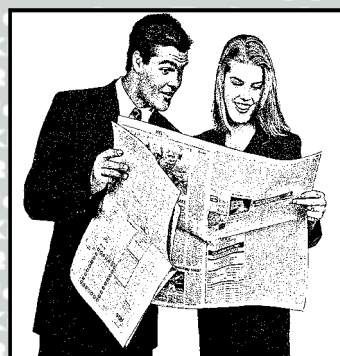
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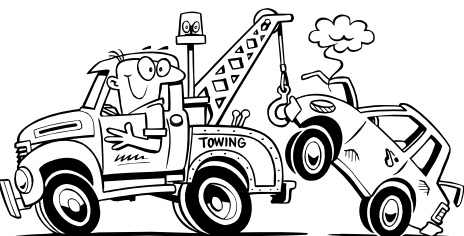
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CONCORD, N.C. (AP) — There's no bank of TV cameras surrounding Kurt Busch's hauler, no one monitoring his fluid intake to prevent dehydration, no golf cart waiting to whisk him away from NASCAR practice and off to Indianapolis. This year, Busch is glad to have his focus solely on the Coca-Cola 600.

Busch will start 14th at Charlotte Motor Speedway on Sunday night in NASCAR's longest event. This event is like a lazy Sunday drive compared with the whirlwind of last May, when Busch split time between two of America's most famous motor sports arenas chasing the double of finishing 1,100 miles at the Indy 500 and Coca-Cola 600.

"When the month of May was over, it felt like July," Busch said.

By most accounts, it was a success. Busch starred at Indianapolis, finishing in sixth place. He was on his way to completing the double-header when a blown engine sidelined the No. 41 Chevrolet less than 200 miles from the end.

Busch's team owner, Tony Stewart, remains the only racer to complete races at Indy and Charlotte on the same day.

Busch was glad with his effort and believes he's got another try in him — someday.

"It's something I'd like to possibly do again," he said.

Busch trained like a decathlete, monitored his diet and stuck to a strict schedule of rest. Mentally, though, he said he wasn't fully prepared for shuttling back and forth the 600 or so miles between Indy and Charlotte.

"It's hard to keep up with," he said. "There's a lot of days in the middle of the grind, my alarm would go off in the morning and I didn't know where I was. I was in the rental motor home in Indianapolis and I thought, 'What am I doing here?'"

The Monday following the races, Busch took part in the Indianapolis 500 banquet, he referred to the Indy 500 as last week's event instead of being run one day earlier. "That's when I

realized how lost I was on what day it was," he said.

The fog continued for several more weeks, even as Busch settled back into his NASCAR ride. He felt the toll of G-forces on his body, compressing his spine and back during eight hours of racing. "I almost felt like I was an inch shorter," he said.

The thrill of mastering his Andretti Autosport machine was something Busch won't ever forget. In fact, that success was perhaps the hardest thing he had to handle.

"When you have a successful moment, like anybody else, you want to celebrate," Busch said. "And I had to stop, forget that just happened and get into my 600 mile zone for the (Sprint) Cup car."

Busch hopes to continue a successful season at Charlotte Motor Speedway this weekend. He is 14th in points, but more importantly already has a victory at Richmond that should qualify him for the season ending chase.

Busch has won big at Charlotte over the Me-

morial Day weekend before, sweeping the All-Star Race and the Coca-Cola 600 in 2010. He's notched two more top fives in the four events since. His believes his training and experience from a year ago should serve him well in Sunday's long, long event.

"It's a marathon mentality," he said.

Racer David Ragan said Busch's profile improved in the garage among competitors after his gallant attempt at completing both races.

"You respect anybody that can go to other forms of racing and succeed, and certainly do it in one day in two of the most grueling races in America," Ragan said. "I was pulling for Kurt to represent the NASCAR community. It's tough."

Busch learned several things from his double-day of racing, like using the discipline of IndyCar to help him compete in NASCAR. The biggest thing he took away, though, is where Busch is happiest.

"I'm a stock car guy," Busch said. "This is my home."

Gordon not ready for sentimentality

CONCORD, N.C. (AP) — Sentimentality can wait. Jeff Gordon is not ready to focus on life after racing as his farewell tour arrives at the longest event on the NASCAR schedule.

Gordon, in what's become a weekly line of questioning, was asked for his emotions running his last Coca-Cola 600 at Charlotte Motor Speedway on Sunday night.

"I think if this were my final race ever, it'd be different," the

four-time Sprint Cup champion said. "But I have a whole season ahead of me and that's not where my mindset is at right now."

For Gordon, the task is finding enough speed to compete at one of his favorite tracks. He will start 18th, well back in the pack behind pole sitter Matt Kenseth.

Gordon has won five times here, including three Coca-Cola 600s in a five-year span with victories in 1994, 1997 and 1998. He last win came in Charlotte's fall

race eight years ago and he'd love to wind up with one more checkered flag.

"A part of me wishes it was" Gordon's final race, he said, "because this is a very special race and moment for me and I'm looking forward to that."

Gordon, who turns 44 in August, removed some of the mystery about his future with Thursday's announcement that he'd join the Fox Sports broadcast booth next season.

Lundqvist stymies Lightning

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — The Tampa Bay Lightning tested Henrik Lundqvist again — and this time the New York Rangers goalie passed with high marks.

Lundqvist stopped 38 shots to rebound from two subpar performances and help the Rangers shut down the Lightning 5-1 on Friday night in Game 4 of the Eastern Conference finals.

"People are going to wake up in the morning, and look at the box score and say, 'Oh wow' Tampa got waxed," Lightning coach Jon Cooper said. "But if you're in the building you probably don't see it that way."

Rick Nash had two goals and an assist, and former Lightning captain Martin St. Louis ended a playoff scoring drought with a third-period goal for New York. The Rangers evened the best-of-7 series 2-2 heading back to New York for Game 5 on Sunday night.

"We'll have to respond," Lightning captain Steven Stamkos said. "We have to be better next game. It's 2-2. It's a best two out of three now. We'll have to win one on the road."

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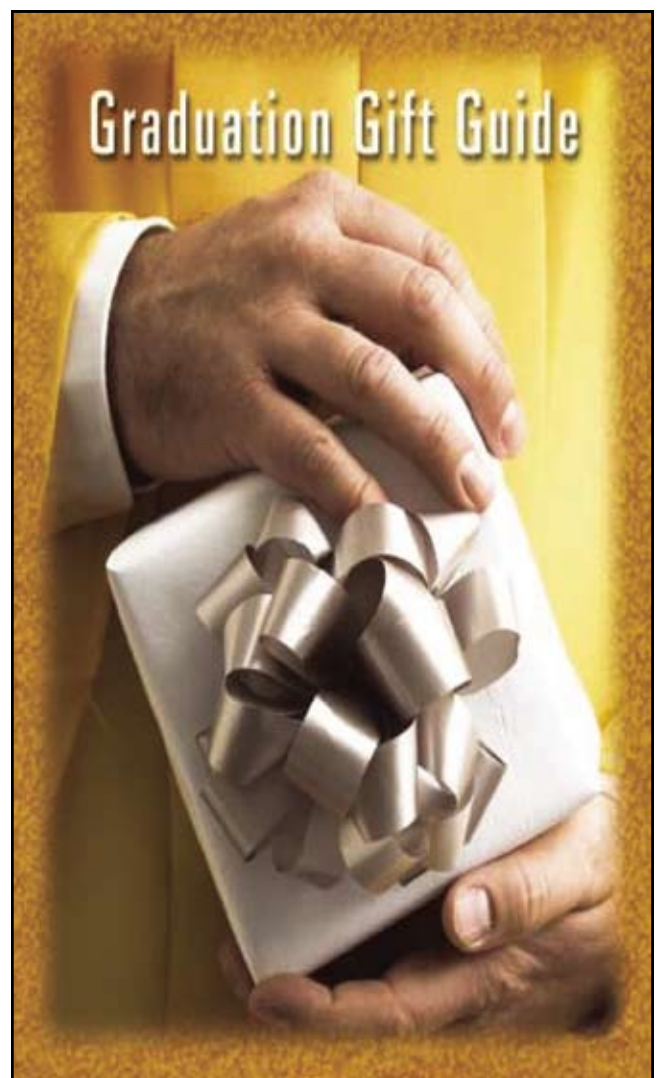
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Ref: Políticas de la Junta EHDC (el Legal y Local)
#8717 May 17 and 24, 2015

NOTICE TO CREDITORS ESTATE OF HAROLD ABEREGG

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Harold Aberegg, Deceased, were issued on May 18, 2015, in Cause No. P-14415, pending in the County Court of Howard County, Texas, to: Darrell Aberegg.

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. Estate of Harold Aberegg c/o Darrell Aberegg 2011 Singing Hills Lander, Tx 78641 DATED the 18th day of May, 2015.

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LEGAL/PUBLIC NOTICE Pre-Kindergarten Notice

Big Spring ISD offers free Pre-Kindergarten classes for students at least four years of age by September 1, 2015, if the following criteria are met:

1. Child is unable to speak or comprehend the English language and/or;
2. Child comes from an economically/educationally disadvantaged family according to standards set by the State Board of Education. (Qualify for food stamps or the Free or Reduced Lunch Program) and/or,
3. Child is homeless.
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5. Child of a member of the armed forces of the United States who was injured or killed while serving on active duty.
6. Child is under the care of Child Protective Resources and/or in Foster care.

If you know a child whom you feel meets these qualifications, please call (432) 264 4130. A minimum of 15 qualified students is required before the class will be offered.

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3. Niño sin hogar.
4. Nino que tiene padres activos en el servicio armadas de los Estado Unidos.
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Si usted sabe de un niño o niños que califican para este programa por favor de llamar al numero (432) 264-4130. Un mínimo de 15 estudiantes calificados seran escogidos antes que la clase se ofrecera.

#8718 May 17 and 24, 2015

Notice of Suddenlink Channel Changes – Big Spring Effective June 24, 2015, the Suddenlink channel lineup will be reorganized and logically grouped by type of channel. All the details of the new channel lineup can be accessed online at suddenlink.com, click TV Lineup at the top, and enter your zip code. A new printed lineup, along with a version that guides you from old to new, will be sent to all customer homes in the next few weeks.

If you have any questions about these changes, please call us at 1-888-822-5151. #8732 May 24, 2015

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Virginia P. Langston, Deceased, were issued on May 13, 2015, in Cause No. P-14393, pending in the County Court of Howard County, Texas, to: Daniel Langston.

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 Daniel Langston 1311 Johnson Big Spring, Texas 79720 DATED the 20 day of May, 2015.

Robert D. Miller Attorney for Daniel Langston State Bar No.: 14108500 608 Scurry BIG SPRING, TX 79720 Telephone: (432) 267-7449 Facsimile: (432) 267-1043 E-mail: cirrussr22@att.net #8734 May 24, 2015

Public Notice Glasscock County ISD is accepting bids on a 2 bedroom/1 bath approximately 1000 square feet to be moved from the school property located at 704 West Chambers, Garden City, Texas until June 5, 2015 at 12:00 P.M. Bids may be made at the Glasscock County ISD Administration Bldg. at 308 W. Chambers, Garden City, Texas 79739 or mailed to P.O. Box 9, Garden city, Texas, 79739. For more information, please call 432-354-2230 extension 1000. #8722 May 17, 24 & 31, 2015

PUBLIC NOTICE

SUBJECT: School credit by examination without prior instruction.

Big Spring ISD offers examinations for credit without prior instruction for each primary school grade level and each secondary school academic subject on

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tration of the examination. If a parent requests an alternative examination, the District may administer and recognize results of a test purchased by the parent or student from Texas Tech University or the University of Texas at Austin.

The District shall accelerate a student in grades 1-5 in the following manner:
1. The student scores 80 percent or above on a criterion-referenced test for the grade level to be skipped in each of the following areas: language arts, mathematics, science, and social studies;
2. A District representative recommends that the student be accelerated; and
3. The student's parent or guardian gives written approval of the acceleration.

The District shall give a student in grades 6-12 credit for an academic subject in the following manner:
1. A three or higher on a College Board advanced placement examination;
2. A scaled score of 60 or higher on an examination administered through the College-Level Examination Program;
3. Eighty percent or above on any other criterion-referenced test.

If such credit is given, the District shall enter the examination score on the student's transcript and the student is not required to take an end-of-course (EOC) assessment instrument for the course.

Procedures to allow a student who is five years old at the beginning of the school year to be placed initially in the first grade are as follows:

1. Scores on readiness test(s) and/or achievement test(s) that may be administered by appropriate District personnel;
2. Recommendation of the kindergarten or preschool the student attended;
3. Chronological age and observed social and emotional development of the student; and
4. Other criteria deemed appropriate by the principal and Superintendent.

A student planning to take an examination for acceleration is required to register with the principal or designee of the school in which he is assigned at least 30 days prior to the scheduled testing date. Testing dates for 2015 are by appointment during April 1 and June 30, July 1 and September 30, and October 1 and December 31. Testing dates for 2016 fall during January 1 and March 31, and April 1 and June 30.

Ref: Board Policies EHDC (Legal & Local)
#8716 May 17 and 24, 2015

Wind Energy Transmission Texas, LLC, is accepting bids for a substation procurement and construction project in Borden, Dickens, and Glasscock Counties, Texas. The submittal deadline is June 17, 2015. More information can be found at www.windenergyoftexas.com/rfp. Other bid information and specifications may be obtained by e-mailing PATRICIA.CRUIZ@leidos.com or calling 512-637-1344. #8735 May 24, 2015

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

Saturn Sun Assessment

The reverberations of Saturn's recent opposition to the sun may be making life more



HOLIDAY MATHIS brings challenge No. 1.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Are happy endings overrated? Logical beginnings and middles have been known to happen, but not in the more celebrated stories. Embrace the haphazard qualities of the day.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). In the gem-polishing business, friction is the answer. Character-polishing is the same. It's the moments that don't work easily, that push you up against something, that will make you shine.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). When they say, "You're so lucky," you might agree. But internally, you know it's not luck. It's acting sensibly, seizing the opportunities that come when you're doing the work.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Some people think communication means everyone agreeing with everyone. That's not communication; it's complacency. Tonight, you'll be holding a candle to lead people to the light.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). The things people say out of grief are usually quite true, and yet they are the murkier, darker parts of truth that may not be applicable in the light of a good day.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Persistence teaches you who you are. You wouldn't know persistence unless you encountered the kind of obstacles (which mostly come in the form of the word "no") you'll meet today.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). In order to appreciate what you learn, you sometimes have to arrange what you already know -- put it all in a pleasing position in your mind. This framing may take hours, but it will be worth the effort.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Listening to the music without the words or looking at the picture without context -- it just doesn't work for you. Language and graphics go together pleasingly, tying up a happy bow in your psyche.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). If you don't know what to do, tell the truth. Good, bad or ugly, that's what will get every-

one to the heart of the matter, and in the end, it's what's right and best for all.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Try to rise above the marginal advice and lame attempts at guidance. It's not a matter of winning or losing now. You need to succeed by doing what's necessary to get there.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You'll apply yourself and come up with a very sound way of dealing with dilemmas. Even though it might not feel like it, you're lucky to have these kinds of quality problems.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Who puts a smile on your face? That's the one you want to be around more often. People who make you happy should not be underestimated in the scheme of your life.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (May 24). As far as love goes, you can't coast on your past successes. No one can. That's why you make an effort to build beautiful, exciting moments with people all year long. The money in June comes as easily as pennies from heaven. August will challenge you to make your domestic life smoother and prettier. Capricorn and Virgo people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 3, 2, 22, 9 and 40.

FORECAST FOR THE WEEK AHEAD: Where there is little room for compromise, there's a lot of room for stress and strain. Go to that heavenly place in your mind for relief and relaxation. What? You don't have a place like that? This is the ideal time to create one. Neptune will help, even though he's involved in his own battle with Mars, an aspect whose impact is strongest on Monday, May 25. The stars are showing no mercy for Memorial Day weekend, but the positive part comes by way of the reasonable Virgo Moon, ready to temper the hotheads and throw a long light on triggers of impulse. If you put safety first and make health a close second, much trouble can be avoided.

On Wednesday, a brief meeting of Mercury and Mars in Gemini is in favor of talking through your joys and woes with friends. Connecting and joking around through text, going heavy on the emoticons, may be even better under this lighthearted conjunction.

On Friday, Mercury challenges Neptune, and our dreams get challenged, too. Be aware: Projects may be met with just the "no" answer that motivates a harder try, or just the false "yes" answer that stalls the whole deal. Don't be too eager to get into a relationship before you really know someone.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Bob Dylan is music royalty, but that is an understatement on his role as an artist. The work

of this Gemini troubadour has reflected the thinking of a generation and shaped it, too. His sun, Mercury and Venus are in intellectual Gemini. His moon, Jupiter, Saturn and Uranus are in uncompromising Taurus, the sign of endurance. The tireless poet continues to be one of the most prolific forces in music.

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Rahal getting results, carrying standard for Honda

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Graham Rahal hears what people are saying about him. He heard it when people anointed him open-wheel racing’s great American hope, or when the critics said he got a ride in IndyCar only because of his name. He heard the murmurs the last couple years that he’d lost his drive, that he was no longer interested in being the best.

“I’ve been through a couple tough years,” he says, “and you know, you always grow up. You always go through things that test your willpower, test your patience and all these other things.

“I think I’ve learned to appreciate the opportunity I have in the sport more,” Ra-

hal adds. “I think this year, I’ve basically come to the mindset that I have to make the most of the situation, and we’ve been fortunate to be able to do that recently.”

More mature these days, and with a revamped team and some changes atop his pit box, Rahal has indeed made the most of his opportunities lately. The 26-year-old comes into Sunday’s Indianapolis 500 off back-to-back second-place finishes, tied for fourth in the series standings.

He has also become the standard-bearer for struggling Honda, which has been slower than rival Chevrolet all season.

“I don’t say this lightly, but if things go wrong, it’s always

my fault. That’s the way the fans view it. And if things go right, it’s because of me. That’s not the fact,” Rahal said. “The team has really made everything a heck of a lot easier.”

That’s a good place to figuring out why Rahal has so much speed.

Martin Pare and Mike Talbott, who worked with Rahal during his days at Newman-Haas, have given him a sense of familiarity at Rahal Letterman Lanigan. New race engineer Eddie Jones hit it off with him immediately.

One constant had always been Bobby’s voice on the radio, and that wasn’t always such a good thing. Father and son would often get into

heated conversations when things went awry.

So this year, Bobby stepped back from the pit box. The result? A sense of calm.

“Sometimes it’s not the easiest to be told, ‘Oh, we need you to go past that guy when you’re already giving 110 percent,’” Graham said. “We thought it would be best to kind of separate, and you know, it’s worked out well. But I don’t think our success is because of that.”

Not all of it, anyway. But perhaps some of it.

“The cohesiveness of engineering to mechanics to myself is better. That’s the biggest thing, as opposed to kicking dad off the timing stand,” Rahal said. “Al-

though, I saw him in St. Pete, Turn 1, enjoying a beer in the grandstands during the race, so he can’t be hating it too much.”

The fact that the younger Rahal can joke about things in the days leading up to the “Greatest Spectacle in Racing” is a testament to just how comfortable he is these days.

He is happily engaged to his longtime girlfriend, Funny Car star Courtney Force. He is having fun hob-knobbing with sponsors — that was him passing orders through a drive-thru window at a local Steak ‘n Shake not long ago. And Rahal is confident in his single-car team for this weekend’s marquee race.

LETTERS

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balance the state budget.

**Don R. Allred, President
Texas Association of Counties
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Questions about appraisal process

To The Editor:

An article concerning real estate valuations was published in the May 19, 2015 edition of the Big Spring Herald. Some statements made by Ronnie Babcock should raise some questions in taxpayers’ minds.

He stated that he is mandated by the state to appraise all properties at 100 percent of market value.

Then the question was asked “who sets the market value.” Babcock was quoted as saying “The (Texas) Legislature.” The state may require a certain level of appraisal, but it obviously does not set the actual numbers. There is no way the state can appraise every property within its boundaries. The appraised values come from the local appraisal office. So, in essence, the local appraisal office determines what 100 percent market value is for our area. How the state verifies these numbers is a mystery. Does the state assume our local appraisal district is infallible?

The appraisal system still seems to be nebulous in its methods. The article seems to be an attempt to take the heat off of the local appraiser, and make the state the “heavy.”

When do we reach this 100 percent appraisal valuation? Does this approach give the district free rein to continuously raise the values? Surely real estate values are not going to increase forever. If so, the property owner is really being abused.

**Ardis McCasland Jr.
Big Spring**

Hats off to Humane Society

To the Editor:

First of all, I would like to applaud the letter that appeared in the May 17, 2015, Herald, written by the board of directors for the Howard County Humane Society. The director and staff of the facility did not abandon the cats and dogs in their care; they were asked to leave, at which time Yellow Rose Animal Rescue stepped in.

Secondly, I have visited the HCHS on a number of different occasions during the past 12 years and all visits were unannounced. Every time I went out to the facility, it was clean and all the animals were well cared-for by the staff.

During two of the ice storms which hit West Texas this past winter, the director and staff spent several nights at the HCHS to ensure all the cats and dogs had plenty of food, water and shelter during the extreme weather.

Finally, there is a lot of negative information being put on social media and local news media about the director and staff of the HCHS which is not true. These people dedicated many years of their lives to giving the unwanted cats and dogs of our county a safe place to live while waiting for their forever home. They did not abandon the facility or the animals in their care.

**Jill Willbanks
Big Spring**

Thanks for everyone’s support

To the Editor:

I’m writing this in response to a letter to the editor a friend of mine wrote. Bless her heart, I know she meant well, but she was wrong in saying I have no one to help, because that’s just not true. My dear son, who lives out of town, has taken time off from his job to help me, and a few close friends have reached out to help me as a fight or lose by fourth battle with cancer.

She also said I had Medicaid. On that, I wish it was true, but I’m on Medicare and it only pays some of my medical needs, while Medicaid pays in full.

This new cancer I have is a rare cancer, because it will only touch 300 people out of the entire United States this year, and I just happen to be one of the unlucky ones. It’s almost funny, because I had a better chance of winning the lottery than I did of getting this form of cancer. It grew in my ear and did not show itself until it had reached an advanced stage; already,

it has stolen half of my hearing and caused me much pain. It’s branching out to my brain now.

It’s scary — if I fight this, I will never be as I once was, but if I choose not to fight, I will lose my life, and I really don’t want to die because I love my dear son, my little dog and my friends, but I believe with all my heart and soul that if God want me to be healed, he will make my cancer go away.

The doctors said I most likely have maybe a year to live and that my last few months will be full of suffering, so knowing that, I am going to try and enjoy all the beauty that God has given me. Yes, it would be nice not to have to worry about money, because I am a poor person.

Mr. Editor, I want to take this time to thank you for for your kindness and to thank my son and everyone who has reached out to me. I know that in my own way, I am rich, for I have my son and friends who care. If a man is rich and has no one to care for him, then he is truly poorer than the poorest of men.

**Lana F. Anguiano
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Big Spring Intermediate School honored area law enforcement Friday, May 15, for their service to the community as part of National Police Week which was May 10-16. Pictured at left are Big Spring Police Officer J. Islas, Cpls. M. Calley and T. Calley who receive a microwave as a donation from the school for the police break room. Also pictured are students Ramson Colette, X'zavier Knox, Providence Dixon, Quemarian Lewis, Daniel Blount, Sadie Garcia and Melissa Zebreski. Above, BSI Principal Patsy Sanchez presents BSISD Police Officer Kayla Barazza with a certificate of appreciation for her work. Also pictured are Olivia Brancroft, Bradi Leuschner, Alyssa White, Sarah Wood, Gage Davidson, Luke Thibeault and BSI Assistant Principal Kari Eggleston.

Let it rain!



Courtesy Photo

The Permian Basin Underground Water Conservation District hosted their annual Rainwater Harvesting presentation. This year's guest speaker was Mr. Billy Kniffen who is featured here in this photo along with Aaron and Elaine Bedell. Mr. Bedell was the recipient of a rain barrel made by Mr. Kniffen.

Not forgotten



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Run for the Wall participants honor U.S. Army veteran Kenneth Lillstrand with a star that was once flown on a U.S. flag. Kenneth is a resident of Lamun-Lusk-Sanchez State Veterans Home who came out to support the Run for the Wall riders. The riders made a stop in Big Spring, May 13, before heading on their journey to Washington, DC to take part in Memorial Day ceremonies.

Dunkirk marks 75 years since massive Allied rescue mission

DUNKIRK, France (AP) —Veterans and European officials are marking 75 years since a huge operation to evacuate 338,000 troops trapped by advancing Nazi troops from the shores of Dunkirk in northern France, one of the most dramatic moments in British military history.

Fishing trawlers and passenger ferries were among hundreds of private boats that helped the British Navy carry out Operation Dynamo to rescue Allied soldiers in 1940 and bring them across the English Channel.

A remembrance ceremony Friday will honor more than 4,500 members of the British Expeditionary Force who died around Dunkirk. British officials will greet visitors aboard a paddle steamer that was among the ships involved in the operation, now moored in Dunkirk. The town fell to the Nazis in June 1940.

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Members of the Leadership Big Spring class added a fresh coat of paint to the memorial house, which displays the photos of residents who served during the war, POWs (Prisoners of War) and MIAs (Missing in Action). Signage was also added to the cases to help identify POWs and MIAs. The eye catching piece inside the house, is the addition of the POW/MIA logo painted onto the floor.

"There used to be a case there holding names of soldiers and some pictures, but due to the weathering the case had really taken a beating and it was time to be replaced. We wanted to add something that added to the feeling and the meaning behind the memorial and this does exactly that," John Haynes, Leadership Big Spring class member, said. "It's the first thing that you notice when you walk in, but out of respect we have also taken the precaution of roping it off so that it doesn't get walked on and destroyed."

The class also planted Red Yucas in each of the planter boxes and replaced the existing mulch with red rock to highlight the plants. The plants and rock were courtesy of Johansen's Nursery. Also, the helicopter and tank displays received new signage.

"This may have been a Leadership Big Spring project, but really it's so much more than that. It's a community project in the sense that not only can the entire community enjoy it, but it took different entities in the community to make it possible. Johansen's was a big help with the donation of the rock and the advice on how to pick the proper foliage. Our signs were printed out by Vicki Scott and of course, we can't forget the Vietnam Memorial board for allowing us to come in and tackle this project," Tim Teston, Leadership Big Spring class member said.

The Big Spring Vietnam Veterans Memorial is located on the edge of the campus of Southwest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf, overlooking the former Webb Air Force Base.



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Members of Leadership Big Spring spruce up the Vietnam Memorial as part of a community project.

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