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Taxpayers protest



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Above, Scott Emerson, left, shares a laugh with a property owner protesting higher valuations Thursday; below, protestors form a picket line near the Howard County Annex building.



Rally takes aim at higher valuations

BY LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

When 81-year-old Rosa Lopez received the property appraisal on her home at 508 N. Father Delaney St., it was just one more piece of bad news in a string of setbacks.

“It is hard on a person with one income,” Lopez said. “I am 81 years old and having to go through this is very hard. My house burned (in November) and I don’t have any electricity because I don’t have any money to fix my house. My house burned, the front part, and they cut my electricity. I’ve lived here all my life.”

According to the website

isouthwestdata.com, in 2011, 2012, and 2014, Lopez’ property was assessed by the Howard County Appraisal’s District as \$128. In 2013, it was valued at \$130. In 2015, the appraisal district values the property at \$8,898, leaving Lopez with an estimated tax bill of \$239.76, something she said is difficult to manage on an income of \$600 per month.

Lopez was one of around 75 people by noon Thursday walking in a picket line in front of the Howard County Appraisal Office protesting a hike in property values across the county.

Joining Lopez was Manuel

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Summertime a good time to practice water safety

Special to the Herald

It’s almost time for summer and the day of a leisure dip at the pool.

However, the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS) reminds the public the importance of watching children at all times when they are around water.

Already, 16 children have drowned in Texas this year, including a three-year-old boy who drowned last week in Lake Granbury after wandering away from his home in a lakeside subdivision. The Dallas-Fort Worth area has the most child drowning deaths so far this year with six, followed by the Houston area with five, according to a DPS release.

With the state’s recent widespread rainfall and more in the forecast, water levels in lakes and rivers have risen

quickly. Once dry stream and creek beds are now flowing, posing more danger to children — particularly toddlers — who are not properly supervised, the release states.

In rural areas, stock ponds can also be dangerous.

“Drowning is not what you think — it’s quick and silent and happens before you know it,” said Judge John Specia, commissioner of the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS). “Particularly with the recent rains, I urge all Texans to keep a very close watch on children as they head outdoors. And watch a child closely any time around water.”

More than 400 children drowned in Texas in the last five years, most of

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1 dead in Glasscock Co. wreck

BY LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

A 44-year-old Orlando, Fla., man was killed Wednesday afternoon in a one-vehicle rollover in Glasscock County.

According to a news release by the Texas Department of Public Safety, Alberto Gonzales Sosa was pronounced dead at the scene by Justice of the Peace Kay Machicek. The accident occurred on County Road 490 approximately 13 miles south of Stanton.

Sosa was driving a 2007 International truck towing a second vehicle west bound on County Road 490, according to the DPS news release.

“Due to unsafe speed the driver of vehicle one failed to negotiate a posted curve on the roadway causing both vehicles to roll over onto its left side,” the release stated. “The driver was not restrained by his safety seat belt.”

Road conditions were reported dry. The accident was investigated by the Texas Highway Patrol.

Writer recalls growing up in Big Spring

BY LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

Every childhood has some good, bad and fond memories. Not everyone has an imagination, let alone one that runs rampant throughout the whole town. Nowadays, the kids have their toys, I-Pads, E-pods, computers, earphones, cell phones, malls, and most have all the money needed for entertainment. We had our imagination, and friends.” — John C. Gibson, in the introduction to “Tall Texas Teen Tales: Confidential Misadventures of a Poor Redneck.”

A former Big Spring resident will be in town next week to sign copies of his book, “Tall Texas Teen Tales, Confidential Misadventures of a Poor Redneck.”

“This book is about how redneck boys had fun back in the ‘60s,” said John C. Gibson, author of the book. “We had an awful lot of good, clean fun back in the ‘60s in Big Spring.”

According to Gibson, the book stretches some tall tales and is based when Webb Air Base was still open and Cosden Refinery was one the largest inland refineries in the United States. The Jet Drive-In, featured at the beginning of the move classic “Midnight Cowboy,” was still operating and the Big M Drive-In



Gibson

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Obituaries

Elodia Gutierrez



Elodia Gutierrez, 71, of Coahoma died Tuesday, May 19, 2015, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Vigil services will be at 7 p.m. Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral Mass will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church, with burial at Coahoma Cemetery.

She was born Nov. 13, 1943, in Big Spring to Margarita and Willie Garcia. Elodia married Alfredo Gutierrez on Dec. 9, 1961, in Big Spring. She was a lifetime resident of Howard County. She was a homemaker and a member of Holy Trinity Catholic Church. She loved sewing, knitting and bingo.

She is survived by her husband of 53 years, Alfredo Gutierrez of Coahoma; six children, Fred Gutierrez Jr. and his wife, Victoria, of Coahoma,

Emma Gutierrez and her husband, Pete, of Stanton, Martha Dobek and her husband, Mark, of Big Spring, Margie Kowatch and her husband, John, of Big Spring, Adolf Gutierrez and his wife, Lori, of Brownwood and Lodie Gutierrez of Midland; 16 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; two sisters, Maggie Templeton of West Virginia and Emily Montejano of Iraan; and one brother, Tony Garcia of West Virginia.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by two brothers, Willie Garcia and Adolf Garcia and a sister, Elizabeth Jimenez.

Pallbearers will be Mitch Gutierrez, Erik Gutierrez, Martin Gutierrez, Mark Dobek, Manuel Armendarez and A.J. Gutierrez. Honorary pallbearers will be Michael Dobek and Julian Armendariz.

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

Paid obituary

Luis Hernandez

Funeral mass for Luis Hernandez of Stanton, Texas has been set for 11 a.m. Friday, May 22, 2015, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, with the Rev. Timothy Schwertner officiating. Interment will follow at the St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery. A rosary vigil was held Thursday, May 21, 2015, at Stanton Memorial Funeral Home at 7 p.m.

Luis was born Sept. 24, 1960, and passed away May 20, 2015. He worked for many years as a truck driver.

Luis is survived by his parents, Rudy and Delia Hernandez of Seguin, Texas; three daughters, San-

dy Hernandez of Crane, Texas, Elizabeth Hernandez of San Antonio, Texas, and Jessica Hernandez of San Antonio, Texas; a son, Joe Louis Hernandez of Crane, Texas; four sisters, Carol Villa of Granbury Texas, Viola Villa of Big Spring, Texas, Patricia Arriga of Seguin, TX, and Michelle Hernandez of Seguin, TX; and four brothers, Raymond Hernandez of Seguin, Texas, Julian Hernandez of Seguin, Texas, Ricky Hernandez of Lenorah, Texas, and Benny Hernandez of Big Spring, Texas.

Luis was preceded in death by his brother, Rudy Hernandez Jr.

Arrangements are under the direction of Stanton Memorial Funeral Home.

Police/Sheriff/Fire/EMS

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

- DANIEL JESSE LEMON, 47, of 1207 Wood St. was arrested on charges of theft more than \$50 but less than \$500 shoplifting.
- ROBERT ALLEN STEWART, 42, of 104 W. 13th St. was arrested on charges of public intoxication and use or possession of illegal smoking material.
- THEFT was reported in the 201 W. FM 700.
- MINOR ACCIDENT was reported at the Union Hall on the South Service Road.
- 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.

The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following activity between 7 a.m. Thursday and today:

Note – Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 67 inmates at the time of this report.

- DANIEL JESSE LEMON, 47, was booked by the BSPD on charges of theft of property more than \$50 but less than \$500.
- ROBERT ALLEN STEWART, 42, was booked by the BSPD on charges of public intoxication

and use or possession of illegal smoking material.

The Big Spring Fire Department and Emergency Medical Services reported the following activity:

- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 1000 block of 3rd St. No transport.
- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 2000 block of Morrison. No transport.
- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 10000 block of Tucson. One person was transported to SMMC.
- FALSE ALARM was reported in the 700 block of Marcy. Incident was investigated.

Take Note

- John C. Gibson, author of Tall Texas Teen Tales, confidential Misadventures of a poor Redneck, will hold three book signing events, May 29-30. Gibson is a former Big Spring resident and his book is set in 1960s Big Spring. Book signing locations are, Friday, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m., the Heritage Museum, 510 Scurry; Friday, 4 p.m. to 5 p.m., Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, 215 W. Third; and Saturday, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., the Settles Hotel main lobby, 200 E. Third St.

- The BSHS cheerleaders will be at Pizza Inn Monday, from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. for a fundraiser. The money will go towards buying new supplies and some new cheerleading equipment.

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

- 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.

- The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service will conduct the West Texas Livestock and Range Conference from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Thursday at the Broughton Agriculture Complex on the Howard College campus in Big Spring, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

Three Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education units — one laws and regulations and two general — will be offered.

Individual preregistration is \$20 if received at the AgriLife Extension office in Glasscock County by May 15 and

\$25 thereafter. The fee includes the noon meal.

For more information, contact Rebel Royall, AgriLife Extension agent in Glasscock County, at 432-354-2381, r-royall@tamu.edu, or the AgriLife Extension office in any of the participating counties.

- 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 (#GP-STRONG). 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

- The All-School CHS Reunion date has been scheduled for Saturday, July 25, 2015. This year's focus will be on recognizing and honoring Coahoma ISD teachers from throughout the years.

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

- A hungry child cannot learn. Food2Kids - Big Spring was created to provide nutrition for hundreds of children who do not get a substantial meal on the weekends. F2K began last November and this volunteer program now serves more than 300 children weekly. Once the need has been identified, F2K fills a sack of food to send home each Friday during the school year. You can help. Volunteers are needed and donations can be sent to Food2Kids - Big Spring, P.O. Box 1641, Big Spring 79721. Find us on Facebook at www.Facebook.com/Food2Kids

Today's Weather

Local 5-Day Forecast

Sat 5/23	Sun 5/24	Mon 5/25	Tue 5/26	Wed 5/27
80/67 Thunderstorms in the morning, then cloudy skies late.	83/64 Windy, with thunderstorms. Highs in the low 80s and lows in the mid 60s.	86/61 Scattered thunderstorms possible.	89/64 Thunderstorms developing in the afternoon.	92/66 Abundant sunshine. Highs in the low 90s and lows in the mid 60s.
Sunrise: 6:44 AM Sunset: 8:41 PM	Sunrise: 6:43 AM Sunset: 8:42 PM	Sunrise: 6:43 AM Sunset: 8:43 PM	Sunrise: 6:43 AM Sunset: 8:43 PM	Sunrise: 6:42 AM Sunset: 8:44 PM



Texas At A Glance



Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	77	67	t-storm	Kingsville	84	76	t-storm
Amarillo	65	55	t-storm	Livingston	83	70	cloudy
Austin	81	70	t-storm	Longview	79	63	pt sunny
Beaumont	84	71	t-storm	Lubbock	68	60	t-storm
Brownsville	85	78	t-storm	Lufkin	84	71	pt sunny
Brownwood	80	67	t-storm	Midland	82	67	t-storm
Corpus Christi	83	77	t-storm	Raymondville	85	76	t-storm
Corsicana	79	68	t-storm	Rosenberg	82	73	t-storm
Dallas	80	68	rain	San Antonio	80	71	t-storm
Del Rio	85	72	t-storm	San Marcos	80	71	t-storm
El Paso	88	63	sunny	Sulphur Springs	76	62	pt sunny
Fort Stockton	84	67	mst sunny	Sweetwater	75	65	t-storm
Gainesville	71	63	t-storm	Tyler	79	66	pt sunny
Greenville	76	64	pt sunny	Weatherford	77	68	rain
Houston	83	74	t-storm	Wichita Falls	67	63	t-storm

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	80	58	sunny	Minneapolis	74	52	sunny
Boston	72	45	pt sunny	New York	75	49	mst sunny
Chicago	64	48	sunny	Phoenix	79	55	mst sunny
Dallas	80	68	rain	San Francisco	61	53	pt sunny
Denver	65	47	pt sunny	Seattle	69	54	pt sunny
Houston	83	74	t-storm	St. Louis	77	61	pt sunny
Los Angeles	66	57	pt sunny	Washington, DC	79	51	mst sunny
Miami	90	77	pt sunny				

• Order of the Eastern Star Big Spring Chapter 67 meets the third Tuesday of each month at 219 Main St. Dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. Lodge meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome. For more information, contact Jimmy Ruth at 270-7263.

• Staked Plains Masonic Lodge No. 598 meets the second Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. (dinner is at 6 p.m.) at 219 ½ Main St. All Masons are welcome.

• The Crossroads Young Marines is taking applications for another boot camp. For more information, call 432-517-4791. Young Marines welcomes boys and girls ages 8 to 18 who are still attending school.



**May 30
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RALLY

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Rodriguez, who also owns property on the north side of town. His property taxes went from \$178 in 2014 to \$890 this year, Rodriguez said.

“I can understand double, maybe up to \$500 but \$890?” he asked. “The property doesn’t have an alley. We don’t have any public services over there. You have to come all across town to buy your groceries, pay your bills. I have a house on the south side of Big Spring and my taxes are lower on the south side than they are on the north side. That is not right.”

The aim of the rally, held in the city’s Pocket Park located near the county appraisal district office, was to accomplish two goals — bring attention to what they group feels are unreasonably high valuations and help residents understand and begin the appeal process, according to protest organizers Scott Emerson and Nati Saldivar.

David W. Showalter of a Richmond, Texas-based law firm was on hand to speak with resi-

dents about the appeals process.

“A lot of time, it’s hard for people to gather the information they need to protest,” Showalter said. “The appraisal district has lots of resources at their disposal. These folk, for the most part don’t. The appraisal district has a job to do, and they have to comply with the state parameters and requirements. But we see our job as making sure they are following the law, the values are just, the data it is based on is appropriate and that people are not paying higher taxes than they are obligated to pay.”

Tax appraisals have climbed steeply in the past year, Ronnie Babcock, chief appraiser of the Howard County Tax Appraisal District, confirmed. In fact, total appraisal values for single-family residences within Howard County have risen almost \$200 million in the past two years, from \$641.6 million in 2013 to \$814.9 million this year.

Babcock said the office is mandated by the state to appraise at 100 percent of market value, which is set by the Texas Legislature. If appraisal offices doesn’t set valuations between



Rosa Lopez, shown holding a sign during Thursday taxpayer protest, saw her property appraisal increase from \$128 in 2014 to \$8,898 in 2015.

95 to 105 percent of market value, it receives a failing grade by the Texas Comptroller’s office, which is tasked to assess each appraisal office in the state every two years, Babcock said.

And the Howard County office has fared poorly

in the past two cycles. If the office doesn’t get values up to state expectations, Babcock said, school districts begin to lose money.

Law enforcement officers were on hand, but the protest stayed peaceful and people not participating in the rally

were able to enter and leave the annex building unencumbered. As one person left the building, she made the comment, “It’s not going to do anything. They are going to get you one way or another.”

The deadline to file a written protest with the

HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

appraisal review board it midnight, May 31.

To see the past historical data on area property visit southwestdata.com.

Contact Lyndel Moody at 263-7331, ext. 234, or by citydesk@bigspringherald.com.

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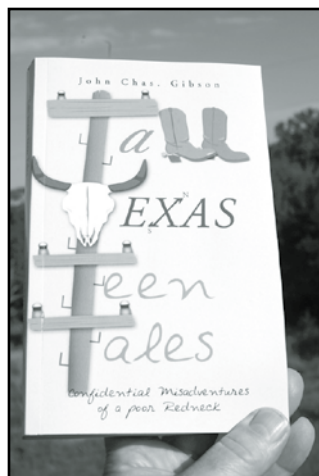
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was part of the “drag.”

“With a population of more than 30,000 people in the sixties, it (Big Spring) was alive with energy and the promise of the new innovations of times,” Gibson writes in the introduction of the book.

“As a poor kid growing up, it was a challenge to have fun at not much cost, if anything,” Gibson wrote in an e-mail to the Herald. “This book is specifically designed to let everybody know that fun doesn’t have a price tag on it if an imagination and a warped sense of humor is part of the equation. Anybody can have a ton of fun, and make lifelong memories without getting into too much trouble. O.K. some of these stories are stretched to the borders of reality, but so what?”

Gibson will hold three book signings next Friday and Saturday, May 29-30, and copies of the books will be on sale at the Big Spring Convention and Visitors Center, 113 E. Third St., Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, 214 W. Third St., the Heritage



Museum, 510 Scurry St., and at retail stores, Barnes and Noble, Hastings or on internet sites Amazon.com and Google Bookstore.

Book signing locations are: Friday, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m., the Heritage Museum, 510 Scurry; Friday, 4 p.m. to 5 p.m., Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, 215 W. Third; and Saturday, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., the Settles Hotel main lobby, 200 E. Third St.

As of Thursday, copies of the book have not yet arrived at the local sites. To call to see if the books have arrived, call the Chamber of Commerce at 263-7641; the museum at 267-8255; and the CVB at 263-8235.

Contact Lyndel Moody at 263-7331, ext. 234, or by citydesk@bigspringherald.com.

SATURDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. Open podium/speakers meeting 8 p.m. until 9 p.m. Open birthday night, no smoking meeting the last Saturday of each month at 8 p.m. Covered

dish supper at 7 p.m.

SUNDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous closed meeting from 11 a.m. to noon at 615 Settles. Open meeting 7 p.m. until 8 p.m.

MONDAY

• VA Alcoholics Anon-

SAFETY

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them between Memorial Day and Labor Day. And a child can drown wherever there’s water: so far this year, children have drowned in backyard swimming pools, ponds, bathtubs, a hot tub, a lake, at a marina on Galveston Bay — even in a septic tank, the release said.

That’s why DFPS is urging all parents, caregivers, and adults in general to “watch kids around water” — not just during Memorial Day Weekend but all summer long, and year-round.

“We can all make a difference just by being more aware of what is happening around us,” said Judge Specia.

Children under the age of one most often drown inside the house, while

older children most often drown outdoors. Outdoors, children most often drown in pools, especially backyard and apartment pools. Most young children who drown in pools were out of sight less than five minutes and were in the care of one or both parents at the time. Indoors, the bathtub is the most dangerous location.

Basic Water Safety Tips

Inside the house: Never leave small children alone near any container of water.

Keep bathroom doors closed and secure toilet lids with lid locks.

Never leave a baby alone in a bath for any reason. Get what you need before running wa-

ter, and take the child with you if you must leave the room.

Warn babysitters or caregivers about the dangers of water and emphasize the need to constantly supervise young children.

Make sure small children cannot leave the house through pet doors or unlocked doors to reach pools or hot tubs.

Outside the house: Never leave children

alone around water whether it is in a pool, wading pool, drainage ditch, creek, pond, or lake.

Constantly watch children who are swimming or playing in water. They need an adult or certified lifeguard watching and within reach.

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—FIRST AMENDMENT

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DAILY PRAYER

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

Amen

Crazy treatment of the mentally ill

A Bronx man died in police custody last week after police responded to a 911 call. An Iraq combat veteran in El Paso, Texas, serving a two-day DWI sentence died after being subdued by guards. A woman died after being Tasered by sheriff's deputies in a Fairfax, Va., cell.

What they had in common, besides expiring abruptly while in the hands of law enforcement officers, is mental illness. Denis Reyes was afflicted by bipolar disorder. James Brown reported being diagnosed with post-traumatic stress disorder. Natasha McKenna had a history of schizophrenia.

We used to warehouse the mentally ill in overcrowded, unsafe asylums — “loony bins” — where they often got crude or ineffectual treatment, if any, and endured violent abuse. But our civilization has moved past that primitive stage. Now we warehouse them in jails and prisons, where their conditions are often even worse.

It may seem odd that the new executive director of the Cook County Jail, Nneka Jones, is a clinical psychologist, not a career cop or corrections official. It makes more sense when you consider that nearly a quarter of the inmates have mental illnesses.

Sheriff Tom Dart refers to the facility as the nation's biggest mental institution. But he's got nothing on Illinois prisons, which house six times as many mentally ill inmates as the jail.

The numbers will only get bigger. One of the grim consequences of Illinois' fiscal insolvency is Gov. Bruce Rauner's proposal for a 15 percent cut in funding for the state's mental health agency — which pays for treatment, housing and other services to help those with psychiatric disorders function in society.

Last month, Dart told The Chicago Tribune he sees this approach as a mistake: “It doesn't make sense to cut service that



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prevents people from coming into the criminal justice system, which is a very expensive system to come into.”

Cost aside, it creates hazards for them as well as corrections officers. A new study by Human Rights Watch says, “Persons with schizophrenia may experience prison as a particularly frightening, threatening environment and as a consequence some behave dangerously toward themselves, staff, or other prisoners.”

Many, it says, “refuse to follow orders because hallucinations and delusions have impaired their connection with reality.” The mentally ill violate the rules far more often than other inmates, for obvious reasons, and efforts to control them often aggravate their insanity.

Some, like the prisoners cited above, end up injured or dead.

Short-term budget needs sometimes take priority over long-term cost-effectiveness. But it's clear that governments need to improve their policies toward citizens who have lost their hold on sanity.

One reason so many of these people wind up incarcerated is the lack of other places to put them.

A 2010 report by the Treatment Advocacy Center noted, “In 1955, there was one psychiatric bed for every 300 Americans. By 2005, there was just one psychi-

atric bed for every 3,000 Americans.”

Another cause is a shortage of good outpatient care. The idea behind the “deinstitutionalization” of the 1950s and '60s was that the mentally ill could be helped more humanely while living and being treated in community settings. But many of those released from asylums never got the help they needed.

The results were disastrous, and not just for them. In his book “The Insanity Offense,” psychiatrist E. Fuller Torrey notes that a study of 81 cities found “a direct correlation between the decrease in the number of public psychiatric beds and the subsequent increase in homelessness, arrest rates and crime rates among mentally ill individuals in those cities.”

Sally Satel, a psychiatrist and scholar at the American Enterprise Institute, says one remedy is to expand mental health courts, diverting some criminal offenders to non-punitive programs involving medication, treatment and monitoring.

Another, she says, is for state and local governments to be more active in the use of mandatory outpatient treatment for mentally ill people who repeatedly end up in jail, emergency rooms or homeless because they can't care for themselves or make rational decisions.

Such measures will require funding. “We're not putting enough into the people who are the most sick,” Satel told me. But there is no way for any of us to escape the social and fiscal costs of serious mental illness.

We're putting a lot into these people, but in all the wrong places — jails, prisons and even morgues. Addressing mental illness differently would be a welcome symptom of sanity.

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Who are these outlaw bikers?

Count me among those mystified over the biker gang melee in Waco, Texas — a shootout that left nine dead.

Why are these guys committing grown-up violence over the seemingly adolescent concern of who belongs to their group and who doesn't? Who are they?

For answers, I consulted James F. Quinn, a University of North Texas sociologist who has studied the Bandidos and other outlaw biker “clubs.”

Many of the members came out of the military with skills of war and low tolerance for ordinary civilian life. They borrow their imagery from the old Western outlaws, having traded horses for motorcycles. Billy the Kid would be a model biker.

They engage in drug trafficking, prostitution, extortion and the like. But so do cartels and other powerful organized crime syndicates. (Texas law enforcement considers the Bandidos a Tier 2 threat, with Tier 1 reserved for the cartels.)

But are these (mostly) white guys on Harleys making real money?

“A few people are making a very large sum of money,” Quinn said, “and some people are just getting by.” Some also have day jobs. They run the gamut.

As most of us know, the outlaw bikers have little in common with the lawyer/teacher/retiree



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motorcyclists dressing the part on weekends. My only complaint on meeting many biker couples headed to the annual motorcycle rally in Sturgis, South Dakota, was that they hogged the washing machines at Motel 6.

Some reports say the riot at the Twin Peaks sports bar started in a battle over a parking space. Others, an exchange of words in the men's room. Yet another, a “provocation” centered on the wearing of a Texas patch by members of the Cossacks, a gang rival to the Bandidos.

Quinn sees the explosion as the result of a two-year buildup of tensions between the gangs.

“When one club dominates an area, they don't want others coming through without their permission,” Quinn said.

“They believe the other clubs should be subservient.”

The Bandidos fancy they run Texas from the seats of their Harleys. A counter view is that Texas is run from skyscrapers in Dallas and Houston by men who drive Lexuses and Mercedes-Benzes.

In any case, men who join outlaw biker clubs are in it for more than the money. “A lot of it is about excitement, male camaraderie,” Quinn said. “They want

to live in that masculine excitement. It's a hyper-excitement kind of atmosphere.”

Women are not invited. Women are never members of a “1 percent club,” a reference to the tiny percentage of motorcyclists not considered law-abiding citizens. Women are there to serve, which is why the Waco bikers gravitated to a Hooters clone restaurant, where the waitresses wear tops cut low and shorts cut high.

As for the violence in Waco, Quinn believes that even the bikers didn't foresee the enormity of what occurred. He hesitates to speculate on what will happen next. An amazing 170 arrestees are facing criminal charges, but not many of them are in jail.

“There are going to be a lot of funerals, people coming in from out of town,” Quinn said, “but for the next few weeks, we're going to see quiet because they know they are being watched.”

What fascinates the outside world about these outlaw bikers is the extraordinary energy they expend for a sense of belonging and a right to bully. Many comments following the Waco coverage ridiculed their hairy faces and paunchy middles.

In the end, one observes all those able-bodied men looking for action and concludes: What a tremendous waste of all that manpower.

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Did You Ever Wonder?: Joseph in prison

Now we turn back to the story of Joseph. As a slave in Egypt God had blessed him, and everything under his charge prospered. When Joseph was accused by Potiphar's wife, Scripture says that Potiphar took him to the prison. As a man of high rank, Potiphar could have had soldiers deliver Joseph. Personally escorting Joseph to the prison shows concern and respect for him.



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Seemingly, the Egyptian people knew Potiphar's wife and they suspected the charges against Joseph were false. The jailer trusted Joseph and placed him in charge of all the other prisoners. And God blessed Joseph in every-

thing that he did.

After Joseph had been in prison for nine years, the king's cupbearer and the royal baker transgressed against their master, the king of Egypt. They were placed in the same prison where Joseph was in charge, and he was assigned to serve them.

The cupbearer and the baker dreamed dreams that troubled them, and they sought someone to interpret their dreams. Stop to think about this. These men were idolaters; they were seeking a wizard or a sorceress to interpret for them. Notice how quietly and without confrontation Joseph declares his belief, "Do not interpretations belong to God? Relate it to me, if you please."

The cupbearer dreamed of a grapevine with three tendrils. It bloomed and made clusters of grapes. The cupbearer pressed the grapes into wine for Pharaoh's cup, and he placed the cup into Pharaoh's hand. God gave

Joseph the interpretation, "The tendrils represent days. In three days Pharaoh will lift up your head and restore you to your former post." And Joseph asked that the cupbearer mention him to Pharaoh when the cupbearer once more served in Pharaoh's presence.

Next the baker told his dream. There were three wicker baskets stacked on his head; the top basket was filled with delicate pastries for Pharaoh. But birds were swooping down and eating the pastries. God gave Joseph this interpretation for the baker, "The baskets represent days. In three days Pharaoh will lift your head from you and hang you on a tree; birds will eat your flesh from you."

The third day was Pharaoh's birthday; he gave a feast for his courtiers and he included the Chamberlain of the Cupbearers and the Chamberlain of the Bakers. He restored the Cupbearer to his former position; but he

hanged the Baker, just as Joseph had interpreted for them.

Did you notice that the prophecy for each of these chamberlains said that Pharaoh would "lift their heads"? The same Hebrew idiom is used for each. The words around it change it's meaning from "raise you to a higher status" to "hang you by the neck from a high tree."

But the Cupbearer forgot about Joseph! God did not forget about Joseph in prison, but once again, we have to wait for God's timing. Have you ever asked for help and it seemed that you had been forgotten? We must know that God hears us and be patient.

Eunice Filler, author of "Rachael: Porch Swings and Spearmint Tea," is a former school teacher with ties to the Big Spring community. She has returned to enjoy her retirement as a Big Spring resident. Questions? Fill-ereunice@yahoo.com.

Church News

Editor's Note: Due to an oversight last Friday, several church news articles were accidentally left out of the Friday, May 15, edition. The Herald regrets the error and appreciates the contributions from area churches to help keep the community informed. To send a church news item, send information to life@bigspringherald.com by noon Wednesday for the following Friday.

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VBS time is almost here. We will be hosting a one day Vacation Bible School event on June 13 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Old Settlers Pavilion at Comanche Trail Park. We will be learning about "Joshua and Jericho."

Paint is going on the walls of our new building. If you would like to help paint, please contact Dorothy Nichols. Our next project is carpet squares. Each 2 foot by 2 foot square will cost \$10 to installed. Donations are being taken now.

Our children will be going to Circle 6 for camp June 20. A male sponsor is needed for boys third through fifth grade. If you are interested, contact Donna Wennik.

"Grief Share," a grief support group, meets Sundays from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Anyone who has experienced the loss of a loved one is invited and encouraged to attend. For more info on "Grief Share," visit www.griefshare.org or contact the office.

"Connection Groups" are meeting now on Sunday mornings at 9:15 a.m. "Community Groups" meet Wednesday nights at various locations. Go to our website or call the church office for more information.

"Sowing Seeds of Hope," fiber crafts and prayer shawl ministry meets at the church Saturdays at 10 a.m. If you are interested in learning a fiber craft (crochet, knitting, weaving, felting, etc.) or have projects you would like to share or just to have some fellowship while crafting, come join us.

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Wednesday night was our last night of VBS. All sessions were fantastic. In our last session we answered the question: And so...Now what do I do? We discovered God's plan to save us. And love us forever. Wednesday, May 27 will be the last Wednesday night we will serve supper until school resumes. Our children and Youth will start at 6 p.m. and our Adult Bible Study/Prayer will meet at 6:30 p.m.

The youth are participating in World Hunger's 30-Hour Famine this year. The famine will begin at noon Friday, June 5. For more information go to 30hourfamine.org. If you would like to support or be involved with the famine please call Ali Shamshear, our youth minister for more information.

Midway Baptist Church is located at 6200 S. Service Rd., Big Spring. For more information, call 432-263-6274

Sunday
 Bible Study - 9:45 a.m.
 Morning Worship — 11 a.m.
 Youth — 5 p.m.
 Adult Choir Practice — 5 p.m. (in the Sanctuary)
 Evening Service — 6 p.m. (in the fellowship hall)
Wednesday
 Meal — 5:15 p.m.
 Children — 6 p.m.
 Youth — 6 p.m.
 Adult Bible Study/Prayer Meeting — 6:30 p.m.

Vans do run and if you need a ride please call the church by 4 p.m. at 432-263-6274.

If you are looking for a place of worship please feel free to join us on Sunday or Wednesday. If we can ever be of any assistance to you please do not hesitate to call, e-mail, or visit our

website. e-mail: midwaybaptist@gmail.com; website: midwaybcbig-spring.com

First Presbyterian Church

The regular Wednesday church activities are the following: 5:17 p.m., the Lectionary Bible study, led by Craig Holstedt and Tom Koger; 6 p.m., Chancel Choir rehearsal. Children's Choir rehearsal is at 4:30 p.m.

Congratulations to all those who were part of last Sunday afternoon's musical "It's Cool in the Furnace." Loryne Colette was theatre director; Susan Dawes, musical director; Linda Miracle, pianist; Ann Adcock, organist; Glen Burch, Remington Colette, Joseph Dawes, Donovan Salinas, Diana Best, Jobeth Corwin, Ryane Colette, and Ashley Pike, instrumentalists. Daniel was played by Ransom Colette, Mason Patterson was King Nebuchadnezzar, Alex Reagan was Shadrach, Jack Hamby was Meshach, Mia Burch was Abednego, and Remington Colette played the part of God. The chorus and other characters were composed of Sheana Cherry, Rowan Colette, Katelynn Kennemur, Serena Reese, Jake Patterson, Spencer Patterson, Jesse Reese, Natalie Reese, Amber Hallford, Destiny Hallford, Emily Hallford, Emory Kennemur, and Kayla Miracle.

The Service Committee meets Thursday, May 21, at 5:30 p.m.

The Session will meet Tuesday, May 26, at 6 p.m. in the library. This is a week later than the usual meeting time because of a conflict with Craig's schedule.

Patti Horton is in charge of Take Ten for this Sunday. Lector for May is Mark Morgan.

The lectionary for the Day of Pentecost (Memorial Day Weekend) is Acts 2:1- 21(or Ezekiel 37:1-14); Psalm

104:24-35; Romans 8:22-27; John 15:26-27;16:4b-15. Bernadette Coffee, Elder from St. Paul Presbyterian Church, San Angelo, who was supposed to preach for us last Sunday, was unable to do so because of health concerns. The Rev. Craig Holstedt filled in for himself, in spite of convalescing from his recent knee surgery. He will deliver the sermon this Sunday.

The Chancel Choir will present "Hymn of Fire" by Eugene Butler as the offertory anthem. We will also recognize our 2015 graduates during the service.

Please note that our worship service begins at 10:50 a.m. for announcements and parish concerns before our radio broadcast starts at 11 a.m.

If you cannot attend worship, you may listen in on KBST 1490 A.M., beginning at 11 a.m. If you wish to have a printed bulletin for Sunday services, please call the church office at 263-4211. You may also see what's happening at the church by visiting our website: www.fpcbs.org. On our website, you can find a link that will enable you to listen to several recent sermons by Rev. Craig Holstedt. We would be pleased for you to Like us on Facebook.

Cornerstone Covenant Church

Cornerstone Covenant Church (CCC) would like to invite you to join us as we continue this seven part series by Pastor Michael Willard as he shares some biblical insight that all servant leaders should know concerning servanthood.

- Sunday, 10:30 a.m. Join us on for our annual CCC graduation service.
- Wednesday, 7 p.m. Join us for mid-week Bible study, as we dive deeper into our current series "Servanthood." CCC offers classes for all ages.

Other class topics may very.

- Friday, 7 p.m. The Brigade — Our Men's ministry — will be gathering for at the Rock Hounds game. Enjoy all you can eat burgers and hotdogs during the picnic. This event is \$18 per person; you can turn your money into the front office or to Brandon Hughes, men's director.

- Sunday, June 7, 9 a.m. Our New Members class will start on the first Sunday in June. There is a sign up sheet on the table in the Misfits Lounge.

- Thursday, June 11, 7 p.m. Our 50 & Up small group will be gathering at 2405 East 25th St. (Faye and Steve Flowers home). Bring a dish to share.

- Friday, June 12 at 6 p.m. our Single Ministry will be gathering for a Pool Party at 2906 W. 8th St, right next to the Meet-N-Greet. Be sure to bring swim clothes, a towel and a dessert to share.

Lastly, we serve a free breakfast each Sunday morning at 10 a.m. in the Misfits Lounge. Please join us every Sunday at 10:30 a.m for worship. CCC offers nursery and children church for both mid-week and Sunday services. We are located at 706 East 12th Street. For office hours contact our administrative office at 432.264.0015.



Reflections: God has no grandchildren

Last week the *Associated Press* carried an article titled, "Fewer in US identify with a religion." The article referenced a Pew Research Center study that noted the Christian faith had declined between 2007 and 2014 while those claiming no faith had grown.

Christians declined from 78 percent of the US population to less than 71 percent. Those claiming no faith or "nones" increased 16 percent to 23 percent.

On the same day, *USA Today* carried an article entitled, "Christianity isn't dying." The *USA Today* article quoted the same Pew Research Center findings and

stated that "Evangelical Christianity is growing in America. From 2007 to 2014 the number of Evangelicals in America rose from 59.8 million to 62.2 million according to Pew." The article concluded that "nominals — people whose religious affiliation is in name only — are becoming 'nones' — people who check 'none of the above' box on a survey." "The number of people who are practicing a vibrant faith is not fading away, quite the contrary. Christianity and the church are not dying, but they are being more clearly defined."

The *Associated Press* article and the *USA Today* article both reference the Pew Research Center data and come to different conclusions. So which is it?

More than likely it is some of both.

But however we interpret the data, we should be reminded that the Chris-

tian faith is always only one generation away from extinction. As someone once said, "God has no grandchildren." We do not inherit faith like we inherit eye color or ethnicity. Faith comes through a personal decision, one-person-at-a time.

This is abundantly clear in the Bible, especially the Old Testament. For hundreds of years the Jewish people vacillated between obedient faith in God and disobedient rejection. We are no different. Every generation, and every person, must decide for themselves whether they will place their trust in God.

When crowds of Jews sought out John the baptizer, he said to them, "*Do not begin to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham for our father,' for I say to you from these stones God is able to raise up children to Abraham. Indeed the axe is already laid to the root of the*

trees, so every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire." (Luke 3:8-9).

Years ago I went to the Metrodome in Minneapolis to hear Billy Graham preach. The stadium was packed. At the end of his message, he said to the crowd, "Many of you were baptized as infants by your mothers and fathers. They did that for you because they loved you. But you must come to faith in Jesus Christ yourself." Hundreds of people filled the aisles and made their way to the stadium floor to make a faith commitment to Christ. The faith of our mothers and fathers will not save us. Each one of us must find our own faith in God through Jesus Christ.

Bill Tinsley reflects on current events and life experience from a faith perspective. Visit www.tinsleycenter.com. Email bill@tinsleycenter.com



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Church News

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You can also find us at facebook.com/CCCBigSpring; or visit us at www.cccbigspring.org if you would like more information.

First United Methodist Church

First United Methodist Church is located just off Greg Street at the corner of 4th and Scurry streets in downtown Big Spring. Services are held each Sunday morning at 8:30 a.m. and 10:50 a.m. The 10:50 am service is broadcast live each week on radio station KXCS-105.5 FM.

This Sunday, Pastor Ivins will share a message entitled "Welcome to Church!" The message is taken from Acts 2:1-21. This Sunday, the church will also be observing Pentecost. Pentecost Sunday commemorates the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the early believers in Christ. The Spirit appeared as tongues of fire. Worshipers are encouraged to red this Sunday as we celebrate Pentecost.

Pastor Ivins will conclude his study in the Book of Acts at Wednesday noon Bible Study this coming week. Meal service begins at 11:50 a.m. in Garrett Hall. There is a small fee for the meal.

The adult Celebration Choir rehearses each Wednesday night at 7 p.m. in the upstairs music suite. New members are always welcome. For more information, please phone 267-6394.

For more information on any activity, please visit our website at www.fumcbs.com or phone the church office at 267-6394.

Forsan Baptist Church

This Sunday Brandon Gartman will begin a message series which will continue over the next few Sunday mornings. Come and support Brandon in fleshing out his call to the pastorate.

On Wednesday evenings, we are currently involved in a Bible study in the Book of Exodus, tracing back the elements of God's plan that got us to this point in history. On Sunday evening, we have begun a new Bible study through 1 and 2 Thessalonians.

Revival! Our revival dates are June 17-20. Guest speakers will be Josh Puckett, Lester Brown, Eddy Prince, and Clay Garmon. Music will be provided by Cody Brotherton.

Our church is located at 201 Main in Forsan. Sunday School begins at 9:50 a.m., with worship services at 10:50 a.m. and 6 p.m. Wednesday services begin at 6 p.m. Rides for all youth activities are available if arranged ahead of time. Call the church at 432-457-2342 or Pastor Darren Weaver at 432-213-2348.

First Baptist Church

You're invited to worship with us Sunday at 10:50 a.m. as we offer thanks to God for His lavish love and for the wonderful rainfall He has provided. David Spence will lead us as we open God's word for the message. If you are unable to attend, you may watch the service through the live stream on our web page at: fbcbigspring.org.

Sunday School classes meet at 9:30 a.m., with children gathering on the first floor in the Good News Garage, and youth and adults meeting

throughout the second floor. Greeters are happy to assist you in finding your class.

Due to the Memorial Day holiday, there will be no evening service to allow for an extended time with family and friends. Church offices will be closed Monday in observance of Memorial Day.

All area youth are invited to attend the annual "Brain Break" Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. The end of the school year can be a stressful time, so come enjoy a fun time of silly games, junk food, ridiculous videos, and relaxing with old and new friends. Contact Youth Pastor Jonathan Raffini for details at 270-8332.

Our Mother's Day Out program is closed until June 2. Contact Tracy Boeker at 267-8223 about available openings for your little ones.

Summerama is a fun filled program for children going into first grade through those going into seventh. It begins June 2, and will be held each Tuesday and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. (same schedule as Mother's Day Out). Registration packets are available at the church office.

Vacation Bible School will be June 8-12 from 9-12. This promises to be an exciting time as we "Journey Off The Map," and God takes each participant into uncharted territory that is known by Him, but unknown by us.

Wednesday evening begins with a meal served in the Family Life Center from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m., followed by activities for all age groups. Join us Wednesday for barbecue sandwiches.

FBC is located at 705 W FM 700.

Blessed Hands Deaf Church

Come join our vibrant congregation Sunday at 10:50 a.m. or 2 p.m. as we praise God for His never-

ending love, mercy, and grace. Pastor Jim Walterhouse continues the sermon series on "Power." Sunday services are held inside First Baptist Church at 705 W FM 700. Wednesday evenings at 6, we gather at Southwest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf for Bible Study and fellowship. For more information about BHDC, contact Pastor Jim at: jwalterhouse@gmail.com.

Alive in Christ Lutheran Church

We are located at 2805 Lynn Drive in the Kentwood Neighborhood in Big Spring. To connect with us call 432-264-7818, or e-mail us at aliveinchrist-tx@gmail.com.

Sunday Service begins at 9 a.m. with Bible Study and Sunday School at 10:15 a.m. If you are new to the area or haven't been to church before or in a while, please accept this as an invitation to join us this Sunday. The adult class will begin a new Bible study this Sunday. The youth are studying "120 Bible Stories."

Bo Vizcaino will present the scripture readings this week.

Pastor Bartholomew's sermon is titled "When the Holy Spirit Came" and is based on Acts 2:1-21.

We are half way through the bible study on Wednesday evenings titled "The Foundations" by Ken Ham. Every third and fifth Wednesday we will continue to have "I Am Second." Everyone is invited to attend. A meal is served from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Class begins at 6:30 p.m. Confirmation class has moved to Monday's at 6:30 p.m.

Tune in to KBYG every morning for a devotional sponsored in part by the Lutheran Hour. Tune in to 106.3 FM or 1400 AM between 6:45 and 6:50 each morning for "Morning Meditation Thoughts."



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Capt. Elisha Mack, DAR

The Capt. Elisha Mack Chapter of DAR met May 9, 2015 at 11:30 a.m. at the Big Spring Country Club with Regent Hollis McCright presiding. Nine members and the guest speaker Carl Condray and wife were present. Hostess Charlene Ragan completed the table theme with white spring flowers.

Carl Conday is the Fire Marshall for the city of Big Spring and presented the program on cowboy poetry, giving a brief history and description of cowboy poetry and how it evolved. Carl then recited several poems full of humor, joy and life lessons.

Dorothy Britton reported that Sidney Oliva, a senior at Big Spring High School, will be receiving the Good Citizenship Award.

Sue Ann Damron will be attending the Continental Congress in June representing the Elisha Mack chapter.

Sherri Key received a red, white and blue umbrella. The next meeting will be Oct. 10, 2015.

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Side story of slain Salvadoran archbishop: A family divided



Maria Luisa de Martinez poses for photos at her home in San Salvador, El Salvador, Thursday, May 21, 2015. De Martinez is the sister of Roberto d'Aubuisson, the man widely believed to have ordered the Roman Catholic Archbishop Oscar Romero's 1980 assassination. In 1979 de Martinez learned that her brother belonged to a paramilitary group called ORDEN, or "order," whose mission was to identify and eliminate supposed communists in rural communities. (AP Photo/Moises Castillo)

BY ANY CABRERA

Associated Press

SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador (AP) — Maria Luisa de Martinez is one of the staunchest defenders of the memory of slain Salvadoran Archbishop Oscar Romero. She sits on the board of the foundation that bears his name. She's organized commemorative celebrations on the anniversaries of his birth and death. She lobbied for years for his beatification by the Roman Catholic Church. De Martinez is also the sister of Roberto d'Aubuisson, the man widely believed to have ordered the cleric's 1980 assassination as he celebrated Mass in a hospital chapel. And there's no doubt in her mind about her brother's guilt.

"Unfortunately, yes, I'm convinced. Because of the way he used to talk about the priests, the Jesuits and Monsignor Romero," Martinez told *The Associated Press* ahead of Saturday's beatification of Romero, the first step toward canonization and sainthood. Maria Luisa and Roberto d'Aubuisson were born into the same conservative family, educated in Catholic schools and raised by a mother who lectured them about the evils of international communism. Ultimately they chose paths that could not have been more divergent. Albeit an extreme example, theirs is the story of countless families who found themselves split by El Salvador's long and bloody civil war.

Maria Luisa, who today goes by her married name, de Martinez, called herself a "normal girl" who grew up in a traditional and devoutly Catholic environment. She studied at a school run by nuns, taught catechism and twice made visits to a Mayan community in neighboring Guatemala that opened her eyes to entrenched poverty. De Martinez became a novice, or nun in training, though she never took up the habit. She studied liberation theology, met Romero as a member of grassroots ecclesiastical groups and dedicated herself to working to defend poor Salvadorans. It was potentially dangerous work at the time, in the middle of the Cold War, when authorities viewed such

groups as sympathetic to leftist revolutionary movements — or worse — and targeted them for harassment and violence. "My family was against it," de Martinez said. "They warned me that I could run into problems." She began avoiding them, tired of defending her choices. By contrast Roberto, five years her senior, opted for a career in the military. He trained at the United States' School of the Americas, rose to the rank of army major and, according to a U.N. truth commission's findings years later, commanded right-wing death and torture squads as El Salvador slid toward civil war. Supporters lionized d'Aubuisson as the man who defeated communism in El Salvador, while critics considered him a bloodthirsty vigilante. In the early 1980s, the U.S. ambassador called him "a pathological killer." The siblings' disgust for each other was mutual. In 1979 de Martinez learned that her brother belonged to a paramilitary group called ORDEN, or "order," whose mission was to identify and eliminate supposed communists in rural communities. "I don't want to have anything to do with you," she told him. "That's when we distanced ourselves from each other

completely," she said. Romero was killed March 24, 1980, at a cancer hospital chapel by a sniper's bullet believed to have been fired from a car outside. The assassination came a day after he made a bold and public demand that soldiers stop repressing civilians. Nobody was ever prosecuted for the killing, and the gunman has not been identified. De Martinez became a devotee of the slain archbishop and in 1999 helped launch the Monsignor Romero Foundation, where she remains on the board of directors. She is still estranged from her family. D'Aubuisson founded the conservative Arena political party in 1981 and ran unsuccessfully for president three years later. He always denied being behind Romero's assassination, and died of cancer in 1992, a year before the U.N. truth commission officially named him as the mastermind. "How could a member of my family be involved in such terrible acts?" de Martinez said. "It's a feeling of ... total rejection of the things he did." Now 66, de Martinez has said she forgives her brother. Though she never confronted him directly about Romero's killing, she visited him at his death bed and begged him to ask forgiveness. By then he was unable to speak. "He didn't say a thing, just tears streaming down his face," de Martinez said. More than two decades later, she said she's still not sure if he wept out of anger at her, or repentance. *Associated Press writer Marcos Aleman in San Salvador and Peter Orsi in Mexico City contributed to this report.*

Former Boko Haram captives still held — by Nigerian military

BY MICHELLE FAUL

Associated Press

YOLA, Nigeria (AP) — The accusations against a woman who was rescued from Boko Haram abductors came from fellow former captives during a group counseling session. Why had she received preferential treatment and better food while they were held? Wasn't she married to a fighter from the Islamic extremist group? As scores of young Nigerian women and children are rescued from the clutches of Boko Haram, they face suspicions that they may still be in contact with their former captors. These fears apparently have led to an entire group of 275 women and girls rescued from the extremists last month being forced to remain in custody — held this time by the Nigerian military. The Defense Ministry spokesman, Maj. Gen. Chris Olukolade, claimed Thursday that they were moved to get "proper medical attention and psycho-social therapy" under a program organized by the national security adviser. Olukolade was quoted by PR Nigeria, an agency that puts out Nigerian government news. One of the trauma counselors who had been working with the women said the group had nearly completed their therapy and camp officials had been preparing to reunite some with their families, before the military took them. After creating havoc in northeastern Nigeria for years, Boko Haram militants have suffered a series of defeats this year from an offensive by

better-equipped Nigerian troops bolstered by forces from neighboring Chad, Niger and Cameroon. As the militants retreat, the many captives they seized are being rescued, but that doesn't mean their ordeal is over. Many remain traumatized by their harsh captivity — including rape, sexual slavery and beatings — as well as suspicions that some cooperated with their captors and may still support them. In counseling sessions at the Malkohi Camp outside the northeastern city of Yola, witnesses described some women accusing another one of having ties to their former Boko Haram captors. Relations between soldiers guarding the camp and some of the rescued women had been tense after a fracas witnessed May 17 by a reporter in which a soldier falsely claimed that one of the women tried to grab his gun and told him she was a Boko Haram member. On Tuesday, soldiers took the group of more than 200 children — almost all younger than 5 — and 67 girls and women from the camp, the National Emergency Management Agency has confirmed. Agency spokesman Sani Datti said he had no other information because it was an "entirely military affair." The group was put on a military plane and flown to an unknown destination, possibly the capital of Abuja, a camp official and a military intelligence officer told *The Associated Press* on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to talk to the media about the issue. Their move from the camp only became known after an AP story

about the heroism of one teenager, Binta Ibrahim, prompted two readers to send \$500 to her. An AP reporter who went to the camp to find out how to get the money to her discovered the group was no longer there. It is not known how many girls, women and children have been kidnapped by Boko Haram over the years. Many have escaped and Nigerian troops reported freeing some 700 last month since the multinational offensive chased the mili-

itants from towns in the northeast. Some of the girls and women were used by the militants as suicide bombers, sending them into crowded markets and bus stations. The president of the International Committee of the Red Cross, Peter Maurer, expressed alarm Thursday at the scale of the humanitarian needs and "the horrific mental and physical scars" that the violence by Boko Haram has left on the people of northeast Nigeria.



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Warriors take 2-0 lead over Rockets with win

By **ANTONIO GONZALEZ**
AP Basketball Writer

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — James Harden had Game 2 on his fingertips — and then he didn't.

Now the Golden State Warriors have the Western Conference finals in their grasp.

Stephen Curry scored 33 points before Harden lost the ball in the closing seconds to end a spectacular duel between the NBA MVP and runner-

up, and the Warriors held off the Houston Rockets 99-98 on Thursday night to take a 2-0 lead in the series.

"Sometimes I want to crack open a beer and get a courtseat. These two guys are the two best basketball players in the world," Warriors center Andrew Bogut said.

Harden rallied the Rockets from 17 points down in the second quarter and had a chance to finish off the comeback in the fourth. Instead, Klay

Thompson and Curry trapped Harden, who lost the ball as time expired.

Harden fell to the floor and put his hands over his head as the Warriors celebrated on the court, the sellout crowd of 19,596 roared, and golden-yellow confetti fell from the rafters.

"Kicking chairs," Harden said. "It's frustrating. It's frustrating to give the game away like that."

Harden had 38 points, 10 re-

bounds and nine assists, and Dwight Howard overcame a sprained left knee that slowed him down to finish with 19 points and 17 rebounds for a Rockets team rebound home in a major hole.

Game 3 is Saturday in Houston, which is facing a two-game deficit again. The Rockets overcame a 3-1 hole in the second round against the Los Angeles Clippers.

"We're not going to go anywhere," Rockets coach Kevin

McHale said. "We're just going to keep standing here and swinging."

Curry made five 3-pointers to go with six assists and three rebounds. He got a big boost from his teammates — notably Bogut, Draymond Green and Thompson — to regroup after the Warriors lost the big lead in the first half.

But the Warriors pulled ahead late in the fourth quarter

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Herald photos/Tommy Wells)

Locals still playing ...
Coaches Ami Martinez (top left) and Liz Conley are scheduled to lead the Colorado City Lady Wolves into the first game of a three-game Class 3A regional semifinal series with Presidio tonight in Odessa. Martinez and Conley are both former softball standouts at Coahoma High School. Also helping the C-City girls is former Big Spring resident Alicia Redwine (bottom, with glasses). A senior at Colorado High School, Redwine was born in Big Spring and played volleyball at Big Spring Junior High School through her eighth grade year before moving to Colorado City.

McCann's late HR lifts Tigers by Astros

DETROIT (AP) — James McCann hasn't hit many homers in the major leagues. But when he has connected, he's done it with style.

McCann's first home run was an inside-the-parker last month. His second shot came Thursday — a leadoff drive in the bottom of the 11th inning that lifted the Detroit Tigers over the Houston Astros 6-5.

"I'm not sure what I'm going to do for an encore," McCann said. "I'm hoping to play long enough up here to hit a bunch of normal homers, too."

McCann hit Tony Sipp's 0-2 splitter into the Tigers bullpen, just beyond the reach of leaping left fielder Colby Rasmus.

"He threw me the same pitch on 0-1, and I swung at it in the dirt," McCann said. "On 0-2, I wanted to make sure to get something in the zone, and he

left it up a little."

Alex Wilson (2-0) pitched two scoreless innings for the win.

Detroit led 5-0 after six innings. Pinch hitter Preston Tucker tied it with one out in the ninth, connecting off Joakim Soria for his first career homer.

It was Soria's blown save in 14 chances this season.

"That was great," Astros manager A.J. Hinch said. "To see a kid come off the bench and get his first homer in a huge spot to tie the game against a closer who is having a great year."

Astros reliever Josh Fields got the first out in the bottom of the ninth, but had to leave the game after Anthony Gose's liner hit him on the right knee. Will Harris came in to strike out Ian Kinsler and Miguel Cabrera to send the game to extra innings.



Herald photo/Tommy Wells

Goal in sight ...
Raiderettes' outfielder Marissa Rodriguez races for third base during her team's recent game. Rodriguez later scored on a single by a teammate.

Rodriguez keeps Red Sox bats quiet in 3-1 win

BOSTON (AP) — Wandy Rodriguez's plan worked very well. He simply kept Boston's struggling hitters confused.

Rodriguez pitched 6 2-3 solid innings, Mitch Moreland hit a solo homer and drove in two runs, and the Texas Rangers beat the Red Sox and their listless offense 3-1.

"Really nice pitching by Wandy tonight," Rangers manager Jeff Banister said. "Back to what we've seen except for the last outing — ability to move the fastball in and out. The breaking ball — the hard and soft breaking ball to keep the hitters off balance."

Rodriguez (2-2) allowed one run and four hits, struck out five and walked two after not getting out of the fifth inning in his previous start, a loss to Cleveland last

Friday when he gave up

eight hits and five runs.

Against a team that came in struggling offensively, Rodriguez knew he just had to mix things up.

"That's the reason I used my two-seamer a lot," he said of getting 12 outs via groundballs.

Moreland added two singles for the Rangers, who won for the third time in four games to capture the series after losing the opener.

Shawn Tolleson got three outs for the save after earning the first of his career Wednesday.

Clay Buchholz (2-5) gave up three runs — two earned — and five hits in 7 2-3 innings.

David Ortiz drove in Boston's run, tying Fred McGriff for 43rd on the career list with his 1,550th RBI.

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Glasscock County will be
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be due on or before June 8,
2015 at 9:00 a.m. in the
Glasscock County Courthouse.
For bid specifications, contact
County Judge Kim Halfmann
at 432-354-2639.
#8728 May 22 & 28, 2015

CAUSE NO. P-14412
IN THE ESTATE OF
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Legals

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
ESTATE OF STANFORD
L. MUSE**

Notice is hereby given that
original Letters of
Administration for the Estate
of Stanford L. Muse,
Deceased, were issued on
May 14, 2015, in Cause No.
P-14411, pending in the
County Court of Howard
County, Texas, to: Clinton A.
Muse, Jr.

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

Estate of Stanford L. Muse
c/o: Clinton A. Muse, Jr.
P.O. Box 2104
Big Spring, Texas 79721
DATED the 14th of May,
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**THE LAW OFFICES OF
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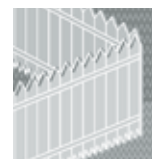
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Tomorrow's Horoscope

Split Moon



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The moon in Cancer for the first part of the day and then in Leo for the second makes for a fun split in the mood of the day. If they were television channels, the Cancer moon would be HGTV and the Leo moon would be Bravo or HBO. The day will hold programming that follows suit.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Your stars will pose a challenge to the agenda. When you see the obstacle, as you will almost as soon as you get to work, don't back down. All you need to do is be yourself.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). When Leonardo da Vinci put the final touches on the Mona Lisa, it's possible he was thinking: This could be better. At some

point, you have to stop working the masterpiece and let it be what it wants to be.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Does it seem impossible to some people? You'll make it seem easy because of your strength. Your recent dealings in reality have given you power, too. You'll ratchet up your mood one notch at a time.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Wildly successful people say "I started from nothing." The "nothing" is relative, though. Everyone has something. Gather, account for and be grateful for your many resources.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Your imagination is on fire, perhaps due to a certain inspiring person. Your resources will increase as you ask for help. You might even create a scenario that will do the impossible: make everyone happy at once.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Relax and maintain your sense of humor through the mishaps of the day. Later these so-called "mistakes" will make you richer.

A feeling of worthiness will improve your life on many levels.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Helen Keller said, "Security is mostly a superstition. ... Life is either a daring adventure or nothing." Don't avoid danger, because it might be just the trouble that defines you.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). It's important that you don't yearn for what you want. Yearning affirms what you don't have instead of what you do. Act as though it's already yours.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You know what makes you different and better, and you project that now. Enjoy the prestige that comes with being a part of certain groups, especially those including a Libra.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You've been generous, and now you need to rest and recover. Indulge in your favorite entertainment and food. The cost will be minimal compared to what you might have paid a mental health

professional.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Go on and smile for no good reason. Mid-grin, you'll discover many good reasons for the attractive look on your face. Your excellent mood and friendly demeanor will help you win on every level.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You like people, and you're sweet about letting them know. Resist the slippery slope of infatuation. Avoid putting so much intense and emotional focus on one person today that other things fall out of balance.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (May 22). Heaven's will is carried out through your unassuming ways. You will be praised, paid and rewarded in June, but it won't matter to you nearly as much as the good that comes from your loving actions in July. Your various talents and interests beg to be explored in the fall -- follow your bliss with abandon. Sagittarius and Capricorn people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 4, 14, 32, 48 and 13.

WEEKEND LOVE FORECAST: **ARIES:** You're not about to slow down, but you won't mind if someone else inspires you to relax a little. **TAURUS:** You'll capture someone's interest without having to change a single thing about yourself. **GEMINI:** You have a fantasy version of tomorrow that you'll mentally play and repeat. **CANCER:** Define yourself differently, and let it move you toward your next evolution. **LEO:** It will come true, much in the way you imagined it would. **VIRGO:** Your relationships will test you. To pass the test, be specific and clear. **LIBRA:** Think about what you really want so that you can better communicate it. **SCORPIO:** Your love life will come together when you do more of what you want to do and less of what you don't. **SAGITTARIUS:** Your best self is not going to emerge from a perfectly comfortable environment. **CAPRICORN:** You're through with waiting. You'll give yourself fully, whether or not you feel ready. **AQUARIUS:** If you have to work really hard at being happy, the effort pretty much guarantees an unsuccessful result. **PISCES:** Your free conscience and light heart will keep you moving forward.

COUPLE OF THE WEEKEND: As the Leo moon reflects off of the Gemini sun, this couple gets a chance at love. It's always interesting and lively for these two, as Gemini makes sure that new topics and trends are on the forefront, and Leo makes sure to put an entertaining spin on whatever Gemini throws into the mix. The challenge with these two is depth. It happens when each feels comfortable enough to relax and just be.

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ANSWERS

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7	2	3	4	1	9	6	5	8
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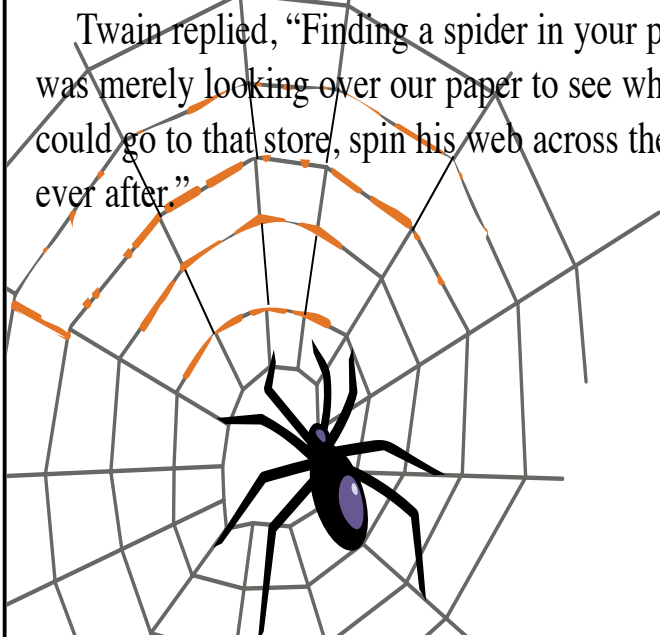
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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Bidding Quiz

Below are eight different bidding sequences. Where the question mark appears, state whether partner's last bid is forcing (compelling you to bid again) or nonforcing (allowing you to pass). A forcing bid is one that cannot be passed regardless of what you hold. If partner's last bid merely urges — but does not compel — you to bid again, treat it as nonforcing.

- North 1♥
South 3♠
- North 1♦
South 1♠
North 3♣
South 2♣
- North 1♥
South 2♣
North 2♦
South 2♦
- North 1♥
South 1NT
North 3♥
South 3♠
- North 1♥
South 1♥
North 2♣
South 2♦
- North 1♦
South 1♠
North 2NT
South ?

- Forcing.** A jump-shift by responder is forcing to at least game.
- Nonforcing.** If South has six or seven points for his one-spade bid, he may pass.
- Nonforcing.** North's failure to jump-shift limits him to at most 18 points. South therefore can pass if he has a weak hand and prefers clubs to hearts.
- Nonforcing.** Ordinarily, a new suit bid by responder is forcing, but when responder has passed originally, the change-of-suit rule no longer applies.
- Nonforcing.** South may pass with six or seven points, but should continue bidding with more than that.
- Forcing.** The mention of a new suit by responder below the game level is forcing, even opposite a pre-emptive opening bid.
- Forcing.** Just as the one-heart response is forcing, so is a second new suit named by responder. North might be tempted to pass with minimum values, but he will have a lot of explaining to do when it costs him a game or a slam.
- Nonforcing.** A jump to two notrump by opener indicates 18 or 19 points and may be passed if responder has a very weak (five- or six-point) hand.

Tomorrow: A matter of good technique.
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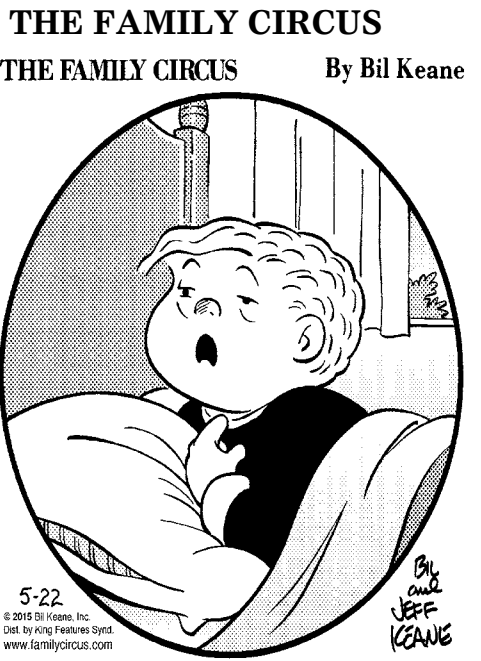
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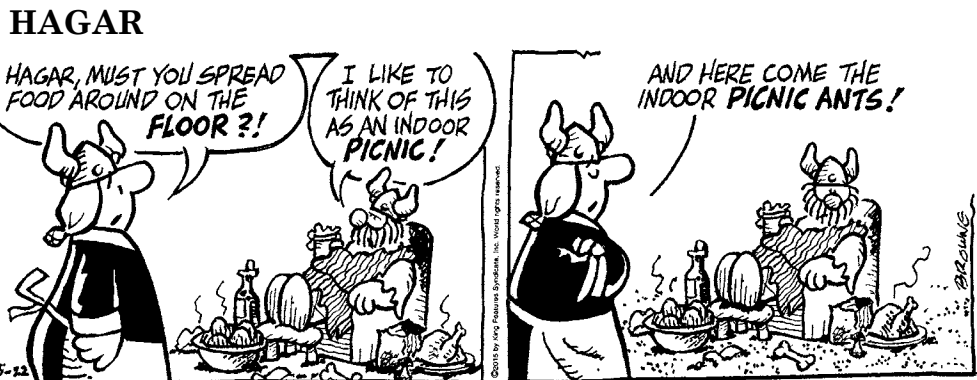
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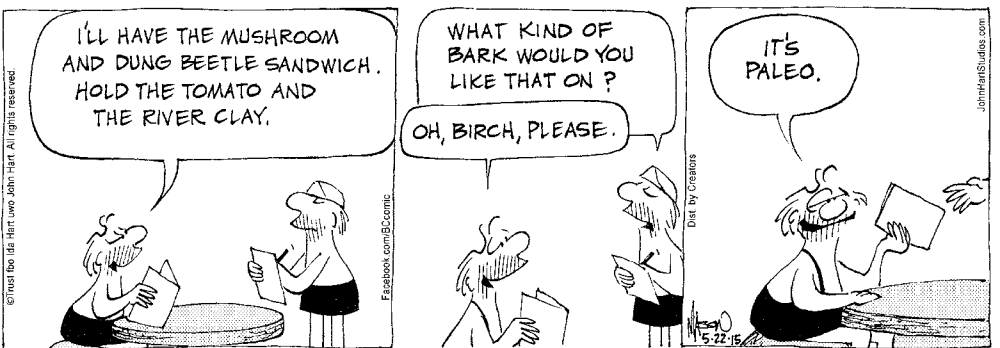
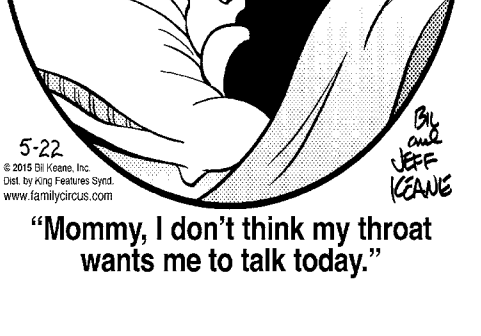
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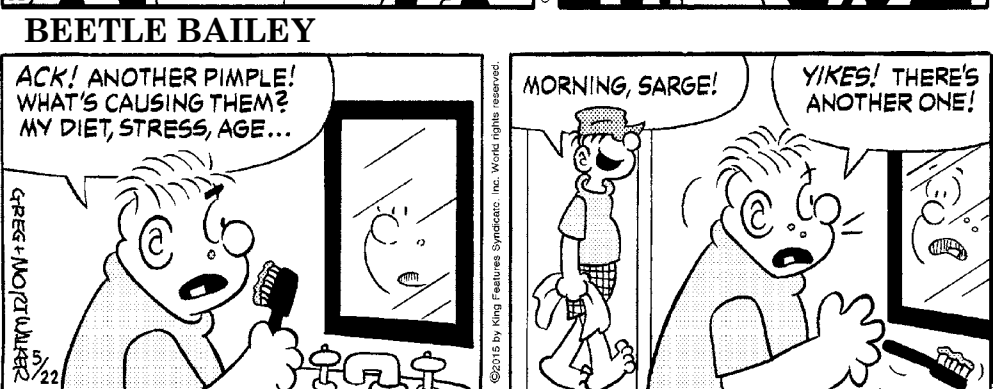
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This Date In History

Today is Friday, May 22, the 142nd day of 2015. There are 223 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On May 22, 1915, the Lassen Peak volcano in Northern California exploded, devastating nearby areas but causing no deaths.

On this date:

In 1860, the United States and Japan exchanged ratifications of the Treaty of Amity and Commerce during a ceremony in Washington.

In 1913, the American Cancer Society was founded in New York under its original name, the American Society for the Control of Cancer.

In 1935, President Franklin D. Roosevelt appeared before Congress to explain his decision to veto a bill that would have allowed World War I veterans to cash in bonus certificates before their 1945 due date.

In 1939, the foreign ministers of Germany and Italy, Joachim von Ribbentrop and Galeazzo Ciano, signed a "Pact of Steel"

committing the two countries to a military alliance.

In 1947, the Truman Doctrine was enacted as Congress appropriated military and economic aid for Greece and Turkey.

In 1968, the nuclear-powered submarine USS Scorpion, with 99 men aboard, sank in the Atlantic Ocean. (The remains of the sub were later found on the ocean floor 400 miles southwest of the Azores.)

In 1969, the lunar module of Apollo 10, with Thomas P. Stafford and Eugene Cernan aboard, flew to within nine miles of the moon's surface in a dress rehearsal for the first lunar landing.

In 1972, President Richard Nixon began a visit to the Soviet Union, during which he and Kremlin leaders signed the Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty. The island nation of Ceylon became the republic of Sri Lanka.

In 1981 "Yorkshire Ripper" Peter Sutcliffe was convicted in London of murdering 13 women and was sentenced to life in prison.

In 1990, after years of conflict, pro-Western North Yemen and pro-Soviet South Yemen merged to form a single nation, the Republic of Yemen. Boxer Rocky Graziano died in New

York at age 71.

In 1992, after a reign lasting nearly 30 years, Johnny Carson hosted NBC's "Tonight Show" for the last time.

One year ago: The U.S. House of Representatives passed legislation to end the National Security Agency's bulk collection of American phone records (however, the USA Freedom Act was later blocked in the Senate). Thailand's military seized power in a bloodless coup.

Thought for Today:
"We have all, at one time or another, been performers, and many of us still are, politicians, playboys, cardinals and kings."
-Al Laurence Olivier, British actor (born this date in 1907, died in 1989).

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Newsday Crossword

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- ACROSS**
- 1 Sushi bar offering
 - 5 Variety superlative
 - 10 Adjudge
 - 14 Fall preceder, perhaps
 - 15 "Till we meet again"
 - 16 Iberian river
 - 17 Prefix for bus
 - 18 Chem-lab device
 - 20 Retinal cells
 - 21 Hawaiian coffee region
 - 22 Pink shade
 - 23 WWII meals
 - 25 Pill holder
 - 26 ESPN analyst Holtz
 - 27 Adding (up)
 - 30 Former Mexican president
 - 35 Drop or drum preceder
 - 36 Compile in quantity
 - 37 Porridge morsel
 - 38 High enthusiasmm
 - 40 Hasty flight
 - 41 Not knowing any better
 - 43 Waxes
 - 46 Part of an Uncle Sam costume
 - 47 Am, in Amiens
 - 48 Seafood serving
 - 53 Lower oneself
 - 55 Copious quantities
 - 56 Egress
 - 57 Close to a discovery
 - 59 Strahan's TV's partner
 - 60 "No way, Sergei"

- 61 Examine minutely
- 62 Steinbeck title locale
- 63 Bratty talk
- 64 Incendiarism
- 65 Newspaper section
- DOWN**
- 1 Heron cousin
- 2 Plate material
- 3 Rather competitor
- 4 Apostolic letters
- 5 Withdraw
- 6 Ending for nickel
- 7 Frequent sauna users
- 8 Spanakopita ingredient
- 9 National Anthem pronoun
- 10 Overpower
- 11 In high spirits
- 12 Thus
- 13 Kohler
- 19 Tag shout
- 24 Nonneutral atoms
- 25 Caesar's voice
- 27 In __ (overall)
- 28 Perform perfectly
- 29 Overcast
- 30 A river might run through it
- 31 Interstellar format
- 32 RVers' rest stops
- 33 Ages upon ages
- 34 PC component
- 38 Ground grain

- 39 Reindeer descriptor
- 41 CSI tasks
- 42 Censure
- 44 Plenty of nothing
- 45 Low card in pinochle
- 48 Futurists
- 49 Expression of positive thinking
- 50 Water, for instance
- 51 Singing ability, so to speak
- 52 Performed poorly
- 53 Dresses in
- 54 Donegal-born singer
- 55 Traumatize
- 58 Mud-bath offerer

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Carroll avoids serious injury, listed as questionable for Game 2 vs. Cavs

ATLANTA (AP) — An MRI on DeMarre Carroll's left knee showed no structural damage, and he hopes to play for Atlanta in Friday night's Game 2 against Cleveland in the Eastern Conference finals, Carroll's agent said Thursday.

Mark Bartelstein told The Associated Press that Carroll has only a knee sprain and "maybe a little" bone bruise. The Hawks confirmed the MRI showed only a knee sprain and said Carroll would be listed as questionable.

Asked about Carroll's status, Hawks coach Mike Budenholzer said "we're very hopeful."

"I think sometimes you tend to think it could be the worst and right now everything we're getting back is positive," said Budenholzer, adding a decision will be made before Friday night's game after consultations with Carroll and his doc-

tors. He said Carroll will receive "24-hour treatment."

"He will be getting whatever it takes and as much of it as possible," Budenholzer said.

Carroll was seen walking without crutches at Philips Arena following his MRI. He was not made available for interviews but he said on his Twitter feed he was thankful for the good news.

Carroll's knee appeared to buckle as he was driving to the basket with about 5 minutes left in the 97-89 loss to the Cavaliers. Carroll couldn't put pressure on the leg as he was helped off the floor.

The fear was Carroll had suffered a significant injury that could end his postseason.

"Last night was a sleepless night," Bartelstein said. "We're all feeling very fortunate this morning."

"I know DeMarre. He's

CONFERENCE FINALS
(Best-of-7; x-if necessary)
Tuesday, May 19
Golden State 110, Houston 106
Wednesday, May 20
Cleveland 97, Atlanta 89, Cleveland leads series 1-0
Thursday, May 21
Golden State 99, Houston 98, Golden State leads series 2-0
Friday, May 22
Cleveland at Atlanta, 8:30 p.m.
Saturday, May 23
Golden State at Houston, 9 p.m.

going to do everything he can to get himself ready to play."

The prospect of losing Carroll for a significant portion or the remainder of the series was daunting for the Hawks. Carroll was the team's primary defender on

Cleveland star LeBron James and has emerged as a top scorer in the postseason.

At 6-foot-7, Carroll provides the size needed for the difficult matchup against James, who led the Cavaliers with 31 points in Wednesday night's game.

James said he was glad to hear Carroll didn't suffer a serious injury, but added he didn't expect the forward to play in Game 2.

"If he's able to go tomorrow night I'd be very surprised, but it would be good to see him back on the floor at some point because you don't want to end your season on something that looked like it was a season-ending injury," James said.

Carroll was Atlanta's leading scorer in the first two rounds of the playoffs with 17.1 points per game. He had five points and two steals before the injury.

Manfred: Yanks have grounds to not pay bonus

NEW YORK (AP) — Baseball Commissioner Rob Manfred said he thinks the New York Yankees have grounds not to pay Alex Rodriguez a \$6 million marketing bonus for tying Willie Mays for fourth place on the career home run list.

When Rodriguez signed

a \$275 million, 10-year contract with the Yankees in December 2007, the sides also agreed to a separate deal that called for \$6 million each for up to five milestone accomplishments, payable within 15 days of designation by the team.

The accomplishments were contemplated to be

Rodriguez hitting home runs 660, 714, 755, 762 and 763. In exchange for each designation, he would give the Yankees marketing rights, such as using his name and image in selling licensed goods.

After Rodriguez hit No. 660 on May 1, New York refused to make the payment. The Yankees said making the payment was their right and not an obligation.

"The Yankees have a well-founded legal position," Manfred said Thursday.

Rodriguez returned to the Yankees this year after serving a season-long drug suspension.

Under baseball's labor contract, a grievance must be filed within 45

days of the occurrence on which it is based, unless the sides agree to a different timetable. Unless the case is settled, it would be heard by an arbitrator.

"If there's a dispute over it, it'll get handled in the ordinary course," Manfred said.

Rodriguez is hitting .246 with 10 homers and 22 RBIs, playing primarily as a designated hitter.

"Alex has done a great job re-entering in a difficult situation," Manfred said. "Whenever a player is suspended, it's difficult to return to the field and, you know, he's played well, and good for him. I'm pleased for him."

Texas edges Baylor 4-3 in Big 12 Tournament

TULSA, Okla. (AP) — Tres Barrera hit a bases-loaded single with two outs in the bottom of the ninth inning, sending Texas to a 4-3 victory over Baylor on Thursday in the winners' bracket of the Big 12 Tournament.

Fourth-seeded Texas (28-25) entered the ninth leading 3-0 before Mitch Price tied it for Baylor (22-31) with a three-run homer on an 0-2 pitch from Texas starter Ty Culbreth (4-4).

Texas' Bret Boswell hit a one-out single in the bottom of the ninth off Bears starter Drew Tolson (3-8). An intentional walk and another walk issued by Tolson, sandwiched around a flyout, set the stage for Barrera's winning hit.

Zane Gurvitz had three of Texas' 11 hits, while Kameron Esthay reached

base four times for Baylor.

Baylor, seeded eighth, will face Texas Tech (31-23) in an elimination game Friday. Texas will play the winner of that game Saturday.

L.A. suspends Arruebarrena for rest of year

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Infielder Erisbel Arruebarrena was a major league player at this time last year. Now he's a man without a team at any level.

Arruebarrena was suspended by the Los Angeles Dodgers for the remainder of the season on Thursday for what the team said was "repeated failures to comply with his contract."

Club officials declined further comment.

Arruebarrena signed a \$25 million, five-year contract in February 2014. He split the season among four minor league teams and the Dodgers and made his big league debut on last May 23. He hit .195 in 22 games for Los Angeles.

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Labonte, Smith elected to Hall

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — Speedway Motorsports Executive Chairman Bruton Smith and two-time Sprint Cup champion Terry Labonte topped the newest group of five headed to the NASCAR Hall of Fame.

NASCAR drivers Curtis Turner and Bobby Isaac and modified series champion Jerry Cook completed the hall's seventh class Wednesday.

Smith's company owns eight tracks that host NASCAR events, including Charlotte Motor Speedway, site of this weekend's Coca-Cola 600. The fiery Smith forged his company in competition with International Speedway Corporation, owners of 12 tracks that host the majority of Sprint Cup races.

Labonte, known as "Texas Terry," won 22 races and NASCAR titles in 1984 and 1996.

Turner ran in NASCAR's first strictly stock race in 1949 and had 17 wins. He was 46 when he died in a plane crash in 1970.

Isaac competed from 1961-76 with 37 victories. His 19 poles in 1969 stands as a season record. Isaac died in 1977 at 45.

Cook won six NASCAR modified championships including four straight from 1974-77. He remains with NASCAR as competition administrator.

The Hall's biggest surprise had to be Smith, often a thorn in side of the NASCAR's ruling France family. But NASCAR Chairman Brian France opened voting discussions by asking the panel to consider Smith's inclusion.

And Smith led the five new members, getting 68 percent of the vote.

Smith, who was not at the announcement, said in a statement he found out when he was nominated how much it meant to his 15,000 SMI employees.

When he learned he got in, "I realize how much it means to me," he said.

Labonte said by teleconference he was watching TV at a hotel in Dallas with his son when his phone started "blowing up," he said.

He thought the selection came earlier in the day so when he didn't hear anything, Labonte figured he missed out again. "This was a complete surprise," he said.



Herald photo/Tommy Wells

Chick's run ...

A Texas Chick player prepares to scramble home for a run during the team's game earlier this week at the Roy Anderson Sports Complex. The Chicks played the Skullettes last Monday.

MLB discussing Rose role at All-Star Game

NEW YORK (AP)—Pete Rose's role at the All-Star game in Cincinnati will be determined by Major League Baseball and the Reds after they determine what other obligations the banned career hits leader has.

Rose began work as a studio analyst for Fox this month. The network will broadcast the game, which is being played in Rose's hometown on July 14.

"We're in conversations with the Reds about the specifics of his involvement at the All-Star Game and it relates to Pete's employment, where he's committed, what he's going to be available for," baseball Commissioner Rob Manfred said Thursday.

"That's one of those issues that will be resolved," he said.

Rose agreed to a lifetime ban in 1989 after an MLB investigation concluded he bet on Reds' games while managing the team. He has applied for reinstatement, but Manfred has not given a timetable for a decision.

Manfred doesn't think Rose's presence will detract from the game.

"The idea that any individual could overshadow the players that we're going to have at the All-Star Game in Cincinnati is just not something that seems realistic," he said.

Rose generally is not allowed in parts of ballparks not open to fans. MLB allowed him to take part in the All-Century team announcement at Atlanta's Turner Field during the 1999 World Series and a Reds ceremony in 2013 honoring their 1975 and '76 championship teams.

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because of Curry — with his shot and his passes.

Curry connected on a 3-pointer, then found Bogut under the rim for a layup that sent the 7-footer flexing his muscles and shouting to the roaring, yellow-shirt wearing crowd. Bogut missed the ensuing free throw, but the Warriors led 96-89 with 2:25 left.

Harden brought Houston back and the Rockets also forced the Warriors into an 8-second, back-

Scoreboard

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AMERICAN LEAGUE					Pagan SF39 154 14 50 .328				
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Tampa Bay	23	19	.548	—	LeMahieu Col.....37 125 11 40 .320				
New York	22	19	.537	½	Galvis Phi40 144 18 46 .319				
Baltimore	18	20	.474	3	Home Runs				
Boston	19	22	.463	3½	Harper, Washington, 15; Frazier,				
Toronto	19	24	.442	4½	Cincinnati, 12; Stanton, Miami,				
Central Division					12; Upton, San Diego, 11; Braun,				
	W	L	Pct	GB	Milwaukee, 10; Goldschmidt, Arizona,				
Kansas City	26	14	.650	—	10; Pederson, Los Angeles, 10.				
Detroit	25	17	.595	2	Runs Batted In				
Minnesota	23	17	.575	3	Stanton, Miami, 39; Harper,				
Chicago	18	20	.474	7	Washington, 38; Goldschmidt,				
Cleveland	17	23	.425	9	Arizona, 32; AGonzalez, Los Angeles,				
West Division					32; Zimmerman, Washington, 31;				
	W	L	Pct	GB	Braun, Milwaukee, 29; Upton, San				
Houston	27	15	.643	—	Diego, 29.				
Los Angeles	21	20	.512	5½	Pitching				
Seattle	18	22	.450	8	Wacha, St. Louis, 6-0; BColon, New				
Texas	18	23	.439	8½	York, 6-3; Shields, San Diego, 5-0;				
Oakland	14	29	.326	13½	Greinke, Los Angeles, 5-1; Harvey,				
Thursday's Games					New York, 5-1; SMiller, Atlanta, 5-1;				
Baltimore 5, Seattle 4					G.Cole, Pittsburgh, 5-2.				
Detroit 6, Houston 5, 11 innings					Texas League				
Toronto 8, L.A. Angels 4					North Division				
Tampa Bay 3, Oakland 0						W	L	Pct.	GB
Texas 3, Boston 1					NW Arkansas (Royals)	28	12	.700	—
Cleveland 5, Chicago White Sox 2					Arkansas (Angels)	21	18	.538	6½
Friday's Games					Tulsa (Dodgers)	18	21	.462	9½
Texas (Lewis 3-2) at N.Y. Yankees					Springfield (Cardinals)	13	27	.325	15½
(Pineda 5-1), 7:05 p.m.					South Division				
Seattle (F.Hernandez 6-1) at						W	L	Pct.	GB
Toronto (Estrada 1-2), 7:07 p.m.					Corpus Christi (Astros)	26	13	.667	—
Houston (McHugh 5-1) at Detroit					Midland (Athletics)	21	19	.525	5½
(Simon 4-2), 7:08 p.m.					San Antonio (Padres)	17	22	.436	9
Baltimore (U.Jimenez 3-3) at Miami					Frisco (Rangers)	14	26	.350	12½
(H.Alvarez 0-3), 7:10 p.m.					Thursday's Games				
Cincinnati (Leake 2-2) at Cleveland					Midland 4, Frisco 2				
(Carrasco 4-4), 7:10 p.m.					Northwest Arkansas 10, Arkansas 4				
L.A. Angels (Richards 3-2) at					San Antonio at Corpus Christi, ppd				
Boston (Porcello 4-2), 7:10 p.m.					rain				
Oakland (Kazmir 2-2) at Tampa					Springfield 5, Tulsa 4				
Bay (Archer 4-4), 7:10 p.m.					Friday's Games				
Minnesota (P.Hughes 3-4) at					Midland at Corpus Christi, 8:0				
Chicago White Sox (Samardzija 3-2),					p.m.				
8:10 p.m.					Tulsa at Northwest Arkansas, 8:0				
St. Louis (Lynn 3-3) at Kansas City					p.m.				
(C.Young 3-0), 8:10 p.m.					Frisco at San Antonio, 8:05 p.m.				
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Felder Tex.....	41	162	15	55	.340				
McCabera Det..	42	152	23	51	.336				
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Pitching
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