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## RUN FOR THE WALL ROARS TO MEMORIAL

Clockwise from right: More than 500 veterans and their families arrived in Big Spring on motorcycles Saturday as a part of Run for the Wall, a tribute to the men and women who were unable to return from their tours of duty in foreign wars. The organization travels from California to the Vietnam Memorial in Washington D.C. each year for Memorial Day. Below right, Run For the Wall honor guards Ken Damon and Roger Mead place a wreath at the Vietnam Memorial. Below, participants gather on the Memorial plaza.



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## Trinity to honor veterans

*Memorial Day ceremony will be simple but colorful*

By **THOMAS JENKINS**  
 Staff Writer

As the country prepares to honor its fallen heroes, officials with Trinity Memorial Park are planning a patriotic display and ceremony which features more than 100 full-size U.S. flags and hundreds of smaller ones. Set for 2 p.m. Monday, May

27, officials will hold a Memorial Day ceremony to honor the men and women who have given their lives in defense of America, according to Trinity Memorial Park Facility Manager Tammy Lockhart.

"This year's ceremony is going to be fairly simple, much like it was last year," Lockhart said. "Our guest speak-

er will be Major Gen. Eddy Spurgin. We've also added a moment of silence for the family members who have passed during the year. We'll have a list of their names inside the program."

Lockhart said the Howard County Volunteer Fire Department will again provide color guard services for this

year's ceremony — which marks the 30<sup>th</sup> year Trinity Memorial has held the event — with a special touch.

"The volunteer fire department provided their color guard last year and did such a tremendous job," Lockhart said. "This year, I understand they are also going to be bringing their bag pipes for

the ceremony. Kem Hooper and Valerie Sullivan will be performing, so we're really looking forward to that."

Preparations for the ceremony begin the prior Saturday, May 25, as local Boy Scouts take time to show their appreciation in a

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## Guild extends scholarship application deadline

Herald Staff Report

Big Spring Symphony Guild has extended the application period for students to apply for the Phyllis Graumann Memorial Scholarship.

It's the second year for the Guild to offer the scholarship for seventh through 11th grade vocal or instrumental students in Howard County.

"Please encourage your students you believe deserve a scholarship

for further education in music to apply," Guild President Eulaine McIntosh said in a release to area teachers. "We have two scholarships available this year."

The selected applicants will receive a \$300 scholarship to use for private music instruction, music camp/school tuition or a music festival attendance.

Applicants must issue a \$5 non-refundable check to the scholarship fund and attach a copy of their

identification to show proof of age. These should be mailed to the Phyllis Graumann Memorial Scholarship Committee, Big Spring Symphony Guild, 2800 Crestline Road, Big Spring, TX 79720.

Include a DVD or video tape of the student playing an instrument or singing approximately two minutes long. Ask a music teacher to provide a letter of recommendation.

The deadline has been extended to June 1.

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## Obituaries

### Iwanda 'Bonnie' King



Iwanda "Bonnie" King, 82, of Big Spring, died Tuesday, May 14, 2013, in a local hospital. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m., Monday, May 20, 2013, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Johnny Cockerham officiating. Interment will follow at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Bonnie will lie in state at the funeral home from Saturday until service time Monday.

She was born April 29, 1931, in Girard, Texas, and married George Zachary King Dec. 15, 1951, in Abilene. He preceded her in death in 1967.

Bonnie had worked for Bell Telephone and at Barq's Root Beer factory. She had been a resident of Big Spring since her marriage in 1951. She loved her family and enjoyed cutting up and laughing with everyone. She enjoyed life so much. She filled our hearts with joy and love and will be greatly missed by all. Bonnie was the best daughter, sister, mother and grandmother.

She was a Baptist.

Survivors include two sons, George Z. King Jr. and wife Amy and Johnny M. King and wife Sherry, all of Big Spring; two daughters, Gloria Panek and husband Craig of Big Spring and Janie Brown; two sisters, Jean Heck of Lubbock and Exa Ballard of Henderson; 11 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; and a number of nieces and nephews.

She was also preceded in death by her parents, Emmitt and Laura Hollingshead; three daughters, JoBeth King, Rhonda Bledsoe and Mary Jackson; one grandson, Tracy Wayne Bledsoe; two brothers, Floyd Hollingshead and Clyde Hollingshead; and two sisters, Ninabeth Hollingshead and Mae Webb.

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

*Paid obituary*

### Chance Allen Perryman II

Chance Allen Perryman II, infant, died Friday, May 17, 2013, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Private family services will be held at a later date.

He is survived by his parents, Shawna and Chance Perryman of Big Spring; siblings, Heaven Lee Meade Perryman and Drake Anthony Perryman, both of Big Spring and Roci Nikole Pipkin of Sherman; grandparents, Laurie and Lewis Macke of Denison and Russ and Lillie Hesson and Amanda Perryman, all of Big Spring; great-grandfather, Elliott Perryman of Big Spring; and several aunts, uncles and cousins.

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

### Ray L. Dabney

Ray L. Dabney, 78, of Big Spring died Saturday, May 18, 2013, in a Midland hospital. His services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

## Take Note

• The final Cub Scouts sign-up for the spring will be from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday at the Big Spring Scout Office, located at 610 Scurry St. Cub Scouts is open to boys in grades kindergarten through 5. Sign-up cost for the remainder of the year is \$11.75. For more information, call 432-212-3577.

• The Big Spring High School boys and girls sports banquet will be held Tuesday, May 21 in the BSHS cafeteria at 6 p.m. Tickets can be purchased through the athletic office at the ATC for \$10 each. A full meal is included. For more information, call 432-264-3662.

• Healthy Woman and KBST are partnering to bring "Texting Can Wait" to Big Spring and Howard County. The event is scheduled for May 30 at 5:30 p.m. in the third floor courtroom of the Howard County Courthouse. KBST will have a simulator on hand for those attending to test their texting and driving skills. The event is free to the public. For more information, call Amanda Duforat at 432-268-4842 or Anita Cline at 432-268-4721.

• Kentwood Early Childhood Center will hold pre-registration for its pre-kindergarten classes from 9 a.m. to noon May 1-15 at the ECC, located at 2500 Merrily. For more information, contact the school at 264-4130.

• Crossroads Hospice is in need of volunteers. Volunteers are the backbone of the hospice team, by bringing light and love into people's lives. For more information, contact Eva Robison at 263-5300.



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## Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 7 a.m. May 17, 2013 and 7 a.m. today:

• VICTORIA CEVALLOS, 44, of 3912 E. Hwy 350, was arrested Friday on warrants for theft greater than or equal to \$50 but less than \$500, expired registration and theft by check greater than or equal to \$20 but less than \$500.

• KERRY CECIL OMELIA, 51, of 1004 E. 15<sup>th</sup> St., was arrested Friday on warrants for driving while license invalid, failure to appear, and two warrants from another agency.

• DAVID RAY HENSON, 44, of 5205 Longshore Dr., was arrested Friday on warrants for prohibited weapons – switchblade/knuckles, failure to identify – fugitive give false information and a warrant from another agency.

• ADRIAN JERMAINE SNEED, 37, of 709 E. 15<sup>th</sup> St., was arrested Friday on a warrant for theft greater than or equal to \$500 but less than \$1500.

• ASHLEY ELAINE ELLISON, 25, of 3200 Auburn, was arrested Friday on warrants for driving while license invalid, expired registration, and two counts of bail jumping/failure to appear/fine only.

• JAMIE RENTERIA, 50, of 1009 N. Bell St., was arrested Friday on a warrant for theft greater than or equal to \$20 but less than \$500 by check.

• ANGILO MATTHEW SAVILLE, 26, of 5102 Wasson Rd., was arrested Friday on warrants for assault – family violence threat or offensive touch and safety seat system – child less than age 8 or less than 4 feet 9 inches tall, failure to maintain financial responsibility, no drivers license, and operating a vehicle with a child less than age 18 in open bed.

• ANDREA VANESSA ANCISO, 25, OF 5102 Wasson Rd., was arrested Friday on warrants for failure to maintain financial responsibility, driving while license invalid, and two counts of failure to appear.

• ASSAULT was reported at the 1900 block of Wasson Rd.

• THEFT was reported at the 1100 block of N. Lamesa Rd.

• BURGLARY OF A BUILDING was reported at the 1000 block of Main St.

• THEFT was reported at the 1800 block of Wallace St.

• MINOR ACCIDENT was reported at the 1100 block of Gregg St.

### MONDAY

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

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

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

• Take Pounds Off Sensibly (TOPS) TX 0021 meets at First Christian Church at 10th and Goliad, in the dining hall on the east side of the building. Weigh-in starts at 5 p.m. and meeting starts at 5:30 p.m. We have a different program each week. For more information, please call 517-4922 or 935-6306.

• Circle of Hope, a Celebrate Recovery group, meets at 6:30-8 p.m. at Spring Creek Fellowship, located in the College Park Shopping Center. Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered recovery program dealing with life's hang-ups, hurts and habits, covering many areas. Circle of Hope group is a ministry of Spring Creek Fellowship. For further information, contact Dale at 432-270-8462.

• Reformers Unanimous International is a faith-based addictions program helping people find freedom from addiction. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Mondays at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Enter at the back of the church.




• Stepping Stone Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at Baptist Temple Church Fellowship Hall, 400 E. 11<sup>th</sup> Place. Open meeting at 7 p.m.

### TUESDAY

• Big Spring and Snyder Parkinsons Support Group meeting at the Big Spring Senior Center at 10:30 a.m. the second Tuesday of the month. This is a group for all Parkinson's disease patients, spouses and caregivers. For more information about the support group or about Parkinson's Disease, contact Jo Bidwell at the Lubbock APDA office at 806-

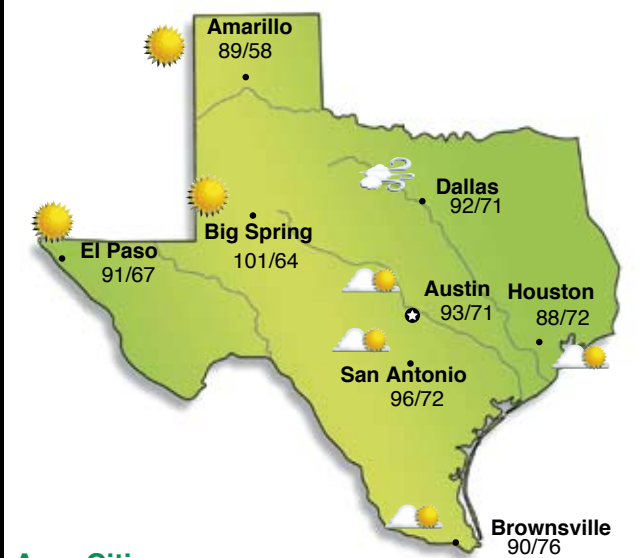
## Today's Weather

### Local 3-Day Forecast

Sun 5/19	Mon 5/20	Tue 5/21
 <b>101/64</b> Sunny skies. Very hot. High 101F. Winds WSW at 15 to 25 mph.	 <b>102/66</b> Sunshine. Highs 100 to 104F and lows in the mid 60s.	 <b>94/62</b> Mostly sunny. Highs in the mid 90s and lows in the low 60s.
<b>Sunrise:</b> 6:46 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 8:40 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 6:45 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 8:40 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 6:44 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 8:41 PM

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### Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
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Amarillo	89	58	sunny	Livingston	90	69	pt sunny
Austin	93	71	pt sunny	Longview	91	71	pt sunny
Beaumont	86	72	pt sunny	Lubbock	92	56	sunny
Brownsville	90	76	pt sunny	Lufkin	92	71	pt sunny
Brownwood	98	68	sunny	Midland	100	67	sunny
Corpus Christi	88	76	pt sunny	Raymondville	92	74	pt sunny
Corsicana	90	69	windy	Rosenberg	88	72	pt sunny
Dallas	92	71	windy	San Antonio	96	72	pt sunny
Del Rio	103	75	sunny	San Marcos	94	71	windy
El Paso	91	67	sunny	Sulphur Springs	91	71	windy
Fort Stockton	98	65	sunny	Sweetwater	100	66	sunny
Gainesville	90	68	windy	Tyler	92	71	pt sunny
Greenville	90	69	windy	Weatherford	91	68	windy
Houston	88	72	pt sunny	Wichita Falls	99	66	windy

## Support Groups

785-0942.

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

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

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

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

### WEDNESDAY

• "A Journey to a New Normal," a grief support network, meets from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at 602 S. Main. For information, call 263-5999.

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

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

### THURSDAY

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

## GreenHouse Photography is selling our customer files!!

We will continue to do photography, but from an internet-based platform. Sometime between now and May 31, 2013, we will close the retail outlet on Scurry St.

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*A special thanks to the Compass Hospice Staff.*

David, Thomas, Timothy and Shelia Brewer

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## Around the area

### Western Swing Festival

SNYDER — The West Texas Western Swing Festival is set for June 4-8 at Scurry County Coliseum. The festival annually attracts 2,500 or more fans, many of whom arrive in RVs.

Following a welcome home Burgers and Beans Jam June 4, the music begins each day at noon and continues until after 11 p.m. The lineup features a dozen bands, with each performing twice a day.

Bands will include:

June 5: Jimmy Burson, Amber Digby and Midnight Flyer and Mark Powell and Lariat.

June 6: Tommy Hooker, Landon Dodd and the Dance Hall Drifters, Jake Hooker.

June 7: Justin Trevino, Kelly Spinks and Miles of Texas, Jody Nix and the Texas Cowboys.

June 8: Larry Lange and the Lone Star Troubadours, Eddie McAlvain and the Mavericks and Billy Mata and Texas Tradition.

Daily tickets are \$25 each. An all-week pass is \$80.

For more information, visit [www.snyderchamber.org](http://www.snyderchamber.org) or call 325-573-3558.

### Genealogy class to benefit museum

GAIL — Curious about who's in your family tree? Come learn the basics of family history research with the Borden County Historical Commission.

A beginner's genealogy class is slated Saturday, June 22 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Borden County Event Center.

Taught by Lisa Dennis Mahler, the class will cover how to begin, how to stay organized, how to use the internet to find relatives and how to find records at the county level. Lisa was raised in Borden County and now lives in San Angelo, where she serves on the board of directors of the state award-winning San Angelo Genealogical and Historical Society and has been teaching beginner classes in San Angelo for several years.

When asked who should attend, Lisa responded "Everyone interested in their family history. Even if you don't have relatives who lived in Texas, beginning genealogists can start their search with online resources."

The class will cost \$10 per person for pre-registered and pre-paid partici-

pants. Deadline for early pre-registration is June 17. Cost will be \$20 at the door for non-registered participants.

The Historical Commission will provide coffee, iced tea and desserts. Participants should bring a sack lunch and note-taking materials.

Proceeds from the class go toward preservation of the Borden County Museum's collection. You may pick up a registration form from the following location in Big Spring: Election Administrator's Office, Room 101, Howard County Courthouse; or email [bordencohistory@gmail.com](mailto:bordencohistory@gmail.com) to request an electronic version of the registration form.

Mail your completed registration form and payment to Borden County Historical Commission, c/o Kenny Bennett, PO Box 152, Gail, TX 79738.

### 'Sit a Spell in Post' outdoor art project

POST — The Caprock Cultural Association of Post has extended the deadline for an open call for artists to participate in an art project, "Sit a Spell in Post" until the end of May.

The outdoor art exhibit will literally take art to the streets of Post. The exhibit will be comprised of 14 chairs decorated by area artists using original designs and the medium of their choice to depict some aspect of Post or Garza County. The chairs will be displayed in public spaces throughout the community from August through October.

"Our exhibit has expanded to more chairs than originally planned," said Rosa Latimer, executive director of the sponsoring organization. "Frankly, we need more artists and hope this additional time will be helpful to those considering participating. Each artist chosen will receive \$300, their name will be included on a chair plaque, and they will receive publicity in conjunction with the exhibit."

Professional and emerging artists of all disciplines are invited to submit their concept using a color rendering no larger than 8.5" x 11." There is no entry fee. CCA will provide the chairs to the 14 artists chosen and each will receive a \$300 award. Concept submission should be received by May 30, 2013.

Email digital renderings to [ccarts@poka.com](mailto:ccarts@poka.com) or send hard copy renderings to Caprock Cultural Association, P. O. Box 37, Post, TX 79356.

### Reunion

Coahoma High School will hold an All-School Reunion on Saturday, July 20, at the Elementary School in Coahoma. Registration will begin at 9:30 a.m.

Rather than a theme this year, the emphasis

will be upon visiting with old friends and renewing acquaintances. Individual classes are encouraged to utilize this opportunity for their milestone class reunions (20th, 40th, etc.). Invitations will not be mailed this year, so everyone is asked to help

spread the word to all CHS alumni. E-mail information will be sent upon request to Michael Hinsley at [mdhinsley@mac.com](mailto:mdhinsley@mac.com).

A barbecue lunch will be prepared by school organizations as a fundraiser, and pre-payment of \$10 per person



Courtesy photo

**Big Spring State Hospital Team Nurse Kyndra Batla, RN, dances with RN Educator Jeanette Silva, RN, during Big Spring State Hospital's Recovery Rally Wednesday in the hospital's Allred Building Auditorium. The rally attracted more than 250 employees and patients for a morning of sharing stories of recovery, skits and singing and dancing.**

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Jesus "Jessie" Bermea, 50, died Monday. Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. today at Myers & Smith Chapel.

Chance Allen Perryman II, infant, died Friday. Private family services will be held at a later date.

ings to raise money for college scholarships to CHS students. Attendees are asked to bring new or novelty items for the auction. That evening, a CHS Reunion social for all classes will be held in Big Spring at Kokapelli's. Additional details will be available

is requested by July 1 to: CHS REUNION, PO Box 84, Coahoma, TX 79511. Include the names; tickets will be waiting at the registration desk.

The reunion is expected to last until 2 or 3 p.m. and will include an auction and draw-

### VETERANS

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very special way.

"Each year, the day before the ceremony, the Boy Scouts from the Buffalo Trail Council come out and place miniature American flags on the graves of the veterans buried here," she said. "It's a very emotional thing to see."

Welch said the ceremony will be held near the park's Avenue of Flags.

"In honor of Howard County veterans, there

will also be more than 100 full-size American flags flying at the Avenue, which is sponsored each year by the veterans' families," she said. "When this ceremony first started, we didn't have anywhere near 100 flags, but over the years it's grown and grown. It's really something beautiful to see."

A wreath being laid at the park's main flagpole

during the ceremony represents a number of local veterans organizations, Lockhart said.

"The wreath is divided up into portions, and each portion is devoted to a different veterans organization," she said. "It's always a very moving thing to watch, as the different veterans groups have their representative place their part of the wreath."

Trinity Memorial Park is located on S. Highway 87, approximately five miles south of Big Spring. For more information on the ceremony, contact Trinity Memorial Park at 432-267-8243.

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## DAILY PRAYER

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

Amen

# Riders on the Orphan Train

Allison Moore and Phil Lancaster live in Driftwood, Texas, near Austin.

She is a former English professor and a current humanities scholar. Phil is an award-winning musician with impressive credentials.

They met at a folk music festival in Kerrville and their lives have been intertwined ever since. They saw a PBS documentary about children in big northern cities being rounded up, put on passenger trains and doled out to families living in rural areas in the west.

The story, which took place between 1854 and 1929, had a profound effect on the couple and they have devoted their lives to telling the story about this little known piece of American history. They do a multi media presentation titled Riders on the Orphan Train.

“Homeless children in New York would be lined up on a station platform or an opera house and offered to families,” says Allison.

“An agent would have gone out

two weeks ahead of time to post handbills and put an article in the paper stating that the children would be coming and inviting people to come and see them.

“It was basically a public event in which the children were chosen based on how they looked, how they acted and how strong they might be. In that way, siblings were often separated. Those not chosen would get back on the train and go to the next station.”

Allison says at least a quarter of a million children were involved. The last train stopped in Sulphur Springs in 1929.

“The principal part of the public doesn’t know this story,” says Phil. “And even when they’ve heard about it, they’ve never had as much information presented all at once with photographs, videos, interviews with people who were on the orphan train, live music and storytelling.”

Allison wrote a novel about the orphan train and quotes from it at their presentations:

“They stood in a long row on the platform at Pennsylvania Station. Each held a cardboard suitcase with their name written on the side in ink. Due to the early morning drizzle, some of the names were already blurred, the letters dripping into illegible graffiti.”

The dedication and passion

these two have in telling the story are amazing. Allison gave up a tenured university position to do it.

They occasionally get grants from arts and humanities organizations, but mostly they are funded by museums, libraries and schools that hire them to do their 90-minute show.

They travel with projectors and sound systems so audiences can experience what it was like for a child to be taken from familiar surroundings and placed with strangers. Many youngsters went to farms and were put to work tending livestock and crops.

Allison and Phil sing duets of songs they have written. These are some lyrics from one of their songs:

“Maybe this town will be my home. Maybe someone will call my name. Maybe I’ll be ridin’ forever, ridin’ on the orphan train.”

Since 1998, their program has been presented more than 500 times to different audiences in several states. Contact info: [www.ridersontheorphantrain.org](http://www.ridersontheorphantrain.org).

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## LETTERS

### Thanks & congratulations

TO THE EDITOR:

To The Citizens of Big Spring I would like to publicly congratulate our new mayor, Larry McLellan for his win on Saturday. I am so impressed that we both ran a good, clean, above-board campaign. Both of us having the best interests of Big Spring at heart, I feel we will be moving forward to prosperity no matter which one of us was elected and I will certainly support Mayor McLellan in doing so.

I wish to express my heartfelt

and genuine thanks to my beloved wife Carrie and daughter Becca for their steadfast belief in me and unwavering support. God has truly blessed me with a helpmate in Carrie and it has been wonderful to see our daughter Becca take an interest in our governmental process at such a young age of 19. I love you both.

At the same time, I want to thank my “fire ball” campaign manager Natie Saldivar, her able assistants Norma Garcia and Angelica Scott-Phillips, for their tireless efforts and steadfast support as well as Mayor

Duncan, Mayor Mize, the Sayles family and Poncho — along with the many others who encouraged me to run and guided and aided me with support and donations. I couldn’t have done as well as I did without you and I am eternally grateful. For my pastor, Eddy Prince, and our congregation at Grace Fellowship Church of God for all your prayers and support, I am truly humbled and blessed to be in your congregation. To all our supporters, there are just no words to describe my deep

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# Community involvement: Born to serve

Shallowest minds are quickest to tackle deepest subjects, including one comment heard numerous times in many communities: “What this town needs is a few good funerals.”

A stronger cry should be for more “good births” of folks disposed to spend their lives serving others.

Classic examples are the late Emmett Whitehead and his widow, Marie. They purchased the Cherokeean (now Cherokeean Herald) in 1950 — and Texans— particularly those in Rusk and Cherokee County — marvel at their record of community service.

He died in 2002 at age 77. Marie, now publisher, is in her 63<sup>rd</sup> year at the paper with no “quit” in sight. Their daughter, Terrie, is editor, alongside her husband, Robert Gonzalez, who also manages the radio station. The AM and FM stations, operating 24/7, are in the same building.

They also offer an Internet edition and have a channel on the local TV cable.

A state historical marker outside Whitehead Enterprises, Inc., identifies the Cherokeean Herald as Texas’ oldest weekly newspaper in continuous publication, founded in 1850.

Terrie and Robert met while students at the University of Texas in a most unlikely manner. One day, as she was unlocking the door to her wing at Jester Hall, Robert and a buddy were handing out popcorn by the handfuls from a garbage-size bag.

At a party a couple of years later, they met again, her remembering his handing out popcorn and his recalling which floor. Learning she was one of the few students with her own typewriter, he asked her to type a paper due the next day.

Soon, they were a pair — both were full-time students; both had part-time jobs at the state capitol. They didn’t fret around-the-clock parking woes at UT, since Robert owned a “bicycle built for one.”

Her on the seat and him standing to pedal, they rode everywhere. A wedding proposal soon came; it, too, was unconventional. She proposed to him.

On the radio side, Robert hosts a call-in show each morning. “Stuff” is bought and sold, and he’s always ready for unlikely topics.

He kept one suicidal caller on the line until help arrived, playing commercials non-stop for an extended period. One caller wanted to know how to “break into” prison. A couple of wardens heard the plea, followed up and found out the inquirer was a pre-qualifier.

A lady wanted to buy a “doggie dooley.” Later, a listener called in with one for sale. (Check Google if you wonder what this item is, or take a wild guess.)

Whitehead’s old office remains unchanged. There are his rolltop desk, big chair and citations for service filling every wall.

It calls for reverence — even silence — to consider the memory of a man whose service included mayor, county judge and state legislator — a man who chose Rusk as a wonderful place for him and his wife to rear their two daughters. (Wendee is an Austin chiropractor.)

His last “rabbit from the hat” resulted in a new health care

facility in Rusk — East Texas Medical Center.

Success in newspapering, like much else, requires energy, vision, boldness and faith.

The family has it. One example: Marie, with two degrees from Stephen F. Austin, wrote a 300-page master’s thesis on the history of Cherokee County newspapers.

She put to rest other publishers’ claims to have the state’s oldest weeklies with documentation later noted by the Texas Historical Commission.

Sam Houston, father of Texas and the Republic’s first president, lived for several years with the Cherokees and took an Indian bride. He’d be proud of a county proudly bearing the name of a tribe chased out only a dozen years before the newspaper’s origin.

He would marvel at the progressive community spirit fostered by a small band of folks at Whitehead Enterprises.

Check out any of these claims. A good start would be to contact Gloria Jennings. She’s not “blood kin” to the Whiteheads, but joins them in being proud of the community. She’s been a Cherokee County reporter for 52 years, and preaches Sundays at Oakland United Methodist Church.

She joins Mrs. Whitehead in being “steam-engine strong,” like the Texas State Railroad that connects Rusk and Palestine. The Whiteheads led in its restoration several years ago, but that’s another story.

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# FORSAN AFTER PROM WAS A SUCCESS!

**THANKS** to everyone who purchased a ticket for the John Deer Gator Sport supplied by South Plains Implement. The winner was local attorney, **Juan V. Silva**. **THANKS** to Forsan parents who donated their time and money. You all helped make this event special.

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# Will Boy Scouts accept gay youth? Vote is imminent

DAVID CRARY

AP National Writer

With its ranks deeply divided, the Boy Scouts of America is asking its local leaders from across the country to decide whether its contentious membership policy should be overhauled so that openly gay boys can participate in Scout units.

The proposal to be put before the roughly 1,400 voting members of the BSA's National Council on Thursday, at a meeting in Grapevine, Texas, would retain the Scouts' long-standing ban on gays serving in adult leadership positions.

Nonetheless, some conservatives within and outside the BSA community have denounced the proposal, saying the Scouts' traditions would be undermined by the presence of openly gay youth. There have been warnings of mass defections if the ban is even partially lifted.

From the other flank, gay-rights supporters and some Scout leaders from politically liberal

areas have welcomed the proposed change as a positive first step, but are calling on the BSA to go further and lift the ban on gay adults as well.

The Scouts' national spokesman, Deron Smith, said the policy toward gays had become "the most complex and challenging issue" facing the BSA at a time when it is struggling to stem a steady drop in membership.

"Ultimately we can't anticipate how people will vote but we do know that the result will not match everyone's personal preference," Smith said in an email.

In January, the BSA floated a plan to give sponsors of local Scout units the option of admitting gays as both youth members and adult leaders or continuing to exclude them. However, it changed course, in part because of surveys sent out starting in February to members of the Scouting community.

Of the more than 200,000 leaders, parents and youth members

who responded, 61 percent supported the current policy of excluding gays, while 34 percent opposed it.

Those findings contrasted with a Washington Post-ABC News national poll earlier this month. It said 63 percent of respondents favored letting openly gay youth be Scouts, and 56 percent favored lifting the ban on gay adults.

Over the past several weeks, numerous public events have been staged by advocacy groups on different sides of the debate.

A group called Scouts for Equality has organized rallies in several cities aimed at urging local BSA councils to support an end to the ban on gay youth. Rallies opposing any easing of the ban, for youth

or adults, have been organized by a group called OnMyHonor.net, which claims the pending proposal "requires open homosexuality in the Boy Scouts."

Both groups plan to have their leaders and supporters on hand in Grapevine as the vote takes place.

Among those heading to Grapevine to lobby for an easing of the ban are Tracie Felker and her 16-year-old son, Pascal Tessier, who, though openly gay, is on track to become an Eagle Scout as a member of Boy Scout Troop 52 in Chevy Chase, Md.

"We are absolutely dedicated to restoring integrity to Boy Scouting and reinvigorating the program," Felker said. "That can only be done by removing the stain of discrimina-

tion."

Passions also run deep on the other side, as evidenced by a live online event titled "Stand With Scouts Sunday" presented May 5 by the conservative Family Research Council. The council opposes lifting the ban on gay youth, saying such a change "will dramatically alter the culture and moral landscape of America."

Among the participants was Texas Gov. Rick Perry, who lauded the Scouts' tradition of character-building.

"For pop culture to come in and try to tear that up because this happens to be the flavor of the month ... that is just not appropriate," Perry said. "Frankly I hope the American people stand up and say, 'Not on my watch.'"

Also appearing on the webcast was Jeremy Miller, a Scout leader from Ohio who said the proposed change "will open the door to boy-on-boy sexual contact, bullying and older Scouts being predators on younger scouts."

The BSA's national leadership has rejected such warnings as ill-founded. "The BSA makes no connection between the sexual abuse or victimization of a child and homosexuality," a new background document says. "The BSA takes strong exception to this assertion."

Of the more than 100,000 Scouting units in the U.S., 70 percent are chartered by religious institutions. While these spon-

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appreciation and gratitude.

Lastly, to all the citizens of Big Spring I wish to thank each of you for participating in our sacred electoral process guaranteed by our Constitution as your right to elect whom you see as best fit for the job. My faith in our Country and Constitutional Republic is renewed when this works and it has. What a blessed country we live in and you have my word that I will continue to be active in our local politics for the betterment of Big Spring and Howard County. I will always work hard to make our hometown a shining example for others to follow in whatever capacity I can. I will be back!

May God bless each of you,  
**ROGER M. RODMAN**  
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### Thanks, everyone

TO THE EDITOR:

My thanks to the citizens of Big Spring for allowing me the honor and privilege of serving you.

I am especially proud to have served with this council. You represent what is good in our system of government.

To city staff, I could not find the words that would express my appreciation and my admiration of your work.

Thank you to my family and friends for standing by me.

Finally, I pray that God will hold Big Spring in His loving hands, guide her forward and bless her abundantly.

Thank You,

**TOMMY DUNCAN**  
BIG SPRING

### Protect the watershed

TO THE EDITOR:

I'm writing to out of the need to protect the Grand Canyon

Watershed, a magnificent area held dear by local Arizonans and Americans across the country. Following are but a few of the reasons why President Obama should designate the Grand Canyon Watershed as a national monument. First, these one-of-a-kind wild, rugged cliffs, deep canyons, and grasslands are home to many rare plants and animals, as well as a wealth of recreation opportunities.

Moreover, it is a place worthy — and in need of — permanent protection. There has been resurgence in interest in uranium mining, putting the Grand Canyon Watershed and the water supply of millions of people at risk. And finally, permanent protection could secure recreation opportunities, the natural beauty, and economic potential of the Grand Canyon Watershed, while respecting existing uses.

Sincerely,

**DR. LEA FAULK**  
BIG SPRING

### Oversight, sorry

TO THE EDITOR

Other than churches, I think the United Way is the most vital, effective private organization in the world. There are 1,800 United Way organizations in 41 countries and Big Spring is fortunate to have a United Way.

I totally support the vision and mission of the Big Spring and Howard County United Way. I have volunteered with United Way here ever since I moved here in 2006, and have been grateful for the opportunity to donate to the many local agencies it supports. One of those agencies is Isaiah 58, an ecumenical ministry started in 1998 to feed hungry people in Howard County, which brings me to the reason for this letter.

Last Tuesday, we celebrated the grand opening of the new facility for Isaiah 58 with a ribbon cutting by the Chamber of Com-

merce and a brief dedication service. Isaiah 58 effectively distributes food to needy individuals and families in Howard County because of its cadre of wonderful volunteers and the support of its many community partners. One of those important partners is the United Way of Big Spring and Howard County.

I made a mistake by omitting United Way from the list of community partners. I apologize to Sandy Stewart, the executive director, and to the board for this accidental oversight, and I want everyone to know that United Way's support for Isaiah 58 is wanted, needed and appreciated.

**KEN MCINTOSH, MINISTER**  
FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

### Great job, cooks!

TO THE EDITOR:

I would like to express my appreciation to Mr. Bill Cole and his staff at the Settles Hotel Grill for the exquisite job they did on the Mother's Day buffet.

The food was excellent and staff members Brandi and Christina were so attentive, making our meal extremely pleasant.

Big Spring is so fortunate to have the quality of cooks the Settles provides our community. If you have not afforded yourself the chance to eat at the Settles Grill, by all means do so.

**JUDITH TERELETSKY**  
BIG SPRING

### Wonderful care

TO THE EDITOR:

My mom has had a couple of stays this spring at Scenic Mountain Medical Center and I wanted to let Big Spring, Howard and the surrounding counties know how blessed we are to have such a caring and professionally staffed facility.

Personally, I do not know how those nurses do all they do. They are constantly in motion. Keep it up — you're greatly appreciated.

**TAYLOR D. ETCHISON**

## Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

### From One Extreme to the Other

West dealer.  
North-South vulnerable.

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

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

The bidding:  
West North East South  
Pass Pass Pass 1♠  
Pass Pass Pass  
Opening lead — ten of clubs.

**This deal occurred** in a match between Sweden and Greece. It is a striking example of what an enormous effect one innocent little bid can have on the outcome of a hand.

**When the North-South cards** were held by a Swedish pair, the bidding went as shown. In standard bidding methods, South's opening spade bid was entirely normal, and while North's pass is debatable, his action was reasonable.

**Actually**, North had no satisfactory response to the spade bid. One

notrump would surely have been misleading with 7-4-1-1 distribution and only four high-card points. Similarly, two diamonds would also have been misleading, since North was woefully short of the 10 or more points normally required for a suit response on the two-level.

**So the Swedish South** became declarer at one spade and made two for a score of 110 points (including the 50 points awarded in duplicate bridge for making a partscore).

**When a Greek pair** held the North-South hands, the bidding was far more spirited:

West	North	East	South
Pass	Pass	1♠	1 NT
2♥	3♦	Pass	6♦

**Here it was East** who opened the bidding with one spade. The Greek South overcalled with one notrump and did not fiddle around after West bid two hearts and North bid three diamonds. South leapt straightaway to six, which was easily made with an overtrick for a score of 1,390 points, giving Greece a gain of 1,280 points on the deal!

**Had East not opened** the bidding with one spade — certainly a reasonable action in third seat — the Greek South might very well also have wound up in one spade, making two, instead of six diamonds, making seven.

**Tomorrow: Famous Hand.**  
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## Sudoku Answer on Page 8A

# sudoku

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

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# The conveniently forgotten war

*Editor's Note: The following editorial was in the Herald previously in an incomplete form. It is published here in its entirety.*

If you missed CBS's "Sunday Morning" program last week, you missed a report that should be required viewing for all Americans.

And if you are one of those Americans who still question why Latinos in the Southwest are offended when they are treated like foreigners, someone needs to sit you in front of a computer and make you watch this video online.

If there ever was a chapter of American history that needed a refresher course, this was it!

That's because this particular chapter on the Mexican-American War has been so egregiously and conveniently forgotten that many Americans are forming opinions that are based on ignorance.

We still call it the Mexican-American War. But in Mexico, they still call it "The American Invasion."

Some of us forget, and some never learned, that up to 165 years ago, most of the western United States belonged to Mexico, and that this territory was won in a war provoked by the United States to satisfy its thirst for territorial expansion.

We forget that for many Latinos in the Southwest, it wasn't their ancestors who came to the U.S. It was the U.S. that invaded the land of their ancestors.

For those who are unaware of this, making mistakes, and even offensive remarks, can be easy — especially when addressing Latinos who can trace their ancestry further back than Anglo-Saxons in certain parts of the country.

It happened to me as I trekked across Arizona with community activist and Latino history buff Martin DeSoto last summer.

"So you are telling me that your great-great-grandparents came from Mexico?" I asked naively.

"Nooo," DeSoto replied. "When my great-great-grandparents lived here, this was Mexico!"

Obviously, my friend DeSoto was the first person who came to my mind when I saw Mo Rocca's wonderful "Halls of Montezuma" report on CBS's "Sunday Morning." In less than eight minutes, Rocca examines the Mexican-American War in a way that surely would make most Americans better understand their Latino neighbors and their right to be in this country.

Readers of my columns on Latino American history immediately called to tell me that Rocca was moving into my turf. But I was glad to see it. I call my series "Hidden Hispanic Heritage," and I welcome all who try to bring our history out of hiding!

"A lot of people live in land that was taken from Mexico in this war, and they are not aware of that," Penn State historian Amy Greenberg tells Rocca. "I believe a lot of the immigration debate that's going on now operates in a vacuum, where people are not realizing that in fact Mexicans are here in lands that once belonged to Mexico."

In Rocca's report and in her recent book, "A Wicked War," Greenberg explains how the Mexican-American War was engineered, provoked and manipulated by President James Polk, who believed that it was this country's "Manifest Destiny" to expand across the continent — even though a huge chunk of Mexico stood in the way.

In the CBS report, historians on both sides of the current Mexican border explain how, after failing to convince Mexico to sell almost half of its territory, Polk bullied Mexico into a war based on greed and lies, instead of ideology and principles. They explain how "Manifest Destiny" was used as a rhetorical excuse to go to war with Mexico and how many prominent Americans, including two who went on to become U.S. presidents, were opposed to this war.

Before becoming president, Abraham Lincoln was part of a group of congressmen who questioned Polk's warmongering claims and stood against "a war unnecessarily and unconstitutionally begun by the president of the United States."

And President Ulysses S. Grant, who served as a young army lieutenant in the 1846 to 1848 Mexican-American War, noted in 1879 that, although he lacked the moral courage to resign from his army post

when he was a youngster, "I do not think there was ever a more wicked war than that waged by the United States on Mexico."

In his 1885 Memoirs, Grant said he had been "bitterly opposed" to the annexation of Mexico and that he regarded the war as "one of the most unjust ever waged by a stronger against a weaker nation." He added that, "It was an instance of a republic following the bad example of European monarchies, in not considering justice in their desire to acquire additional territory."

In fact, when the war ended in 1848, after the Mexicans suffered defeats all the way into Mexico City, Polk had realized the largest acquisition of U.S. territory. Under the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo, for \$15 million, Mexico was forced to give up its claim to a disputed portion of present day Texas and to the entire New Mexico and California territories.

Of course, just like it's misleading to say that Juan Ponce de Leon discovered Florida when in fact he discovered the mainland that is now the United States, it's also misleading to say — as many people do — that Mexico lost New Mexico and California. In fact, the territory Mexico lost encompassed present-day California, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah, most of Arizona and parts of Colorado and Wyoming. Mexico lost almost half of its territory and the United States grew by a third of its size.

Yet in 2008, when Absolut Vodka used a map of old Mexico in an advertising campaign, instead of seen pre-1846 North America, many history-deprived Americans were outraged. Their xenophobia, based on their ignorance of their own history, made them believe Absolut was suggesting that Mexico should conquer the United States.

In fact, 165 years ago, it was the U.S. that conquered Mexico.

Even though the CBS report corrected the misconception created by the Absolut ads, people who suffer from paranoid xenophobia are showing that they cannot be cured, even by a good history lesson.

On the CBS web page featuring Rocca's report, some people are posting comments that show just how threatened they feel by a TV news report that simply establishes that many Latinos have very deep roots in the United States. They would clearly prefer to keep the Mexican-

American War conveniently forgotten.

Some claimed to "take offense" because the war was being mixed with the current immigration debate, as if bringing history into today's context wasn't exactly what a good journalist is supposed to do!

Some tried to justify Polk's aggression, and one even thanked him for waging the war. One said that had the West coast remained under Mexican rule, today it would "reek of poverty." One asked when CBS became "a mouthpiece for La Raza."

No one in Rocca's report suggested that Mexico is seeking the return of the land it lost in the war, yet some people hear what they want to hear.

"We invaded, we won. It's ours now," commented another CBS viewer. "If Mexico wants it back, it better have an army big enough to take it back."

Absurd! One viewer obviously was so paranoid that he jumped to the conclusion that Rocca's report "implies that Mexicans are immigrating, not to become U.S. citizens, but instead to reclaim territory lost in a war. This implies that the motivation for immigration is revenge. They will never be loyal U.S. citizens."

Even more absurd! A report that should make most Americans better understand their Latino neighbors and their right to be here made this American conclude that he had "another argument against Mexican immigration amnesty."

You can be in denial because you don't know your history. But when you have historians correcting your ignorance and you remain in denial, when you are offended by a report that uproots America's hidden Hispanic heritage, perhaps you should look in the mirror and have a sincere talk with yourself.

And if you still see a bigot ranting and raving, who knows? Perhaps at least you will see how the rest of us see you.

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MIGUEL PEREZ

## SCOUTS

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sors include liberal churches opposed to any ban on gays, some of the largest sponsors are relatively conservative denominations that have supported the broad ban — notably the Roman Catholic Church, the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and Southern Baptist churches.

Knowing these churches oppose scouting roles for gay adults,

the BSA leadership hopes they will be willing to back the easing of the ban on gay youth. As part of this effort, the BSA is emphasizing that sexual conduct by any Scout — straight or gay — would be considered unacceptable.

Southern Baptist leaders were outspoken earlier this year in opposing the tentative plan to let Scout units decide for themselves if they wanted to accept gays as adult leaders.

Frank Page, president of the Southern Baptist Convention's Executive Committee, said the new proposal "is more acceptable to those who

hold a biblical form of morality," but he nonetheless favors its defeat.

"A No vote keeps the current policy in place, an outcome we would overwhelmingly support," Page told Baptist Press, the SBC's official news agency.

Baptist Press reported that the Roswell Street Baptist Church in Marietta, Ga., was considering ending a nearly 75-year sponsorship of a Boy Scout troop if the policy change prevails. The church's senior pastor, Ernest Easley, echoed warnings from other Southern Baptist leaders that any BSA accommodation of gays

might prompt defecations and trigger an expansion of the SBC's own youth group for boys, the Royal Ambassadors. According to BSA figures, Baptist churches sponsor Scout units with about 108,000 youth members.

Leaders of some smaller conservative

denominations — including the Assemblies of God and the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod — have signed a statement opposing the proposal to accept gay youth.

Some larger sponsors have either endorsed the proposal, or — in the case of the United

Methodist Church and Catholic Church — declined to specify a position.

If the proposal is approved, the new policy would take effect on Jan. 1, 2014.

A task force already has been created to oversee its implementation.

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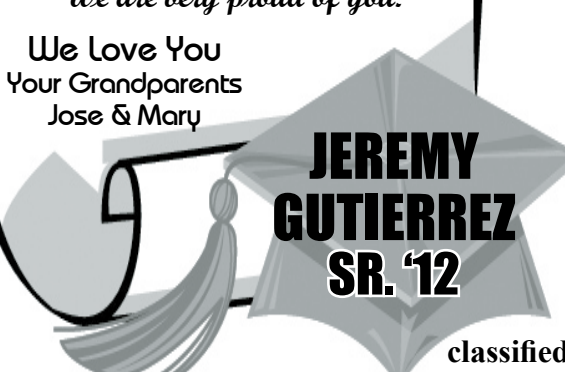
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# Texas budget deal struck, but will Perry approve?

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — A deal on a Texas budget is finally done. Now the Legislature must withstand one final and furious week without sinking a compromise that restores nearly \$4 billion to public schools and puts more water in the pipeline amid a historic drought.

Gov. Rick Perry must also like this bargain, or lawmakers will dig in for a long summer.

House and Senate negotiators settled Friday on a roughly \$100 billion state budget. It would reverse most of the historic spending cuts that socked Texas classrooms in 2011, give state employees a modest raise and still afford Republicans the political cover of not busting a cap on state spending.

"We've written a good budget for the people of Texas," said Republican state Sen. Tommy Williams, chairman of the Senate Finance Committee. "It's a conservative budget that reflects our values."

The full House and Senate

must now ratify the compromise before the 140-day session ends May 27. Just as important is whether Perry will sign this budget bill that falls short of the \$1.8 billion in tax relief he demanded lawmakers to deliver.

The budget deal contains a little more than \$1 billion in business tax cuts and refunds. Williams declined to predict whether the bill would satisfy Perry, whose aides would not comment on the numbers in the deal.

Perry has said that without significant tax breaks and \$2 billion to jump-start a new water fund — which Friday's deal includes — he would haul lawmakers back to the Capitol for a special summer session.

"We will take a look at the bill and make a decision on it once the Legislature sends it to us in its final form," Perry spokesman Josh Havens said.

Even as negotiators unveiled the compromise Friday, tensions continued at the end of a tumultuous

week of spending talks. About \$200 million of the restored school funding, for instance, is on track to go through a separate emergency spending bill. That worries some Democrats, who fear Republicans could change their minds and shift that money elsewhere at the last minute.

When Democratic state Rep. Sylvester Turner pressed why all the school funding wasn't kept together, Williams showed little patience.

"I told you, because I said so," Williams said sternly.

Turner blasted Perry and other GOP leaders this week over accusations they derailed a better deal for schools. Other leading Democrats were more supportive of a compromise that replenishes classrooms stripped of \$5.4 billion by the Republican-controlled Legislature in 2011, when the state faced a massive budget shortfall.

In the deal, the state would add \$3.4 billion to public education spending and put \$530 million to-

ward schools' contribution to the Teacher Retirement System. All of the money would be in the Foundation School Program, which sets the formulas that determine funding.

"This budget has come a long way," said Rep. Trey Martinez Fischer, chairman of the Mexican American Legislative Caucus, who voted against the first draft budget but support the compromise. "This is about the amount cut from the Foundation School Program a year ago. We should not let the perfect get in the way of the good."

Republicans handily control both the Senate and the House. But without the support of Democrats, the House cannot reach the two-thirds threshold necessary to draw \$2 billion from the state's Rainy Day Fund in order to jump-start an aggressive, bipartisan plan for new water projects across the drought-parched state.

Other budget highlights include fully funding the Cancer Prevention and Re-

search Institute of Texas, which started the session fighting merely to survive following a criminal investigation into questionable and lucrative awards. Sweeping reforms have since eased lawmakers' minds about the embattled agency.

State employees would receive a 3 percent raise under the budget, and more money would be sunk into mental health.

The deal is similar to one announced by Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst late Thursday night. Conservative Republicans had complained the deal would spend too much on schools, while Democrats wanted more.

Although negotiators were optimistic of the deal surviving the final week, the 150-member House carries the greatest risk of resistance. Even Republican state Rep. Jim Pitts, the House budget chief, stopped short of predicting passage in his chamber.

"I can never predict what the House is going to do," Pitts said.

## State briefs

### Texas Senate OKs 'Merry Christmas' bill

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — It's Christmas in May in the Texas Legislature.

The Texas Senate has approved a bipartisan bill that aims to remove legal risks of saying "Merry Christmas" in Texas public schools. Traditional holiday symbols, such as a menorah or nativity scene, would also win a nod of state support so long as more than one religion and a secular symbol are also reflected.

State Sen. Robert Nichols, R-Jacksonville, says teachers have been reluctant to say "Merry Christmas" under fear of facing what he calls "frivolous" lawsuits.

"Merry Christmas to you all," Nichols said when the bill passed.

The bill now goes to Gov. Rick Perry for his consideration.

### Billie Sol Estes remembered

GRANBURY, Texas (AP) — Family and friends remembered flamboyant swindler Billie Sol Estes, a man whose name was synonymous with Texas-sized schemes, greed and corruption.

The funeral for Estes was held Saturday afternoon in Granbury, located about 40 miles southwest of Fort Worth. Estes died in his sleep Tuesday at the age of 88.

He became one of the most notorious men in America in 1962, when he was accused of looting a federal crop subsidy program.

But he reigned as the state's king of con men for nearly 50 years.

Estes was best known for the scandal that broke out during President John F. Kennedy's administration involving phony financial statements and non-existent fertilizer tanks. Several lower-level agriculture officials resigned and Estes wound up spending several years in prison.



Estes

ence tying Vail to the disappearance of girlfriend Sharon Hensley in 1973 and wife Annette Craver Vail in 1984.

The Calcasieu Parish coroner later reclassified Mary Vail's death as a homicide.

### Fort Worth museum displays art of 91-year-old

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — A Fort Worth museum has granted the wish of a 91-year-old amateur artist by exhibiting her works.

Two dozen paintings by Dolores "Topsy" Cochran went on display Friday at the Amon Carter Museum of American Art. The exhibit called "Topsy's Passion" is on view through May 29.

Cochran lives in an assisted living facility in Richland Hills, a Fort Worth suburb.

She started painting after being left partially paralyzed by a stroke in 2004. She initially painted on rocks, but after visiting the Amon Carter last year started working on canvas. Her subjects include birds and landscapes.

The museum was approached about the wish by Wish of a Lifetime. It partners with Brookdale Senior Living, the parent company of the facility where Cochran lives, to fulfill the dreams of seniors.

### Granbury residents hit by tornado to return home

GRANBURY, Texas (AP) — Residents in the North Texas town of Granbury whose homes were torn apart or blown away by a deadly tornado are set to return to get what belongings may be left and start cleaning up.

The residents of Rancho Brazos Estates neighborhood will be allowed back in to survey things started Saturday morning.

Granbury bore the brunt of the damage during Wednesday's outbreak of 16 tornadoes in North Texas. Six people were left dead by the tornado that swept through Granbury, located about 40 miles southwest of Fort Worth.

The National Weather Service says the Granbury tornado was an EF-4, based on the Fujita tornado damage scale.

Winds in an EF-4 tornado are between 166 and 200 mph. An EF-5 is the most severe.

### Man arrested in Texas for 1962 death of La. woman

LAKE CHARLES, La. (AP) — A man arrested in a 51-year-old killing is being held in the Calcasieu Parish jail without bond.

Authorities arrested 73-year-old William Felix Vail Friday for the October 1962 killing of his wife, Mary Horton Vail. Calcasieu Parish District Attorney John DeRosier says he intends to seek Felix Vail's indictment for second-degree murder.

Authorities reopened an investigation into Mary Vail's death after stories written by The Clarion-Ledger of Jackson, Miss. Until recently, Vail lived in Mississippi.

The newspaper reports Vail was arrested in Canyon Lake, Texas, Friday evening.

Mary Vail was ruled to have drowned, but family members found evi-

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# Bufs, Bulldogettes fall in openers



Photo submitted by Shaun McVicars

Forsan pitcher Clayton Galloway went 6 1/3 innings Friday and struck out nine Fort Hancock hitters before Blaise Coffman and Dillon Bagnall split the final outs in relief. The Buffaloes (17-12) lost Game One of a best-of-three series and resumed play Saturday in Crane. Results will appear in the Big Spring Herald's Monday edition.

By **BRIAN MCCORMACK**  
Sports Editor

### Forsan Baseball

CRANE — It was a tight game — one consisting of a pitcher's duel between Forsan's Clayton Galloway and Fort Hancock's Manny Grajeda, who combined for 18 strikeouts during the outing.

But the Buffaloes' bats were quiet, while the Mustangs put together a six-run inning in the sixth to key a 8-0 win over Forsan in the regional quarterfinal round of the playoffs.

Galloway was a bit shaky in the first inning — a hit batsmen a walk and a pair of singles led to a 2-0 Fort Hancock lead. The junior hurler managed to strike out three, however, then settled down in the ensuing innings.

The first Buffalo hit didn't come until the fifth when Dillon Bagnall picked up a two-out single.

Still trailing 2-0, the Mustangs added two more runs in the top of the sixth.

Galloway was pulled after six and 1/3 innings with Blaise Coffman taking the mound in relief with a 4-0 score.

With the bases loaded, Grajeda became not

only a threat from the rubber but at the plate as well, as the pitcher hit a grand slam home run to give Fort Hancock and insurmountable 8-0 lead.

Despite base hits by Matthew Mims and Trevor Burchett, the Buffs' offense was unable to produce any runs.

The good news for Forsan, is they won't see Grajeda again. At least not on the mound.

Results from Game Two and if necessary, Game Three will be published in Monday's edition of the *Herald*.

### Coahoma Softball

CLYDE — The lone softball from the region, Coahoma, had a difficult night against Comanche, as a nine-run second inning cooled the red-hot Bulldogettes as the Maidens won 14-3.

The first game of a best-of-three series, Coahoma took the field Saturday to try to avenge the loss and keep their state championship hopes alive.

Results will be printed in Monday's *Herald*.

Contact Sports Editor Brian McCormack at 263-7331 ext. 237 or by e-mail at sports@bigspringherald.com

## LGA News

Special to the HERALD

The Comanche Trail Ladies Golf Association held its weekly lady's playday Monday, with Annie Ward taking low net with a 32 and Connie Fowler won low gross with a 39. Ramona Harris took the fewest putts during the round.

In couple's play Thursday, Ron and Daury Booth and Joe and Patsy Sharpnack came in first place with a score of two-under par.

Three teams tied for second with one-under par., including Jimmy and Deanna Foresyth and Linda Dewaters; Bill and Bobbie Holden and Tommy and Bunny Fletcher and Jerry Roach and Annie Ward and Martin and Lenita Fryar.

## Rangers offense sputters in 2-1 loss

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — With a little help from slugger Miguel Cabrera, Rick Porcello and the Detroit Tigers slowed down the Texas Rangers.

Cabrera went 3 for 4 with a go-ahead double in the fifth inning to back Porcello and lift the Tigers over the Rangers 2-1 Friday night in a matchup of division leaders.

Texas had scored 51 runs in its past eight games, going 7-1 in that stretch. Porcello and four relievers, however, cooled off a Rangers offense that knocked out ace Justin Verlander in the third inning Thursday night.

Cabrera broke a scoreless tie with an RBI double off the wall in left that scored Andy Dirks. Cabrera scored later in the fifth to provide

the Tigers with just enough offense to give manager Jim Leyland his 1,699th career victory.

"We had some opportunities and we were able to score just enough runs to beat them today," Detroit catcher Alex Avila said. "And on the flip side, our guys were able to keep it at a minimum when they had opportunities. We were able to get out of big jams."

Porcello (2-2) allowed one run and five hits in 5 2-3 innings with six strikeouts and a walk as the Tigers rebounded from a 10-4 loss Thursday night.

The 24-year-old Porcello is 2-0 with a 3.24 ERA in four starts since giving up nine runs in two-thirds of an inning April 20 against the Los Angeles Angels.

Detroit remained tied with the Cleveland Indians atop the AL Central.

"I think I'm in a little bit of a groove for sure," Porcello said. "I'm getting better results now, so it's nice."

Joaquin Benoit escaped a first-and-third jam with one out in the eighth when he induced Nelson Cruz's double-play grounder. Cruz also bounced into a double play in the fourth when the Rangers had runners on first and second with nobody out.

The Rangers, owners of the best record in the AL, went 0 for 8 with runners in scoring position.

"You want to be up in those

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## Local briefs

### BSHS Sports Banquet set for Tuesday

The Big Spring High School boys and girls sports banquet will be held at 6 p.m. Tuesday, in the BSHS cafeteria.

Tickets can be purchased through the athletic office at the ATC for \$10 apiece.

A full meal is included. For more information, call 264-3662.

### Country Club to host Parent-Child tournament

The Big Spring Country Club will hold a 2-person scramble format, parent-child tournament June 1-2.

Play will begin with a shotgun start Saturday at 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Sunday.

Entry fee is \$100 per team in the open division and \$50 for the trophy division. Plus cart fees.

Private carts are welcome. Divisions will be flighted by first day score. A parent may play with more than one child. Entry fees for a second team are half-price.

Barbeque will be served on the course Saturday. Prizes in the form of pro shop gift certificates will be awarded.

For more information, call 267-5354.

### Earl Diddle's 2013 Basketball Camps slated for June

Howard College Head Women's Basketball Coach Earl Diddle will be hosting the annual basketball skill camps at Howard College's Dorothy Garrett Coliseum in June. The Little Hawk Camp (boys and girls, K-3rd grade) will be held June 3-6 from 9 a.m. until 10:15 a.m.

The Individual Skill Camp (girls,

Grades 4-6) is June 3-6 from 10:30 a.m. until noon.

Individual Skill Camp for boys (Grades 4-12) will be June 3-6 from 1:30 p.m. until 3 p.m.

Shooting and Position Camp (girls, Grades 7-12) is set for June 10-13 from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m.

All camps are \$50 per student and enrollment is open to students from any school.

Proceeds from the camps go toward the Howard College women's basketball program.

For more information, contact Diddle at 816-4127.

### Crossroads of West Texas Golf Classic to be held at BSCC

The Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce will be sponsoring the Crossroads of West Texas Golf Classic at the Big Spring Country Club

with a shootout beginning June 21 and a two-day tournament slated for June 22-23.

The event is limited to the first 100 paid two-man teams.

The scramble format tourney will be pre-flight by tournament committee and local golf pro (handicap required).

Winners may receive pro shop merchandise at 100 percent of winnings or may take cash at 70 percent winnings. 100 percent of entry fees will be returned to participants.

All entries must be accompanied by cash, check or credit card — no charges or unpaid reservations.

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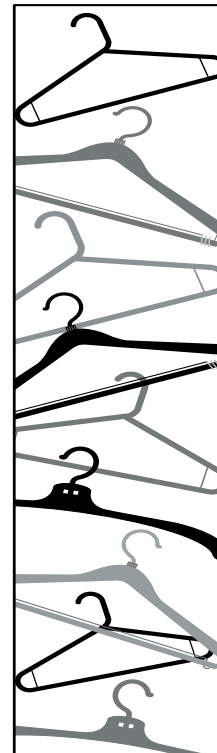
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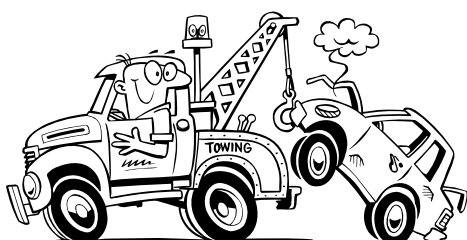
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# Report: Michael Phelps may not be done

(AP) — Is Michael Phelps planning a comeback?

A report Friday night from WBBH, an NBC television affiliate in Fort Myers, Fla., said Phelps will return to swimming with an eye toward competing at the 2016 Rio Olympics. The three-paragraph story on the station's Web site was posted by news anchor Peter Busch, who is the son of Frank Busch, director of the U.S. national swim team.

"The greatest Olympian of all time isn't hanging up his swimsuit, after all," the report said, without citing any sources.

Phelps went on Twitter to downplay the report, but he didn't specifically deny it either.

"Why do I keep getting texts about coming back?" he wrote. "Do (people) really believe everything they hear or read? There are

(too) many (people) in the world that think they have a 'story.'"

Busch followed with a tweet that said he felt "very confident with my info. Guess we'll see."

Phelps has said repeatedly his swimming career was over after winning 18 gold medals and 22 medals overall, both totals far more than any other Olympian. He retired at the age of 27 immediately after last summer's London Games.

There was no other immediate comment from the Phelps camp. A message was left with one of his longtime agents, Drew Johnson.

Officials at USA Swimming also didn't immediately respond to a request for comment.

Just last weekend, longtime rival Ryan Lochte was clearly skeptical that Phelps would stick

with his decision to retire from a sport he dominated for the past decade, especially when so many swimmers are competing well into their 30s.

"I can't really talk about it," Lochte said, breaking into a sly grin during a Grand Prix meet in Charlotte, N.C. "Who knows?"

In an interview last December with The Associated Press, after beating out LeBron James for male athlete of the year, Phelps stressed repeatedly that he had no plans to return to competitive swimming.

He said London, where he captured four gold medals and two silvers, was the perfect way to close his career.

"I wanted to leave that way," he said. "I'm sure I could come

See **PHELPS**, Page 12A

# Bills DE Williams fails to mediate ring dispute

BUFFALO, N.Y. (AP)

— Bills defensive end Mario Williams isn't any closer to getting back his \$785,000 diamond engagement ring from his former fiancée, Erin Marzouki.

And Marzouki's attorney, Tony Buzbee, upped the ante on Friday by releasing a series of text messages he said were between his client and Williams that indicate how despondent the player was over their breakup in November.

Without going into detail, Buzbee said in an email that a court-encouraged effort to mediate the dispute was unsuccessful in Houston earlier in the day.

Accusing Williams of experiencing "dramatic mood swings" throughout the engagement, Buzbee also released an exchange of texts between the two he said he copied off his client's phone. It's a conversation dated as occurring between 4:51 and 8:26 p.m. Central Time on Nov. 11, and includes a break be-

tween 5:03-8:02 p.m.

During the exchange, Williams wrote: "No money in the world should leave me with suicidal thoughts."

Williams also wrote that he took three hydrocodones that morning — that was the day of Buffalo's game at New England. And he planned to take two more on the plane home. Hydrocodone is classified as a narcotic, and prescribed to relieve moderate to severe pain.

Marzouki responded by urging Williams to get help.

"Why don't you talk to someone? Clearly you're not happy & if your takin pills that's bad," she wrote.

Williams apologized, and then wrote he agreed with her that he's furious and should not have texted her in "this state." Williams added: "I need to go back n my shell. There's no telling what Ill do to myself at this point. I'm sry Ill disappear from now on."

See **DISPUTE**, Page 12A

# Dropped fly ball costs Astros win against Pirates

PITTSBURGH (AP) — All Jimmy Paredes was thinking about was catching the ball. Same with Jake Elmore.

Not that concentration helped.

Russell Martin's bases-loaded fly ball popped out Paredes' glove when he ran into the second baseman with two outs in the ninth inning, and the second missed catch of the night by a Houston right fielder helped the Pittsburgh Pirates rally past the Astros 5-4 Friday.

"I'm anticipating the ball being hit to me, just like I do on every pitch," Paredes said. "All I'm thinking about is catch-

ing the ball for the third out. That's all I wanted to do. I was watching the ball and then I hit into him. Sometimes things like that happen in this game, and it's frustrating to lose like this."

Houston manager Bo Porter said Paredes, who was charged with an error, should have peeled off and let Elmore make the play. Paredes collided with second baseman Jose Altuve on Monday night while chasing a pop fly at Detroit.

"It's not a lack of communication, because there's only one person that should be communicating," Porter said. "The infielder is not say-

ing anything. If he gets underneath the ball, the outfielder is running in and he's looking at the infielder. And if the infielder is waving his hands and under the ball, you let him take the ball."

That wasn't Houston's only fielding foible.

Down 4-1, Pittsburgh started its comeback in the sixth when Chris Carter, usually a designated hitter, dropped Andrew McCutchen's fly ball to right for a three-base error and Garrett Jones followed with a double.

Pedro Alvarez hit a two-run homer in the eighth, a 462-foot drive

that cleared the right-field stands and went into the Allegheny River on one hop.

McCutchen's single put runners at the corners, and Gonzalez fielded Brandon Inge's comebacker and dropped it for an error as he turned to throw to second, missing his chance to start an inning-ending double play.

Justin Wilson (4-0) pitched a scoreless ninth as the Pirates (25-17) won for the seventh time in eight games.

# RANGERS

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situations," Cruz said. "I just hope to get another chance so I come through."

Jose Valverde got three groundouts around a one-out walk to Geovany Soto in the ninth, getting his fourth save in five chances this season.

"You don't expect a 2-1 ballgame in this ballpark too many times," Leyland said. "It's a lightning rod and you

can hit it out of here at any time."

Soto homered for a second straight game, a solo shot off Porcello in the fifth that brought the Rangers within 2-1.

Rookie Nick Tepesch (3-4) gave up two runs, six hits and three walks in five innings as Detroit stopped the Rangers' three-game winning streak.

"Detroit has a pretty good lineup," Tepesch said. "I just have to take the positives from this start and be ready for the next one."

Dirks led off the fifth

with a bloop single to center and advanced to second on a groundout.

Cabrera, hitting .509 (27 for 53) with runners in scoring position, lined an 0-1 pitch off the wall in left field near the out of town scoreboard for his AL-leading 42nd RBI. Cabrera scored on Avila's sacrifice fly.

Cabrera nearly put Detroit ahead in the third when he singled to center with Dirks on second base. Leonys Martin made a perfect throw to Soto at the plate for the out.

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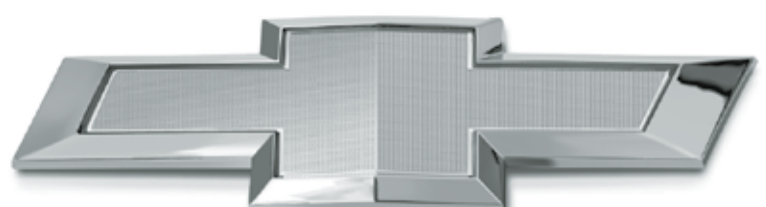
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# Unlikely Big 3 has Memphis in Western Finals with Heat, Spurs

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — The Miami Heat have LeBron James, Dwyane Wade and Chris Bosh. The Spurs have dominated for years with the trio of Tim Duncan, Tony Parker and Manu Ginobili.

Now the Memphis Grizzlies, who traded their leading scorer in January, have surged into their first Western Conference finals behind an unlikely Big Three of their own.

Marc Gasol still is Pau's little brother to some. Memphis thought about trading guard Mike Conley, the son of a track star, early in his career. And Memphis is Zach Randolph's fourth NBA team.

"Me, Marc and Zach, we all tried to take the team and put them on our back and say, 'Hey, this is what we're going to do. This is what we've got to do to be great and get to where we want to go,'" Conley said Friday. "We knew we had to step up, and we all did that."

That they have.

The Grizzlies never won a playoff series with Gay on the court. When they beat the Spurs in the first round in 2011, it came with Gay sidelined by an injury.

Even though Memphis traded Gay on Jan. 30 to Toronto in salary-cutting

move, he wound up as the Grizzlies' leading scorer with 17.2 points in the regular season. But the shots Gay took largely have been split among Conley, Gasol and Randolph, and they have helped Memphis win eight of nine playoff games to finish off first the Clippers, then the Thunder.

And Memphis is the only team in the NBA this postseason with three scorers in the top 20. Not the Spurs. Not the Heat.

Now Conley and Randolph can agree that the trade wound up helping the Grizzlies.

"At first, it was some different thoughts, even myself and some of my teammates," Randolph said. "But after a while, it was, 'OK, this is our identity. We got an identity. Guys are going to stay in their roles.' ... It ended up being good."

The Grizzlies settled into their inside-out game with Randolph down low on the block and Gasol out near the free throw line throwing in hooks and his flat-footed jumpers. Conley darts in and around handing off the ball, picking off steals and scoring when needed.

Randolph is averaging 19.7 points and 9.3 rebounds this postseason, and Gasol is close behind at 18.3 points,

7.9 rebounds and 2.18 blocks. Conley ranks fourth in the playoffs averaging 7.6 assists a game, and he's scoring 17.6 points a game — the best of his career.

"It has helped me out a lot, just the responsibility in itself has been big for me, and I've just tried to use this opportunity to get better and make my teammates better," Conley said.

The Grizzlies play the Spurs in Game 1 on Sunday in San Antonio. But only the most optimistic Memphis fan along with coach Lionel Hollins and general manager Chris Wallace even thought this combination could work so well.

Gasol was the throw-in when Wallace traded Pau, the Grizzlies' all-time leading scorer, to the Lakers on Feb. 1, 2008, in a deal heavily criticized as a gift to Los Angeles. But the Grizzlies got the draft rights to Marc, who had played two years of high school ball in Memphis.

Now the 7-foot-1 Marc is the NBA's Defensive Player of the Year who played his first All Star game last season.

Conley, son of Olympic track star Mike Conley Sr., helped lead Ohio State to the national championship game as a freshman at Ohio State

playing with Greg Oden. Conley led the NBA in steals this season and easily held his own against All-Star guard Chris Paul in the first series. His play has been so good this postseason that teammate Tony Allen keeps arguing Conley is among the top five in the NBA.

"With all those other point guards finishing up being hurt, Mike Conley's name is in there," Allen said. "Top five now I believe."

Conley and Gasol had been together a season when Randolph joined Memphis in a trade that where the Clippers cleared a roster spot for Blake Griffin on July 17, 2009.

Randolph fit right in both on the Grizzlies and in Memphis where his scrappy play with a vertical leap that barely goes past his outstretched toes has made him a fan favorite and a two-time All Star.

Now the Memphis Three have their sights set on a championship knowing they have to find a way to beat Duncan, Parker and Ginobili to have a chance.

"Their big three done won championships and did a lot more than our big three," Randolph said. "We're just trying to get to where they're at."

## Rangers manager Washington defends heavy use of hurler Yu Darvish

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Ron Washington was not about to question himself Friday over Yu Darvish's recent workload.

Especially since Darvish felt fine after throwing a career-high 130 pitches Thursday night against the Detroit Tigers.

The Texas manager had no qualms about sending his

ace back to the mound in the eighth inning against the Detroit Tigers even though the Rangers had a 10-4 lead.

"Not going to second guess myself," Washington said before Friday night's game against Detroit. "Not going to do it."

In a matchup against Detroit star Justin Verlander, Darvish had thrown 115 pitch-

es through seven innings.

Washington said he felt the Japanese right-hander was the only pitcher he had that could slow down the heart of Detroit's order in the eighth. Darvish retired sluggers Miguel Cabrera, Prince Fielder and Victor Martinez in the eighth before Cory Burns pitched the ninth to preserve a 10-4 victory.

The seventh-year Texas manager also noted setup man Tanner Scheppers was unavailable after pitching the previous two days and the bullpen was weary after throwing 10 1-3 innings in a three-game series earlier this week against Oakland.

"I felt like the one guy who get through the big part of that lineup was already out

there," Washington said. "He was up to the challenge and he felt good. So I sent him out there."

Washington said Darvish felt fine Friday and went through his normal exercise routine. Darvish's next scheduled start is Tuesday against Oakland. He is 7-1 — tied for most wins in the big leagues — with a 2.97 ERA.

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**This is a brief outline of the kind of stories we are seeking.**

The Herald staff will also be putting together a By The Number list on June 12 as well as taking photos around the county throughout the period that show what a typical day is like. If you are interested in becoming part of this unique effort, contact us at the newspaper at 263-7331 or via the e-mail link: [newsdesk@bigspringherald.com](mailto:newsdesk@bigspringherald.com) Be sure to read the June 30 edition to see how June 12 unfolded for your friends and neighbors in Howard County.

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## DISPUTE

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Messages left with Williams and his attorney, Monica Orlando, weren't returned.

Williams did post several notes on his Twitter account Friday night — among his first since July. Though they didn't mention Marzouki or the lawsuit, the messages posted were in defense of his character.

"I'm still here and always will be," Williams wrote. "I'm too strong for ridicule and the childish extremes those will do to try and taint a persons name when in reality you make me stronger."

In a separate post, he wrote: "The true character of someone is always revealed in times that we don't typically agree with. In these times it's how you respond and portray yourself to oth-

ers that shows the ethics, character and true morals of a person. What's shown speaks for itself!"

Williams filed a lawsuit in Texas' Harris County district court May 3, demanding Marzouki return the ring and accusing her of breaking off the engagement in January. He alleged, Marzouki never had any intention of marrying him, accused her of absconding with the ring and using the relationship as a means to get at his money.

Williams is entering his second season with Buffalo. In March of last year, the Bills signed the free agent to a six-year, \$100 million contract — the richest awarded to an NFL defensive player.

Marzouki filed a countersuit this past week, calling Williams' claims "ridiculous" and "patently false," and accused the player of

breaking off the engagement.

Marzouki added that Williams made it "abundantly clear in writing" that he wanted her to keep the ring following their last of many breakups in December. And, she said, Williams also communicated his wishes in text messages to her father and brother.

On Friday, Buzbee accused Williams of filing the lawsuit out of anger after Marzouki refused to reconcile after the last breakup.

"Ms Marzouki will not be bullied," Buzbee wrote. Buzbee released a three-page long series of texts off his client's phone.

The first 15 were blacked out, as were the last 15. In between, there were 30 consecutive texts that were shown to be exchanged between Williams and Marzouki.

## PHELPS

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back in another four years, but why? I've done everything I wanted to do. There's no point in me coming back. Everybody is like, 'You're going to come back.' And I'm like, 'No, I'm not.' I've done everything I wanted to do in this sport. I don't know a lot of people who can say that."

After the Olympics, Phelps turned his attention to golf, filming a show with famed instructor Hank Haney for the Golf Channel, signing an endorsement deal with Ping and indicating a desire to see how far he could progress with a new sport. He even joked that the only way he would compete in Rio would be if he qualified in golf, which is rejoining the Olympic program in 2016.

Last week, Phelps participated in an event prior to the Tour Championship at the TPC Sawgrass in Florida.

He also cheered his hometown Baltimore Ravens on their way to the Super Bowl, attending the title game at New Orleans with a large group of family and friends.

Phelps apparently spent Friday swimming at the Interlachen Country Club in Edina, Minn. Lifeguard Stephen Timmes posted a picture on In-

stagram that showed Phelps, looking extremely fit if not in top condition, smiling and posing poolside.

"Lifeguarded for and swam with Michael Phelps at work today," Timmes wrote. "I love my job."

If Phelps does come back, he would have to wait at least nine months to swim in a sanctioned event under the world anti-doping policy, meaning there's no chance of competing at this summer's world championships in Barcelona even if he could somehow get into condition.

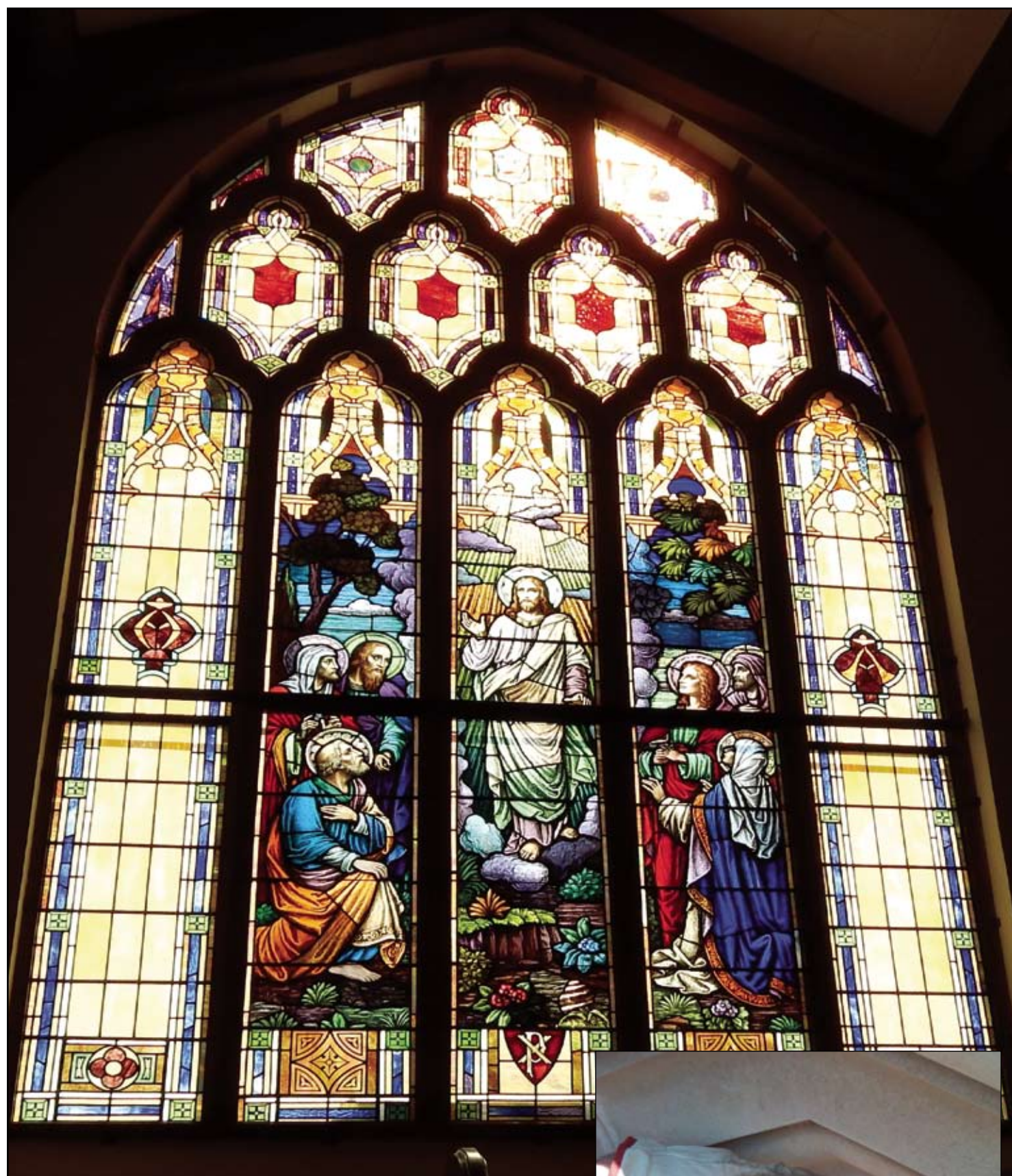
That would peg his return to competition at sometime early next year, leaving plenty of time to get in peak shape and begin gearing up for the 2015 worlds in Russia and, of course, the next Olympics.

The timing of the report was intriguing. Phelps' coach, Bob Bowman, took a sabbatical from the deck after London but was set to work with a group including three-time Olympic gold medalist Allison Schmitt during high-altitude workouts at the national training center in Colorado Springs, leading up to the national championships in Indianapolis next month. Bowman also is coaching the U.S. men's team in Barcelona.

There was no word on whether Phelps might be among the swimmers taking part in the Colorado workouts.



# Restorative Grace



**The First Presbyterian Church of Big Spring celebrates the restoration and reinstallation of the stained glass in their chapel**

**5:30 p.m. Sunday**

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**Refreshments will be served in the Fellowship Hall following the service.**

**F**irst Presbyterian Church is extending a community wide invitation to attend a rededication service in honor of the completion of its stained glass window Sunday at 5:30 p.m. The invitation includes all former pastors of the 121 year-old church with a reception to follow.

According to archives provided by the Heritage Museum, the Big Spring Presbyterian Church was organized Nov. 14, 1891, by the Rev. J.H. Zivley of Dallas and Judge William Kennedy, who was sent expressly for that purpose.

The first dedication service was held March 16, 1930. An article describing the new church, now located at Seventh and Runnels, only briefly mentioned the newly installed stained glass window.

The *Daily Herald's* banner headline read "Opening Church Ceremony Today," with a front page photo and lengthy article. The detailed description of the new church included "with its ... stained glass windows depicting the immortal scene of the Ascension."

There was no mention of who the artist was or where the the windows were acquired. "It's our mystery window," the Rev. Holstedt remarked as he explained some of the recent history of the piece.

Initially believed to be 83 years old, upon closer inspection by the Berg studio who were hired to restore the piece, the work of art proved to be over a century old.

"The studio said that because of the leading and some of the colors in the glass, this window was probably made in the 1880s," Holstedt said.

The length of its existence certainly explained its dilapidated state.

"One pane had bowed in leaving a gap exposing the outside," Holstedt said. "Parts of it was beginning to warp and when one of the restorers touched one of the panes, a piece of the glass came off in his hand."

The reverend went on to explain the lead used to border and secure the pieces of glass had to be replaced. When inquired as to why, Holstedt

replied, "Come up here and put your hand on the window." Despite the relative comfort of the chapel, the glass and lead were very warm to the touch.

"After hanging there for more than 100 years, this window sustained a lot of damage," Holstedt said.

Less than adequate craftsmanship and apparent disregard for the proper installation added to the poor condition of the window.

"It was hanging up there by one nail," Holstedt said. "And when they tried to install it, it didn't fit. They had to carve out about an eighth of an inch groove at the bottom frame to get it to fit. That just made the bowing worse."

About three years ago, the decision was made to have the window sent to Lubbock to be restored. At a bid of \$150,000 the studio soon discovered it had more than it bargained for, according to Holstedt.

"Amy Berg, who owns the studio, told us if she had known how bad it really was, she would have used the pieces for other restorations," the reverend said. "The window is worth \$350,000 and it took them three years to complete."

— *Andreia Medlin*



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## Tompkins-Wilkerson



**Jared Wilkerson and Katie Thompkins**

Katie Thompkins and Jared Wilkerson, both of Big Spring announce their intent to marry at 2 p.m. July 20, 2013, in Big Spring.

Miss Thompkins is the daughter of Troy and

Dana Thompkins of Big Spring. She is the granddaughter of the late Tommy Thompkins and Rhonda and Jimmy Leal of Big Spring and Elton and Betty Williams of Holly Lake

Ranch, Texas.

Miss Tompkins will graduate from Texas Tech University with a bachelor's and master's degree in accounting in December.

Mr. Wilkerson is the son of Hardy and Stefanie Wilkerson of Big Spring.

He is the grandson of Homer and Stina Wilkerson and Paul and Allene Ausmus, all of Big Spring.

Mr. Wilkerson graduated from Texas Tech University in August 2012 with a bachelor's in finance and a bachelor's degree in accounting.

He works for the office of controller of currency in Lubbock, Texas.

## Rae-Tissue



**Lance Callon Tissue and Lauren Rae**

Clayton and Diane Weishuhn of Wall, Texas, announce the

engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter,

Lauren Rae, to Lance Callon Tissue, son of Mark and Shanon Tissue of Big Spring.

Lauren graduated from Wall High School in 2005 and Angelo State University in 2009.

She is attending the physical therapy school at ASU and will graduate in May.

Lance graduated from Big Spring High School in 2007 and from Angelo State University in 2012.

The couple will be married May 25, 2013, in Wall.

## Wells-Cleavinger



**Drew Lynn Wells and Tyler Jeremiah Cleavinger**

Drew Lynn Wells and Tyler Jeremiah Cleavinger, both of Garland, Texas, will wed at 5 p.m. August 10, 2013, at the Courtyard in Big Spring.

Drew is the daughter of Sissy and Odis Franklin of Coahoma and Wayman and Michele Wells of Big Spring.

She is the granddaughter of Susie and Darrell Yancey of Big Spring, Carl and Pearl Wells of Big Spring, the late Jay and Eleanor Dippel and the late Henry and Frankie Franklin. She is the great-granddaughter of Alice Stevens of Big Spring.

Drew earned a bachelor of fine arts in graphic design from ENMU, and is seeking a master of arts in communication and secondary education teaching certificate.

## Births



**Vivian Ann Partee**

Vivian Ann Partee, a girl, was born April 17, 2013, at Community Hospital in San Angelo, Texas. She weighed 8 pounds 14 ounces and was 18 1/2 inches long.

Vivian is the daughter of Jordan and Kristen Partee of Big Spring.

Maternal grandparents are Deb Olshanski of Madison, Wisc., and Tom Olshanski of Pennsylvania. Both are formerly of Big Spring.

Paternal grandparents are Stan and Sue Partee of Big Spring.

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Spring Creek Fellowship, currently a tight fit in College Park shopping center, has purchased the Big Spring Mall. Most of the businesses located there will be staying, however.

# Big changes coming

## Spring Creek Fellowship has major plans for the mall

By ANDREA MEDLIN  
Staff Writer

The Big Spring Mall will soon be getting a facelift.

If all goes to plan, by this time next year the establishment will become Spring Town Plaza.

Most of it anyway. According to Derrick Looney, pastor of Spring Creek Fellowship, and assistant pastor Lloyd Wells, the church now owns Big Spring Mall, with the exception of Beall's and Cinemark. Spring Creek Fellow-

ship is six years old with a growing congregation — growing so much their current location is no longer practical for their needs.



Looney

“We began with a congregation of 85 to 90 people and it has grown to include 250 to 300,” said Looney. “We plan to move our sanctuary where the old JC Penney’s used to be. Or, for those too young to

remember Penney’s, where Techno and Family Dollar used to be,” Looney said with a grin.

Through a sequence of events that sometimes seemed serendipitous or divine to the pastors, the local church has procured ownership of the mall.

“It seemed as though God opened a door for us,” explained Looney. “We needed space and the mall was for sale.”

Looney explained how the idea took shape and ultimately came to fruition.

“I was driving down FM 700 one day and there was a small realty sign that said, ‘For Sale.’ I wasn’t sure of what I had seen so I turned around and went back and sure enough it (the mall) was for sale.”

After consulting with the elders of the fellowship and putting it to prayer, as Looney says, “Everything just fell into place like it was what God wanted us to do.

“It is kind of thinking

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# Energy Watch



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



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This strategist expected very little change in the Federal Open Market Committee’s (FOMC) post-meeting press release last week. The pedal would still be kept to the metal and the Fed would assure the world that easy money was not going away any time soon. But there was an important change in language in the press release; just a few words that may shed some light on the overall thinking of the world’s most powerful central bank.

We know there has been quite a bit of dissension within the ranks of the Fed about monetary policy over the past two years. More recently, some voting members of the FOMC have shown a preference to start “tapering” the Fed’s pace of monthly security purchases — currently \$85 billion — sooner rather than later. Other members believe the current quantitative easing program should continue for the foreseeable future. The majority, based on the release of minutes from the last few FOMC meetings, appears to still be of the opinion that the same amount of Treasury and mortgage-backed securities should continue to be bought.

Or do they? Based on the language change in last week’s press release, we are not so sure. And the change in language was not subtle. You did not need to read between the lines to decipher some hidden message. The March post-meeting press release stated the Fed “will continue its purchases of Treasury and agency mortgage-backed securities...” In the most recent press release following last week’s meeting, however, this language was changed to, “The Committee is prepared to increase or reduce the pace of its purchases to maintain appropriate policy accommodation...” Increase the pace? Hmmm.

You don’t need to think about this new language very long to have an understanding of the message; the Fed is concerned that the trillions of dollars it has thrown at the economy has not sparked more economic activity and higher inflation. Monetary policy in this cycle has not been as effective as in the past. The velocity of money is low. The huge debt bubble that burst when housing collapsed spurred a deleveraging process that has yet to run its course. Consumers, in particular, have been hesitant to borrow to support discretionary spending. The unemployment rate is still very high. And let’s face it, many consumers no longer have the credit scores to do much borrowing. In addition, businesses are still worried that the economic recovery is about to stumble.

We know the Fed is traditionally reactive, not proactive. Is the Committee concerned that inflation will fall toward levels it deems unacceptable? Not only are the inflationary pressures easing in the U.S., but they are also dropping in much of the developed world. And if there is one thing the Fed fears more than inflation, it’s deflation: falling asset values; consumers holding back on making purchases today because they feel prices will be lower tomorrow, a la Japan for the last 20 years; and wages going nowhere or falling in real terms. Those are things that send chills down a central banker’s spine.

So the Fed once again wants to leave no doubt that it stands ready to pump money into the economy at an even faster pace if needed. Is the Fed worried? We are not, but it might be just a little bit.

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These Sands Future Farmers of America members won awards at the FFA’s El Rancho District banquet earlier this month. They are (back row, left to right) Sloan Shaw, Colby Latimer, Will McMorris and Trevor Blagrove; (front row, left to right) Angelica Diaz and Reagan Hamlin.

# Big Spring physician inducted as Fellow in the American College of Radiology

RESTON, Va. — Kommula C. Rao, M.D., has been inducted as a Fellow in the American College of Radiology (ACR).

The induction took place at a formal convocation ceremony during the recent ACR Annual Meeting and Chapter Leadership conference May 4-8 in Washington, D.C.

Rao is a diagnostic radiologist at West Texas VA Health Care System in Big Spring, Texas, and



a clinical assistant professor at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center in Odessa, Texas.

He is a member of the ACR, the Seneca County Medical Society, the Texas Radiological Society and the American Medical Association.

Rao received his medical degree from Andhra Medical College in Andhra Pradesh, India.

One of the highest honors the ACR can bestow on a radiologist, radiation oncologist or medical physicist is recognition as a fellow of the American College of

Radiology.

ACR Fellows demonstrate a history of service to the college, organized radiology, teaching or research. Approximately 10 percent of ACR members achieve this distinction.

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## H-E-B to sell Whataburger condiments

SAN ANTONIO — Whataburger and H-E-B have announced Fancy Ketchup, Spicy Ketchup and Original Mustard should arrive in stores just prior to the Memorial Day weekend.

The Whatafries product — a potato chip version of the French fry — should hit stores around the end of June.

H-E-B will carry both of Whataburger’s ketchup varieties, Fancy Ketchup and Spicy Ketchup, in 20-ounce bottles and its Original Mustard in 16-ounce bottles at all of its stores, including Central Market, Mi Tienda and Joe V’s Smart Shop. Bottled condiments will not be available for purchase at Whataburger restaurants at this time.

## Public Records

### Howard County Justice of the Peace Outstanding IBC Warrants:

Sherri Monique Aldridge, 1507 E. Sixth St., Big Spring  
Jose Manuel Avina, 1404 Nolan, Big Spring  
Jessica Lynn Banks, CR 1200, Lubbock  
Johnny Barraza, 429 Westover, Big Spring  
Jennifer Leigh Black, 1405 E. Barton, Temple  
William Riley Bounds, 1818 Corsicana, Dallas  
Joe Ray Brown, 902 Hickory, Abilene  
Cassie Christine Cantu, 1101 E. 12<sup>th</sup> St., Big Spring  
Susan Cheyanne Cearley, 4104 Muir, Big Spring  
Donald Cervantes, 1211 Lloyd, Big Spring  
Trystan Taelor Cevallos, 3912 E. Hwy. 350, Big Spring  
Kimberly Gaston Coghurn, 6697 Loop 106, San Antonio  
Matilda Cortez, 302 N. St. Teresa, Stanton  
Steve Allan Crim, 8381 Petunia, San Angelo  
Jennifer R. Crow, 1714 Fort Worth, Brownwood  
Julie E. Davis, 5202 Bangor Ave. Apt. K301, Lubbock  
Stefan Deal, 102 Casie Ln. Apt. 1, Fort Worth  
Manuel Delosrios, 707 Lorilla, Big Spring  
Teana Demyen-Roberts, 5601 N. Service Rd., Big Spring  
Michael Angelo Dorado, 2202 William Rd., Big Spring  
Josepy James Eckert, 1123 Newhaven Trail, Pearland  
Maria Luisa Elizondo, 603 S. Second, Meadow  
Kristi L. Elliot, 603 E. 12th St., Big Spring  
Brittany Vanessa Escanuela, 302 Circle, Big Spring  
John Randall Evatt, 4301 W. 49<sup>th</sup> St. Apt. 329, Amarillo  
Kristen Falcon, 2606 Fairchild, Big Spring  
Sharlamarr Frink, 3723 Monclair, Odessa  
Joey Lee Garcia, 3102 Ave. C, Snyder  
Noel Garcia II, 1604

Robin, Big Spring  
Pedro Garcia, 806 Johnson, Big Spring  
Joe Nick Garfias Jr., of 1309 Runnels, Big Spring  
Rosa M. George, 509 W. Second, Stanton  
Joseph Blake Gist, 3500 Cedar Run, Abilene  
Nicholas Gonzales, 903 Creighton, Big Spring  
Rebecca Irene Gonzales, 2659 Maple, Abilene  
Roxanne Deanda Gonzales, 539 Westover Apt. 211, Big Spring  
Eunice Torres Gonzalez, 7311 Westmoor, Odessa  
Whitney Marquez Gray, 2934 Old Anson Rd., Abilene  
Robert Earl Green II, 2512 Fairchild, Big Spring  
James Michael Griffin, 303 Butler Apt. 502, Atlanta, Ga.  
Joe Guzman, 1313 Mesquite, Big Spring  
Kimberly Dee Hargrove, PO Box 1985, Big Spring  
Bryan David Hernandez, 1500 Kentucky Way, Big Spring  
Ashley Rae Hodge, 3214 Drexel, Big Spring  
Danny Holt, 125 Farney Rd., Lorena  
April M. Horton, 1705 Charles, Portsmouth, Ohio  
Bradley Ryan Horton, 601 Linda Lane, Big Spring  
Dana Michelle Hudgins, P.O. Box 837, Coahoma  
Brian Ivanchan, 1208 Mulberry, Big Spring  
Christopher Shawn Jones, 112 McDonald Rd., Big Spring  
Nicholas Vance Jones, 600 Johnson, Big Spring  
Albert Leal, 2522 Albroom, Big Spring  
Jacob Leos, 507 Edwards Blvd., Big Spring  
Jesse Paul Lopez, 1011 Scurry, Big Spring  
Robert Lee Lopez, 503 E. 18<sup>th</sup>, Big Spring  
Joe Anthony Loya, 432 Westover Rd., Big Spring  
Aaron Christopher Mack, 2134 Bonham, Odessa  
Todd Vincent Martin, 409 Woodcrest, Midland  
Joe Martinez, 2525 Fairchild, Big Spring  
Manuel Martinez Jr.,

702 NE Iowa, Lamesa  
Lee Allen Mathis, 101 Falcon Lane, Hillsboro, Texas  
Dustin Tyler McLeod, 108 Landon Dr., Llano  
Norman James McNeese, 1098 LCR 317, Colorado City  
Betty Jane McWilliams, 2511 Hunter, Big Spring  
Hutchinson McWilliams, 4900 W. Highway 80 No. 12, Big Spring  
Cory James Michalewicz, 1106 Briscoe Cove, Hutto  
Darryl Lee Miller, 600 W. I-20 Apt. 119, Big Spring  
Joshua Nathaniel Miller, 2210 Cecilia, Big Spring  
Eddie Glen Mills, 5142 PDQ Rd., Colorado City  
Jose Munoz, 3804 Connelly, Big Spring  
Melissa Nieto, 615 Tulane, Big Spring  
Camilo Martin Nieto, 1 Courtney Place Apt. 108, Big Spring  
John Randall O'Harrow, 107 S. Main, Big Spring  
Elisa Sanchez Ortiz, 1609 Bluebird, Big Spring  
James Michael Perez, 626 Tulane, Big Spring  
Michael Lynn Perkins, 11601 CR 4164, Hermeleigh  
Fred Allen Perry, 1425 E. Sixth Apt. 107, Big Spring  
Taylor James Perry, 2105 Sydney Baker Apt. 228, Kerrville  
Austin Healey Petersen, 1 Haven for Hope, San Antonio  
Joshua Plaia, 1401 E. 18th, Big Spring  
Jarum Renee Pryor, 802 N. Plaza, Big Lake  
Martin Sosa Puga, 1614 Settles, Big Spring  
Randy Randolph, 2514 Albroom, Big Spring  
Shenna LEEAN Reeves, 615 Gene Lee Rd., Mineral Wells  
Sheila Fay Richardson, 1707 Donley, Big Spring  
Liza Leigh Rios, 1002 N. Main St. Apt. 30, Big Spring  
Lisa J. Rubio, 1303 Sycamore, Big Spring  
Melissa Rodriguez Ruiz, 303 N.E. 11<sup>th</sup>, Big Spring  
Miguel Andres Sanchez,

64 McCaleb Rd., Montgomery  
Anastasia Clarice Sanders, 1401 Culpepper Ave., Wilson  
Brittany Nicole Savell, 425 E. Davis Rd., Big Spring  
Warren Victor Schneider, 803 Atlantic, Coahoma  
Kennedra Wynell Shelton, 400 N. Fourth, Corsicana  
Amy Leigh Shifflett, 209 N. Main, Coahoma  
Angela Gay Smith, 102 N. Ash, Coahoma  
Charles Ray Smith, 2911 W. Highway 80, Apt. 155, Big Spring  
Stephanie L. Sterling, 13550 Clark St., Miller-sport, Ore.  
Tiffany Katherine Stokes, 1407 E. 19<sup>th</sup> St., Big Spring  
Timothy Donald Taylor, 4000 W. Highway 80 No. 18, Big Spring  
Keristine Marie Thompson, 1408 Keith St., Midland  
David Wayne Turner, 3204 Irving, Snyder  
Abram Unger, 503 NE Fourth, Seminole  
Ricky Lynn Waltenbaugh, 538 Westover Rd. Apt. 133, Big Spring  
Timothy Shea Wargo, 624 State, Big Spring  
Charles Watson, 804 W. I-20 Apt. 127, Big Spring  
Jacklynn Yvonne Watson, 1503 Tucson, Big Spring  
Thomas Weeks, P.O. Box 110891, Anchorage, Alaska  
Michael Wade Welch, 700 S. Aylesford, Big Spring  
Candida Whitehead, 3706 Connley, Big Spring  
Byran Paul Williams, 1409 E. Main St., Round Rock  
Calvin Williams, 1313 Mulberry, Big Spring  
Frances Elena Yanez, 1610 Cardinal, Big Spring  
James Edward Young, 3313 Auburn, Big Spring  
Dennis Anthony Zaragoza, 4534 Sinclair, Big Spring

### County Court Decisions:

Probated Judgment: Kenneth Alan Potter, driving while intoxicated, \$750 fine, \$457 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 6 months probation).  
Probated Judgment: Rosendo Deanda, unlawfully carrying a weapon, \$500 fine, \$282 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation).  
Probated Judgment: Joshua Steven Walker, driving while license invalid with a previous conviction or suspension, \$500 fine, \$282 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation).  
Probated Judgment: Priscilla Leann Torres, resisting arrest, search or transportation, \$250 fine, \$282 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation).  
**District Court Filings:**  
Carol Ashley Grant vs. Russell Grant, divorce.  
Howard County vs. Costatex Inc., civil.  
Cheryl Beth Gibbs vs. C.L. Gibbs III, divorce.  
Amber Tandi Kilgore vs. Terry Terrell Sanders, divorce.  
Marty Lynn Kirby vs. Lori Michelle Kirby, divorce.  
James Soles vs. Amie Soles, divorce.  
Marcellous Weaver vs. Barbara Crenshaw Bog-gus, civil.  
National Collegiate Student Loan Trust vs. Brian Senter, accounts, notes and contracts.  
Cosden Federal Credit Union vs. Tommy D. Osteen Jr., civil.  
Michael Thomas Martin vs. Natasha Danae Martin, divorce.  
**Marriage Licenses:**  
Ty D. Hopper, 22, and Cynthia A. Pinch, 22, both of Big Spring.  
Isaac R. Willborn, 30, and Brittany R. Cross, 28, both of Big Spring.  
Jose Angel Rivera, 53, and Cora Flores Luera,

49, both of Big Spring.  
Garrick L. Harvey, 39, and Margaret J. Spicer, 28, both of Stanton.  
Clark Ashley Caskey, 38, of Big Spring, and Shawn Cagney Haby, 39, of San Angelo.  
Roy Marvin Collier II, of Big Spring, and Lisa Gayle Chambers, 44, of Coahoma.  
Joseph D. Arista, 30, and Marisela Venegas, 26, both of Big Spring.  
**Warranty Deeds:**  
Grantor: Ana Garces  
Grantee: Mary Gracia  
Property: Lot 4, Block 2, Mesa  
Date: March 28, 2013  
Grantor: Ana Garces  
Grantee: Mary Gracia  
Property: Lot 5, Block 2, Mesa  
Date: March 28, 2013  
Grantor: Toby J. Green and Tara Green  
Grantee: Kenneth Lane and Sue Lane  
Property: Lot 14, Block 3, Washington Place  
Date: March 28, 2013  
Grantor: Kenneth Walker  
Grantee: Harry Gopaliji  
Property: Lot 3, Block 20, Boydston Addition  
Date: March 28, 2013  
Grantor: Kenneth Walker  
Grantee: Harry Gopaliji  
Property: Lot 4, Block 20, Boydston Addition  
Date: March 28, 2013  
Grantor: Brian Hawes and Catherine Hawes  
Grantee: Horace E. Tubb  
Property: An 8-acre tract out of Section 46, Block 31, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey  
Date: March 28, 2013  
Grantor: Brian Hawes and Catherine Hawes  
Grantee: Horace E. Tubb  
Property: A tract out of Section 105, Block 29, W&NW RR Co. Survey  
Date: March 28, 2013



Isaiah 58 officials were joined by Chamber of Commerce representatives during ribbon cutting ceremonies to celebrate the grand opening of the food pantry's new location at 908 S. Scurry St. earlier this week.  
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- Sanitation Truck Driver
- PT General Worker
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- Wastewater Treatment Plant Operators
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- Maintenance Workers (Facilities, Golf Course, Sports Complex, Parks)

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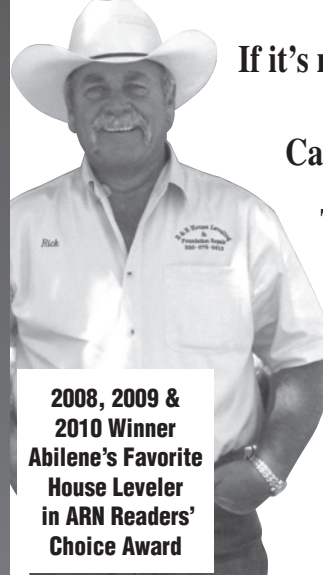
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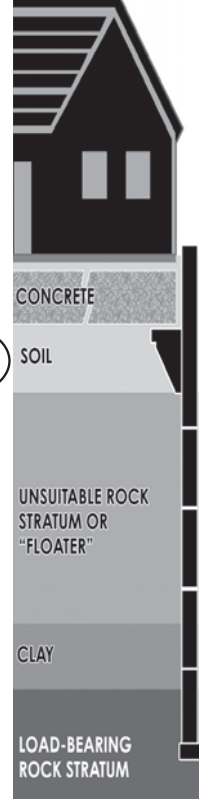
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Legals

Public Notice The Glasscock County ISD shall receive sealed bids proposals until 10:00 a.m. on June 10, 2013, on the following:

Depository Contracts

for the period of Sept. 1, 2013-August 31, 2015 Specifications and bids documents may be secured from the school district's Business Office, 308 West Chambers, Garden City, Texas 79739, phone number 432-354-2230. Bids will be publicly open immediately following deadline for receiving bids in Business Office of Glasscock County ISD. Bidders are invited to be present at the bid opening. Bids received after the opening date and time will be returned unopened. Bids will be presented for consideration of the Board of Trustees on June 10, 2013, at 7:00 p.m. at their regularly scheduled board meeting. The Glasscock County ISD reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids. #7786 May 19 & 26, 2013

Legals

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Pursuant to Title 42 U.S.C. Sections 4001 through 4127, Chapter 16, Subchapter I of the Texas Water Code and other authority, Howard County, Texas ("County"), by and through its Commissioners Court, hereby gives notice of intent to consider, adopt, enact, and approve a proposed Flood Damage Prevention Order for Howard County, Texas ("regulations") after compliance with the notice procedures required by law. Copies of the proposed regulations may be inspected and obtained at the Office of the County Clerk, Howard County, Texas, Howard County Courthouse, 300 Main Street, Big Spring, Texas 79720. A public hearing will be conducted by the Howard County Commissioners Court regarding the proposed regulations on Tuesday, May 28, 2013 at 5:30 p.m., in the Commissioners Court Meeting Room, Howard County Courthouse, 300 Main Street, Big Spring, Texas 79720. The regulations are designed, among other things, to promote the public health, safety and general welfare and to minimize public and private losses due to flooding in the unincorporated areas of the county by provisions designed to: (a) protect human life and health; (b) minimize expenditure of public money for costly flood control projects; (c) minimize the need for rescue and relief efforts associated with flooding and generally undertaken at the expense of the general public; (d) minimize prolonged business interruptions; (e) minimize damage to public facilities and utilities such as water and gas mains, electric, telephone and sewer lines, streets and bridges located in or near floodplains; (f) help maintain a stable tax base by providing for the sound use and development of flood prone areas in such a manner as to minimize future flood blight areas; (g) ensure that potential buyers are notified that property is in a flood area; and (h) regulate construction and other development in the floodplain as authorized by federal and state law. The enactment, adoption, approval, and enforcement of the regulations shall accomplish, advance, and substantially achieve all public purposes herein described, as authorized by federal and state law. Mark J. Barr, County Judge Howard County, Texas Date: 5-15, 2013 #7790 May 17 & 19, 2013

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**Legals**

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**SUBJECT: School credit by examination without prior instruction.**

Big Spring ISD offers examinations for credit without prior instruction for each primary school grade level and each secondary school academic subject as approved by the Board of Education. Students in grades K-12 may be accelerated by taking advantage of this provision. There will be no charge for the administration of the examination. If a parent requests an alternative examination, the District may administer and recognize results of a test purchased by the parent or student from Texas Tech University or the University of Texas at Austin. The District shall accelerate a student in grades K-5 in the following manner:  
1.The student scores 90 percent or above on a criterion-referenced test for the grade level to be

skipped in each of the following areas: language arts, mathematics, science and social studies;  
2. A District representative recommends that the student be accelerated; and  
3.The student's parent or guardian gives written approval of the acceleration.  
The District shall accelerate a student in grades 6-12 in the following manner:  
The student scores 90 percent or above on a criterion-referenced test for acceleration for the applicable course. If such credit is given, the District shall enter the examination score on the student's transcript.  
Procedures to allow a student not six years old at the beginning of the school year to be placed initially in the first grade are as follows:  
1.Scores on readiness test(s) and/or achievement test(s) that may be administered by

appropriate District personnel;  
2.Recommendation of the kindergarten or preschool the student attended;  
3.Chronological age and observed social and emotional development of the student; and  
4.Other criteria deemed appropriate by the principal and Superintendent.  
A student planning to take an examination for acceleration is required to register with the principal or designee of the school in which he is assigned at least 30 days prior to the scheduled testing date. Testing dates for 2013 are by appointment during July 2013.  
**Ref: Board Policies EEJB (Legal & Local)**  
**AVISO PÚBLICO**  
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nivel del grado de la primaria y cada tema académico de la escuela secundaria según aprobado por la Junta de Educación. Los estudiantes en grado K-12 pueden ser acelerados aprovechándose de esta provisión. No habrá cargo para la administración de la examinación. Si un padre requiere una examinación alternativa, el Distrito puede administrar y puede reconocer resultados de una prueba comprada por el padre o el estudiante de Universidad de Tejas Tech o la Universidad de Tejas en Austin. El Distrito acelerará a un estudiante en los grados K-5 en la siguiente manera:  
1.Las cuentas del estudiante sean 90 por ciento o arriba de en un criterio refirieron de la prueba para que el nivel de grado sea pasado en cada uno de las siguientes áreas: artes de idioma, las matemáticas, la ciencia y los estudios sociales;

2.Un representante del distrito recomienda que el aceleren al estudiante; y  
3.Los padres del estudiante o el guardián da la aprobación escrita de la aceleración.  
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3.Edad Chronological y desarrollo social y emocional observado del estudiante; y  
4.Otros criterios estimados apropiados por el director de escuela y Superintendente.  
Un planeamiento del estudiante tomar una examinación para la aceleración se requiere para registrarse con el principal de escuela o el designado de la escuela en la cual él está asignado por lo menos 30 días antes de la fecha programada de la prueba. Fechas de la prueba para 2013 son por cita durante el mes de Julio.  
**Ref: Políticas de la Junta EEJB (el Legal y Local)**  
#7791 May 19 & 26, 2013

**Legals**

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

TO: Cynthia Howell Smith aka Cynthia K. Billington if living, and if any or all of the above named Defendants be dead, the unknown heirs of such person if he should be deceased, and any and all other persons, including adverse claimants, owning or claiming or having any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the land described in Plaintiffs' petition on file in this cause; and the executors, administrators, guardians, legal representatives, legatees, devisees, trustees, officers, directors, stockholders, partners, managers or other governing persons of the above named persons or entities, who own or claim some interest in the land described in Plaintiffs' petition on file in this cause, to-wit:  
Lt 10, Bk 19, Boydston Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas  
Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiffs for taxes in the following amount: \$2,627.85, exclusive of interest, penalties, and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes all said interest, penalties, and cost thereon, allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein.  
You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by HOWARD

COUNTY, ET AL as Plaintiffs, against CYNTHIA HOWELL SMITH AKA CYNTHIA K. BILLINGTON and others, as Defendant(s), by petition filed on May 31, 2011, in a certain suit styled HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. CYNTHIA HOWELL SMITH AKA CYNTHIA K. BILLINGTON, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Howard County, Texas 118th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is 6004 that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit, are NONE.  
Plaintiffs and all other taxing units who may set up their tax claims herein seek recovery of delinquent ad valorem taxes on the property hereinabove described, thereon up to and including the day of judgment herein, and the establishment and foreclosure of liens, if any, securing the payment of same, as provided by law.  
All parties to this suit, including Plaintiffs, Defendant(s), and intervenors, shall take notice that claims not only for any taxes which were delinquent on said property at the time this suit was filed but all taxes becoming delinquent thereon at any time thereafter up to the day of judgment, including all interest, penalties, and cost allowed by law thereon, may, upon request therefore, be recovered herein without further citation or notice to any

parties herein, all said parties shall take notice of and plead and answer to all claims and pleadings now on file in said causes by all other parties herein and all of those taxing units above named who may intervene herein and set up their respective tax claims against said property.  
You are hereby commanded to appear and defend such suit at or before 10:00 o'clock a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from and after the date of issuance hereof, the same being the 10th day of June, 2013 before the Honorable District Court of Howard County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, then and there to show cause why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes, penalties, interest, and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the constitutional and statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiffs and the taxing unit parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein, and all costs of this suit.  
Issued and given under my hand and seal of said court in the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, this 25th day of April, A.D. 2013.  
Jury Padron  
Clerk of the District Court  
Howard County, Texas,  
118th Judicial District.  
#7773 May 12 & 19, 2013

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

TO: Ronda ReNa Williams if living, and if any or all of the above named Defendants be dead, the unknown heirs of such person if he should be deceased, and any and all other persons, including adverse claimants, owning or claiming or having any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the land described in Plaintiffs' petition on file in this cause; and the executors, administrators, guardians, legal representatives, legatees, devisees, trustees, officers, directors, stockholders, partners, managers or other governing persons of the above named persons or entities, who own or claim some interest in the land described in Plaintiffs' petition on file in this cause, to-wit:  
Lts 12-15, Bk 40, Original Town of Forsan, Howard County, Texas; SAVE AND EXCEPT the W/5' of Lot 15  
Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiffs for taxes in the following amount: \$3,613.49, exclusive of interest, penalties, and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes all said interest, penalties, and cost thereon, allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein.  
You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL as Plaintiffs,

against RONDA RE'NA WILLIAMS, CLARENCE E. WILLIAMS AND JUDITH P. WILLIAMS and others, as Defendant(s), by petition filed on June 30, 2011, in a certain suit styled HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. RONDA RE'NA WILLIAMS, CLARENCE E. WILLIAMS AND JUDITH P. WILLIAMS, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Howard County, Texas 118th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is T-6017 that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit, are NONE.  
Plaintiffs and all other taxing units who may set up their tax claims herein seek recovery of delinquent ad valorem taxes on the property hereinabove described, thereon up to and including the day of judgment herein, and the establishment and foreclosure of liens, if any, securing the payment of same, as provided by law.  
All parties to this suit, including Plaintiffs, Defendant(s), and intervenors, shall take notice that claims not only for any taxes which were delinquent on said property at the time this suit was filed but all taxes becoming delinquent thereon at any time thereafter up to the day of judgment, including all interest, penalties, and cost allowed by law thereon, may, upon request therefore, be recovered herein without further citation or notice to any

parties herein, all said parties shall take notice of and plead and answer to all claims and pleadings now on file in said causes by all other parties herein and all of those taxing units above named who may intervene herein and set up their respective tax claims against said property.  
You are hereby commanded to appear and defend such suit at or before 10:00 o'clock a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from and after the date of issuance hereof, the same being the 10th day of June, 2013 before the Honorable District Court of Howard County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, then and there to show cause why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes, penalties, interest, and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the constitutional and statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiffs and the taxing unit parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein, and all costs of this suit.  
Issued and given under my hand and seal of said court in the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, this 24th day of April, A.D. 2013.  
Jury Padron  
Clerk of the District Court  
Howard County, Texas,  
118th Judicial District.  
#7778 May 12 & 19, 2013

**Legals**

**NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL PROPERTY**  
**THE STATE OF TEXAS & COUNTY OF HOWARD**

By virtue of a ORDER OF SALE issued out of the District Court of Howard County, Texas, pursuant to judgment rendered in 118th Judicial District Court of Howard County, Texas, by the District Clerk of said Court, in the hereinafter numbered and styled suits and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said County, I did on the 1st day of May, 2013, at 10:00 a.m., levy upon and will proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder at public auction on the 4th day of June, 2013, being the first Tuesday of said month beginning at 10:00 o'clock a.m. on said day, at the North Courthouse door of said County, all the right, title, and interest of the Defendants in such suits in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said Defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Howard and the State of Texas, to-wit:  
**CAUSE NO. 6197**  
**HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS THOMAS AYALA, ET AL**  
**EXHIBIT NO. DEFENDANT NAME**  
**PROPERTY DESCRIPTION**  
**ADDRESS**  
No. 1  
Thomas Ayala, et al  
Lt 9, Bk 7 Adell Addn.  
1404 W. 2nd  
No. 2  
Lillian Frances Gary Bivings aka Lillian Gary Bivings aka Lillian Bivings, et al  
A tract of land out of Sc 32, Bk 33, T1N  
704 Presidio  
No. 3  
Virginia Faye Brumley aka Virginia Raska Brumley (Beckett)  
Lt 8, Bk 3, Wright's Airport Annex Addn.  
1315 Utah  
No. 4  
Jimmy Bynum  
Lt 4, Bk 3, Sunset Addn.  
n/a  
No. 4  
Jimmy Bynum  
Lt 5, Bk 3, Sunset Addn.  
n/a  
No. 4  
Jimmy Bynum  
Lt 7, Bk 3, Sunset Addn.  
n/a  
No. 4  
Jimmy Bynum  
Lt 1, Bk 4, Sunset Addn. SAVE & EXCEPT any portion dedicated to public road  
400 Sunset  
No. 4  
Jimmy Bynum  
Lt 2, Bk 4, Sunset Addn.  
402 Sunset  
No. 4  
Jimmy Bynum  
Lt 3, Bk 4, Sunset Addn.  
404 Sunset  
No. 4  
Jimmy Bynum  
Lt 4, Bk 4, Sunset Addn.  
406 Sunset  
No. 4  
Jimmy Bynum  
Lt 5, Bk 4, Sunset Addn.  
408 Sunset

No. 4  
Jimmy Bynum  
Lt 6, Bk 4, Sunset Addn.  
410 Sunset  
No. 4  
Jimmy Bynum  
Lt 7, Bk 4, Sunset Addn.  
500 Sunset  
No. 4  
Jimmy Bynum  
Lt 8, Bk 4, Sunset Addn.  
502 Sunset  
No. 4  
Jimmy Bynum  
Lt 14, Bk 4, Sunset Addn.  
n/a  
No. 4  
Jimmy Bynum  
Lt 15, Bk 4, Sunset Addn.  
n/a  
No. 4  
Jimmy Bynum  
Lt 16, Bk 4, Sunset Addn.  
n/a  
No. 4  
Jimmy Bynum  
Lt 2, Bk 5, Sunset Addn.  
n/a  
No. 5  
Myrly Click and Betty Click  
Lt 10, of the replat of Lts A & B, Tr 8, Kennebee Heights, Subdivision of Sc 12, Bk 33, T1S, T&P Ry. Co. Survey  
n/a  
No. 6  
Clara Jones Coffee, C.C. Coffee, Jr., and Robert B. Coffee  
A tract of land out of Sc 5, Bk 32, T1S, T&P Ry. Co. Survey  
n/a  
No. 7  
C.C. Cole  
Lt 2, Bk 3, South Haven Addn  
Wasson  
No. 8  
Demetrio M. Corrales aka D.M. Corrales, et al  
Lt 10, Bk 23, Governments Heights to Bauer Addn  
604 NW 8th  
No. 10  
Bobby Doe, et al  
M/50' and all of S/50' in Lt 2, Bk 80, Original Town of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas; SAVE AND EXCEPT land conveyed from Jack L. Watkins and wife Ida D. Watkins to William R. Allred and wife, Rosa Lee Allred  
905 Runnels  
No. 12  
Helen Miller, Merle J. Stewart, Lucille Collins, Lola Belle Rix, Keith M. Stewart and Laverne Yeatman, as Stockholders in Forsan Townsite Company  
Lt 18, Bk 26, Original Townsite of Forsan  
305 E. Main (Forsan)  
No. 12  
Helen Miller, Merle J. Stewart, Lucille Collins, Lola Belle Rix, Keith M. Stewart and Laverne Yeatman, as Stockholders in Forsan Townsite Company  
Lt 14, Bk 26, Original Townsite of Forsan  
309 Main (Forsan)  
No. 14  
Johnny Ray Gardner, et al  
The W/60' of the E/180' Bk 55, Government Heights to Bauer Addn  
205 NW 12th  
No. 15  
Emilio Gonzales and Isabell

Gonzales Alcantar  
N/2 of Lt 1, Bk 10, Government Heights to Bauer Addn.  
611 N. Bell  
No. 16  
Garland Green aka Garland Green, Sr. and Georgia Mae Green, et al  
Lt 4, Bk 1, Rosemont Addn., town of Big Spring  
207 Channing  
No. 18  
G.C. Heffington, and Guy Heffington, et al  
Lts 1 & 2, Bk 12, Jones Valley Addn  
1009 W. 6th  
No. 18  
G.C. Heffington, and Guy Heffington, et al  
Lt 1, Bk 2, Brown Addn  
1510 W 3rd  
No. 18  
G.C. Heffington, and Guy Heffington, et al  
Lt 2, Bk 2, Brown Addn  
1508 W. 3rd  
No. 18  
G.C. Heffington, and Guy Heffington, et al  
Lt 3, Bk 2, Brown Addn  
1506 W. 3rd  
No. 18  
G.C. Heffington, and Guy Heffington, et al  
Lt 6, Bk 7, Brown Addn  
1600 W 1st  
No. 19  
Humberto Hernandez  
A parcel of land out of Tr 34, of the Wm. B. Currie Subdivision of the SE/4 of Sc. 42, Bk 32, T1N, T&P Ry. Co. Survey  
207 NE 7th  
No. 20  
Richard Hilario aka Richard C. Hilario  
A tract of land out of Tr 33, of the Wm B. Currie subdivision out of the SE/4 of Sc. 42, Bk 32, T1N, T&P Ry. Co. Survey, SAVE AND EXCEPT 0.17'  
306 NE 8th  
No. 21  
Leon Houston, Jr. aka Leon J. Houston, Jr.  
Lt 10, Bk 4, Amended Government Heights to Bauer Addn  
511 N Lancaster  
No. 22  
H.W. Howell and Nancy Riddle Howell  
A tract of land out of Sc 32, Bk 33, T1N, T&P Ry. Co. Survey  
1203 W 5th  
No. 23  
J&J Construction Company  
Lt 8, Bk 20, Monticello Addn  
2302 S Monticello  
No. 23  
J&J Construction Company  
Lt 16, Bk 7, Monticello Addn  
1201 Barnes  
No. 24  
John Jarrett and Fannie Jarrett, et al  
S/27' of the W/90' of Lt 1, Bk 1, Rosemont Addn  
201 Channing  
No. 24  
John Jarrett and Fannie Jarrett, et al  
N/27' of the W/90' of Lt 1, Bk 1, Rosemont Addn  
105 Channing  
No. 25  
Mamie Lee Jones  
A tract of land out of the SE/4 of Sc

42, Bk 32, Tr 42, T1N, T&P RR Co. Survey  
109 NE 9th  
No. 26  
Patrick Kelly Equipment, et al  
A tract of land out of Sc 31, Bk 33, T1N, T&P Ry. Co. Survey  
n/a  
No. 27  
Juanita Lopez and Juanita H. Lopez  
Lt 3, Bk 6, Porter Addn., City of Big Spring  
504 Young  
No. 28  
Norma Lee Lujan fka Norma Lee Puga  
A parcel of land out of Tr 33, of the Wm. B. Currie Subdivision of the SE/4 of Sc 42, Bk 32, T1N, T&P Ry. Co. Survey  
305 NE 7th  
No. 29  
Sylvia Martinez  
Lt 3, Bk 4, Cedar Crest Addn  
828 W. 7th  
No. 30  
Cirilo Melendez and Seturnina Melendez  
40' off of the north end of Lt 7, Bk 2, Jones Valley Addn  
306 San Antonio  
No. 31  
Lloyd R. Nichols and Ruth H. Nichols  
Lt 8, Bk 108, Less W/25'  
209 NW 2nd  
No. 32  
Joseph Gregorio Palomino  
Lt 2, Bk 2, Rosemont Addn  
105 Channing  
No. 32  
Joseph Gregorio Palomino  
Lt 3, Bk 2, Rosemont Addn  
104 Channing  
No. 32  
Joseph Gregorio Palomino  
Lt 4, Bk 2, Rosemont Addn  
103 Channing  
No. 32  
Joseph Gregorio Palomino  
Lt 5, Bk 2, Rosemont Addn  
102 Channing  
No. 34  
Bertha L. Payton  
All of Lt 7, Bk A, Moore Heights Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas; SAVE AND EXCEPT a parcel of land  
810 Sgt Paredez  
No. 35  
People National Fund, Inc.  
Lt 11, Bk 8, Brown Addn  
1609 W 1st  
No. 36  
Loretta Purcell, James C. Smith, et al  
Lt 3, Bk 42, Settles Subdivision of College Heights Addn  
2204 Nolan  
No. 37  
Larry Frank Roden and Ronald Reeves Knaus  
Lt 2, Bk 4, Hathcock Heights Addn  
n/a  
No. 38  
Betty Sherman  
A parcel of land out of the S/2 of Sc 26, Bk 33, T1N, T&P Ry. Co. Survey  
n/a  
No. 39  
H.W. Smith Transport Company, Inc. et al  
Lt 4, of the Balch Addition located on the Snyder Highway out of the City of Big Spring, and being out of

Sc 32, Bk 32, T1N, T&P Ry. Co. Survey  
n/a  
No. 40  
Charles C. Smith, Ind. and dba State Wide Refurbishment, et al  
Lt 14, Bk 41, Original town of Forsan  
404 E 4th (Forsan)  
No. 40  
Charles C. Smith, Ind. and dba State Wide Refurbishment, et al  
Lt 6, Bk 41, Original town of Forsan  
409 E 3rd (Forsan)  
No. 41  
Jonnie Mae Spruill  
Lt 13, Bk 17, Sherrod Heights Subdivision  
n/a  
No. 42  
Esta Lee Stockstill  
Lt 13, Bk 19, Original Townsite of Forsan  
200 W. 6th (Forsan)  
No. 42  
Esta Lee Stockstill  
Lt 18 & 19, Bk 20, Original Townsite of Forsan  
108 W 6th (Forsan)  
No. 43  
Lonnie J. Stockton  
Lts 1 & 2, Bk 44, Original Townsite of Forsan  
108 E 4th (Forsan)  
No. 44  
John D. Stull aka J.D. Stull, et al  
A tract of land out of Sc 26, Bk 33, T1N, T&P Ry. Co. Survey  
n/a  
No. 45  
W.R. Summers, T.F. Summers and W.T. Summers  
A tract of land out of Sc 32, Bk 33, T1N, T&P Ry. Co. Survey  
610 Presidio  
No. 46  
George Thadeus Thomas, Jr. aka George Thadeus Thomas aka Thad Thomas  
Lt 3, Bk L, Moore's Heights Addn  
1005 NW 1st  
No. 47  
Violet Webb, fka Violet N. Hall, Emmett Hall, et al  
Lts 1 & 2, Bk 2, Wrights Airport Annex Addn  
1301 Kindle  
No. 48  
Frank Eugene Wentz, Bertha Wentza, et al  
Lt 11, Bk 4, Brown Addn  
1507 Meadow  
No. 49  
Ella B. Womble aka Ella B. Wamble  
Being the S/50' of a tract of land out of Sc 32, Bk 33, T1N, T&P Ry. Co. Survey  
904 San Antonio  
No. 50  
Ascension P. Yanez, Ascencion Yanez, et al  
A tract of land out of Sc 32, Bk 33, T1N, T&P Ry. Co. Survey  
1007 W 8th  
CAUSE NO. STYLE  
PROPERTY DESCRIPTION  
ADDRESS  
T-4673  
Howard County, et al vs. Jerry D. Coyle, et al  
A tract of land 192 feet wide, Eastward and Westward, by 179.4 feet long, Northward and Southward, out of Sc 44, Bk 32, T1N  
n/a

T-5123  
Howard County, et al vs. Adan Hernandez Valencia aka Adam H. Valencia, deceased, et al  
S/2 of Lts 5&6, Bk 6, Government Heights to Bauer Addn  
608 NW 5th  
T-5343  
Howard County, et al vs. David Young  
Lt 4, Bk 112, Original Town of Big Spring  
105 NE 3rd  
T-5911  
Howard County, et al vs. Walter B. Fields  
Lt 5, Bk 1, Buckner Place Addn.  
1409 Lincoln  
T-5959  
Howard County, et al vs. John T. Fierro and Delma Fierro  
A tract of land out of Sc 5, Bk 32, T1S, Howard County, Texas  
1002 E. 19th  
T-6003  
Howard County, et al vs. Mark Lee Smith, Leanne Smith and Ashley Smith  
Lt 25, Bk 1, Bates Addn., City of Coahoma  
912 Culp Addn. (Coahoma)  
T-6036  
Howard County, et al vs. Carmen Chavarria  
Lt 10, Bk 12, Boydston Addn  
205 Benton  
T-6169  
Howard County, et al vs. Linda Gail Hall aka Linda G. Hall aka Linda Hall  
Lt 26, Bk 4, Hall Addn.  
1410 E. 4th  
Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgment(s) rendered in the above styled and numbered cause(s), together with interest, penalties and costs of suit, and the proceeds of said sales to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.  
Witness my hand this 1st day of May, 2013.  
**STAN PARKER**  
SHERIFF OF  
HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS  
BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy  
*PROPERTY ADDRESSES ARE PROVIDED BY THE HOWARD COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT PROSPECTIVE BUYERS SHOULD SATISFY THEMSELVES AS TO THE ACTUAL LOCATION OF THE PROPERTY PROSPECTIVE BUYERS SHOULD CHECK TITLE RECORDS FOR METES AND BOUNDS DESCRIPTIONS OF PROPERTY AND TO DETERMINE STATUS OF TITLE*  
*ALL PROPERTIES SOLD "AS IS", WITHOUT WARRANTY OF TITLE"*  
*PROSPECTIVE BUYERS WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR DEED RECORDING FEES*  
*EACH PROPERTY IS SUBJECT TO ANY RIGHT OF REDEMPTION*  
*BUYERS WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR PAYMENT OF 2012 TAXES; PLEASE CONTACT DIANE CARTER, HOWARD COUNTY TAC*  
#7763 May 12, 19, and 26, 2013

## Legals

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

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

E/50' of Lts 4, 5 & 6, Bk 6, Cedar Crest Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas

Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiffs for taxes in the following amount: \$684.41, exclusive of interest, penalties, and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes all said interest, penalties, and cost thereon, allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein.

You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL as Plaintiffs, against EVA CAVAZOS and others, as Defendant(s), by petition filed on March 29, 2012, in a certain suit styled HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. EVA CAVAZOS, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Howard County, Texas 118th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is 6102 that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit, are NONE.

Plaintiffs and all other taxing units who may set up their tax claims herein seek recovery of delinquent ad valorem taxes on the property

hereinabove described, thereon up to and including the day of judgment herein, and the establishment and foreclosure of liens, if any, securing the payment of same, as provided by law.

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

You are hereby commanded to appear and defend such suit at or before 10:00 o'clock a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from and after the date of issuance hereof, the same being the 10th day of June, 2013 before the Honorable District Court of Howard County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, then and there to show cause why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes, penalties, interest, and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the constitutional and statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiffs and the taxing unit parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein, and all costs of this suit.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said court in the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, this 25th day of April, A.D. 2013.

Jury Padron

Clerk of the District Court  
Howard County, Texas,  
118th Judicial District.

#7777 May 12 & 19, 2013

## Legals

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

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

Lt 5, Bk 41, Original Town of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas

Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiffs for taxes in the following amount: \$1,345.77, exclusive of interest, penalties, and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes all said interest, penalties, and cost thereon, allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein.

You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL as Plaintiffs, against EMMA M. ALDRIDGE and others, as Defendant(s), by petition filed on May 29, 2012, in a certain suit styled HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. EMMA M. ALDRIDGE, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Howard County, Texas 118th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is 6132 that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit, are NONE.

Plaintiffs and all other taxing units who may set up their tax claims herein seek recovery of delinquent ad valorem taxes on the property hereinabove described, thereon up

to and including the day of judgment herein, and the establishment and foreclosure of liens, if any, securing the payment of same, as provided by law.

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

You are hereby commanded to appear and defend such suit at or before 10:00 o'clock a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from and after the date of issuance hereof, the same being the 10th day of June, 2013 before the Honorable District Court of Howard County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, then and there to show cause why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes, penalties, interest, and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the constitutional and statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiffs and the taxing unit parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein, and all costs of this suit.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said court in the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, this 25th day of April, A.D. 2013.

Jury Padron

Clerk of the District Court  
Howard County, Texas,  
118th Judicial District.

#7776 May 12 & 19, 2013

## Legals

LEGAL/PUBLIC NOTICE  
Pre-Kindergarten Notice

Big Spring ISD offers free Pre-Kindergarten classes for students at least four years of age by September 1, 2013, if the following criteria are met:

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

If you know a child whom you feel meets these qualifications, please call (432)264-4130.

A minimum of 15 qualified students is required before the class will be offered.

Big Spring ISD ofrece clases gratis de Pre-Kindergarten para estudiantes que cumplen los cuatro años de la edad antes del primero de septiembre de 2013:

- Nino incapaz de hablar o comprender el idioma ingles y/o;
- Nino que vienen de una familia desventajada economicamente segun el conjunto de estandares por el Consejo de Educacion del Estado. (Si califica para la tarjeta de Lone Star o el Programa Libre or Reducido de Almuerzo) y/o;
- Nino sin hogar.
- Nino que tiene padres activos en el servicio armadas de los Estados Unidos.
- Nino que tiene padres danado o fallecido en los servicios armadas de los Estados Unidos.
- El nino esta bajo cuidado de los Recursos Protectores y/o en caso de cuidado.

Si usted sabe de un nino o ninos que califican para este programa por favor de llamar al numero (432)264-4130. Un minimo de 15 estudiantes calificados seran escogidos antes que la clase se ofrezca.

#7792 May 19 & 26, 2013

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You Money By  
Advertising Your  
Business In Our  
Professional  
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263-7331  
for more information.**

## Legals

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

TO: LEON WALTON GREENHILL AKA LEON W. GREENHILL AKA L.W. GREENHILL AND RUBY GREENHILL

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

Lts 10, 11 & 12, Bk 13, Jones Valley Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas; SAVE AND EXCEPT a part of Lot 12 as described in the exhibit attached hereto.

Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiffs for taxes in the following amount: \$1,248.70, exclusive of interest, penalties, and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes all said interest, penalties, and cost thereon, allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein.

You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL as Plaintiffs, against LEON WALTON GREENHILL AKA LEON W. GREENHILL AKA L.W. GREENHILL AND RUBY GREENHILL and others, as Defendant(s), by petition filed on February 24, 2011, in a certain suit styled HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. LEON WALTON GREENHILL AKA LEON W. GREENHILL AKA L.W. GREENHILL AND RUBY GREENHILL, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Howard County, Texas 118th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is 5965 that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property

hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit, are NONE.

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

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

You are hereby commanded to appear and defend such suit at or before 10:00 o'clock a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from and after the date of issuance hereof, the same being the 10th day of June, 2013 before the Honorable District Court of Howard County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, then and there to show cause why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes, penalties, interest, and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the constitutional and statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiffs and the taxing unit parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein, and all costs of this suit.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said court in the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, this 24th day of April, A.D. 2013.

Jury Padron

Clerk of the District Court  
Howard County, Texas,  
118th Judicial District.

#7781 May 12 & 19, 2013

## Legals

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to Chapter 232 of the Texas Local Government Code and other authority, Howard County, Texas ("County"), by and through its Commissioners Court, hereby gives notice of intent to consider, adopt, enact, and approve proposed Subdivision and Manufactured Home Rental Community Regulations for Howard County, Texas ("regulations") after compliance with the notice procedures required by law. Copies of the proposed regulations may be inspected and obtained at the Office of the County Clerk, Howard County, Texas, Howard County Courthouse, 300 Main Street, Big Spring, Texas 79720. A public hearing will be conducted by the Howard County Commissioners Court regarding the proposed regulations on Tuesday, May 28, 2013 at 6:00p.m. in the Commissioners Court Meeting Room, Howard County Courthouse, 300 Main Street, Big Spring, Texas 79720. The regulations are designed, among other things, to govern plats, subdivisions of land, and manufactured home rental communities in the unincorporated area of the county in order to: promote the health, safety, morals, or general welfare of the county and the safe, orderly, and healthful development of the unincorporated area of the county; and ensure that adequate plats, design and planning procedures, water and sewer/septic/OSSF and other utility facilities, and utility and transportation infrastructure are provided in the unincorporated area. The regulations contain certain provisions, rules, disclosure and certification requirements, and enforcement remedies relating, among other things; to: required compliance with federal law, state law, and county regulations; the accomplishment of all public purposes described in the regulations; special definitions and common word usage, as well as an interpretation guide, effective date, compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, adoption of certain legal authority, partial invalidity or severance provisions, other administrative provisions, and development, design, and construction standards; plat procedure and review provisions, including preliminary and final plat requirements, recordation requirements, plat exceptions or exemptions, variance standards and procedures, plat revision, vacation, or amendment procedures, the regulation of

subdivisions in the extraterritorial jurisdiction of an incorporated municipality, and dormant plat procedures; bond or other financial security requirements and procedures; provisions relating to the nonexistence of county maintenance obligations regarding private land, improvements, or facilities depicted on plats; provisions relating to restrictions and limitations on the existence of county maintenance obligations regarding land, improvements, or facilities dedicated to the public as depicted on plats; fees and a fee schedule; disclosure, signature, and certification requirements for the owner/developer/subdivider, and the surveyor, engineer, or other consultant for said party; signature and certification requirements for county officials or representatives; survey, topographical data, lot/block descriptions, and monumentation requirements; water, drainage, sewer, septic, and OSSF standards and facilities, including compliance with minimum state standards; utility standards regarding water, gas, sewer and electricity service, including compliance with minimum state standards and utility disclosure and connection requirements; standards and provisions regarding and prohibited deposit, storage, disposal, discharge, or exposure of sewage, human excreta, wastewater, garbage, or other organic wastes; floodplain identification and drainage standards, including descriptions, plans, and disclosure requirements; standards relating to road construction, road width, drainage, lot frontage and set-back, and fire suppression systems; purchase contract disclosures related to water availability; groundwater sufficiency disclosures and certifications; lienholder identification and subordination; limitations and restrictions regarding plat approval or plat acceptance by the county; civil enforcement remedies, including injunctive relief and civil penalties; criminal enforcement remedies and penalties; infrastructure development plan standards and requirements regarding manufactured home rental communities; and development forms including applications for plats, manufactured home rental communities, and variance.

Mark J. Barr, County Judge  
Howard County, Texas  
Date: 5-16, 2013

#7794 May 17 & 19, 2013

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Sell them!  
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Free!  
Call Today!**

## Legals

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

TO: Librado Canales, Jr. and Clara Canales

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

A tract of land out of SE/4 of Sc 32, Bk 32, T1S, T&P Ry. Co. Survey, Howard County, Texas; described by metes and bounds on the attached exhibit

Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiffs for taxes in the following amount: \$11,477.64, exclusive of interest, penalties, and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes all said interest, penalties, and cost thereon, allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein.

You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL as Plaintiffs, against LIBRADO CANALES, JR. AND CLARA CANALES and others, as Defendant(s), by petition filed on December 20, 2010, in a certain suit styled HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. LIBRADO CANALES, JR. AND CLARA CANALES, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Howard County, Texas 118th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is 5930 that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit, are NONE.

Plaintiffs and all other taxing units

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

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

You are hereby commanded to appear and defend such suit at or before 10:00 o'clock a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from and after the date of issuance hereof, the same being the 10th day of June, 2013 before the Honorable District Court of Howard County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, then and there to show cause why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes, penalties, interest, and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the constitutional and statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiffs and the taxing unit parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein, and all costs of this suit.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said court in the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, this 25th day of April, A.D. 2013.

Jury Padron

Clerk of the District Court  
Howard County, Texas,  
118th Judicial District.

#7774 May 12 & 19, 2013

## Legals

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

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

A tract of land out of the NW/4 of Sc. 13, Bk 33, T1S, Howard County, Texas; described by metes and bounds on the attached exhibit

Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiffs for taxes in the following amount: \$3,341.26, exclusive of interest, penalties, and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes all said interest, penalties, and cost thereon, allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein.

You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL as Plaintiffs, against L.C. FURNISS AKA LO-RAINE CARL FURNISS AND GAYLE DORA LYNN FURNISS AKA GAYLE FURNISS and others, as Defendant(s), by petition filed on October 25, 2011, in a certain suit styled HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. L.C. FURNISS AKA LO-RAINE CARL FURNISS AKA LO-RAINE CARL FURNISS AND GAYLE DORA LYNN FURNISS AKA GAYLE FURNISS, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Howard County, Texas 118th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is 6063 that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit, are NONE.

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

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

You are hereby commanded to appear and defend such suit at or before 10:00 o'clock a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from and after the date of issuance hereof, the same being the 10th day of June, 2013 before the Honorable District Court of Howard County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, then and there to show cause why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes, penalties, interest, and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the constitutional and statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiffs and the taxing unit parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein, and all costs of this suit.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said court in the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, this 24th day of April, A.D. 2013.

Jury Padron

Clerk of the District Court  
Howard County, Texas,  
118th Judicial District.

#7779 May 12 & 19, 2013

Legals

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

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

Lt 6, Bk 1, Moore Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas. Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiffs for taxes in the following amount: \$1,091.59, exclusive of interest, penalties, and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes all said interest, penalties, and cost thereon, allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein.

You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL as Plaintiffs, against DAVID RODRIGUEZ and others, as Defendant(s), by petition filed on July 29, 2010, in a certain suit styled HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. DAVID RODRIGUEZ, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Howard County, Texas 118th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is 5861 that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit, are NONE.

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

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

You are hereby commanded to appear and defend such suit at or before 10:00 o'clock a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from and after the date of issuance hereof, the same being the 10th day of June, 2013 before the Honorable District Court of Howard County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, then and there to show cause why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes, penalties, interest, and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the constitutional and statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiffs and the taxing unit parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein, and all costs of this suit.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said court in the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, this 24th day of April, A.D. 2013.

Jury Padron  
Clerk of the District Court  
Howard County, Texas,  
118th Judicial District.  
#7783 May 12 & 19, 2013

Legals

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT

ConocoPhillips Company, 3300 North A Street, Building 6, Midland, Texas 79705 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil and gas. The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the Clear Fork/Tubb formation, Douthit B1 10W. The proposed injection well is located 6 miles East of Forsan, Texas in the Howard Glasscock (Consolidated) Field in Howard County, Texas. Fluid will be injected into the subsurface depth interval of 3000 feet to 3855 feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas. Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711. (Telephone (512)463-6792). #7795 May 19, 2013

Last Day of Taurus Sun 2013

The Scorpio moon is in danger of taking himself too seriously on this the last day of the Taurus sun. Lighten things up by making someone laugh. Tip: Humor depends on the nuances of a surprise. If a surprise veers too far from what's expected, the effect is random instead of humorous. It has to be just outside of what's expected to get the laugh.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). While others seem happy enough with all that's going on, you can't help but notice the subtle slipups and details missed. That's why you're the perfect person

to be in charge of quality control.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You'll easily find the gift inside the moment. Instant gratification does not always come with a backlash of consequences, especially when you're pleased by simple, natural pleasures.



HOLIDAY MATHIS

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Even though you're exposed to the same environment as everyone around you,

Legals

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

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

Lot 12, Bk 26, Governments Heights to Bauer Addition, City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas.

Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiffs for taxes in the following amount: \$6,774.96, exclusive of interest, penalties, and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes all said interest, penalties, and cost thereon, allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein.

You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL as Plaintiffs, against ROBERT RIOS, SR., ALFRED RIOS, BETTY JANE RIOS, ANESTACIA RIOS, SENAIDA JOHNSON, VALERIE RIOS AND JEREMY JOHN RIOS and others, as Defendant(s), by petition filed on August 30, 2006, in a certain suit styled HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. ROBERT RIOS, SR., ALFRED RIOS, BETTY JANE RIOS, ANESTACIA RIOS, SENAIDA JOHNSON, VALERIE RIOS AND JEREMY JOHN RIOS, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Howard County, Texas 118th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is 5198 that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit, are NONE.

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

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

You are hereby commanded to appear and defend such suit at or before 10:00 o'clock a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from and after the date of issuance hereof, the same being the 10th day of June, 2013 before the Honorable District Court of Howard County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, then and there to show cause why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes, penalties, interest, and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the constitutional and statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiffs and the taxing unit parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein, and all costs of this suit.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said court in the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, this 24th day of April, A.D. 2013.

Jury Padron  
Clerk of the District Court  
Howard County, Texas,  
118th Judicial District.  
#7780 May 12 & 19, 2013

Legals

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

TO: Francis C. Jaidr aka Frances C. Jaidr

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

Lt 9, Bk 17, Boydston Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas.

Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiffs for taxes in the following amount: \$530.79, exclusive of interest, penalties, and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes all said interest, penalties, and cost thereon, allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein.

You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL as Plaintiffs, against FRANCIS C. JAIRD AKA FRANCES C. JAIRD and others, as Defendant(s), by petition filed on November 29, 2012, in a certain suit styled HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. FRANCIS C. JAIRD, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Howard County, Texas 118th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is 6181 that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit, are NONE.

Plaintiffs and all other taxing units who may set up their tax claims herein seek recovery of delinquent

ad valorem taxes on the property hereinabove described, thereon up to and including the day of judgment herein, and the establishment and foreclosure of liens, if any, securing the payment of same, as provided by law.

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

You are hereby commanded to appear and defend such suit at or before 10:00 o'clock a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from and after the date of issuance hereof, the same being the 10th day of June, 2013 before the Honorable District Court of Howard County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, then and there to show cause why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes, penalties, interest, and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the constitutional and statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiffs and the taxing unit parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein, and all costs of this suit.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said court in the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, this 25th day of April, A.D. 2013.

Jury Padron  
Clerk of the District Court  
Howard County, Texas,  
118th Judicial District.  
#7775 May 12 & 19, 2013

Tomorrow's Horoscope

your thoughts about what you experience will be highly original. The independent thought you demonstrate will surprise a few people.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). When was the last time your expectations were not only met, but exceeded? The one who makes this happen will earn a place on your "favorite people" list and stay there a long while.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You'll take ownership of what you do. If you're going to sign your name to something, you'll sign it at the top so everyone can see. Knowing that you'll be associated with a project keeps you striving to do your best.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept.

22). You may feel beholden to someone, but this is not really true. An alternative view of the relationship shows that you have given more than enough of what the other person wanted and needed.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Learning is more important than winning now. There's little to be gained by getting to the finish line too fast. Slow progress will be best for today's endeavors.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). It is only natural to want reassurance, but needing it too much is a sign that you don't yet understand how things work in an environment and how you fit into the scene. Instead of validation, seek knowledge.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Your domestic scene will get

the once over by someone whose opinion you care about. It could be an inspector, an in-law or a discerning friend. You'll be pleased by the assessment, and you'll learn something, too.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Even though you care about the scenery and the activities going on around you, what matters to you most of all is the people. One charming person is all it takes to ensure your good time.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). People sometimes assume that there is blame to assign, when really what's needed is to simply figure out what happened and what needs to happen differently the next time.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). It's important to relax, but you don't want to relax too much. Good company prevents you from being lazy. Interacting with people you admire reminds you of who you are and who you aspire to be.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (May 19). The people you meet this year seem destined to bring you up. One special relationship in particular stirs the music that lives inside of you. It will be as though you are participating in a tribal dance. June and July bring a chance to work with family for the greater good of all. Lifestyle changes in September improve your health. Aquarius and Virgo people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 3, 2, 22, 29 and 17.

FORECAST FOR THE WEEK AHEAD: Tomorrow, the sun moves into Gemini, where it will traverse until June 20th. Even though Gemini energy is known to be intellectual, bright, clever and communicative, the role of instinct cannot be dismissed during this transit. Gemini people are known for their charm, and when the sun is in this sign, many people find the charm in even the most ordinary things — an ability that is charming in and of itself. It should be noted that no one is truly enchanting who does not rely on a strong social intuition for what people want and what they will find interesting or, better yet, fascinating. Under this sun, it's not just the information that is delivered; it's "how" the information is delivered that matters. Short attention spans are the norm these days. Anyone who can command attention and keep it will have an edge. Those who instinctively tease and build mystery and/or prestige into a message will be admired, followed and paid well for their talents.

The week ends with a full moon in Sagittarius and a lunar eclipse, to boot. This moon could see people behaving in extraordinary and atypical ways. We sometimes have to try things that are so "not us" to discover who we really are.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Taurus rocker Pete Townshend recently revealed the details of his life and times in the autobiography, "Who I Am: A Memoir." The guitar god has been credited with inventing such basic tenets of rock 'n' roll as the Marshall stack, feedback and the concept album. Townshend was born when Venus and Mars were in passionate, high-energy Aries and the sun was in practical Virgo.

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A SINGLE GUY. BUT WHEN  
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**MALL**

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outside the box," he admitted, "but I had seen where a church in Louisiana had done the same thing so it's not that unusual."

Currently, Spring Creek occupies two buildings, one in the northeast corner of the College Park Shopping Center and the former office of local accountant Max Green.

There was interest in other locations, including an empty space in College Park Shopping Center, but for different reasons they all fell through.

"It just seemed that where God closed one door he opened another," said the pastor.

The benefits for the church are of, course,

several, but the clergymen are very optimistic about how reviving the mall would positively effect the growing population of Big Spring.

"Can you imagine what it will be like when 500 people in a congregation lets out into the mall? We think it will be great for the businesses," he said.

There are grander plans in the works, but Looney and Wells won't budge on details. However, they did give vague notions about eating establishments and a klatch-ike atmosphere sometime in the future.

A message from pastor Looney on the Spring Creek website states, "We will 'inhabit' the area that originally included JC Penneys down through where Athletic Supply was. We look forward to part-

nering with the current merchants as well as new businesses to make the mall a great place for Big Spring and our area."

The pastor said that the move to the mall is a transitional phase. The ultimate goal to build a church on the 900 block of FM 700, further west of the mall.

The pastors have noticed a difference in the atmosphere of the merchants since they have taken over.

Looney said that he wanted Big Spring to expect great things on the horizon.

"We think it's what the community wants and it's what Big Spring deserves," Looney said.

To contact Andrea Medlin call the Herald at 263-7331 or email life@bigspringherald.com



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Clockwise from above: An interior shot of the Big Spring Mall, which has been purchased by Spring Creek Fellowship; Assistant Pastor Lloyd Wells and Pastor Derrick Looney look at an unoccupied space in the mall; the current home of Spring Creek Fellowship in College Park shopping center.



*Weather huge impact on crop planting*

COLLEGE STATION — Texas cotton planting intentions may be affected by the replanting to cotton of freeze-damaged wheat acreage, but a Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service expert doesn't expect the change to be significant on dryland wheat acres.

"Most of the shift will occur on irrigated wheat fields lost to late spring freezes in the Rolling Plains and Northern High Plains," said Dr. Gaylon Morgan, AgriLife Extension state cotton specialist, College Station. "The optimum planting window for cotton has passed in South Texas and the Blacklands."

However, cotton planting has just begun in the Rolling Plains, South Plains and Panhandle regions, but there are other factors — not the least of which are precipitation expectations — that will limit producers replanting to cotton, he said.

"Many of the production regions where wheat had severe freeze damage are not major cotton acre regions, so we won't see a big shift there," Morgan said. "And the other factor is that if things remain dry, there's not a lot incentive for guys to go in with another crop. Finally, it will depend on the multi-dimensional aspects of crop insurance for both the wheat and cotton, which may be different for irrigated and dryland fields."

But the major factor continues to be the weather, he said. With forecasts not predicting a turnaround of drought

conditions anytime soon, things are looking "pretty bleak for the Southern High Plains where most of our cotton is grown."

In the Rolling Plains, a rough estimate is about 50 percent of wheat was lost due to the late freezes, Morgan said. But with the region still suffering severe to exceptional drought, replanting wheat acres to cotton is really only a viable option for those with sufficient irrigation to make a cotton crop.

In March, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Prospective Plantings report predicted Texas intended cotton plantings to be 5.5 million acres, which represented a 16 percent drop from actual cotton plantings of 6.55 million.



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Big Spring Independent School District trustees Chad Wash, left, and Jeff Brorman, center, recite the oath of office during the BSISD school board meeting earlier in the week. Both men were unopposed for re-election this year.

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Annie's Mailbox®

**Dear Annie:** My 22-year-old son, "Nick," spends most of his time playing video games. He was fired from several jobs last year because he stopped showing up. We had no idea.

We finally kicked him out. It was the hardest decision of my life. He lived with various relatives and friends until he started lying to them about work. Nick is now at his father's, who lets him stay rent-free, contributing nothing.

I managed to get Nick to see a psychiatrist briefly. I went along to make sure he told the truth, but as soon as the therapist wanted him to continue on his own, he canceled the next appointment, saying the therapist didn't do anything but ask him questions.

I am concerned that Nick will do something drastic, like harm himself. When I brought it up, he said he would never do that. But he's alone so much and seems so aimless. Is there anything I can do besides pray? — *Worried Mom in Alabama*

**Dear Mom:** There are a lot of possibilities to consider: Might Nick be drinking or using drugs? Is he addicted to video games and cannot tear himself away? Is he depressed? And, of course, there is the "lazy" factor, in that he has a place to stay, rent-free, and is not required to do anything at all, including grow up.

The fact that Nick is alone and aimless does not make him suicidal, but it can feed on itself and make him more lethargic. And the longer he is without work, the harder it will be to find the next job. Please see whether you can get Nick to see a physician for a checkup. Then talk to your ex-husband about your next step.

**Dear Annie:** I am very frustrated. My daughter is graduating soon, and I sent out invitations for a party, leaving an RSVP with my phone number. Catering is expensive, and I was hoping the guests would call me to tell me whether they are able to attend. So far, only two people have responded. Out of 40.



KATHY MITCHELL  
MARCY SUGAR

A few years ago, I ordered food for 300 guests, only to have 70 people show up, resulting in a lot of food being thrown away. But another time, I ordered for 100 people, and we ran out of food because 150 came. Please tell your readers not to ignore an RSVP. It's there for a reason. — *Frustrated.*

**Dear Frustrated:** This is an ongoing frustration for many of our readers. Of course people should have the decency to respond to invitations in a timely manner. Your only recourse, sorry to say, is to call each person and ask whether he or she is planning to attend.

**Dear Annie:** I read the letter from "Perplexed," who wanted to get his parents to stop bothering him by incessantly calling or visiting. I liked your answer, suggesting he call for five minutes every

day to reassure Dad that he is OK and to make sure that Dad is OK, too.

My mom was my best friend, and I loved her very much. After my partner and I were in a bad automobile accident, we recuperated at Mom's home. When we left, she cried and asked whether I would do something for her: call once a day to let her know that we are OK.

I did that and then began to call her at night, too, just to say, "I love you, Mom." About a year later, I called in the morning, and there was no answer. She had passed away in her sleep. My consolation was that the last words I said to her were "I love you." There is nothing kids can do to make up for the times that they avoided their parents and complained that they were such a "bother." — *Louisville, Ky.*

*Annie's Mailbox is written by Kathy Mitchell and Marcy Sugar, long-time editors of the Ann Landers column. © 2013 CREATORS.COM*

Who's Who

**ABILENE** — Taylor Seaton, a sophomore general business major from Big Spring, has been named to the Spring 2013 Dean's List at McMurry University. To be eligible for the Dean's List, a student must have maintained at least a 3.5 grade point average while taking 12 or more credit hours.

Offering a diverse academic curriculum to more than 1,400 students, McMurry University is a small Christian liberal arts school in Abilene. Students choose from 41 majors; education and business are popular as are the school's pre-professional programs in medicine, dentistry, law, and physical therapy.

Ariel Marion Johnson graduated Magna Cum Laude with a bachelor of nutritional science degree from Texas A&M University on Saturday, May 11, 2013.

She has been accepted to



Ariel Marion Johnson

the University of Houston, College of Optometry where she will pursue her doctorate of optometry.

Ariel is the daughter of Owen and Beebee Johnson,

She is the granddaughter of Jim and Bobbe Johnson, of Brownwood, Texas, and the late Marian Johnson, Christa Ribalka and the late Gerhard Ribalka of

Germany.

Ariel was the salutatorian of Big Spring High School's Class of 2009

On May 3, Angelo Lozano of Big Spring graduated from the Southwestern Assemblies of God University (SAGU) College of Bible and Church Ministries with an associate's degree in Bible.

Valarie Lou Ann Goff, a Big Spring resident, graduated from the Southwestern Assemblies of God University College of Bible and Church Ministries with a bachelor's degree in intercultural studies May 3.

Southwestern Assemblies of God University is a private, Christian university located 30 minutes south of the Dallas/Fort Worth Metroplex in Waxahachie, Texas. The university was established in 1927 and offers more than 60 associate, bachelor's or master's degrees on campus or online.

Area Menus

**Forsan ISD**  
Monday: Breakfast, morning sausage roll, dry cereal variety, buttered toast, chilled peaches, fresh fruit, milk. Lunch, cheesy chicken and rice, salis-

bury steak with gravy, scalloped potatoes, broccoli Normandy, romaine garden salad, ranch, chilled mixed fruit, fresh fruit, roll.  
Tuesday: Breakfast, breakfast pizza, yogurt

and fruit parfait, chilled pears, fresh fruit. Lunch, beef stir fry, general tso chicken with steamed white rice, glazed carrots, oriental blend vegetables, romaine garden salad, ranch, chilled pineapple tidbits.

Wednesday: Breakfast, sausage patty, biscuit and gravy, dry cereal variety, buttered toast, cinnamon applesauce, fresh fruit. Lunch, home style big daddy's pizza, Italian chili mac, green beans, sweet potatoes, garlic bread, romaine garden salad, ranch, chilled pears, fresh fruit.

Thursday: Breakfast, mini blueberry pancakes, dry cereal variety, buttered toast, chilled mixed fruit, fresh fruit.

Lunch, enchilada casserole, chicken fajita nachos, Spanish rice, pinto beans, lettuce and tomato salad with salsa.

Friday: Breakfast, homestyle cinnamon, dry cereal variety, buttered toast, mandarin oranges, fresh fruit.

Lunch, barbecue beef on bun, popcorn chicken, oven baked French fries, baked beans with barbecue sauce, California blend vegetables, romaine garden salad, ranch, chilled mixed fruit, fresh fruit.

Senior Center

Monday: Hamburger steak and gravy, rice, green beans, key lime pie, rolls, milk.

Tuesday: Steak fingers, red potatoes, broccoli, pear halves, salad, rolls, milk.

Wednesday: Barbecue chicken, pinto beans, okra, cornbread, cucumber salad/ambrosia, milk.

Thursday: Hot dog with chili, baked chips, onions and cheese, baked beans, chocolate cake, milk.

Friday: Soft beef taco, picante sauce, pinto beans, tortilla chips, mixed berries, milk.

Sands ISD

Monday: Breakfast, breakfast on a stick, juice and milk. Lunch, corn-dog, baked beans, tomato and cucumber cup, apple and milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast, cinnamon roll, cheese stick, juice and milk. Lunch, grilled cheese sandwich, garden salad, baked chips, fruit, cookie and milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast, sausage and biscuit,

juice and milk. Lunch, chicken sandwich, oven fries, veggie cup, apple sauce and milk.

Thursday: Breakfast, muffin, cheese stick, juice and milk. Lunch, chicken nuggets with gravy, salad, carrots, breadstick, fruit and milk.

Friday: Breakfast, cereal bar, juice and milk. Lunch, peanut butter and jelly sandwich, cheese stick, carrots, ranch, cookie, apple slices and milk.

Big Spring ISD

Monday: Breakfast, Apple Jacks, fruit juice and milk. Lunch, nacho grande, border beans, fruit cocktail, corn, salsa, lettuce and tomato topping, milk.

Tuesday: Breakfast, sausage roll, fruit juice and milk. Lunch, steak fingers, mashed potatoes and gravy, mixed vegetables, apricots, roll, milk.

Wednesday: Breakfast, baked cheese sticks, fruit juice and milk. Lunch, chicken nuggets, mac and cheese, carrots, celery sticks, pears, orange smiles, milk, ketchup/mustard/ranch.

Thursday: Breakfast, blueberry waffle, fruit juice, milk. Lunch, fish sticks, romaine/spinach salad, ranch, green beans, bread, apple

sauce, grapes, milk.

Friday: Breakfast, pancake on a stick, fruit juice, milk. Lunch, barbecue chicken sandwich, lettuce, tomato, pickles, broccoli, ranch, strawberries and bananas, milk, mustard and ketchup.

Coahoma ISD

Monday: Breakfast, biscuit and sausage patty, dry cereal variety, milk. Lunch, cheesy chicken and rice, Salisbury steak with gravy, scalloped potatoes, broccoli Normandy, romaine garden salad, ranch, chilled mixed fruit, fresh fruit, roll.

Tuesday: Breakfast, breakfast pizza, golden apple oatmeal or cheesy grits, buttered toast, chilled pears, fresh fruit. Lunch, pork stir fry, general tso chicken, steamed rice, glazed carrots, oriental blend vegetables, romaine garden salad, ranch, chilled pineapples tidbits.

Wednesday: Breakfast, scrambled eggs and sliced ham, buttered toast, dry cereal variety, buttered toast, chilled apricots, fresh fruit. Lunch, homestyle big daddy pizza, Italian chili mac, green peas, sweet potatoes, garlic bread, romaine garden salad, ranch, chilled pears, fresh fruit.

Thursday: Breakfast, mini blueberry pancakes, dry cereal variety, buttered toast, chilled mixed fruit, fresh fruit. Lunch, carne asada, beef nacho grande, Spanish rice, pinto beans, lettuce and tomato salad, salsa, tropical mixed fruit, fresh fruit.

Friday: NO SCHOOL

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tripping hazards and that there is a sturdy surface for placing tables or creating a dance floor.

It may pay to ask an electrician or someone who dabbles in electric work to help string some lights to better illuminate the area, especially for when the sun goes down.

Set up the tables and chairs to finalize placement the day before. Figure out where the ceremony will take place. A small arbor can mark the area and make a nice photo backdrop. Dress the tables with linens and settings the morning of the wedding.

One splurge couples may want to make is hiring a waitstaff to help set up food service areas, serve as bartenders and clear away dishes and other messes. This way the bride and groom can mingle with guests.

**Other Tips and Tricks**

Here are some other ways to save

money on DIY weddings.

- Fruit is less expensive than flowers for centerpieces.
- Include postcard response cards in wedding invites. The postage is less, and you don't have to spend money on an extra envelope.
- Be sure to check with your town if you need a permit or variance for having so many cars parked by the house in the event of a backyard wedding. Otherwise you could be facing a fine.
- Many different foods can be cooked in advance and frozen instead of hiring a catering service.
- Consider favors that also double as table centerpieces.
- Bouquets can easily be made with store-bought flowers, some floral tape and decorative ribbon.
- Restrict the bar to wine and beer, and you'll save money on expensive liquors.

A DIY wedding can be a fun, memorable event that costs a couple a fraction of what it would be to have it held at an expensive location.



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# KEEPSAKE *Bridal* GUIDE



# Tips for writing your own vows

A wedding is a once-in-a-lifetime event for many couples, so brides and grooms wish for the event to be momentous and memorable. As such, couples are increasingly integrating personal nuances into their ceremonies and receptions to tailor weddings to their unique visions. The desire to include personalized wedding vows continues to be a popular trend.

If you are considering personalized wedding vows, first realize that it may not be a simple task. That's because you want the message conveyed to be dear to your heart, and that can be challenging when faced with the pressures and planning of the

rest of the wedding. That isn't to say that writing your own vows is impossible. Here are some guidelines for personalizing your ceremony with your own sentiments.

- Schedule time for writing. Amid the bustle of dress fittings and interviews with photographers, it can be easy to put off the important task of writing vows for another day. But as any great writer can attest, it takes writing -- and rewriting -- to achieve a finished product you can be proud of. Give the task of writing your vows your undivided attention. Mark it in on your calendar or set a reminder on your computer just as you would any other appointment.

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- Be aware of ceremony guidelines. It is best to check with your officiant and confirm that personalized wedding vows are allowed. During civil ceremonies it's often acceptable to customize vows as you see fit. However, during religious ceremonies there may be lines of scripture that need to be read or certain passages required.

Before you spend hours working on the task, be sure that it is allowed and that your spouse and you are on the same page.

- Jot down your feelings. Answer some questions about what marriage means to you and how you feel about your spouse. Try to avoid trite sayings and think from your heart and personal experiences.

Think about what is the most important thing you want to promise to your future partner. These notes can serve as the starting points for the actual vows.

- Read inspirational writings. Perhaps there is an author or a poet who inspires you? You can quote certain writers in your vows or let the tone of their works help shape the words of your vows. There also are suggested wedding readings and other quotes about marriage readily available at the library or with a quick search online.

- Decide on a tone. Although the day is based on love and affection, you may not feel comfortable spouting words of adora-

tion in front of friends and family. Feel free to tap into your unique personality. Humor can be used if it aligns with the way you normally express your affections. Be sure to weave this tone into more traditional passages to create a cohesive expression of your feelings.

- Establish an outline. Put together all of the words and phrases you've jotted down into an outline to help you organize the flow of the vows, using these words as a blueprint for the vows and building upon them. Make sure the vows will be concise. Aim for your entire speech to be around 1 minute in

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## Try DIY!

Those thinking about tying the knot in the months to come may be discouraged by how expensive weddings can be. But with a little ingenuity and a hands-on approach, couples can have a wedding that is inexpensive and memorable at the same time.

According to CostofWedding.com, on average, U.S. couples spend \$26,542 for their weddings. Weddingbells magazine states that the average cost for a wedding in Canada is \$23,330, up from \$20,129 in 2010. These amounts do not include the cost for an engagement ring or wedding bands. With such a high price tag, some couples may wonder if they can afford their dream wedding or if there are ways to cut costs. Having a backyard, DIY wedding can be

the answer.

Although some may envision a backyard wedding with picnic benches and Dad at the grill, it can be a much classier affair than that. Smart couples are realizing that the money they would normally spend on a big wedding at an outside venue can be put to better use, either through buying a new home or fixing up one they may already own. Furthermore, for couples who are picky about details, having a DIY event ensures that they can control the details and have them as personal as they would like.

### Getting Started

A DIY wedding is one that will take much more work than simply hiring vendors and leaving the details to them. But the money saved with sweat equity can be substantial. A well-planned wedding is the best start.

Grab a notebook and start

making lists of all the things you will need:

- location
- tables and chairs
- linens
- food
- silverware and glassware
- invitations
- photography
- music
- officiant
- music
- centerpieces and other decor
- cake or dessert
- lighting
- attire
- flowers

### Work in Advance

Many items necessary for a wedding can be bought in advance. Some couples find that purchasing low-cost items at discount stores turns out to be less expensive than renting. For example, inexpensive glasses and silverware can be bought at dollar stores or chains like

Ikea. Later on these items can be kept, sold or even donated to shelters.

Tablecloths don't have to be the traditional kind. It may be less expensive to purchase pieces of fabric from a fabric store and dressing them up oneself. Candles can be stockpiled relatively easy and provide a very affordable means of ambient light. Plan out centerpiece ideas and figure out which components can be bought and stored. Then items can be assembled at leisure. Wedding stationery is one thing that will have to be bought well in advance so there will be time enough to printout save-the-dates, invitations and response cards, as well as mail them.

An informal wedding may mean couples can get simple attire. Buying off the rack may mean a smaller price tag for gowns. Gentleman may be able to fare with sportcoats and slacks. Pur-

chase wardrobe essentials several months in advance to be sure there will be time for alterations, if necessary. Enlist the help of family and friends to get many of the tasks completed. Upon asking, many couples find there are members of the family who have skills in certain areas, which can be tapped for the wedding. There may be a gourmet chef, a disc jockey, a photographer or even someone who can officiate the vows. Having these people on board means a great reduction in costs.

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### Readying the Venue

Because couples will be doing the work themselves, it's best to start several days in advance of the wedding (weather permitting). Be sure the grounds are well groomed and landscaped. Ensure there are no

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Here's some packing pointers for one of 350,000 destination weddings

In a 2012 study of destination weddings conducted by The Knot Market Intelligence, a research wing of TheKnot.com, researchers found that 350,000 destination weddings occur each year. That figure means nearly one in four couples who tied the knot in 2011 had a destination wedding, a roughly five percent increase from 2009.

Destination weddings have grown in popularity for a variety of reasons, not the least of which is the appeal of getting married in an exotic or unique locale.

In addition, 65 percent of survey respondents said they chose a destination wedding because they wanted a more intimate affair with fewer guests.

Whatever the reason behind a couple's decision to have a destination wedding, there are things such couples must consider that others who chose a local ceremony can afford to overlook or place a smaller emphasis upon.

Packing is one aspect of a wedding that's more important to couples having a destination wedding than those getting married closer to



home.

Once a couple boards a plane to head off to their destination wedding, any items left behind will stay behind.

So it's important for couples getting married far away from their homes to develop a plan with respect to packing so they don't forget or damage any important elements of the wedding.

Start with a checklist. Couples should develop of checklist of items they will need to bring with them. Make this list as extensive as possible, including everything that will

have to be packed, such as clothing, toiletries, jewelry, reservation information, and anything else you expect to need on your trip. Check off items on this list as you pack them away, and check the list the night before you embark to make sure you have everything.

Carry on especially important items. Some items are simply too important to pack. A bride's wedding gown and the groom's tuxedo fall into this category. Unfortunately, checked bags can get lost, and no bride or groom wants to arrive at their destination without their gown or tux. An airline may provide brides with a garment bag to store the wedding gown, and the gown and tux can likely be hung in the plane's closet without fear of other passengers putting items on top of them.

In addition to the wedding day attire, don't store items like the wedding rings or family heirlooms in a checked bag. Carry these items in a purse or securely store them in a carry-on bag.

Consider mailing welcome packages after you return home. Welcome packages are nice gestures

that show your guests just how much you appreciate their being there for your big day. However, when having a destination wedding, couples may discover that their premade welcome packages are too bulky or just too numerous to easily fit into luggage. Instead of taking these to your destination, mail them to your guests after you return home. The packages might not be there to welcome guests, but the sentiment is still the same and guests will appreciate the gesture just the same. If you plan to go this route, talk to the hotel in advance to see if they can help you put together a smaller package so guests are still welcomed to the destination.

Be wary of shipping items ahead of you. Some couples ship some important items to their hotel ahead of time. While this might seem like an easy solution to packing welcome packages or other special items such as decorations, these items can easily get lost in the mail or stranded at customs. Shipping items ahead might seem like a great idea, but couples must weigh the potential risks before placing important items in someone else's hands.



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length to keep everyone engaged and the ceremony moving along.

Put everything together. Draft your vows and then practice them by reading out loud. You want to avoid long sentences or anything that trips you up. Although large words may sound impressive, they could make the vows seem too academic and not necessarily heartfelt. Enlist the

help of a friend or two to act as your audience to see if the vows sound good and are easily understandable.

Writing your own vows can be a way to include personal expressions of love into a couple's wedding day. Public speaking is seldom easy, nor is finding the perfect words to convey feelings about a future spouse. However, with some practice and inspiration, anyone can draft personalized vows.

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# Simple ways to save on your wedding

According to a 2012 report in *Brides* magazine, the average American couple spends just under \$27,000 on their wedding, while their northern neighbors in Canada spend slightly more than \$23,000 on average for their big day. Clearly couples, regardless of which side of the border they call home, can expect to invest a substantial amount of money for their weddings.

While many couples find the cost of a wedding is well worth it, others

would like to find ways to save so their big day isn't a budget-buster. Such savings aren't always easy to come by, especially for couples with a very distinctive picture in mind of what their wedding should be. However, even couples strongly committed to a certain wedding style might change their minds once they realize how much such a dream wedding will cost. For those couples as well as couples who simply want to save some money, the following are

a few ideas to avoid busting your budget without venturing too far from your dream wedding.

- **Trim the guest list.** The guest list is perhaps the easiest place to begin saving money. Many reception halls will charge by the head, so consider if you really need to invite 150 guests or if 100 will do. Such trimming can save you a substantial amount of money. For example, a banquet hall that charges \$200 per guest will cost couples with a guest list of 150 \$30,000 for the reception alone. Cutting that guest list to 100 reduces that cost by \$10,000. When putting together the guest list, remove those candidates who would best be described as acquaintances. This can include coworkers with whom you don't socialize, as well as old college friends to whom you rarely speak. Distant cousins you haven't spoken to in years can also be cut from the list.

- **Don't go overboard on the gown.** Styles are ever-changing, so there's a strong chance brides won't be passing down their wedding gowns to their own daughters someday. What's popular now will likely seem outdated by the time your daughter walks down the aisle. Keep this in mind when shopping for a wedding dress, which can be made in the same design as the one you try on but with cheaper fabrics that are a fraction of the cost.

The disparity between gown costs in the United States and Canada should paint a good picture of how easily brides can save money on their gowns. According to a sur-

vey of wedding trends conducted by Weddingbells, an online resource for Canadian brides, the average Canadian bride in 2011 spent just under \$1,800 on her wedding gown, while the average American bride spends roughly \$1,100 on her gown. Though the reasons for that disparity are unclear, it's safe to say there are savings to be had for brides who don't want to break the bank paying for their wedding gowns.

- **Get hitched in the off-season.** Many couples prefer to get married sometime between the months of May through October. During these months, venues and vendors, including limousine services, caterers, photographers, musicians, and deejays, are more expensive. If you are willing to switch your wedding date to the off-season you can save a substantial amount of money. In addition, you likely won't face as much competition for the best venues and vendors as you will during the peak wedding season.

- **Trim your beverage budget.** The bar tab at the end of the reception can be considerable, but there are ways to save money while ensuring your guests can still toast you and yours with a few libations. Rather than offering a full bar, limit the choices to beer and wine, which will be perfectly acceptable to most guests anyway. In addition, rather than paying the caterer for the wine, buy your own and you'll save a considerable amount of money. You may have to pay the caterer a

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# Find a gown they all will love

Close friends and family members are an important component of a couple's wedding day. Individuals who are especially close to the bride and groom are often asked to become members of the wedding party, which means a bride-to-be will be asking one or more women to play an integral role in the celebration. To set these ladies apart from other guests at the wedding, they are often asked to wear coordinating bridesmaid gowns. Selecting a style and color that is fitting to the unique people of the bridal party can be challenging, but it's not impossible.

As if choosing your maid of honor wasn't tricky enough, you now must make a host of other decisions as well, all while playing stylist to the wedding party. Fashion sense is as unique as a fingerprint, and it is unlikely the bridesmaids will be able to agree on every aspect of the gowns they will be asked to wear. However, there are ways to narrow down the choices and be as accommodating as possible to their needs.

## Size matters

The body shapes and sizes of the women in your bridal party will be different, and this should be kept in mind when selecting a gown style and cut. There are certain dress shapes that are universally flattering, such as A-line. Try to avoid gowns that are extremely form-fitting, as only a few of the bridesmaids may be able to pull off this look successfully. The remainder could be left feeling self-conscious and uncomfortable. Plus, form-fitting clothing will be restrictive and can be difficult to move around in -- particularly considering the gown will be worn for an entire day.

## Flattering Color

As a bride you may have a colorscape in your mind for the wedding. But what looks good in table linens and flowers is not always the right choice for clothing. Take the skin tones and hair colors of your bridesmaids into consideration before choosing a dress. Green- and yellow-hued dress-

es may not look nice on women with olive skin tones, while very pale colors may wash out women with fair skin. Those with dark skin may need a brighter-colored dress.

## Price Tag

It is an honor to be asked to be part of a bridal party, but that honor can be very expensive. The bridesmaids are expected to pay for their wardrobe, hair styling, and makeup, as well as parties and gifts for the happy couple. As a courtesy to the women who already will be investing a considerable amount to be a part of your wedding, make every effort to select a gown that is affordable.

## Other Tips

Once you've decided on the basic elements, consider the following suggestions to find a gown that the bridal party will enjoy.

- Take one or two bridesmaids shopping with you. Try to select ones with opposite body types so you can see how the gown looks on a woman who is thin and one who may be more full-figured.

- Think about choosing separates. The bridesmaids can mix and match tops and bottoms to find a fit that works. This may enable a woman with a larger bust size to select a top with supportive straps while another bridesmaid can opt for strapless. Many stores have increased their inventory of separates because of their growing popularity.

- Choose one color and then let the bridesmaids choose the style they like the best for themselves. The look will still be cohesive, but it won't be boring with one type of gown. Also, each bridesmaid will be comfortable with a gown that flatters her shape.

- Go with a tea-length gown. These gowns have become quite trendy and are less formal and cumbersome than full-length gowns. Plus, there is a greater likelihood that the gown can be used again at a later date.

- Purchase the bridesmaid gowns at the same store where you will be purchasing your wedding gown. Most shops will offer a courtesy discount if the bridesmaid gowns are



A little patience can help a bride-to-be select bridesmaid gowns that are flattering to all the members of her bridal party.

purchased at the same store.

Ensuring bridesmaids are happy in their gowns takes a little work but will be well worth the effort.

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# Something good and safe to serve

Engagement parties, bridal showers and wedding receptions are blissful, joyous occasions that celebrate the future with those near and dear. However, planning these special events is no small feat, especially when it comes to choosing the menus.

How do you create a menu that pleases all palates and ensures that every guest can feel like a part of the joyous occasion? These simple tips make it easy to plan a menu that is delicious, safe and satisfying.

•Gluten-free RSVP — Include a section for dietary restrictions in the RSVP. This ensures guests will enjoy the meal without worry and can fully participate in the celebration. There's no need to list out the various preferences, simply add an open space for guests to write in their specific diet needs.

• Be Cautious of Cocktails — Thoroughly research wine, liquor and beer before making selections as many are deceptively not gluten-free. However, there are great gluten-free options available that allow guests to drink worry-free.

• Get Creative with Options — Use gluten-free

products, such as Udi's Double Chocolate or Double Vanilla muffins as cupcakes or to create fun and trendy cake balls. It's a treat that is delicious enough for all guests to indulge in.

• Don't Be Afraid to Ask — Many caterers and bakers have experience working with gluten-free, dairy-free and vegan requests. Don't be afraid to work with them to figure out the most delicious ways to make an event memorable for everyone.

• Label Clearly — When offering passed hors d'oeuvres or serving on a buffet, clearly label gluten-free, dairy-free, vegetarian and/or vegan choices so guests can easily make selections.

These tips will allow all guests to enjoy the festivities and make it a memorable celebration.

For flavorful ideas and more gluten-free options, visit [www.udisglutenfree.com](http://www.udisglutenfree.com).

## Lemon Poppy Cake Balls

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2 cups confectioners' sugar  
1/2 teaspoon pure vanilla extract  
1 tablespoon freshly squeezed lemon juice  
12 ounces white chocolate, chopped  
2 tablespoons all-vegetable shortening  
poppy seeds, for sprinkling

Crumble the muffins into a large bowl. Using electric hand mixer, beat together butter and sugar until creamy and blended. Beat in vanilla and lemon juice until fluffy. Add half of lemon frosting to crumbled muffins and combine using a fork. If mixture isn't moist enough, add more frosting, a little at a time. Using

cookie scoop, form cake balls and place on parchment-lined baking sheet. Freeze for 1 hour. In double boiler set over medium heat, melt together chocolate and shortening. Working one at a time and using a toothpick, dip cake balls into the chocolate mixture. Sprinkle with poppy seeds and let set on parchment-lined baking sheet.

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fee to pour the wine, but that fee is negligible compared to what you'd pay the company to provide the wine.

• Choose a buffet-style dinner over waiter service. Many guests will no doubt prefer a buffet-style dinner instead of waiter service, so take advantage of that and choose a more affordable buffet-style dinner that allows diners to choose their own entrees and side dishes.

When it comes to trimming wedding costs, couples will have to make compromises. But those compromises don't have to come at the cost of a beautiful and memorable event.

**A bride who's willing to be flexible with respect to her wedding gown can save a substantial amount of money.**



## Tips for selecting wedding day flowers

What would a wedding day be without flowers? The beauty and the aroma of fresh-cut flowers can create a welcoming atmosphere and complement the beauty and the style of a wedding wardrobe. Flowers are often the first things that guests see upon arriving for the ceremony, and they may even be something guests take home at the end of the night. Flowers create an air of romance, and most couples want to make flowers -- whether fresh or silk -- an integral part of their wedding day.



As with any decision when planning a wedding, choosing the right flowers requires some research and a basic knowledge of which flowers will convey the message and the theme of your wedding. The number of colors, textures and combinations that can be created are so numerous that couples may feel the decision on the floral arrangements is best left to the florist. But it doesn't take a lot of expertise to know what you want, and it is important for couples to convey their feelings to the florist. Consider these tips when choosing a florist and selecting flowers.

• Experts advise that a couple start looking for a florist at least six months before the wedding, especially if the wedding will take place during the peak season of May through September. Get recommendations from friends as to which

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# Roles of the best man and maid of honor

## Prior to the wedding

Before the wedding takes place, the maid of honor will closely assist the bride-to-be with many of the important decisions related to the look and the feel of the wedding. She typically accompanies the bride to dress shops to select gowns for the bride and bridesmaids. Much in the same manner, the best man will assist the groom-to-be with choosing tuxedos or suits and also with coordinating with the ushers to ensure they know when to go for fittings.

Although the best man will serve as a sounding

board for the groom, traditionally, the bride and her bridesmaids have taken on the majority of the wedding planning, so the maid of honor can expect to play a larger role than the best man. The maid of honor may be asked to delegate certain assignments, such as helping to find wedding vendors or addressing invitations. She may go with the bride for makeup and hairstyle trials. Together with the bridesmaids, she will plan a bridal shower party and a bachelorette excursion. She may select a wedding gift for the couple and present it

on behalf of all the wedding attendants.

The best man will coordinate the bachelor party and may be asked to assist the groom with selecting a honeymoon site or to come along to book the trip.

## Wedding day

On the day of the wedding, the maid of honor and the best man will act as a support system for the bride and groom. The maid of honor will help the bride get dressed and help iron out any mini-emergencies that should crop up. The best man will help ensure

all of the ushers are dressed and get the groom to the wedding on time.

During the ceremony, the maid of honor will hold the bride's bouquet while she participates in the wedding. The best man will keep the rings safe until they are needed. The maid of honor also will help adjust the bride's train and veil as she sits and stands during the ceremony. Both will sign the marriage certificate as witnesses.

At the reception, the best man is expected to give a toast and the maid of honor may share some words as

well.

## After the wedding

The best man will be in charge of returning the tuxedos to the rental shop, if necessary. He also may drive the newly married couple to the airport so they can depart on their honeymoon.

The maid of honor will assist the bride in changing out of her gown and into her travel clothes. Oftentimes, the maid of honor takes the gown to the cleaners in the days following the ceremony.

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florist they used or find out if your wedding planner or banquet hall manager recommends a particular

florist. Some catering halls have agreements with florists, and they work together.

• Browse magazines to get ideas of what you like. You also may be

able to find a florist through an advertisement or if he or she has been featured in publications. Keep a scrapbook of the colors, types of flowers and arrangements and any other ideas that attract you so you will be able to present this information to the florist.

• Establish your flower budget prior to sitting down with the florist. You should expect to pay at least 8 percent of the total wedding cost on flowers. Get an estimate on the floral arrangement and then tweak your needs according to your budget. Many florists can modify arrangements and find a middle ground with regard to cost. Selecting flowers that are in-season will result in more affordable rates.

• Once you've hired the florist, you can come up with a wedding flower worksheet that establishes all of your needs. The florist may ask for specific information, such as photos of the bride's gown as well as the colors and styles that the wedding party will be wearing. A good florist knows that a bouquet should not overpower or detract from the beauty of the bride. The florist may want to mimic textures from the dress, such as beading, with smaller flowers or berries within the arrangement. The groom's boutonniere is traditionally one of the

flowers from the bride's bouquet so that the look is cohesive.

• Ceremony flowers may be traditional, and some houses of worship have strict guidelines as to what can and cannot be used. However, reception flowers can be where you show off your creativity and whimsy. After all, this is a party and it should be fun. You may want to give the florist more freedom of expression with regard to reception centerpieces and flowers that adorn other areas of the room.

• Because receptions tend to take place in the evening hours and are often indoor affairs, experts say that added lighting may be needed to put emphasis on the floral centerpieces and help present them in their best light. You may want to think about hiring a lighting designer to spotlight some areas of the room or at the very least incorporate candlelight into your centerpiece arrangements.

• To give the impression there are more flowers than there really are, use fragrance and filler as your tools. Fragrant flowers can fill up the room with a welcoming aroma.

Look for frangipani, lilies, hyacinths, jasmine and sweet peas for a big impact. Florists know how to stretch arrangements by using greenery and other filler.

# Save-the-date cards can make a whole lot of sense

More and more couples planning to walk down the aisle are embracing save-the-date cards to give guests adequate notice that there is a party on the horizon.

Save-the-date cards do more than let guests know when you're getting hitched. The cards are a preliminary way to keep guests informed and let them know they are, in fact, on the guest list. These cards haven't always been so popular, but have risen in popularity due to longer engagement periods, a growing number of destination weddings and the growing number of couples with guests from all over the country, if not the world. Considering people often plan business trips, vacations and other excursions several months in advance, save-the-date cards help secure a greater number of attendees at your wedding.

Save-the-date announcements can vary in many ways. They may be postcards or magnets that can be attached to a refrigerator door. If you desire a cohesive theme to your

wedding stationery, select the save-the-date cards at the same time you choose your wedding invitations. This way you can ensure that either the patterns, fonts, colors or style of the cards will match. It will also help convey the tone of the wedding. Guests often take their cues regarding the level of formality of the wedding from the type of stationery couples choose.

When to send out the save-the-date announcements is important, as well. As a general rule of thumb, it is wise to mail out the cards 6 months in advance for a standard wedding. If the wedding requires travel or extended overnight accommodations, you may want to mail them out 8 months to a year in advance to give guests the time to investigate flight costs and hotel arrangements. A wedding also may necessitate planning a vacation or personal time off from work. Therefore, ample advanced notice is advisable.

Be sure to make your guest list



in advance of sending out save-the-date cards. Everyone who receives a card should also be sent an invitation prior to the wedding. Remember to include any members of your planned wedding party in the list of recipients. Just because a person has verbally confirmed attendance at your wedding doesn't mean they should be excluded from subsequent announcements. Guests may talk to one another and it is best to avoid hurt feelings and any added drama before the wedding by treating everyone equally.

Be sure to include the wedding

date, your names and the location of the wedding on the save-the-date cards. You do not need to offer RSVP information or detailed specifics at this time.

You may want to include a website URL on the card so guests can check it frequently for updates on wedding information. Be sure to also include that a formal invitation will follow at a later date. You do not want to cause confusion by having guests think that the save-the-date card is the actual invitation.

Also, make sure you address the save-the-date cards correctly to show your intentions with respect to guest invites. For example, be clear about whether children will be invited and whether a boyfriend/girlfriend or another guest can tag along.

Although save-the-date cards are not a necessity, they have become a popular part of wedding planning to eliminate confusion about invitations as well as help guests plan time off for your wedding.

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