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Lozano released from hospital, arrested

Man wounded by police officer faces two aggravated assault charges

By **STEVE REAGAN**
 Staff Writer

A Big Spring man shot and wounded by police Thursday evening has been released from the hospital, but has been jailed on two counts of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.



Lozano

Manuel Romero Lozano III, 43, who was shot in the hand

by a Big Spring police officer during a domestic disturbance, was treated and released from University Medical Center in Lubbock Friday, according to information released by the Big Spring Police Department.

He was subsequently arrested and charged with first-degree felony aggravated assault with a deadly weapon on a peace officer and second-degree aggravated assault with a deadly weapon. He has been booked into the Howard County Detention Center and was awaiting arraignment Saturday.

Lozano's father, Manuel Lo-

zano Jr. — who was allegedly stabbed in the abdomen by his father during Thursday's altercation, is in stable condition at UMC in Lubbock and is expected to make a full recovery, police said.

The charges against the younger Lozano stem from a domestic disturbance that occurred at 901 S. Runnels St. late Thursday night.

Police were called to the address in reference to a domestic disturbance involving Lozano and his father.

The confrontation between father and son quickly escalated and the son began threatening his father with a large knife. Police then began struggling with Lozano III, a

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Show and tell

With words and live action dioramas, First Nazarene Church's Drive-Through Nativity depicts the reason for the season

Story and photos by Lyndel Moody



Thousands of people were expected to make the trek to Big Spring this weekend to drive through the 29th annual Living Nativity which open Friday.

According to Sharon Rich, one of the event organizers and a member of the First Church of the Nazarene which puts on the production every year, a volunteer group of 125 actors, extras, production assistants and kitchen staff help to make the grand performance a success each year.

The Christmas Nativity consists of 14 stations, each telling a segment of the life of Jesus focusing mainly on his birth but to his resurrection. Each scene is decorated to represent ancient buildings and places dur-



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Festival of Lights set to brighten the holidays

By **AMANDA ELSTON**
 Managing Editor

It's made up of more than one million lights, 21,916 guests, countless volunteers, and more than 1.2 miles of lighted up exhibits. For any other town, these



would be just figures. For Big Spring, voted the Lighted Poinsettia Capital of Texas, these figures can mean only one thing. The Annual Comanche Trail Festival of Lights is upon us.

On their fourth day of set up, the Festival of Lights committee, the Big Spring Parks Department, and more than a handful of volunteers were in high spirits as they worked tirelessly to get the Comanche

Trail Park ready for the festival.

"This is one of the best lighted displays I have ever seen," said project manager Howard Stewart, as he helped unload displays.

"In a town the size of Big Spring, I would put our lights up against anybody."

Since the festival began back in 1996, the festival has grown from

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'Tis the Season

Big Spring and the surrounding areas may be small, but the people know how to celebrate in a big way with the best of them.

In the last week there was a parade in Forsan, a parade in Big Spring, a parade watch, Living Christmas Tree, Breakfast with Santa, the Feast of Sharing, and The Big Spring West Texas VA Medical Center lit up their building. These pictures are just a taste of some of the activities from this past week.

With two more weeks until Christmas, there is still plenty of upcoming events to help everyone get in the Christmas spirit.

The Drive Through Nativity at the Church of the Nazarene is this weekend, the Festival of Lights, Salvation Army toy distribution and Angel Trees, and the Red Kettle Campaign.



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Obituaries

Wilma Dorsey

Wilma Dorsey, 77, of Big Spring, passed away Thursday, Dec. 10, 2015 in a Lubbock hospital. The family will receive friends Sunday, Dec. 13, 2015, from 1:30 p.m. until 2:30 p.m. at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral services will be Monday, Dec. 14, 2015, at 11 a.m. at Myers & Smith Chapel, with Brother Randy Cotton of Trinity Baptist Church officiating. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park.

She was born June 25, 1938, in Lamesa, Texas. She was a lifetime resident of Big Spring. She married Grady Dorsey Jr. Jan. 7, 1957. He preceded her in death June 7, 1992.

She made a career as a substitute teacher for many years at Coahoma ISD. She later worked for

Weatherford in Coahoma for more than 20 years and had just retired in February of this year. The highlight of her life was her yearly trip she would take with her kids and grandkids to Ruidoso to the horse races. Wilma was a die-hard Cowboys fan and never missed watching the games on TV.

She is survived by two daughters, Traci Kendrick and husband, Termite, of Big Spring and Cristi Anderson and husband, Jimmy, of LaVernia; five grandchildren, Tessa Kendrick, Treagan Kendrick, Payton Anderson, Taylor Anderson and Toryn Kendrick; her favorite four-legged friend, Sparkles; two nephews, Danny Hart and Barry Hart; and one brother-in-law, Bill Hart.

In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by her parents; a step-father, Esmer Cole; one sister, Peggy Hart; and one nephew, Larry Hart.

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

Paid obituary

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **JOHN LUIZ VALBUENA**, 38, of 705 S. Aylesford was arrested on a warrant for parent contributing to non-attendance.
- **TYRE COLE WATTS**, 30, of 5101 Fisher was arrested on charges of evading arrest/detention with vehicle or watercraft, possession of a controlled substance, more than 1 gram but less than 4 grams; possession of marijuana, less than 2 ounces; possession of drug paraphernalia.

- **LEON LEE TREVINO**, 34, of 600 Lancaster St. was arrested on a warrant from driving while license invalid.
- **MANUEL ROMERO LOZANO III**, 43, of 2504 Chanute Dr. was arrested on charges of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon causing severe bodily injury to a family member and aggravated assault against a public servant.
- **KATHY ANNE WILLIAMS**, 53, of 1100 Wood St. was arrested on a charge of theft of property, less than \$100, shoplifting.

- **MAJOR ACCIDENT** was reported in the 1800 block of Settles.
- **THEFT** was reported in the 1000 block of Howell St., the 300 block of Holley Rd. and the 200 block of W. FM 700.
- **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported in the 2200 block of Runnels St.
- **MINOR ACCIDENT** was reported at the intersection of Gregg St. and 2nd St.
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 2600 block of Wasson Rd.

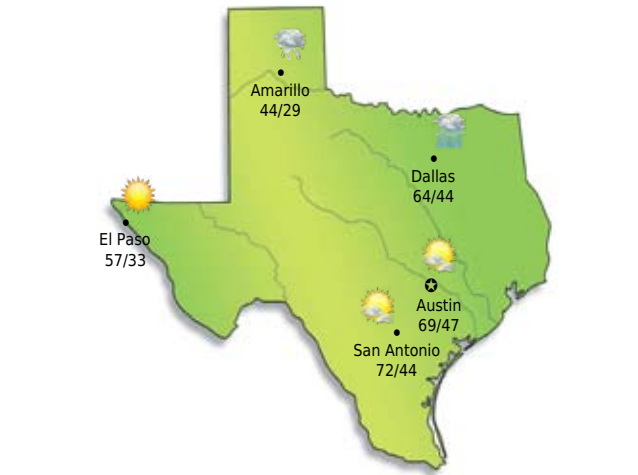
Support Groups

- MONDAY**
- Alcoholics Anonymous, As Bill Sees it, 615 Settles, 6:06 p.m. to 7 p.m.
 - VA Alcoholics Anonymous support group, 7-8 p.m., Veterans Healing Center.
 - Reformers Unanimous International is a faith-based addictions program helping people find freedom from addiction. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Mondays at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Enter at the main entrance of the church.
 - Stepping Stone Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at Spring Town Plaza (inside the mall, next to Attitudes Hair Salon, down by Bealls). Open meeting at 7 p.m.
- TUESDAY**
- Big Spring and Snyder Parkinsons Support Group meeting at the Big Spring Senior Center at 10:30 a.m. the second Tuesday of the month. This is a group for all Parkinson's disease patients, spouses and caregivers. For more information about the support group or about Parkinson's Disease, contact Jo Bidwell at the Lubbock APDA office at 806-785-0942
 - VA Alcoholics Anonymous support group, 7:30-8:30 p.m., Veterans Healing Center.
 - Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; newcomers meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.
 - Al-Anon, 615 Settles for family members and friends of alcoholics

- meets at 8 p.m.
- WEDNESDAY**
- RSD (Reflex Symptomatic 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.
 - 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.
- 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

Local 5-Day Forecast				
Sun 12/13	Mon 12/14	Tue 12/15	Wed 12/16	Thu 12/17
 59/36 Sun and a few clouds with gusty winds. High 59F. Winds W at 25 to 35 mph. Winds could occasionally gust over 40 mph. Sunrise: 7:38 AM Sunset: 5:42 PM	 68/39 Sunshine. Highs in the upper 60s and lows in the upper 30s. Sunrise: 7:39 AM Sunset: 5:42 PM	 59/29 Plenty of sun. Highs in the upper 50s and lows in the upper 20s. Sunrise: 7:39 AM Sunset: 5:43 PM	 51/26 Sunny. Highs in the low 50s and lows in the mid 20s. Sunrise: 7:40 AM Sunset: 5:43 PM	 52/27 Sunny. Highs in the low 50s and lows in the upper 20s. Sunrise: 7:41 AM Sunset: 5:43 PM

Texas at a Glance



Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Ablilene	71	46	Cloudy	Kingsville	79	65	Cloudy
Amarillo	65	32	Sunny	Livingston	75	68	Cloudy
Austin	73	53	Cloudy	Longview	75	66	M Cloudy
Beaumont	77	68	P Cloudy	Lubbock	68	36	M Cloudy
Brownsville	81	73	P Cldy/Wind	Lufkin	75	66	M Cloudy
Brownwood	72	46	Cloudy	Midland	72	42	P Cloudy
Corpus Christi	77	63	Cloudy/Wind	Raymondville	82	71	Cloudy/Wind
Corsicana	74	54	Cloudy	Rosenberg	77	70	M Cloudy
Dallas	73	52	Cloudy	San Antonio	76	56	Iso T-Storms
Del Rio	78	52	Cloudy	San Marcos	74	53	Cloudy
El Paso	54	38	Showers	Sulphur Springs	74	58	M Cloudy
Fort Stockton	74	42	Sunny	Sweetwater	73	45	M Cloudy
Gainesville	70	52	Cloudy	Tyler	75	61	M Cloudy
Greenville	73	54	M Cloudy	Weatherford	72	51	Cloudy
Houston	77	70	Cloudy	Wichita Falls	72	50	M Cloudy

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	72	52	P Cloudy	Miami	81	73	P Cloudy
Boston	57	44	P Cloudy	Minneapolis	41	39	Cloudy
Chicago	59	54	Cloudy	New York	63	55	M Sunny
Dallas	73	52	Cloudy	Phoenix	61	40	Cloudy
Denver	33	22	Cloudy	San Francisco	59	52	Sunny
Houston	69	57	P Cloudy	Seattle	48	43	Cloudy
Los Angeles	67	46	Sunny	Saint Louis	70	58	Cloudy

Moon Phases

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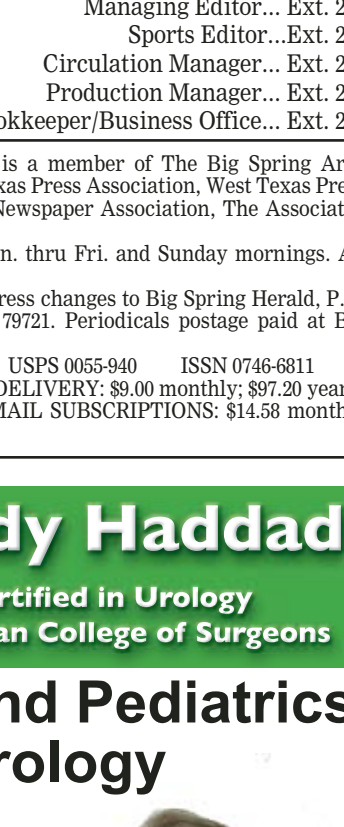
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Club News

Keep Big Spring Beautiful

Keep Big Spring Beautiful met Monday, Dec. 7 in the Cactus Room at Howard College. President Lisa Brooks led us in the pledge to the Flag and Gloria McDonald gave the invocation.

After the minutes and financials were approved, Lisa gave a wrap-up on the hugely successful H.E.B Feast of Sharing held in the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum at Howard College. The Feast started at noon and lasted until 4 p.m. Sunday. Our group provided 18 volunteers and good food and entertainment were enjoyed by all. Thanks to H.E.B for such a gracious gift to our town.

Our recycle of E-waste resulted 38,792 pounds of electric equipment being recycled with the help of 22 volunteers working 58 hours. Our thanks to Howard College Diplomats for their help.

Phase one of our Main Street Median Project is virtually finished. Phase two will start soon after the new year.

Tammy and Janell Davis will tend to our Experimental Garden in December, following Jim DePauw and Al Williams who saw to the garden during November. Highlight of the meeting was the election by acclamation of the officer for 2016 including: Lisa Brooks, President, Willia Ledford, Vice-President, Tammy DePauw, secretary and Jim DePauw, Treasurer.

The next meeting will be Jan. 4, 2016 in the Cactus Room of the Howard College at noon.

Art Association

Steven Napper of Odessa demonstrated his pastel techniques to the art association members. He was open to the members questions about his techniques. Mr. Napper shared how to make an interesting painting that is balanced; types of pastels and their uses. It was very informative.

Tuesday at 7 p.m. is the next meeting. We meet in the basement of the Howard County Library. In addition

to sharing a meal, we will exchange art related gifts for Christmas. The exchanging of gifts is made more exciting by the playing of the “white elephant” game. If you know how to play this game, you know that it takes the exchanging of gifts to a whole new level. Visitors do not need to bring gifts, just come and enjoy.

If you are interested in art of any kind, come see what we are all about.

Left: Steven Napper of Odessa demonstrating techniques for the Art Association. Courtesy Photo



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Alexandria is the daughter of Dave and Stacey Park of Forsan and the granddaughter of Pat and Jennifer Carnahan and Steve and Judy Park, all of Forsan.

She is a 2015 graduate of Angelo State College and employed as a graphic designer at Gandy Ink in San Angelo, Texas.

Dustin is the son of Sara Fontana of Coahoma and Keith and Isabel Fontana of Big Spring. He is the grandson of Dean and Kathy Richters of Coahoma, Elmer and Fairey McMahan of Seminole and Ray and Vickie Fontana of Coahoma.

He is currently a student at Angelo State and majoring in nursing.

The wedding will take place on Jan. 2 at the First Baptist Church in Big Spring at 3 p.m. followed by the reception.

The couple will honeymoon on a cruise to Cozumel, Belize and Mahogany Bay.

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Dr. Greeson earned his bachelor’s degree from the United States Air Force Academy and his medical degree from the University of Oklahoma College of Medicine. He completed his general surgery internship from David Grant Medical Center at Travis Air Force Base and completed his dermatology residency at the San Antonio Uniformed Services Health Education Consortium in San Antonio.

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LIGHTS

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College board to welcome new trustees during Monday meeting

around 5,000 visitors to 21,916 visitors from 41 states and 14 countries, as of last year.

“The first year we did this, we just worked with donated lights,” chairman and founder Pat Simmons said. “The second year, Dorothy Garrett gave us \$25,000 towards the festival along with help from the city manager and the city. Since then we have grown with people like Bobby and Gloria McDonald who helped during our third and fourth year as well as our current project manager Howard Stewart. Howard is fantastic. A workoholic.”

Stewart led fellow “workholics” and volunteers in set up Dec. 3. Volunteers like Randy Robertson and Al Williams along with councilman Jim DePauw and Big Spring Parks Department employee Brandon Ensey all described their favorite displays as they unloaded and helped stand up displays.

“The poinsettias on the dam look great at night,” described Ensey. “When they are reflected off of the water, it looks like there’s double of what there really is.”

“The candles we have set up are so big they



Workers set up displays for this year’s Festival of Lights.

were hanging off the truck we brought them here in,” laughed Stewart. “We had them up last year and they were of postcard quality.”

In addition to the lighted drive, the Festival of Lights also has a lighted walking trail that starts at the duck pond located near the United Way display and goes all the way to the Kids Zone.

“The lighted walk is beautiful,” said Simmons. “We have even had proposals on the site. I remember meeting a couple from Lubbock that got engaged on the walk.”

Along with displays set up by the committee, the festival features “Adopt-A-Spot”s which are made up of local orga-

nizations, families, churches, schools, and businesses that decorate a designated area with lights and signs with the lights furnished by the festival. The festival also boasts a gift shop made up of “t-shirts, coffee cups, and different knick-knacks” as well as a visit from Old St. Nick himself.

“Don’t forget to visit our Gift Shop with Mr. and Mrs. Claus,” reads the brochure for the 2015 Festival of Lights. “Bring your cameras for pictures on December 19-23, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Various carolers and bands will be performing on different nights at the gift shop.”

The festival is still looking for volunteers for greeters and well as carolers.

“Carolers can be individuals, or groups,” Simmons said. “They really bring the Christmas spirit for when Santa is there.”

The Festival of Lights begins Tuesday, Dec. 15 and runs until Dec. 31 from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. nightly with the park gates locking at close.

BY LYNDEL MOODY
Staff Writer

Howard College board members will welcome two new faces when they meet on Monday.

Newly appointed trustees Adriel E. Saldivar and Ryan Williams will take the oath of office at the beginning of the 12:30 p.m. meeting. The two are filling positions left with the death of Dr. Charles Warran and the recent resignation of Marie Ethridge who has moved out of the district.

Even though the terms of both positions last until 2020, college President Dr. Cheryl T. Sparks said the two men will stand for election in May of 2016.

Trustees are also expected to give notice of candidacy filing for the 2016 May elections at the meeting. Two other positions are up this cy-



cle. District 1 is served by Michael Flores and District 2 has Murray Murphy as its representative.

Filing an intent to run officially for a trustee begins Jan. 20, 2016.

Paperwork can be obtained at the president’s office during business hours, Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Friday, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The Howard College board of trustees will meet in the Tumbleweed Room located in the Student Union Building on the Howard College campus.

In other business, trustees are expected to:

- Hear an update on the college’s rollback election.

- Consider personnel and financial matters.

- Hear an update on the plans for the college’s year-long 70th anniversary celebration.

- Consider bids and a lease agreement for the Vietnam Memorial.

Staff Writer Lyndel Moody can be contacted at 263-7331, ext. 234.

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Jose Olivares, 54, died Wednesday. Services are pending. A memorial fund has been set up at Myers & Smith Funeral Home to help the family with funeral expenses.

Wilma Dorsey, 77, died Thursday. The family will receive friends Sunday from 1:30 PM until 2:30 PM at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral services will be Monday at 11:00 AM at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Trinity Memorial Park.

NATIVITY

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ing that period of time. Costumed actors perform while people drive by each station while having the opportunity to listening to a retelling of the story from a CD provided by the church.

The cast and crew are made up of members of the church, community and area volunteers and, this year, area Boy Scouts also participated, according to Rich.

On Friday, a line of cars stretching

down Lancaster to Martin Luther King streets waiting to drive through the production by time of the official opening.

The drive through nativity is free of charge for the community and continues Saturday and Sunday from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. each evening.

The entrance to the Nativity Drive through is best approached from the west on Martin Luther King Boulevard and then turn south onto Lancaster Street.

For more information on the Drive-Through Nativity, call 432-267-7015.

LOZANO

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BSPD release stated.

“Officers attempted to subdue Lozano III and had deployed their tasers, which were ineffective,” the release stated. “Lozano III subsequently cut (his father) with the knife, causing a severe injury to his abdomen.”

Police said Lozano III continued to struggle with his father and the officers, using his father as a shield. It was at that point that one of the officers decided to use deadly force.

“As officers struggled with (Lozano) in an attempt to eliminate the immediate threat during

a close quarters struggle, one of the officers was capable of discharging his firearm, striking (Lozano III) in his right hand,” the release stated. “(Lozano III) immediately released (his father) and officers were capable of physically securing (the suspect).”

Both father and son were transported via ambulance to Scenic Mountain Medical Center, then transferred to UMC in Lubbock for further treatment of their injuries. One of the officers was treated and released from SMMC for minor injuries to his foot.

Texas Rangers were notified of the shooting and placed in charge of the investigation into the incident. The offi-

cer who wounded Lozano has been placed on administrative duties pending the outcome of the investigation.

BSPD did not release the names of the officers involved in Thursday’s incident.

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Parent's Corner: The story of Poppin, the Pillsbury Doughboy

Do you remember Poppin' Fresh? Just think for a moment and Poppin' Fresh will 'pop' into your mind. Yes, it is the Pillsbury Doughboy.

The smiley little doughboy popped into my mind recently so I thought I'd do a bit of research on him and give you a report. It was in the mid-1960's when a man by the name of Rudy Perz was sitting at his kitchen table thinking of an interesting advertising symbol when the idea of a plump little dough figure popped into his mind.

His image was a living dough boy popping out of a Pillsbury Crescent Rolls can, and to distinguish the dough boy from the rolls, he gave it a scarf, a chef's hat, two big blue eyes, a blush, and a soft,



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warm chuckle when poked in the stomach.

He knew he had created a new icon and wanted to make his little guy come alive and get him out to the public. He called him Poppin', and wanted to give him a really cute voice so he began the auditioning process.

After more than fifty auditions the role was given to Paul Frees, who was the voice for The Adventures of Bullwinkle and Rocky. After Frees died in 1986, Jeff Bergman was given the role. Bergman was also the voice for Charlie the Tuna. Perz then began trying to figure out how this little guy could be used, and at first thought of him as an animated character, but later changed his mind and decided to use a 3-D doll made of clay, which at the time was a new idea.

It cost him \$16,000 to complete his clay doll, which at the time was a huge amount of money. Poppin' Fresh weighed 14 ounces and measured 8 3/4 inches when he was

introduced to the public in 1965. His place of birth was Minneapolis. He is all dough, wears a baker's hat and scarf, has blue eyes and loves to bake. Once introduced, Poppin', with his pudgy little body and his cute giggle, was an immediate success.

He even became the Toy of the Year in 1972, and according to Pillsbury the little guy rose to become America's most-loved character in 1987. Since the days when he was knee-high to a crescent roll, he has traveled far beyond the kitchen counter, joining photo albums, doll collections and trivia sites on the World Wide Web.

Now the bad news.

I am told that, even though he was rolling in the dough, the Pillsbury Doughboy died yesterday of a yeast infection and complications from repeated pokes in the belly. He was 71 years of age. He was buried in a lightly greased coffin and dozens of celebrities turned out to pay their respect including Mrs. Butters-

worth, Hungry Jack, The California Raisins, Betty Crocker, the Hostess Twinkies, Little Debbie and Captain Crunch.

The gravesite was piled high with flours, and Aunt Jemima delivered the eulogy and lovingly described Doughboy as a man who never knew how much he was kneaded. Doughboy rose quickly in show business, but his later life was filled with turn-overs. He was not considered a very smart cookie, wasting too much of his dough on half-baked schemes. Despite being a little flaky at times, he was still a crusty old man and was considered a roll model for millions. He is survived by his wife Play Dough, two children, John Dough and Jane Dough plus one in the oven. He is also survived by his elderly father, Pop Tart. The funeral was held at 3:50 for about 20 minutes.

Darrell Ryan is the Big Spring ISD director of school safety.

Menus

Big Spring ISD

Monday
Breakfast: Trix or Apple Jacks cereal, cheddar cheese stick, apples, assorted fruit juice and milk; Lunch: steak fingers, roll, mashed potatoes with gravy, corn, strawberries, fresh fruit bowl and milk.

Tuesday
Breakfast: pancake on a stick, grapes, assorted fruit juice and milk; Lunch: Tex-Mex stack, baby carrots, garden salad, fruit cocktail and milk.

Wednesday
Breakfast: sausage breakfast pizza, mixed fruit cup, assorted fruit juice and milk; Lunch: sweet and sour chicken, roll, brown rice, broccoli, twisted applesauce, fresh fruit bowl, chocolate crackers and milk.

Thursday
Breakfast: blueberry muffin, banana, assorted fruit juice and milk; Lunch: cheese enchilada, Spanish rice, pinto beans, garden salad, mandarin oranges and milk.

Friday
Breakfast: PBJ Uncrustable, orange smiles, assorted fruit juice and milk; Lunch: sack lunch bag and milk.

Sands CISD

Monday
Breakfast: breakfast bread slice and yogurt; Lunch: pizza, garden salad, baby carrots and mixed fruit.

Tuesday
Breakfast: sausage biscuit; Lunch: hot ham and cheese on pretzel bun, tomato cucumber cup, broccoli bites and snowball salad.

Wednesday
Breakfast: breakfast sliders; Lunch: meatball sub sandwich, garden salad, carrot coins, apple slices and cookie.

Thursday

Breakfast: mini waffles and yogurt; Lunch: meatloaf, mashed potatoes with gravy, savory green beans, roll and apple-pineapple d'lite.

Friday
Breakfast: fiesta egg and cheese sandwich; Lunch: sack lunch.

Big Spring Senior Center

Monday
Chicken pot pie with mixed vegetables, lettuce and tomato salad, sliced peaches, sugar cookie, bread and milk.

Tuesday
Beef tips, brown gravy, brown rice, Riviera veg-

etables, cherry cobbler, rolls and milk.

Wednesday
Baked ham, AuGratin potatoes, broccoli and cauliflower, pineapple cake, bread and milk.

Thursday
Lasagna, Italian vegetables, green salad, garlic bread, gingerbread and milk.

Friday
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DAILY PRAYER

May we remain diligent about reading Your word, Lord, for our life.

Amen

Mr. Christmas resides in Post, Texas

Jackie Cruse of Post is known in some circles as Mr. Christmas.

When he was a high school student in Post, he had a cake decorating business.

“Every weekend when everybody was out having fun I’d be doing someone’s wedding or birthday cake,” he says. “Now, I’m a master cake artist and a chef.”

His grandmother knew he had culinary talent and she insisted he go to a good school to learn how to become a chef. He went to one in Montpelier, Vt. Jackie says the school chose 56 students from 150,000 applicants.

“I had never been on a plane before, never had been out of the state of Texas and went to live in Vermont where I got a four-year degree in two years,” he says. “When you leave a small town, you realize there’s a bigger world out there and you begin to see the possibilities.”

Jackie sculpted birds and butterflies for his wedding cakes from fondant, a sugar-based dough.

That led to creating Christmas ornaments from clay, which he offered for sale at a Christian



TUMBLEWEED SMITH

bookstores in Lubbock and Midland. The demand for them was great.

His entrepreneurial spirit made him research Christmas and discovered it is a \$300 billion-per-year business. He thought he would like to get a piece of that. Someone suggested he start making life-size Santas, sculpting the face and hands and building a body and dressing it up royally.

“Neiman-Marcus ordered my very first Santa and they put me in their Christmas catalogue. For the next three and a half years I designed exclusively a Santa for Neiman-Marcus,” he says. “Once we got into the Neiman-Marcus Christmas Book, they put me in a show-room at the World Trade Center in Dallas where retailers could come and order Santas and sell them in their stores.”

“I eventually had showrooms at markets in Dallas, Los Angeles, Atlanta, and Colorado, so I traveled to all those shows,” Jackie adds. “Then, I had 50 employees in four buildings making Santas and shipping them out around the nation. They sold for no less than \$8,000 to \$10,000 for a life-size. A 36-inch Santa sold for a minimum of \$2,500. “

Jackie sold to Neimans as well as other department stores and 60 interior design shops. The Santas are very unique and

have 100 percent silk, genuine fur and real Tibetan lamb’s wool that he use in the beards. The fabric alone sells for \$60-\$100 a yard.

“The eyes are custom-designed and how we put them in the Santas is patented by me,” he says. “I put every eye lash, every beard, I finish every arrangement or accessory on the Santas.”

He has done Christmas items for President Bush, Oprah Winfrey, Garth Brooks, Jerry Jones and Michael Dell. His store in Post (J Cruse) opened in 2008 and has Santas and all kinds of Christmas decorations.

Customers started asking for decorated trees, “so I wound up getting into home decorating for Christmas. I design a Santa for the home and coordinate a tree with the rest of the decorations.”

Jackie uses his culinary skills for some of his customers.

“My store has a full service kitchen. A lot of people come from a distance,” he said. “They’ll call and I’ll prepare a four-course meal for them. They’ll come in and eat and shop.”

Tumbleweed Smith lives in Big Spring and travels the state listening to stories. Contact him at ts@crcom.net

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Inaugural CTE Fair

To the Editor:

I would like to thank everyone who participated at our inaugural CTE Fair at Big Spring High School this past week.

First, I would like to thank our judges for giving their time for our kids. They are John Sparks, Glenda McDonald, Kelli Wigington, Ronnie Burleson, Jerry Jones, Gary Faulkner, Loyd Mashburn, Sandy Stewart, Debbie Wegman, and Debbye ValVerde. Without you, this would not have been possible.

I would also like to thank our CTE teachers for their time and effort as well. They are Shirley Beal, Luke Thurman, Jack Ingram, Cody Osborn, Haley Lefevre, Jim Whites, Kelly McBee, and Laura Averette. I would like to extend a special thank you to Jill Willbanks for doing many things for me when I was tied up with other issues. Finally, I would like to thank the kids for participating and doing great jobs on their projects. We have a lot of

good kids, and I am proud to be your director. Our kids competed in categories given to them by their teachers, and the first, second, and third place finishers will be on display in the main entrance at the high school starting Jan. 5. If you are passing by Big Spring High School, stop in and see some of the great things our kids are doing.

Bert Otto
CTE Director
Big Spring High School

Help and Support for the Downtown Garden Project

To the Editor:

Without my employer, Superod, and the Big Spring Convention and Visitors Bureau, none of the progress I have made would have ever been made possible for the Downtown Garden Project in such a short amount of time. I’d like to also thank the Rutledge family for their assistance.

Jeremiah Peters
Big Spring

Singing a new Christmas song

Craig Murphy chased dreams for a quarter-century — partly behind the wheel of “big rigs,” but mostly in the 1991 Chevrolet pick-up he bought new and still drives despite an odometer north of 263,000 miles.

Some were short-lived pursuits, including automotive school and master mechanic certification, training to drive 18-wheelers across the country and a police academy program for a short stint in law enforcement. He’s been a “mobile mechanic,” and continues to maintain his own whistle-clean pick-up.

Then, restlessness set in a few years back.

For a time, he felt fulfilled with karaoke and emcee assignments, realizing early on that in some venues, he faced elements contrary to his values.

He’s now more selective for engagements, and continues part-time employment at Fort Worth’s HANK FM (92.1), hoping for eventual DJ opportunities.

Craig added still another “chase” in 2013, singing in area care centers and retirement homes. He started at Arlington Villa, where he continues to entertain monthly.

To the mix he’s added another 40 centers, sometimes booking four in a single day — a “chase pace” that challenges.

“I love it,” he said, delighted



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that his western and Christian songs are gaining traction. A while back, after he’d loaded his equipment at a gig, a care center attendant yelled, “Come back. A song-writing resident wants to talk to you.”

Ever trusting and a good listener, Craig went to the room of Aubrey Freeman, now 92.

“I was Lefty Frizzell’s barber, and I wrote many of his songs — you can check out my bio on music publisher’s website. I’ve written a new western Christmas song, The First Christmas Day, and I want you to see what you can do with it.” Craig snapped to attention when Freeman added, “Your voice range is better than Lefty’s.” (Frizzell was a popular vocalist in the 1950s-60s.)

That my path would cross with Craig’s seems more than coincidental.

In 1978, Craig remembers riding his bike to Buddy’s Supermarket in Everman, where the late Verdis Pack was store manager. Often, Pack handed him a coin — often a big one. He also gave Craig his first job — sacking groceries at age 16.

I knew Verdis Pack well; he was my father-in-law. When he died in 2003, a man none of us knew asked to make graveside remarks. “He was the nicest man I ever met, and the best boss ever,” he said.

My wife and I remember the moment, but we never saw the man again.

Until recently. Move the calendar forward to October, 2015. Brenda and I were at her only sibling’s bedside. Near death, Terry Pack was succumbing to a hard-fought 50-year battle with

diabetes.

She mentioned listening briefly to a vocalist in the lobby. “I think you should go hear him,” she suggested. I did, and was much impressed. He mentioned his “new Christmas CD would be available soon.”

At program’s end — after he’d visited with residents who clamored to chat — I asked about ordering a CD.

It was no priority for him. “I’m not sure when I’ll have it,” he said. “I’m not a writer, know nothing about art work and I don’t have a CD duplicator.” I offered my help; he accepted it.

Craig was breathless a few days later when he read Terry’s obituary. “Do you mean Terry was Mr. Verdis Pack’s son?”

Surprised — no, shocked — he provided details beginning in 1978, when a grocery man gave him coins, and later, his first job.

Coincidence? Maybe. More likely, it’s a thread running through God’s sprawling tapestry of our lives.

Wind-up. The First Christmas Day is a seasonal hit on HANK FM. Craig has found his way, and our family has a new friend. Maybe you’ll hear him on the radio, or ministering in song at care centers throughout the Metroplex.

Or, you might spot him on the freeway in a flashy blue, flame-accented Silverado pick-up — just a year away from antique status. Sunday mornings, you may see it on the Edge Park United Methodist Church parking lot. After all, it was through encouragement of fellow choir members there that he mounted his singing career.



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Advice for safe holiday traveling

Tis the season to be merry and bright! With Christmas only two weeks away, many people are finalizing their holiday travel plans. Whether you are booking a last minute hotel reservation, flight or gearing up for a road trip to visit relatives, Better Business Bureau serving Central, Coastal, Southwest Texas and the Permian Basin advises holiday travelers prepare for safe travels.

According to the U.S. Department of Transportation, the holiday period between Thanksgiving and New Year's Day is among the busiest long-distance travel period of the year. In fact, the American Automobile Association projects that 98.6 million Americans will journey at least 50 miles from home during the holiday season. This travel forecast represents a 4 percent increase from last year.

If you plan on driving this winter, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration recommends getting your car serviced before you hit the road, especially if you anticipate traveling in inclement weather, like snow and ice. Visit your mechanic for a tune-up and have your entire vehicle thoroughly checked.

Before you hit the highway or tarmac this holiday season, BBB recommends that you:

- Check out the business first. Whether you're looking for a trustworthy travel agency, hotel, resort or auto mechanic, check out a company's BBB Business Review at bbb.org.

- Create a vehicle safety kit. Holiday driving often includes the threat of dangerous winter weather. Prepare for bad weather by creating your own safety kit. Basics for the kit include blankets, a flashlight with extra batteries, a radio, a first aid kit, jumper cables, non-perishable foods like granola bars and nuts, bottled water, an ice scraper and warm gloves. Consider having your vehicle checked out by a professional before going on a long road trip.

- Research last minute travel deals. Bargains on airfare or a hotel may be tempting, but be cautious when booking on an unknown travel website or through an online advertisement. Common travel-related complaints to BBB reported trouble with reservations, online advertisements and incorrect charges. Be sure you understand all anticipated charges to help you compare prices with confidence.

- Prepare for extra travel fees.
- Baggage fees: Some airlines charge to check bags. If a bag check-in is free, bags weighing over 50 pounds may cost you more.

- Pet fees: Most airlines accept pets if they are kenneled, but there is a charge of around \$100. If you want your pet in the cabin with you, make a reservation. Typically, there is a limit on how many animals can be in cabin on a single flight.

- Ticket changes: Plans can change, but keep in mind that your travel cost was determined by your original departure and arrival times. Changing your plans may cost you extra, especially during the holiday travel season.

- Hotel fees: Many hotel rooms may charge extra fees for room service and Wi-Fi. Remember to read the fine print when booking a hotel, and save your receipts.

For more consumer information, BBB Business Reviews or to file a complaint, visit your local Better Business Bureau online at bbb.org/central-texas.

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What do you get when you bring two court appointed advocates for area children, a Salvation Army captain, three grizzled motorcycle club members and two nicely dressed employees of the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce together?

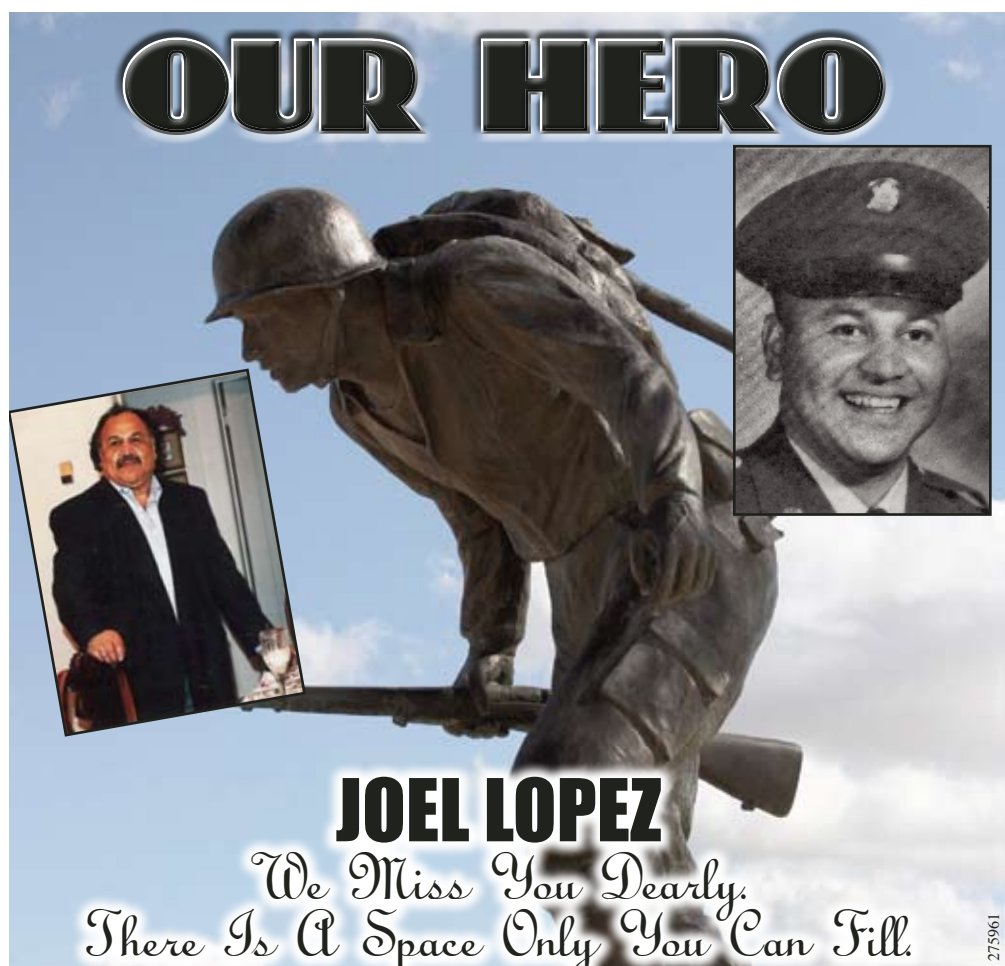
A group of people who really hope to bring some joy to area children on Christmas day.

The Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce distributed Christmas toys to members of CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates), the Salvation Army and the Cossacks Motorcycle Club — Permian Chapter Friday.

“We want to thank everyone who contributed with toys, or monetary donations,” said Debbye ValVerde, chamber executive director.

For the past month, the Chamber has been collecting new, unwrapped toys for children from ages two to 18 to help these three groups with their mission to bring toys to area children on Christmas day. On Friday, the Chamber toy-filled was emptied as representatives from each group accepted to gifts. The Chamber has held the drive for a number of years.

— Lyndel Moody



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Stocks drop sharply as oil slumps

NEW YORK (AP) — Another slump in oil prices to seven-year lows on Friday is sparking a global sell-off in stocks. Investors dumped stocks Europe earlier in the day, then moved on to U.S. markets where indexes are dropping sharply across industries.

All 10 sectors of the Standard and Poor's 500 index fell, led by suppliers of raw materials and energy companies. Investors worry that the continuing drop in the price of oil is a result of weakness in the global economy, especially China, and could further cut profits at big energy companies, which have already been decimated this year.

KEEPING SCORE: The Dow Jones industrial average lost 261 points, or 1.5 percent, to 17,313 as of 1:39 p.m. Eastern time.

RECORDS

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Judgments

The State of Texas vs. Glen Paul Moorman, driving while intoxicated open alcohol container. \$500 fine, court costs, 180 days in jail, driving privileges suspended for 90 days and 6 months probation.

The State of Texas vs. Carle A. Worthy, theft of property. \$250 fine, court costs and 6 months probation.

The State of Texas vs. Arnulfo Chavera Jr., criminal mischief. \$50 fine, court costs and two days in jail.

The State of Texas vs. Jesse Jaron Perry, criminal mischief. \$750 fine, court costs, 180 days in jail and 12 months probation.

The State of Texas vs. Sherrod Wilder, theft of property. \$100 fine, court costs, 180 days in jail and 12 months probation.

The State of Texas vs. Carl Dean Garrard, theft of property. \$500 fine, court

costs, 180 days in jail and 12 months probation.

The State of Texas vs. Heather Jean Friday, theft of property. \$250 fine, court costs, 180 days in jail and 12 months probation.

The State of Texas vs. Jacob Andrew Hilario, driving while intoxicated. \$500 fine, court costs, 180 days in jail, driving privileges suspended for 90 days and 12 months probation.

Marriage Licenses

Eugene Gonzales Rodriguez, 42, and Sylvia Sanchez, 49, both of Big Spring

Beau Seth McPeak, 32, and Rhonde LeeAnn Yockers, 32, both of Big Spring

Warranty Deeds

Grantor: Haveli Construction, LLC

Grantee: Justin Michael

Green and Megan Melissa Green

Property: Lot 24, block 3, Wasson Place
Date: Dec. 7, 2015

Grantor: Quert Odell Huitt

Grantee: Cling Bingham
Property: Lot 104, block 2, Hickory Hollow Subdivision 1, Bexar County
Date: Dec. 3, 2015

Grantor: Richard White
Grantee: Debra White
Property: .756 acre tract out of the S.E. quarter of Sec 48, block 32, T-1-N, T&P, RR Co. Survey
Date: June 4, 2015

Grantor: Ronnie Burleson and Renee Burleson
Grantee: Michael R. Burleson and Jennifer R. Burleson
Property: 6.48 acre tract known as lot 23, and N. 225 feet of lot 22, block D, Campestre Estates, Subdivision 17, block 32, T-1-S, T&P, RR Co. Survey

Date: Nov. 5, 2015

Grantor: BDPD Properties, Inc.

Grantee: Debra Lusk, Sonia Lusk and Eric Lusk
Property: Southeast quarter of sec 14, block 33, T-1-S, T&P Ry. Co. Survey
Date: Dec. 1, 2015

Grantor: Leonard E. McCutcheon

Grantee: Kenneth Joe Froman
Property: West 56 feet of lot 7, block 1, Edwards Heights addition
Date: Nov. 6, 2015

Grantor: Patricia Hooser Gammons

Grantee: Curtis Vernon and Virginie Vernon
Property: 4.77 acre tract in the northwest quarter of sec. 45, block 31, T-1-N T&P RR. Co. Survey
Date: Nov. 19, 2015

Grantor: Johnnie Hobbs and Frances Hobbs

Grantee: Joshua Segundo and Chelsy Segundo

Property: Lot 1, block 7, Park Hill addition
Date: Nov. 20, 2015

Grantor: Johnnie Leon Hobbs and Frances Levier Hobbs

Grantee: F & G Construction
Property: Lots 6, 7, 8 and 9 of block 34, College Park Estates Subdivision
Date: Nov. 19, 2015

Grantor: Charles R. Clanton

Grantee: Bryan Herr
Property: Lots 1-9, block 3, Tennyson's addition
Date: Nov. 20, 2015

Warranty Deeds with lien

Grantor: Sandra Steppie Ford

Grantee: Samuel C. Castro
Property: Lot 2, block 80, original town of Big Spring
Date: Nov. 24, 2015

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O'guin makes go-ahead three, Big Spring wins 52-20

By TAYLOR ELLIS

Sports Editor

ANDREWS — The Big Spring boys defeated #13 Shallowater 52-20 Friday to advance to the consolation championship game of the Gym Bice Classic.

The Steers did not lead in the second half until senior guard Israel O'guin drained a three pointer from five feet behind the top of the arc with just 50 seconds left in the game.

"That's just a basketball player making a play," head coach Nicholas Tyerman

said.

O'guin had given the Mustangs fits all day, forcing Shallowater to switch to a 2-3 zone in an effort to slow him down. O'guin recognized the adjustment, and knew he had an open shot up top.

O'guin finished with a team-high 12 points.

The Steers came out aggressive on defense, holding the Mustangs to just 12 points. Unfortunately that aggressive nature dissipated in the following two quarters.

"We can't seem to get over the hump of playing just two quarters. We played the first

well and I think the fourth quarter was our best quarter of the year. Those middle quarters jsut gave us trouble," Tyerman said.

After a 15-12 lead in the first quarter, Big Spring was out-scored 28-18 over the next two quarters. Big Spring kept things close in the second quarter, but Shallowater pulled away in the third quarter, extending their lead to seven.

"It's easy with how much we've been losing to get down on ourselves as Shallowater extended their lead in the third quarter. I was proud of

how our guys kept fighting," Tyerman said.

The Steers aggressive defense returned as if at the snap of a finger at the start of the fourth quarter, forcing three turnovers for six points in just 41 seconds.

Big Spring kept up the staunch defensive performance, keeping it a one possession game for the final four minutes. After O'guin made the go-ahead three pointer, Shallowater got multiple looks at winning the game, due to two traveling calls on the Steers in the final 50 seconds. The Steers took a

collective sigh of relief as the Mustangs were unable to tip in the tying basket with .02 seconds left.

"It's that toughness that's starting to show. They're starting to listen and starting to buy in," Tyerman said.

Senior Eric Ortega fouled out with 5:21 to go, but still tallied 11 rebounds and a team-high 10 rebounds for yet another double-double.

Contact sports editor Taylor Ellis at sports@bigspringherald.com or 432.263.7331.

Bufs sweep competition, Lady Bufs drop close one

By TAYLOR ELLIS

Sports Editor

GAIL — The Forsan boys won both of their games Friday in the Borden County tournament.

The Bufs first game was against Kress, which they won 59-47. Three Bufs players scored in double digits. Akkey McVae had a team-high 13 points, followed by Garrett Evans with 12 and Ian Park with 11.

The Bufs recovered from a six-point deficit after the first quarter, and limited Kress to just

seven fourth quarter points to seal the comeback victory.

In their following game the Bufs defeated Aspermont 51-43 despite a late surge.

Forsan out-scored Aspermont 19-6 in the third quarter, but the script was flipped the following quarter as Aspermont took the fourth 19-9. Luckily Forsan had proven the better team throughout the first half.

Josh Evans led the team with 12 points. Ben Mikeska and Akkey McVae each poured in eight points.

The final results from the tournament can be found in Monday's paper.

LADY BUFs

In the second round the tournament Forsan took on #7 O'Donnell. The Lady Bufs brought some tremendous defense against the fast pace O'Donnell squad, but lost 31-27. They like to get up and down, run the floor, press, and shoot three pointers for more scoring chances.

"Our girls held them to 31 points which impressed me."

The game was tied with less than 30 seconds

to go, but O'Donnell edged out the victory in a highly competitive game.

Forsan will play for the third place spot in the tournament against Borden County.

"I am very proud and pleased about how the girls are playing and feel like these tough games are going to prepare our kids for the upcoming district schedule.

Contact sports editor Taylor Ellis at sports@bigspringherald.com.

Roussel scores winner as Stars beat Flyers 3-1

DALLAS (AP) — Antoine Roussel was right where he wanted to be at the key moment of the second period — playing at home, in front of the net, with the puck rebounding on to his stick in a game that was tied.

Roussel scored the tie-breaking goal late in the second, leading the Dallas Stars to a 3-1 victory over the Philadelphia Flyers on Friday night.

Roussel pulled the puck out of a pileup in front and sent a wrist shot past Flyers goalie

Michal Neuvirth with 2:32 to go in the middle period.

"I saw the puck, so I just had to push it and it was perfect," the Stars' left winger said. "It was right there.

"Most of my goals came from the blue paint or within like 3 feet of it. You get once in a while pretty, but just hard-working goals nowadays."

Mattias Janmark had tied the score at 1-1 for

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Scoreboard

NBA
Monday's Games
San Antonio 119, Philadelphia 68
Charlotte 104, Detroit 84
Toronto 102, L.A. Lakers 93
Dallas 104, New York 97
Washington 114, Miami 103
Phoenix 103, Chicago 101
L.A. Clippers 110, Minnesota 106
Boston 111, New Orleans 93
Milwaukee 90, Portland 88
Tuesday's Games
Cleveland 105, Portland 100
Golden State 131, Indiana 123
Brooklyn 110, Houston 105
Oklahoma City 125, Memphis 88
Orlando 85, Denver 74
Sacramento 114, Utah 106
Wednesday's Games
Boston 105, Chicago 100
Houston 109, Washington 103
Charlotte 99, Miami 81
Toronto 97, San Antonio 94
Memphis 93, Detroit 92
Minnesota 123, L.A. Lakers 122, OT
L.A. Clippers 109, Milwaukee 95
Utah 106, New York 85
Phoenix 107, Orlando 104
Atlanta 98, Dallas 95
Thursday's Games
Brooklyn 100, Philadelphia 91
Chicago 83, L.A. Clippers 80
Oklahoma City 107, Atlanta 94
Sacramento 99, New York 97
Friday's Games
Indiana 96, Miami 83
Detroit 107, Philadelphia 95
Cleveland 111, Orlando 76
Toronto 90, Milwaukee 83
Golden State 124, Boston 119, 2OT
New Orleans 107, Washington 105
Charlotte 123, Memphis 99
Denver 111, Minnesota 108, OT
Oklahoma City 94, Utah 90
Portland 106, Phoenix 96
San Antonio 109, L.A. Lakers 87

Saturday's Games
L.A. Clippers at Brooklyn, 5 p.m.
Boston at Charlotte, 7 p.m.
Indiana at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
New Orleans at Chicago, 8 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Houston, 8 p.m.
San Antonio at Atlanta, 8 p.m.
Golden State at Milwaukee, 8:30 p.m.
Washington at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
New York at Portland, 10 p.m.
Sunday's Games
Minnesota at Phoenix, 3:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Toronto, 6 p.m.
Memphis at Miami, 6 p.m.
Utah at Oklahoma City, 7 p.m.
NHL
Monday's Games
Nashville 3, Boston 2
Colorado 2, Minnesota 1, OT
Vancouver 5, Buffalo 2
Tuesday's Games
N.Y. Islanders 4, Philadelphia 3, SO
Washington 3, Detroit 2, SO
Toronto 3, New Jersey 2, SO
Los Angeles 3, Columbus 2, OT
Ottawa 4, Florida 2
St. Louis 4, Arizona 1
Chicago 4, Nashville 1
Dallas 6, Carolina 5
Calgary 4, San Jose 2
Wednesday's Games
Boston 3, Montreal 1
Edmonton 4, San Jose 3, OT
Pittsburgh 4, Colorado 2
Vancouver 2, N.Y. Rangers 1
Thursday's Games
Detroit 3, Montreal 2
Tampa Bay 4, Ottawa 1
Florida 4, Washington 1
Philadelphia 4, St. Louis 2
Nashville 5, Chicago 1
Winnipeg 6, Columbus 4
Calgary 4, Buffalo 3
Friday's Games
Los Angeles 3, Pittsburgh 2, SO
New Jersey 3, Detroit 2, OT
Chicago 2, Winnipeg 0

Dallas 3, Philadelphia 1
Arizona 2, Minnesota 1, OT
Edmonton 7, N.Y. Rangers 5
Carolina 5, Anaheim 1
Saturday's Games
Florida at Boston, 1 p.m.
Los Angeles at Buffalo, 7 p.m.
Ottawa at Montreal, 7 p.m.
Washington at Tampa Bay, 7 p.m.
N.Y. Islanders at Columbus, 7 p.m.
Dallas at St. Louis, 8 p.m.
Colorado at Nashville, 8 p.m.
Carolina at Arizona, 9 p.m.
N.Y. Rangers at Calgary, 10 p.m.
Minnesota at San Jose, 10:30 p.m.
Sunday's Games
New Jersey at N.Y. Islanders, 5 p.m.
Colorado at St. Louis, 6 p.m.
Vancouver at Chicago, 7 p.m.
TRANSACTIONS
BASEBALL
Major League Baseball
CLEVELAND INDIANS — Agreed to terms with OF Robbie Grossman and RHP Felipe Paulino on minor league contracts.
DETROIT TIGERS — Agreed to terms with RHPs Ruben Alaniz, Endrys Briceno, Jake Brigham, Lendy Castillo, Edgar De La Rosa, Rafael Dolis, Eduardo Figueroa, Preston Guilmet, Cory Riordan, Ross Seaton and Thad Weber; LHPs Drake Britton and Anthony Fernandez; Cs Albert Cordero and Miguel Gonzalez; INF Tommy Field and OF Jiwan James on minor league contracts.
HOUSTON ASTROS — Agreed to terms with LHP Tony Sipp on a three-year contract.
NEW YORK YANKEES — Agreed to terms with RHP Domingo German on a minor league contract.
OAKLAND ATHLETICS — Agreed to terms with RHP Ryan Madson on a three-year contract and RHP John Axford

on a two-year contract.
SEATTLE MARINERS — Acquired RHP Ryne Harper from Atlanta to complete an earlier trade.
TORONTO BLUE JAYS — Agreed to terms with INF Darwin Barney on a one-year contract.
National League
NEW YORK METS — Agreed to terms with SS Asdrubal Cabrera on a two-year contract.
WASHINGTON NATIONALS — Agreed to terms with RHP Shawn Kelley on a three-year contract and LHP Oliver Perez on a two-year contract.
American Association
GARY SOUTHSHORE RAILCATS — Traded INF Ridge Hoopii-Haslam to Winnipeg for OF Tillman Pugh.
LINCOLN SALTDogs — Sold the contract of OF Dexter Kjerstad to Miami (NL).
WINNIPEG GOLDEYES — Released RHP Mike Jonware and LHP Jon Jones.
Frontier League
JOLIET SLAMMERS — Traded SS Max Casper to Lake Erie for a player to be named. Traded RHP David Kubiak to Bridgeport (Atlantic) for a player to be named.
SCHAUMBURG BOOMERS — Signed RHP Patrick Dolan.
WINDY CITY THUNDERBOLTS — Signed OF Ryan Tufts to a contract extension.
BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
NBA — Suspended Sacramento G Rajon Rondo one game for directing a derogatory and offensive term towards a game official and not leaving the court in a timely manner upon his ejection during a Dec. 3 game against Boston.
MEMPHIS GRIZZLIES — Reassigned James Ennis to Iowa (NBADL).
PHILADELPHIA 76ERS — Signed coach Brett Brown to a contract extension.
FOOTBALL
National Football League
NFL — Fined Pittsburgh WR Antonio Brown \$11,576 for jumping on the goal post

while celebrating a touchdown and Pittsburgh K Chris Boswell \$8,681 for unnecessary roughness after tackling Indianapolis WR Quan Bray on a return. Fined New York Giants guard Justin Pugh \$17,363 for a leg whip against the New York Jets and Tennessee TE Phillip Supernaw \$8,681 for unnecessary roughness against Jacksonville.
NEW YORK GIANTS — Waived DE Damontre Moore.
WASHINGTON REDSKINS — Signed RB Pierre Thomas. Placed DE Stephen Paea on injured reserve.
HOCKEY
National Hockey League
ARIZONA COYOTES — Recalled F Craig Cunningham and G Louis Domingue from Springfield (AHL). Assigned F Dustin Jeffrey Springfield.
CHICAGO BLACKHAWKS — Reassigned F Marko Danon to Rockford (AHL).
NEW JERSEY DEVILS — Placed F Bobby Farnham on injured reserve, retroactive to Dec. 8. Activated F Jiri Tlustý off injured list.
American Hockey League
AHL — Named Emily Aasand manager of digital and social media.
GRAND RAPIDS GRIF-FINS — Named Jason Pearson public relations manager.
SOCCER
Major League Soccer
MLS — Announced the Oct. 28 six-game suspension and undisclosed fine of New England M Jermaine Jones was upheld after an appeal. Suspended Sporting Kansas City F Krisztian Nemeth one regular-season match and fined him an undisclosed amount for violent conduct endangering the safety of an opponent during an Oct. 29 match against Portland. Fined FC Dallas M Michael Barrios an undisclosed amount for violating the league's policy regarding Hands to the face/head/neck of an opponent during a Nov. 29 match against Portland. Announced both Columbus and New York were found to be in violation of the Mass Confrontation Policy during a

Nov. 29 match and Columbus M Tony Tchani and New York F Mike Grella were fined an undisclosed amount for escalating the incident.
COLORADO RAPIDS — Acquired G Zac MacMath from Philadelphia for a 2017 second-round MLS Super-Draft pick.
NEW YORK CITY FC — Named Javier Perez and Christian Lattanzio assistant coaches, Kristian Wilson performance coach, and Matthew Cook physical performance coach.
PORTLAND TIMBERS — Announced the transfer of D Jorge Villafana to Santos Laguna (Liga MX). Acquired D Chris Klute from Columbus for general allocation money.
Confederation of North, Central America and Caribbean Association Football CONCACAF — Promoted Jurgen Mainka to deputy general secretary.
United Soccer League
BETHLEHEM STEEL FC — Named Rich Sears managing director.
COLLEGE
ALABAMA — Named Jeremy Pruitt defensive coordinator.
ARIZONA STATE — Named Chip Lindsey offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach.
BARTON — Announced the addition of women's lacrosse and men's and women's swimming as intercollegiate sports beginning with the 2016-17 season.
MOUNT OLIVE — Announced the resignation of men's soccer coach Godfrey Miller.
OHIO STATE — Suspend-ed senior DT Adolphus Washington for the Fiesta Bowl for violating team policy. Named Greg Schiano co-defensive coordinator.
OKLAHOMA — Granted QB Trevor Knight a full release, allowing him to transfer.
PURCHASE — Named Antonia Sweet men's and women's volleyball coach.

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Aldridge, Leonard lead Spurs over Lakers 109-87

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Los Angeles Lakers superstar Kobe Bryant has always loved competition, and the San Antonio Spurs have always been among his fiercest.

Bryant said he will miss his “home away from home.”

LaMarcus Aldridge had 24 points, Kawhi Leonard had 16 points and they each had 11 rebounds to lift the San Antonio Spurs over Bryant and the Los Angeles Lakers 109-87 on Friday night.

A lack of depth and experience proved too much for the young

Lakers to overcome but not before they gave the Spurs a few scares.

Rookie D’Angelo Russell had a career-high 24 points and added six assists and six rebounds for Los Angeles. Bryant had 12 points on 5-for-12 shooting in 29 minutes.

“They force us to be our absolute best whenever we’ve played against them,” Bryant said. “We are constantly thinking about them throughout the course of the year and always looking at what they’re doing and how they’re playing. We’ve had some epic battles.”

As time expired, Bry-

ant ran over to give San Antonio coach Gregg Popovich a long hug, and the longtime competitors spoke for a couple of minutes. Bryant tapped his chest and pointed to the crowd, acknowledging the cheers and chants of “Kobe” as he walked off the court.

Bryant announced Nov. 29 that he is retiring at the close of the season. He’s helped beat the Spurs in the postseason four times, including the 2001 and 2008 Western Conference Finals.

Despite his success in San Antonio, Bryant is extremely popular in

the city and a large contingent of fans came to see what could be his penultimate appearance at the AT&T Center. There were huge ovations on every Lakers’ basket and even “air ball” chants when Leonard badly missed his first 3-point attempt.

“It felt good to see all those jerseys in the crowd,” Bryant said. “That’s very rare to have that here in San Antonio.”

The crowd cheered wildly when Bryant made his first four attempts, scoring nine points on 4-for-5 shooting in the first quarter.

He made only one more field goal while being closely guarded by Leonard, the reigning Defensive Player of the Year, and athletic 6-foot-6 rookie Jonathon Simmons.

“I’m always out there competing and want to play hard and play good against him,” Leonard said.

The Spurs and their fans were silent for much of the first quarter until the second unit energized both, as they have all season.

Aldridge fed a cutting Manu Ginobili for a reverse layup, and Ginobili returned the

favor on the following possession, lobbing the ball into Aldridge for a layup. The Spurs outscored the Lakers 14-2 to close the first quarter, capped by consecutive 3-pointers from Patty Mills.

Mills finished with 22 points, including three 3-pointers.

TIP-INS

Lakers: Point guard Jordan Clarkson sat out after spraining his right ankle Wednesday at Minnesota. Scott was hopeful Clarkson could play following morning treatment, but he was unable to pivot on the sore ankle.

STARS

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Dallas with 5:54 remaining in the second. Jamie Benn added his NHL-leading 20th goal into an empty net with 53 seconds remaining, and Antti Niemi finished with 19 saves.

All five of Roussel’s goals have come at home, and four of them have been game-winners.

“That was a great job by Cody Eakin and Patrick Sharp there,” Roussel said. “They just bring the puck at the net, Cody does a nice spin and just battled in front.”

Shayne Gostisbehere scored his fourth power-play goal in 16 career games for Philadelphia at 9:23 of the second. Neuvirth finished with 41 saves.

“I gave everything I had tonight,” Neuvirth said. “They threw a lot

of pucks at the net and they got lucky.”

Mattias Janmark had tied the score at 1-1 on Dallas’ 27th shot of the game with 5:54 remaining in the second. Jason Spezza passed from behind the net to Janmark in the left faceoff circle. His shot went in off a foot of Philadelphia’s Wayne Simmonds.

“You get five, six chances, and you get one off a foot and it goes in,” Spezza said. “We were persistent tonight.”

Antti Niemi finished with 19 saves for Dallas, including a big one on a third-period power play that could have tied the game.

“We got one huge save Niemi gave us on (Jakub) Voracek,” Stars coach Lindy Ruff said. “Followed him right across the ice, and that was probably a game saver for us.”

Benn added his NHL-leading 20th goal with 53 seconds remaining.

“I thought we played maybe our best all-

around game,” Ruff said. “You could mention anything, and I’d say fantastic.”

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The Stars have won six of seven at home and improved to 5-0-2 in their last seven games overall. They lead the league with 46 points.

“The games we win, we’re just putting those points in the bank for later on in this tough (Central) division,” Dallas defenseman Jason Demers said.

NOTES: Giroux has five goals and 10 assists in his last 10 games. ... Philadelphia C R.J. Umberger has not scored a goal in his last 33 games, going back to last season. ... The Flyers successfully killed all six penalties, and were 1 for 2 on their own power play. ... Stars D Jason Demers (upper-body injury) returned after missing three games.

... Dallas’ last two wins have come against teams on the second night of a back-to-back. ... Dallas won 59 percent of the fa-

ceoffs, led by Spezza’s 78 percent (14 of 18). ... The Stars swept the season series, winning both games, outscoring Phil-

adelphia 5-2. ... Dallas’ 44 shots on goal were the most they’ve had in their 22 seasons against the Flyers.

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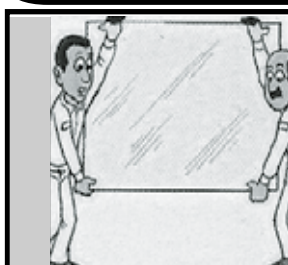
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- 1 Film role for Roy Rogers and Brad Pitt
11 Seasoned-meat product
15 Net work
16 Singer's surname chosen for its pecuniary pig-Latin meaning
17 Height of the Snake River drainage basin
18 Toy imported from China
19 Country ____
20 Vegetates
22 *Atlas Shrugged* theme
26 Rhetorical question
28 Band aids
30 What you can virtually accept
31 Caviar spoon material
32 Lost
33 Ovid's foot
36 With 57 Down, something to make you look

- 37 *Compagnon fr quente*
38 Destroyer figure, for short
39 Skylarking
41 Choice for a rub
43 Backup precursor
44 Surfaces, say
48 Southwest stable
50 Place in custody
51 Target for the Sons of Liberty
53 Pocket material
54 Rock
55 Supporting Actor Oscar nominee for 2014

DOWN

- 1 Like many memories
2 Put out a lot
3 Olympics canoeing event
4 Omission, e.g.
5 Result
6 One in a 48 Across
7 Times
8 Play of the day
9 Goes overboard, in a way
10 Bunk's lack
11 What Houston was

- 12 Where Murdoch's company was first incorporated
13 Breaks
14 What's on either side of a bridge
21 High-tech kitchen accessory company
23 Aurora tidbit
24 Not flip
25 Desktop debut of 1984
27 Sister brand of Stride Rite
29 Precursor for testing
32 Brother rat in *Ratatouille*
33 Guy in the NATO phonetic alphabet
34 Volunteer

- 35 Showstopper
37 Broadcast about a runner, maybe
40 People under 18, in legalese
41 One at Indiana Jones's side
42 Compression facilitator
44 *Sito dell'opera*
45 British bodybuilder who played Darth Vader
46 Showstopper
47 Trifles, e.g.
49 They have point guards
52 Spanish word for "wadding"
54 Notice
56 Indefinitely large
57 See 36 Across
58 Extension

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Cool Capricorn Moon

The Capricorn moon hosts the final stretch of Hanukkah. This is an excellent moment for making a plan for the coming week, which promises to be hectic. The cool, calculating influence of this moon could be utilized in the spirit of prevention, preparation and projecting a positive outcome.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). If facing your fear is the first step, laughing at it is the second, third and fourth. Through extended laughter, you'll find the right perspective to deal with it. Bonus: Your day will be enjoyable.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Spending time with people makes you happy. Spending time alone makes you happy, too. A balance of both is what you need for optimal productivity.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You'll be

called on to rescue a friend. You'll jump at the chance to pay back (or pay forward) the kindness and help you've been afforded in the past. You have all the necessary tools, too!

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You have a way of softening people up and lulling them to lay down their defenses. That's why, when your group wants to move forward, they will send you first to pave the way.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Unusual circumstances might be incredibly lucky, or they might just make for an excellent story later. Either way will be good for you, so when the action takes a weird turn, stay open-minded.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You may be physically full grown, but your heart continues to get bigger, especially with the kind of paces you've been putting it through lately. Loving increases your capacity to love.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). There are many things that

Tomorrow's Horoscope

can't be measured or detected by the usual methods, but just because you can't see something doesn't mean it's not real. When you sense it's there, that's because it is there.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Life gets interesting -- maybe a little too interesting. It seems you've got followers, and this may not sit well with one as private as you. You'll only let them in so far.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Good fortune will come from being engaged in your surroundings. Something may trigger your inner alarm system, which will cause an adrenaline rush. This reaction will heighten your awareness and dial in your senses.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). If you accidentally missed the red flag, that's understandable -- even the most observant people do from time to time. Just don't miss the sirens and flashing lights.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Every-

one has a set tolerance for laziness. Yours is usually pretty low and even lower today. You can only tolerate but a small amount of rest and relaxation before you start thinking of all that needs doing.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Philosophical moods can help to stir up ideas and bring about realizations, bonding and more. Or they can spiral downward. Knowing things could go either way, the question will be: "How deep do you want to get?"

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Dec. 13). You're someone's favorite person, and you'll love the perks that come with that. The end of the year is sprinkled with your guilty pleasures. Next month is for doing something remarkable at work. Save up, even if you don't yet know what you're saving for. Lifestyle upgrades will happen in June. Capricorn and Gemini adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 1, 38, 29, 7 and 42.

FORECAST FOR THE WEEK AHEAD: All week Mercury echoes the tune of the white rabbit that Alice chases down a rabbit hole. The very important date that he's late for this time is a meeting with Pluto that will finally be realized on Saturday. Meanwhile, the whole week has a feeling of being "crunch time." The sun and Jupiter aren't helping matters as they form a tense angle early in the week. It's like our good fortune is being withheld from us until we prove we are deserving of it. How frustrating! Between all of the frantic rushing around, the potential for conflict and the general pressure of counting down to the end of 2015, this is far from an easy week. Still, there's something good about it.

When the pressure is on, it's an opportunity to become stronger or to learn that we are already much stronger than we thought. Emotional strength shows itself in the ability to remain calm, patient

and effective, especially when others fall off their emotional center. As one American president suggested, "One cool judgment is worth a thousand hasty councils. The thing to do is to supply light and not heat." -- Woodrow T. Wilson

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Even though Taylor Swift calls "1989" her first "official" pop record, this Sagittarius has long reigned as America's pop princess. Swift embodies the courage her sign is known for and has not only fought for herself through the years but has also stood up for her fellow musicians. Mercury, Saturn and Uranus all in Capricorn show mental toughness and tenacity as well as a serious head for business.

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Dear Annie: My husband and his best friend of six years have had a falling out. My husband has a bad habit of not listening to people when they talk. I thought he was that way only with me, but apparently not. I guess it has happened several times with "Bob," and about two months ago, Bob told my husband that he'd had it.

At first, my husband gave him some space. They work for the same company and see each other a few days a week. My husband apologized in person and via text. He has invited Bob to get together for dinner and talk it out, but Bob's not interested. I have texted Bob, begging him to forgive my husband, but he won't budge.

My husband misses the friendship. I don't understand why Bob is being so stubborn about forgiveness. I'm pretty sure he has some faults of his own. I asked my husband whether something else is going on, or whether Bob has other issues that are upsetting him, and he swears that there is nothing. Should he just give up on the friendship? -- Frustrated Wife in California

Dear Frustrated: We know you are hurting for your

husband, but you need to leave this alone. There could be other things going on that Bob doesn't want to discuss or that your husband is reluctant to mention. It's also possible that Bob needs a lot more breathing space before he is willing to reconcile. They see each other at work and, for now, that will have to be enough. Your husband should be cordial to Bob when he runs into him, but otherwise, there should be no pressure from either of you to resume the friendship. That decision belongs to Bob. Sorry.

Dear Annie: You have printed letters from married people who caught their spouses cheating. My wife and I have been together for 25 years, and we each caught the other in an affair. We survived!

Here are my words of wisdom about affairs:

Never ask about or offer the details. It will only sear images into your spouse's imagination that really don't matter.

Ask what caused your partner to cheat and fix it. I was gone too much for work, and when another man paid my wife some much-needed attention, one thing led to another. I changed my life to be home more often.

My affair was with a much younger woman who made me feel vibrant and desirable. I realize now I was a sugar daddy to her. My wife turned up the charm and made me feel desirable again.

We each gave each other the same ultimatum -- either get rid of the other person completely and work on the marriage, or leave. Cheating does not have to end the relationship. Rather, it can create the beginning of a new, stronger and better relationship. It takes strength, commitment and most of all forgiveness, but if you are still in love, never give up. -- Still in Love and Still Married

Dear Still: We

agree that marriages can survive affairs if both parties get counseling and work on it. And while the nitty-gritty details are never a good idea, transparency is an absolutely necessity. Trust cannot be regained if, for example, one spouse insists on an email account or cellphone to which the other spouse has no access.

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

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	5		1		3		4	
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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

All Quiet on the Western Front

East dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH			
♠	A J 10 9		
♥	10 5 3		
♦	10 5		
♣	7 5 4 2		

WEST		EAST	
♠	5 4 2	♠	K
♥	6 2	♥	A K Q J 9 8 4
♦	Q 9 8	♦	7 3
♣	K 10 9 8 3	♣	A Q J

The bidding:
East 2♥* South 3♦ West Pass North Pass
4♥ 4♠ Pass Pass
5♥ Pass Pass Dble

* strong
Opening lead — six of hearts.

There is quite a difference between playing a hand looking at all 52 cards and playing a hand seeing only dummy's 13 cards and your own. Naturally, you would do better in the long run if you could see the defenders' cards, but this does not mean you can't play some hands just as well as if all the cards were exposed.

For example, consider this deal played many years ago by Meyer Schleifer, Los Angeles star. He became declarer with the South hand at five spades doubled.

West led the six of hearts, taken by East with the eight. East couldn't be sure whether West or South had the missing deuce of hearts, so he cashed the ace of clubs to see whether West would signal for a club continuation. West played the ten on the ace to announce that he had the king and, in effect, that he also had the missing heart.

So East returned the queen of clubs, ruffed by Schleifer, who then led a spade and went up with the ace, refusing the finesse. When East's king appeared, Schleifer had no trouble scoring the rest of the tricks, and so made his doubled contract.

Of course, anyone seeing the singleton king in East's hand would have done exactly the same, but the fact is that Schleifer felled the king without this advantage. He saw only 26 cards and yet played as though he had seen all 52.

Naturally, there was a good reason for his play. West had passed three diamonds and had also passed four spades.

Since West appeared to have the king of clubs, Schleifer felt that West could not also have the king of spades and pass twice in the face of his partner's forcing two-bid. It followed that East had to have the king of spades, and the only hope was that it was unguarded.

Tomorrow: Famous Hand.
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Delta, American, and United ban hoverboards as a fire danger

DALLAS (AP) – The three largest U.S. airlines are banning hoverboards because of the potential fire danger from the lithium-ion batteries that power the devices.

Delta Air Lines, American Airlines and United Airlines said Thursday they are banning hoverboards in checked or carry-on luggage. JetBlue Airways has already prohibited them.

Hoverboards are motorized, two-wheel, skateboard-sized scooters that users stand on. They have been a hot gift item at some retailers.

United said its ban took effect immediately, Delta's ban takes effect Friday, and American's on Saturday. Southwest Airlines prefers that passengers with a hoverboard or other items that use lithium batteries carry them on the plane, but a spokeswoman said the airline is discussing the topic further.

Several smaller airlines including Alaska, Virgin America, Hawaiian, Spirit and Allegiant said they too had banned hoverboards.

Delta said some hoverboards are poorly labeled and use batteries that exceed the wattage of batteries allowed on planes.

The Federal Aviation Administration has urged airlines to tell passengers not to pack spare batteries in checked bags because they can ignite and cause a fire in the cargo compartment. More than a dozen airlines around the world have stopped accepting bulk shipments of lithium-ion batteries.

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission is investigating at least 10 reports of hoverboard fires, some of which were captured on video. Spokeswoman Patty Davis called it a high-priority investigation because of the scooter's sudden popularity.

"We know consumers are giving it as a gift during the holidays," she said. "We are working all across the country to move our investigation into the fires forward as quickly as possible."

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Busy air traffic control facilities lack enough controllers

WASHINGTON (AP) – Thirteen of the nation's busiest air traffic control facilities are suffering from a shortage of air traffic controllers, a problem that demands "urgent attention," a government watchdog told lawmakers on Tuesday.

The number of fully qualified controllers is "below the minimum staffing requirements" the Federal Aviation Administration has set, Matthew Hampton, a Department of Transportation assistant inspector general, told members of the House transportation aviation subcommittee. He didn't provide a list of all 13, but cited facilities in New York, Dallas, Denver and Chicago as examples.

The facilities also are under stress because a large share of their controllers are still being trained and are not yet competent to work on their own, he said. Many of their experienced controllers also are eligible to retire, Hampton said.

He cited several reasons for the understaffing: a lack of precision in the FAA models for estimating staff requirements; failure to fully use sys-

tems to determine the best controller schedules; lack of accurate and complete data on planned retirements and poor communication between FAA headquarters and field offices.

Officials with the National Air Traffic Controllers Association, the union representing controllers, also complained that many of the busiest facilities are understaffed. Union President Paul Rinaldi described the difficulty in moving an experienced controller from a less-busy workplace to a busy one. Managers are reluctant to let workers go for fear they won't be readily replaceable, he said. And employees may oppose moving to an area where the cost of living is higher New York, for example.

It also takes a controller who's moving up to a busier location two or three years to adapt to the heavier loads. Attrition rates are high, Rinaldi said.

Adding to the problem, said union vice president Trish Gilbert: A third of FAA's 10,900 controllers are eligible to retire and new controllers have high failure rates.

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Lawmakers: Deal to create megabrewer could cause hangover

WASHINGTON (AP)—Castle Danger Brewery in Two Harbors, Minnesota, has been brewing what it calls “dangerously good ales” on the north shore of Lake Superior since 2011. The company outgrew its original home in tiny Castle Danger and now distributes beer to bars and restaurants throughout northern and central Minnesota.

Sen. Amy Klobuchar, D-Minn., hails the brewery as an example of the growing craft-beer industry in her state and says she fears that a deal to merge the world’s biggest beer companies into a megabrewer could make it harder for Castle Danger and other small brewers to sell their brands.

Klobuchar and other lawmakers from both parties raised questions at a Senate hearing Tuesday on the proposed \$107 billion takeover by the world’s largest brewer, Anheuser Busch InBev, of rival SABMiller. The combined company would control nearly a third of the global beer market.

“Wholesalers make decisions every day on what brands to put on their trucks,” Klobuchar said. “By working to ensure those decisions are driven by consumer demand and not producer power, we can help competition in the beer industry remain on tap.”

Sen. Chris Coons, D-Del., said he worried the merger could harm Delaware-based brewers such as Dogfish Head and 16 Mile.

“Nobody wants to take a seat at a bar and find out that their only options are Bud and Miller,” Coons said. “I’m deeply concerned this merger will squeeze out the small and independent craft brewers in Delaware and across the country at the cost of innovation, consumer choice and jobs.”

Carlos Brito, CEO of Anheuser Busch InBev, tried to reassure lawmakers, saying the proposed merger was not about squeezing out smaller competitors in the United States, but instead was intended to open markets in Africa, Asia and Central and South America.

Under the deal, the Miller brand would be sold to rival Molson Coors, which would have full control of operations.

The merger “is about bringing more choices to more consumers around the world, including extending the reach of iconic American brands such as Budweiser to new markets,” Brito told a Senate Judiciary subcommittee on antitrust, competition policy and consumer rights.

By selling the popular Miller brand to Molson Coors, the deal ensures that Anheuser Busch InBev’s market share in the U.S. will not change, Brito said.

“If anything, this deal will create an even more competitive landscape in the U.S. by creating a stronger competitor in Molson Coors,” he said.

The U.S. beer industry is more competitive than ever with the strong growth of craft beer and increased competition from wine and liquor, Brito said.

In the U.S., craft beers account for about 11 percent of beer sales, compared with about 1 percent 25 years ago.

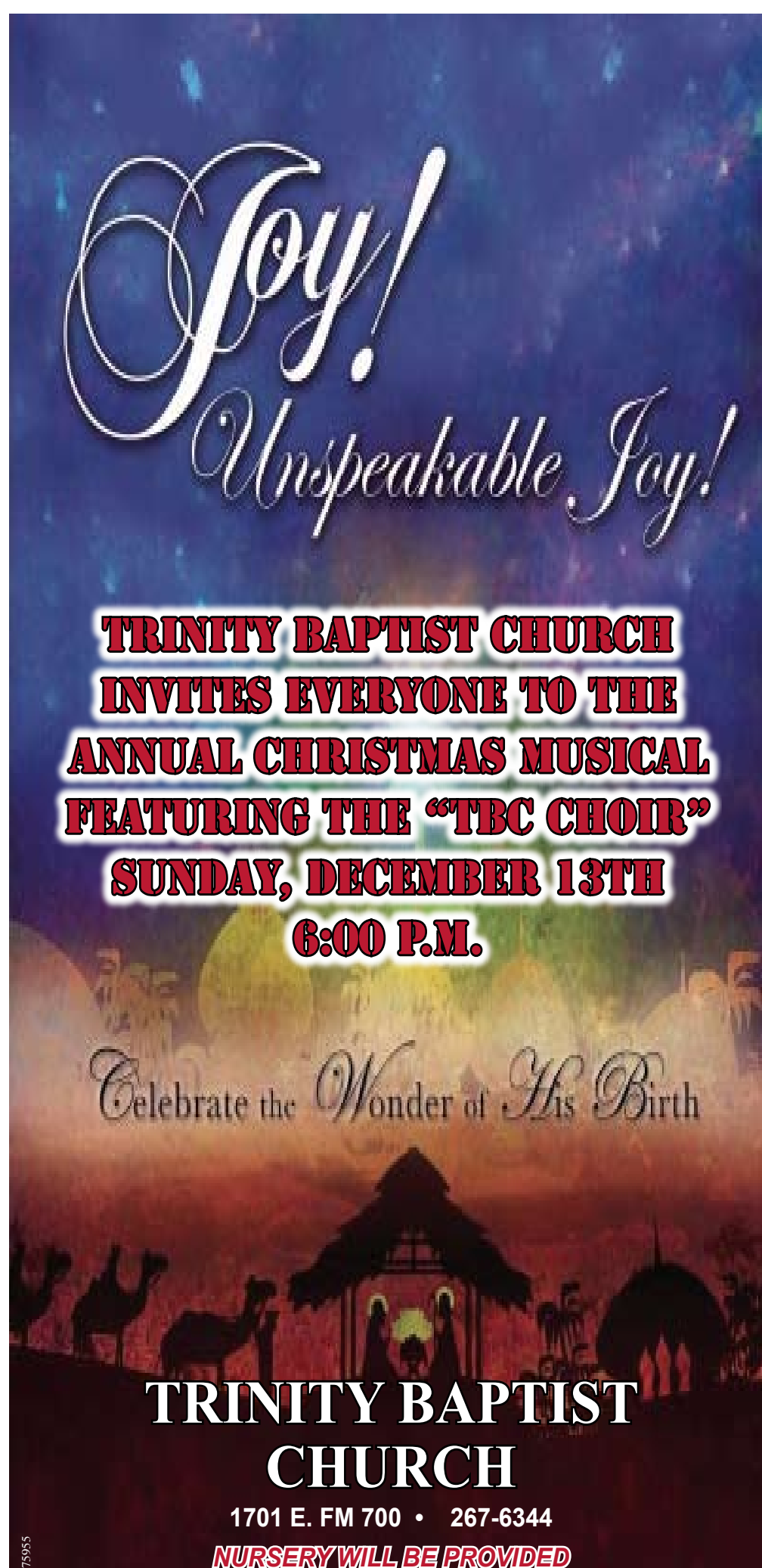
Klobuchar was unconvinced.

“You have these little businesses in Two Harbors, Minnesota, who see a threat” that the combined giant breweries “have this kind of market power in terms of the distribution system,” she said.

Belgium-based Anheuser Busch InBev, already the world’s largest brewer, makes Budweiser, Corona, Stella Artois and Beck’s. SABMiller, based in London, has Miller Genuine Draft, Peroni and Milwaukee’s Best among its 200 or so brands.

Craig Purser, president and CEO of the National Beer Wholesalers Association, said the sheer magnitude of the merged companies could make competing difficult for smaller companies. Large brewers can “exert pressure on independent distributors not to carry rival brands and on retailers to design their shelves to disfavor or remove rival brands,” he said.

Diana Moss, president of the American Antitrust Institute, an advocacy group that promotes competition in the economy, said the proposed merger could raise beer prices for consumers and reduce choice and diversity in the marketplace.



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