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Heritage aims for donations

Museum officials to make case for endowments during Saturday event

By **STEVE REAGAN**
 Staff Writer

Heritage Museum are making a pitch to potential donors, and they're using some of West Texas' finest wines in the process. The museum will host a wine tasting from 5-7 p.m. Saturday to kick off its annual endowment campaign. Representatives from Llano Estacado Winery in Lubbock will be on hand serving samples of their products and several local artists will display their work.

Museum Curator Tammy Schrecengost said the endowment campaign will help the facility, which has been hit hard by the loss of grant money, become more self-sustaining.

"We want to build our endowment funds to enable the museum to essentially be self-supporting now and in the future," she said. "Our funds have dwindled due to operating costs and little support from large donors. We are working hard to obtain grants from various foundations but we need operating funds on a monthly basis. Unfortunately, it takes a lot of money to support a museum of this size."

The museum was hit hard by a recent decision by Dora Roberts Foundation to slash its annual grant by about \$150,000. In response, Schrecengost and her staff has cut monthly operating costs by almost \$8,000.

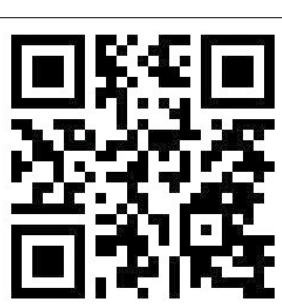
"I wouldn't say the situation is dire, but it

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United Way of Howard County officials set a fundraising goal of \$330,000 during their Boots and Bling campaign kickoff at the Big Spring Country Club Saturday. In the photo at left, Campaign Chairman Chad Averette, left, and UW President Larry Rodgers address the crowd. At top, entertainment was provided by AC and the Heaters. A silent auction Saturday raised \$15,000 for the campaign.

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Kathie Glass, Libertarian Party gubernatorial candidate, campaigned in Big Spring Saturday.

Gasoline prices up slightly

Special to the Herald

Average retail gasoline prices in Texas have risen 0.8 cents per gallon in the past week, averaging \$3.23 per gallon Sunday, according to GasBuddy's daily survey of 13,114 gas outlets in Texas.

This compares with the national average that has increased 1.3 cents per gallon in the last week to \$3.44 a gallon, according to gasoline price website GasBuddy.com.

Including the change in gas prices in Texas during the past week, prices yesterday were 17.4 cents per gallon lower than the same day one year ago and are 6.1 cents per gallon lower than a month ago.

The national average has decreased 2.2 cents per gal-

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Obituaries

Bettye Gainus



Bettye Gainus, 83, of Big Spring died Friday, Sept. 5, 2014, at Parkview Nursing and Rehabilitation. Memorial services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 9, 2014, at Myers & Smith Chapel with the Rev. Randy Cotton, pastor of Trinity Baptist Church, officiating.

She was born June 25, 1931, in Waxahachie, Texas to Ellie and Alton Bearden. She worked in the accounting department at Webb

Air Force Base and was a member of Trinity Baptist Church.

She is survived by two sons, Tim Raney and his wife, Phyllis, of Odessa and Ronnie Raney and his wife, Melody, of Pearland; one sister, Martha Freeman of San Angelo; six grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Franklin Gainus in 1986; two brothers, Elvin and Jay Bearden; and two sisters, Nell Scott and Frances Hester.

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

Arlene Hartin

Arlene Hartin, 77, of Big Spring died Sunday, Sept. 7, 2014, at her residence. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Support Groups

MONDAY

- 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 Spring Town Plaza (inside the mall, across from the movie box office, next to Sears). Open meeting at 7 p.m.

TUESDAY

- Noon — Stepping Stone Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at Spring Town Plaza (inside the mall, across from the movie box office, next to Sears).

- Big Spring and Snyder Parkinsons Support Group meeting at the Big Spring Senior Center at 10:30 a.m. the second Tuesday of the month. This is a group for all Parkinson's disease patients, spouses and caregivers. For more information about the support group or about Parkinson's Disease, contact Jo Bidwell at the Lubbock APDA office at 806-785-0942.

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

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

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

WEDNESDAY

- "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.

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

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

- Stepping Stone Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at Spring Town Plaza (inside the mall, across from the movie box office, next to Sears). Open meeting at 7 p.m.

- The Young and the Breastless of Big Spring meets every first Thursday at 11:30 a.m. at Brooklyn's Deli in the Spring Town Plaza.

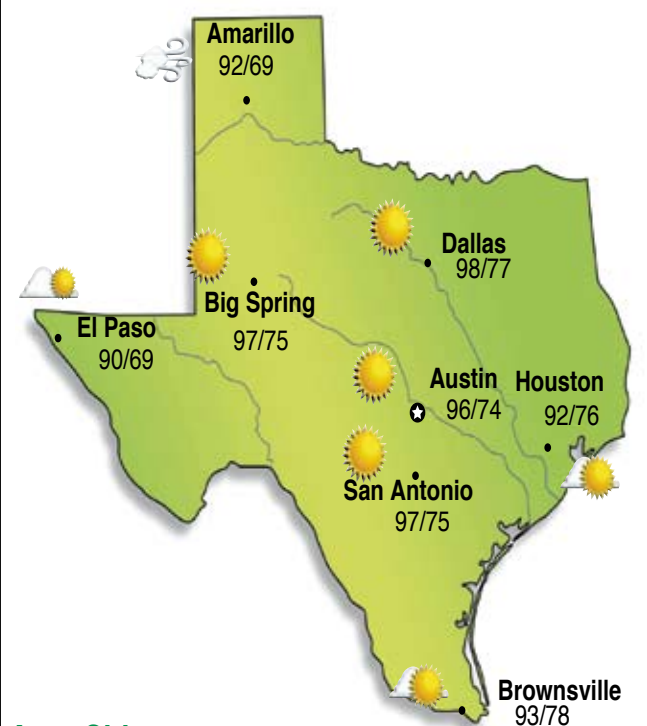
Local 5-Day Forecast

Tue 9/9	Wed 9/10	Thu 9/11	Fri 9/12	Sat 9/13
97/75 Mainly sunny. High 97F. Winds SSW at 10 to 20 mph.	99/72 Mainly sunny. Highs in the upper 90s and lows in the low 70s.	87/67 Scattered thunderstorms possible.	72/55 A few thunderstorms possible. Highs in the low 70s and lows in the mid 50s.	66/59 More clouds than sun. Highs in the mid 60s and lows in the upper 50s.
Sunrise: 7:25 AM Sunset: 7:59 PM	Sunrise: 7:26 AM Sunset: 7:58 PM	Sunrise: 7:27 AM Sunset: 7:57 PM	Sunrise: 7:27 AM Sunset: 7:55 PM	Sunrise: 7:28 AM Sunset: 7:54 PM

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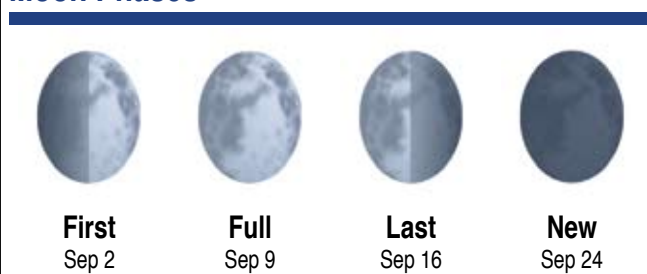
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City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	96	76	sunny	Kingsville	95	76	sunny
Amarillo	92	69	windy	Livingston	92	75	mst sunny
Austin	96	74	sunny	Longview	94	74	sunny
Beaumont	90	75	t-storm	Lubbock	94	72	pt sunny
Brownsville	93	78	mst sunny	Lufkin	94	75	mst sunny
Brownwood	96	74	sunny	Midland	96	74	sunny
Corpus Christi	91	80	mst sunny	Raymondville	94	78	mst sunny
Corsicana	97	76	sunny	Rosenberg	92	76	mst sunny
Dallas	98	77	sunny	San Antonio	97	75	sunny
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El Paso	90	69	pt sunny	Sulphur Springs	95	76	sunny
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Gainesville	95	76	sunny	Tyler	94	75	sunny
Greenville	96	76	sunny	Weatherford	96	75	sunny
Houston	92	76	mst sunny	Wichita Falls	99	78	mst sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	85	68	pt sunny	Minneapolis	79	61	t-storm
Boston	72	63	pt sunny	New York	77	65	cloudy
Chicago	82	68	mst sunny	Phoenix	85	72	t-storm
Dallas	98	77	sunny	San Francisco	63	56	pt sunny
Denver	75	52	t-storm	Seattle	74	57	pt sunny
Houston	92	76	mst sunny	St. Louis	88	75	pt sunny
Los Angeles	87	69	pt sunny	Washington, DC	76	68	t-storm
Miami	87	79	t-storm				

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Police, Sheriff, Fire & EMS reports

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

- JUAN GABRIAL MORAN, 39, of 6210 Sandlin Rd., was arrested Sunday on a charge of public intoxication.

- CHASE STEVEN OBRIEN, 25, of 1807 N. Scurry, was arrested Monday on a charge of hindering officers discharging official duties.

- LANA CRAWFORD KIRKHAM, 44, of 203 Terry Rd., was arrested Monday on a charge of assault family violence threat or offensive touch.

- INTOXICATED SUBJECT was reported at the 3300 block of E. FM 1700.

- ASSAULT reported at the 1800 block of Settles, the 1600 block of Nolan.

- BURGLARY OF HABITATION was reported at the 900 block of Brian Rd.

- HARASSMENT was reported at the 1500 block of Vines Ave. and the 1300 block of Grafa.

- THEFT reported at the 1300 block of Lamar.

The Howard County Sheriffs Office reported the following activity:

Note: Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 79 at the time of this report.

- MARGIE SUE GARCIA was booked by HCSO on a warrant for secure execution documentation deception greater than or equal to \$1,500 but less than \$20,000.

- KENDRICK DESHAUN HARRIS was booked by BSPD on a charge of possession of controlled substance less than 1 gram in a drug free zone.

- MICHAEL SHANE SHULTS was booked by HCSO on a warrant for order amending conditions of supervision.

- SETH ERNEST WILLIAMSON was booked by HCSO on a charge of contempt of court: disobedience of court order.

- VICTORIA MARIA WARREN was booked by BSPD on a charge of assault (threat).

- MARCUS MENDEZ was booked by BSPD on a bail off bond theft of firearm.

- ROBERT MATA JR. was booked by BSPD on a charge of possession of a controlled substance greater than or equal to 1 gram but less than 4 grams.

- RANDY L. PRICE was booked by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

- CHRISTOPHER MALLO MCPHERSON was booked by HCSO on a charge of criminal trespass.

- DANIEL MONTEZ VIERA JR. was booked by BSPD on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

- MARTIN RAMOS was booked by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

- RAUL GARCIA SIMENTAL was booked by BSPD on a charge of driving while intoxicated 3rd or more offense.

- LANA CRAWFORD KIRKHAM was booked by HCSO on a charge of assault family violence.

- CHASE STEVEN OBRIEN was booked by BSPD on a capias warrant for hindering a police officer.

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

Sunday:

- MEDICAL call reported at the 700 block of Interstate Highway 20. One patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- MEDICAL call reported at the 2000 block of Gregg.

- MEDICAL call reported at the 1600 block of Lancaster. One patient transported to SMMC.

- MEDICAL call reported at Highland Heather. One patient transported to SMMC.

- MEDICAL call reported at the 700 block of Johnson. One patient transported to SMMC.

- MEDICAL call reported at the 1900 block of N. Highway 87. One patient transported to SMMC.

- MEDICAL call reported at the 2000 block of Gregg. No transport.

- MEDICAL call reported at the 700 block of Andree. One patient transported to SMMC.

- AUTO FIRE reported at the 2000 block of Gregg. Canceled en route.

Saturday:

- MEDICAL call reported at the 1200 block of S. Gregg. Serviced refused.

- MEDICAL call reported at the 1700 block of Lancaster. One patient transported to SMMC.

- MEDICAL call reported at the 1800 block of N. Highway 87. One patient transported to SMMC.

Friday:

- MEDICAL call reported at the 1200 block of Douglass. One patient transported to SMMC.

- RUBBISH FIRES reported at the 1300 block of Tucson. Out on arrival.

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• Spring Town Plaza will be the home of a pink recycling bin starting Thursday. American Recyclers take pride in assisting the community by donating to non-profit charities. The charity for Big Spring is Susan G. Komen — hence the pink bins.

• The Howard County Fair Quilt is on display at Prosperity Bank. Tickets are available for \$1 each or 6 tickets for \$5. Tickets can be purchased at Compass Bank, Prosperity Bank and Wells Fargo Bank. The Howard County Fair will be taking entries on Wednesday, Sept. 24, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Howard County Fair Barn.

• Entries include agriculture products, art and photography, baked goods, canned goods and creative arts.

• The Howard County Association board invites all elementary school children, pre-kindergarten through fifth grade to attend the Howard County Fair without charge Thursday, Sept. 25 and Friday, Sept. 26, between the hours of 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. These hours are available only for this age-level student and are not during the regular hours of the fair. To schedule a time for your class to visit, contact Gale Pittman or Sandy Stewart at 432-267-5201, 432-935-1604 or uway@bigspringtx.com.

• Friends of the Library of Howard County requests donations of books in good condition for the book sale to be held Oct. 17-19. If you have books you wish to donate to this worthwhile cause, take them to the Howard County Library, Monday through Friday during regular library hours. Please, no National Geographic magazines, other magazines, or condensed books.

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

• A bank account has been set up to help defray funeral expenses for the family of Shelly Lopez. To make a donation to the Shelly Lopez Memorial fund contact the Big Spring Educational Employee Federal Credit Union at 263-8393 located at 1110 Benton.

• Crossroads Hospice is looking for volunteers. Come and be part of our team. Contact Eva at 432-263-5300.

• Help Kids Succeed is asking the public to help local struggling families with back to school expenses. The average family spends between \$200 and \$600 per child. Jury Padron and her husband Peter Padron hope to "pay it forward" by helping these families with donations of clothes, shoes or school supplies. To make a donation, go to www.gofundme.com/ams9v8 or in person by cash, check or money order. To make a supply donation or for more information call Jury at 638-0861 or Peter at 270-5228.

• The Big Spring Senior Center dance is open to all ages. No alcohol or smoking. Our parking lot is now well lit, and we are handicapped accessible. The cost is \$8 per person.

• The Powwow Committee of Big Spring has been restructured and is seeking new members, according to committee secretary Greg Bodin. "Please accept our invitation to attend a meeting." For more information, including meeting times and dates, contact Vice President Randy McKinney at 432-267-4843 or President Richard Lesser at 432-935-0125.

• Victim Services is a non-profit independent community-based program serving victims of all violent crime, including, but not limited to violent crimes of assault, sexual assault and domestic violence. Victim Services advocates are available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year to provide crisis intervention or accompaniment to the hospital and law enforcement agencies as needed. If you can commit to 30-hour training, an interview process background check and attend training. We need you. For more information, call Linda Calvio at 432-263-3312.

• Big Spring and surrounding counties are in need of foster families. Foster parents are the caretakers for the children in the community who have been abused or neglected. For more information on becoming foster parents or adoptive families, call the Children's Protective Services office at 263-9669.

• The mission of CASA of West Texas is to promote and support quality volunteers who speak for the best interest of abused and neglected children in court in an effort to find each child a safe, nurturing and permanent home. We need your help. If you're interested in volunteering, please contact Sara Basaldua at 1-877-316-8346 or visit www.BecomeCASA.org or www.casawtx.org.

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

• The Homeownership Preservation Foundation (HPF) is an independent national nonprofit dedicated to helping distressed homeowners navigate financial challenges and avoid mortgage foreclosure. If you want to stop foreclosure and are in need of foreclosure help, the time to call 888-995-HOPE is now.

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• Legal Aid of Northwest Texas is accepting appointments from 2 p.m. until 5 p.m. the first and third Wednesday of each month. Individuals seeking legal advice for matters concerning family law, divorce, custody and child support issues, social security cases, employment and housing may contact the office to schedule an appointment. Criminal cases are not accepted.

Anyone recently served with legal documents should call the office immediately at 800-926-5630 or 432-686-0647.

News in brief

Obama plans to outline strategy Wednesday on combatting Islamic State militants

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Barack Obama plans to begin laying out his strategy for defeating Islamic State militants expanding their grip in Iraq and Syria.

He'll outline his evolving tactics when he meets with congressional leaders from both parties at the White House on Tuesday and then delivers a speech Wednesday on the eve of the 13th anniversary of the Sept. 11, 2001, terror attacks.

Lawmakers said in advance that they would like the president to give specifics.

The president should target command and control centers and oil refineries controlled by insurgents within Syria, suggested Sen. Marco Rubio, R-Fla., who sits on both the Senate Intelligence and Foreign Relations Committees.

Appeals court to consider gay marriage laws in Hawaii, Idaho, Nevada

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — For the first time since it declared California's gay marriage ban unconstitutional, the federal appeals court in San Francisco is readying to hear arguments over same-sex weddings in a political and legal climate that's vastly different than when it overturned Proposition 8 in 2012.

State and federal court judges have been striking down bans in more than a dozen states at a rapid rate since a landmark U.S. Supreme Court ruling last year.

Now, three judges on the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals — all appointed by Democrats and one whom wrote the opinion overturning Proposition 8 — are set to hear arguments Monday on gay marriage bans in Idaho, Nevada and Hawaii.

"It seemed like such an uphill battle when I started," said Shannon Minter, legal director for the National Center for Lesbian Rights. "I really couldn't imagine then that we would be where we are now."

Ebola experts: virus is surging in places where it was beaten back; entire countries at risk

CONAKRY, Guinea (AP) — Doctors Without Borders shuttered one of its Ebola treatment centers in Guinea in May. They thought the deadly virus was being contained there.

The Macenta region, right on the Liberian border, had been one of the first places where the outbreak surfaced, but they hadn't seen a new case for weeks. So they packed up, leaving a handful of staff on stand-by. The outbreak was showing signs of slowing elsewhere as well.

Instead, new cases appeared across the border in Liberia and then spread across West Africa, carried by the sick and dying. Now, months later, Macenta is once again a hotspot.

The resurgence of the disease in a place where doctors thought they had it beat shows how history's largest Ebola outbreak has spun out of control.

Spokesman: Chick-fil-A restaurant founder S. Truett Cathy has died at age 93

ATLANTA (AP) — S. Truett Cathy, the billionaire founder of the privately held Chick-fil-A restaurant chain that famously closes on Sundays but also drew unwanted attention

on gay marriage in recent years because of his family's conservative views, died early Monday, a company spokesman said. He was 93.

Chick-fil-A spokesman Mark Baldwin told The Associated Press that Cathy died at home surrounded by members of his family. Funeral plans had not yet been finalized, he said.

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PRICES

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lon during the last month and stands 13.7 cents per gallon lower than this day one year ago.

"The last week saw upward momentum in gas

prices continue, leading the national average up about a penny," said GasBuddy.com Senior Petroleum Analyst Patrick DeHaan. "We're past the seventh inning stretch for what will be a short-lived upward trend, and motorists will be seeing lower

prices by late September in most areas across the country."

A mere 1.5 percent of all U.S. gas stations are priced over \$4 a gallon, while roughly a third of stations are seeing prices over \$3.50 a gallon, a huge drop vs. last year when nearly 62 percent

of stations were charging more than \$3.50 per gallon, analysts said.

On the bottom side, the cheapest 5 percent of stations are charging an average of \$3.08 a gallon, and that price will likely continue moving lower in the weeks ahead, DeHaan said.

MUSEUM

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could be if we don't receive some big donations," she said. "I don't see the museum closing its doors, but I could see it being very limited as to what it can offer the community."

And it is the services the museum offers to the community that Schrecengost wants to stress at Saturday's event.

"The museum opens its doors to countless visitors yearly from different communities, states and countries," she said. "Just this past month, we had visitors

from France, Germany, Canada and Japan. We are available for school tours as well as adult groups.

"Not only do we do tours daily, but we help within the community," Schrecengost added. "For instance, we are working with Howard College on a book project for their 70th anniversary."

In addition, she said the museum has worked with United Way by promoting the campaign's cookbook and hosting fundraising events. The museum also hosts Christmas holiday attractions such as the Christmas Tree Forest and Breakfast With

Santa.

"We had a great response from the community in building our membership. We increased it by about 100 people," Schrecengost said. "What we really need now is corporate support."

For more information on Saturday's event,

contact the museum at 267-8255.

Contact Staff Writer Steve Reagan at 263-7331 ext. 235 or by e-mail at reporter@bigspringherald.com

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9	3	5	8	2	4	1	7	6
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Romo throws 3 picks in Cowboys' 28-17 loss

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — The Dallas Cowboys could be in real trouble if this is the new version of Tony Romo.

The quarterback's first quarter game after back surgery was more like a bad flashback — at least in the first half for Romo and all the Cowboys.

Romo threw three interceptions before halftime, putting Dallas in a big hole before losing 28-17 to the San Francisco 49ers in a season opener Sunday.

"I felt comfortable. Just couple poor decisions that I made," Romo said. "You've got to assess and figure out why you did it and then make sure it doesn't happen again. You have to manage your mistakes and I didn't do a good enough job. ... I have to play

at a higher level, and I will do that going forward."

Dallas, opening its sixth season in owner Jerry Jones' \$1.2 billion showcase stadium, trailed 21-3 after the first quarter when Colin Kaepernick and the 49ers offense had the ball only four snaps over 94 seconds.

"We are not good enough to come back from that kind of start," Jones said.

When DeMarco Murray fumbled on his first carry, cornerback Chris Culliver scooped it and rumbled 35 yards for a touchdown. Kaepernick already had his second TD pass to tight end Vernon Davis when he threw a 2-yarder on the next play after Ed Reid's interception and 48-yard return after a pass intended for Dez Bryant.

Romo tried to go Bryant's way again late in the second quarter, throwing deep into double coverage. Perrish Cox picked that one off to set up a late drive that put the 49ers up 28-3 at halftime.

"We did some things that we all wished we could have gotten back," Bryant said.

The surgery last December to repair a herniated disk was Romo's second significant back procedure in eight months, and kept him out of another season-ending loss to an NFC East rival with a playoff spot on the line. He also had a cyst removed from his back last year.

Throughout offseason workouts and training camp, the Cowboys took it easy on Romo, giving the 34-year-old quarterback plenty of breaks

from competitive work and limiting his snaps in his two preseason games.

"He knows exactly what he is doing. He has been in this time. That's not the issue. That wasn't the issue," Bryant said.

"Tony will be fine, he'll bounce back," tight end Jason Witten said. "Our football team doesn't worry about that. We just know we have to play better."

Romo, who finished 23-of-37 passing for 281 yards, talked during the offseason about getting healthier and letting fans see "the best version of me" over the next few years.

In the opener of his eighth full season, he had his first three-interception game since a 2012 season-ending loss at Washington in a winner-to-

the-playoffs game. Romo had only 10 picks in 15 games last season.

The Cowboys were at San Francisco's 5 early in the second quarter when Romo missed a wide open Dwayne Harris and instead try to get a pass to Witten. The ball was caught by linebacker Patrick Willis.

Even when the 49ers had to punt on that drive, the Cowboys had only four snaps before Romo's third interception, leading to another touchdown.

"Three plays in a game can change the entire game, and that's what happened," he said.

Murray finished with 22 carries for 118 yards and a 2-yard TD late in the third quarter.

Sands breezes past Veribest

By TOMMY WELLS
Sports Editor

Dayton Eddleman rushed for 180 yards and five touchdowns in the first half on Friday and powered the Sands Mustangs to a 60-14 victory over the Veribest Falcons in non-district football action.

The Mustangs gave Veribest a heavy dose of Eddleman's speed early in the first quarter. The SHS spreadback rushed for the game's first two touchdowns, scoring on runs of 5 and 29 yards.

Juan Diaz got into the scoring act for SHS late in the frame, scoring on a 1-yard dive that upped the Mustangs' lead to 24-0.

Sands stretched its lead to 30-0 early in the second when Eddleman hooked up with Dylan Tindol on a 74-yard touchdown pass.

Tindol finished with four receptions for 126 yards and a pair of TDs.

After Veribest had rallied to within 36-12 with a pair of touchdowns, the Mustang offense shifted into high gear. Sands reeled off three unanswered touchdowns in the third and went into the half holding a 54-14 advantage.

Eddleman put the Falcons away early in the third quarter. He intercepted a VHS pass at the Mustang 20 and returned it 60 yards for the game-ending TD.

As a team, sands rolled up 424 yards of offense against Veribest, including 249 on the ground.

Sands improved to 2-0.



Courtesy photo
Members of the Big Spring High School Lady Steers JV team display the trophy they earned for placing third in the Lamesa JV Invitational on Saturday. Big Spring went 2-1 in the event.

Lady Steers capture third at Lamesa tourney

By TOMMY WELLS
Sports Editor

The Big Spring High School Lady Steers' junior varsity volleyball program made sure they were among the award winners when the hardware was passed out on Saturday at the conclusion of the Lamesa Junior Varsity Volleyball Invitational.

Big Spring went 2-1 in the two-day event and finished third in the overall team standings.

The Lady Steers got off to a solid start in the tournament on Friday by

pounding out a 2-0 win over Levelland. Big Spring won the opener by scores of 25-16 and 27-25.

Kiana Ramsey helped paced the BSHS offense from her setter position, while Janisha Smith and Kloe Gang both starred on offense. Jori Hanlan led the Lady Steers' defense.

With their win over Levelland, Big Spring advanced to face Lubbock Cooper in the semifinals on Saturday.

Cooper dealt Big Spring its only setback, claiming a tough 25-23, 25-13 victory.

Despite the loss, the Lady Steers picked up solid play from Marshall, Alexess Sosa, Addie Jimenez and Brittne Clay.

Big Spring bounced back from the loss in grand fashion by defeating Lamesa, 25-15, 25-18, in the third-place game later on Saturday afternoon.

Marshall and Ramsey both turned in impressive outings as setters for the BSHS squad. Jimenez and Cierra Martinez led the offense, while Clay and Hanlan both starred defensively.

Abrego tourney set for Sept. 13

The Chubby Abrego Memorial Golf Tournament will be held on Sept. 13 at the Comanche Trail Golf Course. The tournament will begin at 8 a.m. with a shotgun start.

The tournament, which benefits area high school seniors, is played as a 4-person scramble.

The entry fee for the event is \$70 per person, and includes the price of the meal. A package of four mulligans can be purchased for \$20.

To enter call DeLloyd Hooser at 432-816-9051, Gene Piercefeld at 432-86-1134 or Raovky McCullough at 432-213-4868.

Lady Steers sprint top at WTC Invitational standings

By TOMMY WELLS
Sports Editor

The Big Spring High School Lady Steers' cross country team turned in a stellar outing on Saturday at the Western Texas College Invitational in Snyder. Big Spring had three runners finish in the top 10 spots and breezed to the overall team championship.

"The girls competed hard through the rain and mud covered course," said BSHS coach Kelly Ritchey.

Big Spring senior Karina Alvarado highlighted the Lady Steers' efforts at the meet. She won the girls' varsity division by legging out a time of 15 minutes and 52

seconds over the 5-kilometer course.

Freshman Samantha Solis and sophomore Kaitlyn Mathews also finished in the top 10. Solis took second with a time of 15:57, while Mathews was ninth at 17:44.

Loree Dello, Keana Pena, Hope Arguello and Courtney Myers also did well.

Chloe Bustamante and McKenzie Rodriguez both starred in the junior high division, as did Ariana Ornales and Ashley Salgado.

The BSHS cross country team will return to action on Sept. 13 when they host the 2014 Big Spring Invitational. The race will be staged at Comanche Trail.

Rangers snap 8-game slide with 1-0 victory

ARLINGTON (AP) — Derek Holland and Tim Lincecum both enjoyed their first victory of the season.

Holland (1-0) pitched seven impressive innings in his second start off the disabled list, and the Texas Rangers beat the Seattle Mariners 1-0 Sunday to snap an eight-game losing streak.

"It means a lot," said Holland, who missed the first five months following offseason knee surgery. "Especially to get Bogie's first win."

Texas gave Bogar, its interim manager, his first victory in the

third game since Ron

Washington resigned.

Seattle, which had won five in a row, finished a 5-2 road trip.

Shawn Tolleson worked the eighth, and Neftali Feliz completed the eight-hitter for his eighth save.

Feliz pitched out of trouble after a walk and Kyle Seager's single put runners on first and third with one out. James Jones popped out and pinch-hitter Justin Smoak flied out. Texas scored on Adrian Beltre's sixth-inning sacrifice fly against starter James Paxton (5-2).

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North dealer.
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♠ A K 4
♥ 9 8
♦ 9 6 5 3 2
♣ A K 9

WEST
♠ Q 10 7 3
♥ 6 2
♦ Q J 10
♣ Q J 8 7

EAST
♠ J 9
♥ J 7 5 3
♦ A K 8 7 4
♣ 10 5

SOUTH
♠ 8 6 5 2
♥ A K Q 10 4
♦ —
♣ 6 4 3 2

The bidding:
North East South West
1♦ Pass 1♥ Pass
1NT Pass 3♥ Pass
3NT Pass 4♥ Pass

Opening lead — queen of diamonds.

This remarkable hand appears in "Spotlight on Card Play," a book by Robert Darvas and Paul Lukacs that illustrates the type of thinking that lies behind good card play. Declarer was the Hungarian star Geza Ottlik. The contract was four hearts, and West led a diamond.

It's not easy to make 10 tricks, even with all 52 cards in view. Declarer apparently needs a 3-3 trump break as well as a 3-3 division in one of the black suits in order to

establish a 10th trick.

It might therefore seem that, as the cards lie, South can make only five trump tricks and two sets of A-K's. But Ottlik scored 10 tricks by adopting an ingenious line of play that made him a strong favorite for the contract. He decided to play for six trump tricks instead of the obvious five and accomplished his goal in the following manner:

After ruffing the diamond lead, he crossed to dummy with a spade and ruffed a second diamond. He then returned to dummy with a spade and ruffed a third diamond. Next came a club to the king and another diamond ruff, followed by a club to the ace and a fifth diamond ruff with his last trump.

By this time, Ottlik had scored nine tricks — five ruffs in his hand and both of dummy's black A-K's. Dummy still had the 9-8 of hearts and was bound to score a 10th trick with one of them.

The maneuver described here is known as a dummy reversal, which is hard enough to recognize even under ordinary circumstances. But it is infinitely more difficult to spot when dummy has only two trumps and declarer has five.

No other line of play is as promising as this one, nor, in the actual hand, does any other approach succeed.

Tomorrow: Planning the play.
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Full Pisces Moon

The full Pisces moon is a poet, getting at our emotions in roundabout ways. She's a fuzz pedal on the electric guitar, a diffused filter on the camera lens, a randomizer on the playlist of life that miraculously lines up the songs to overwhelming emotional effect. The full Pisces moon is a roller coaster you don't have to wait in line to ride.



HOLIDAY MATHIS

ARIES (March 21-April 19). A unique presence in this world isn't something you have to create; it's just something you have to believe in. You'll elaborate on the story today in ways that only you could pull off.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). The reason people break up and then get back together is that it's often hard to know what you have until you lose it. Rarely do people appreciate things without contrast.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Disagreements will be extremely positive. You'll strengthen your position by considering the other person's. You'll build arguments and invent new excitement because you were forced to defend your opinions.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). These are the days in which details make the biggest difference. Small annoyances can make or break a perfectly good time like bugs in the picnic basket.

Tomorrow's Horoscope

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You're slightly disconnected from what others seem to think is important. Stop thinking so much, and start moving and touching. These physical acts support and ground your body as your priorities shift.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). A good rule of thumb is never to criticize anyone in public. Of course, this rule is violated daily by others around you, but you hold yourself to a higher standard. In a related story, your presence is sorely needed.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). How's the weather in your own mind? Consider it before you leave the house without an umbrella. What might you want to bring with you to contribute to your own comfort and happiness?

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). More insistence means less getting your way. That's why you'll play it cool, back off and keep your cards close to the vest. Each move is a sale. Each sale is a seduction.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You'll check your personal stock to make sure it's going up as desired. One way to raise your perceived value is to adjust your own thinking about what you have to offer.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Some gardens spring up in the loveliest of configurations without a gardener to guide their growth. Today nature will take over with tremendously beautiful results.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You'll be drawn in by the mysteries of your ancestors. Your parents' history will hold particular intrigue and for good reason: It affected you, and you may even repeat some of it.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). The changes you make to accommodate a special relationship will be so worth your while. This will take time, and you'll have to go out of your way, but you won't regret what you do for love.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Sept. 8). You'll gravitate toward the ideas that set you free and shun the limiting ones. This alone is enough to make the year remarkable. This month brings transition. Take it slow and don't require yourself to be superhuman. November brings fantastic financial luck, but it's the personal win in January that will rock your world. Libra and Scorpio people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 3, 24, 31, 20 and 13.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS: "I have an inappropriate crush on the teacher of one of my children. I'm single; he's not. No one knows how I feel. The problem is that I just can't seem to shake the thought of him. I cyber-stalk him by going on a social networking site and looking at the pictures he's uploaded. I'm so intrigued by him, and every little bit of information makes me want to know more. How do I stop this silliness? He's a Sagittarius, and I'm a Virgo."

Sagittarius is worldly, friendly, curious and

sophisticated. Consider all of the ways he's captured your imagination, and make a list of the qualities you find attractive in him. Whatever your list boils down to, ask yourself how you might begin to embody those characteristics yourself, because that is what this is really about.

In time, your feelings will fade, and you'll be over your crush and happy that you never acted on it. Practical Virgos usually don't have a problem staying vigilant and self-restrained because they are so good at taking care of themselves and doing what it takes to support a healthy life and reasonable aims.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Pop star Pink recently was a guest judge on Bravo's new show "Top Chef Duels." With a personality and artistry that are as colorful as her hair, this Virgo promises to keep the surprises coming. Pink was born when the sun, Mercury, Venus and Saturn were all in Virgo, indicating a hardworking, detail-oriented and health-conscious individual who can do anything she sets her mind to.

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Annie's Mailbox®



KATHY MITCHELL
MARCY SUGAR

Dear Annie: My daughter, "Nina," suffers from depression. Recently, I went to Seattle to help Nina and her husband

move to Texas. It was our family's hope that I could get her to come back east with me to get her mental health issues straightened out.

Nina was diagnosed with depression when she was in high school. When she is on adequate amounts of an antidepressant, she is a vibrant, intelligent, caring "normal" person. Lately, it has become obvious to us and also to her friends that she is depressed again. But our son-in-law insists that her depression is situational and will clear up on its own. He says she is running away from her adult responsibilities by taking antidepressants.

We worry that Nina's

depression is not being treated and believe this is emotional abuse. Her husband has threatened that if she stays with us, he will divorce her. We are trying to keep in contact, but Nina's husband won't allow her to travel by herself, and he certainly has no interest in spending family holidays with us after that last visit. What can we do? My son thinks we may never see Nina again. -- Concerned Mom

Dear Mom: Your son-in-law has it exactly backward. Those who commit to an effective program of antidepressants are trying very hard to take "adult responsibility" for their behavior. By encouraging Nina to disregard what is in her best interests, he is putting her life at risk.

Unfortunately, without Nina's cooperation, there is little you can do.

It's also possible that your son-in-law truly believes the move was the main contributing factor to Nina's depression, and he may change his tune if the depression doesn't lift. Don't let your son-in-law dictate how often you stay in touch with Nina. Your calls and visits are important. Meanwhile, please contact NAMI (nami.org) at 1-800-950-NAMI and ask about their Family-to-Family program.

Dear Annie: I have recently attended a number of excessively long weddings. They begin with the ceremony, followed by an extended cocktail hour while the bridal party takes pictures, followed by dinner and then dancing. Even if we leave right after dinner is served, we've spent at least six hours at these events.

While I am excited to celebrate with the bride and groom, this is a lot to ask of a guest. I try to be patient, but by the end of the evening, I'm usually

frustrated by what feels like indifference to the guests' enjoyment. Are there rules that wedding planners could use when arranging the festivities? -- Jay

Dear Jay: Wedding planners can only advise the bride and groom, and the best ones will keep the couple apprised of the timing. Couples who take photographs before the ceremony begins can shave an hour or more off the time, but some traditions keep couples from seeing each other until they walk down the aisle. The bottom line is, the couple may want the festivities to last through the night, but you are not obligated to stay any longer than you are comfortable doing. If that means you leave before dinner is served, so be it.

Dear Annie: I have yet one more perspective on why someone might let oneself be fat. I have long realized that not only did I not want to be ogled by men, but I was also trying to increase my substance in the world. Always feeling small and insignificant, I felt I needed to "have some weight to throw around."

I was never abused, but I always felt shy, passed over and unimportant. I wanted to feel "bigger." I couldn't get taller, so I increased my body size. I felt better as I got bigger. I liked it. But I do realize that I should go to therapy to find another way to achieve those feelings. -- Big Girl

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Sudoku Answer On Page 3

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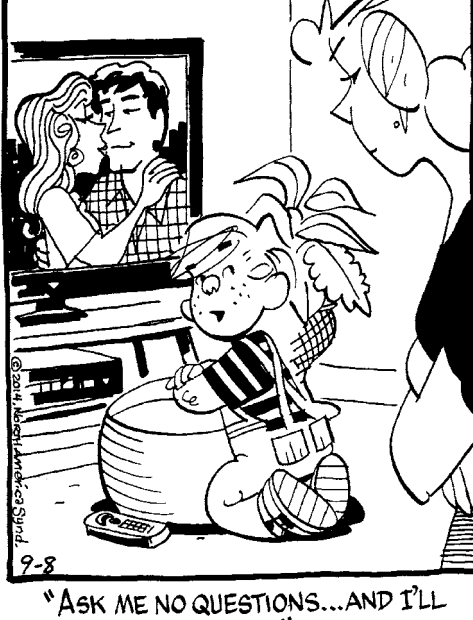
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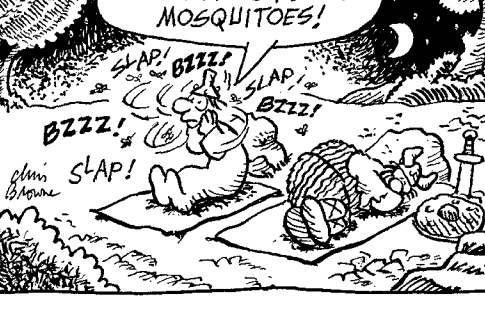


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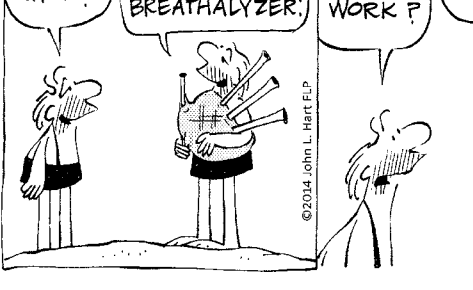
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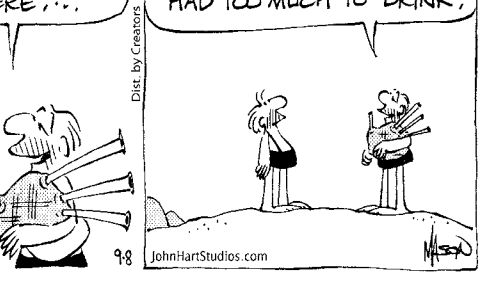
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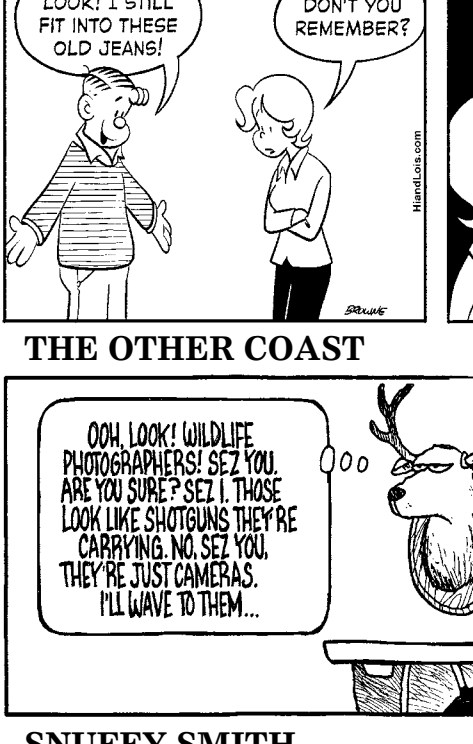
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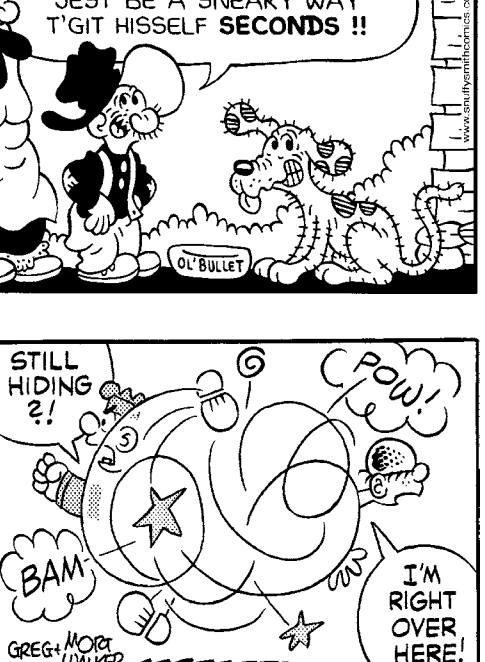
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This Date In History

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Answer to previous puzzle

SEMINAL	BIPEDS
EXAMINE	ANEMIA
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EDAM	PARDONABLE
CUTE	GREENE
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Newsday Crossword

ACROSS
1 Give a high-five to
5 Baby cow
9 Sheetful of cookies
14 Remove the rind from
15 Egg-shaped
16 As ___ (in most cases)
17 China's continent
18 Traditional folktales
19 Casual eatery
20 Tremble
23 Help out
24 ___ and don'ts
25 Tampa neighbor, for short
29 Good friends
31 However
34 Beagle's floppy features
35 Mischievous sprite
36 An hour after noon
37 The President's department
41 "Absolutely!"
42 Forbidden activities
43 Stubborn animal
44 TV commercials, for example
45 Nearly all
46 Tenant
48 Cat's prey
49 Bro's sibling
50 It might squirt you at the circus
58 Congregation
59 Jacket or parka
60 Computer-screen image
61 Everyday writing

DOWN
1 Resorts with hot springs
2 Hair on an eyelid
3 Opera solo
4 Pikes __, CO
5 Herding dog
6 Stay away from
7 Carefree escapade
8 Make an escape
9 Poor sport
10 Ram of the zodiac
11 ___ fish sandwich

12 Music-staff symbol
13 Opposite of "his"
21 Have a meal
22 Stray from the script
25 "So long!"
26 Placed a levy on
27 Remove creases in clothes
28 PC bailout key
29 Turn on one foot
30 Lumberjacks' tools
31 Employee year-end reward
32 Aunt's mate
33 Childish giggle
35 Birthday targets
38 Not yet charted, as a route
39 Molar, for one
40 Mornings: Abbr.

46 Placed on a roster
47 Maine clock setting: Abbr.
48 Find a new purpose for
49 No longer edible
50 Makes mistakes
51 Take a glance
52 Corrosive chemical
53 Rudolph's red feature
54 Barbecue servings
55 West Coast college: Abbr.
56 Person, place, or thing
57 Leg's middle joint
58 Coll. student's stat

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Griner, Taurasi lead Mercury rout of Sky in Game 1 of WNBA Finals

PHOENIX (AP) — Brittney Griner swatted away just about everything within reach in the first quarter, setting the stage for a Phoenix rout.

Griner set a playoff record with eight blocked shots, five in the first quarter, and the Mercury soared past the Chicago Sky 83-62 on Sunday in Game 1 of the WNBA Finals.

"Her improvement this year has been incredible," Sky coach Pokey Chatman said. "I don't think people really appreciate it. They assume when you are 6-8, you are supposed to do everything. She has really evolved her game in the last year. She's special." She showcased the re-

markable mobility she has for someone who stands 6-foot-8.

"BG is a great help-side defender," teammate Candice Dupree said. "If you get beat off the dribble, you kind of know that she's back there."

Griner, the WNBA defensive player of the year, also had 12 points and seven rebounds.

Dupree made her first 10 shots and scored 26 for the Mercury in their 19th consecutive home victory. Diana Taurasi added 19 points and 11 assists.

Phoenix shot a finals record 58.5 percent from the field, Chicago 31.9 percent.

Sylvia Fowles scored 19 points and grabbed 11 rebounds for Chicago

but was just 8 of 20, usually against Griner in a matchup of the last two WNBA defensive players of the year. Elena Delle Donne only played 11 minutes because of a bad back. She finished with two points and didn't play in the second half with the game already out of reach.

Delle Donne said she took herself out of the game because she thought she was hurting her team, and she hoped sitting the rest of the game out would make her better prepared for Game 2 of the best-of-5 series, set for Tuesday night in Phoenix.

"We're definitely a resilient team," Delle Donne said. "I still think

we bounced back in the second half and put together a much better 20 minutes. I feel like we were able to settle in and get a little bit more comfortable and play with confidence, something we need to take in for the next game."

Alley Quigley, who was the league's sixth woman of the year, scored 13 points for the Sky. She missed 11 of her 15 shots.

Phoenix led from the opening basket, was up by 22 at the half and by as many as 30 in the third.

"I don't think we ever quite recovered from that first quarter," Chatman said. "... We just got on our heels and never quite recovered from it."

Houston rallies for 4-3 victory at Oakland

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Houston's streak of 100-loss seasons is over.

The Astros scored two runs in the ninth without a hit, including Dexter Fowler's bases-loaded walk for the tiebreaking run, and beat the Oakland Athletics 4-3 on Sunday.

Jose Veras (4-0) pitched 1 2-3 scoreless innings as the Astros (63-80) took the rubber game of the weekend series. The victory means Houston will avoid triple-digit losses for the first time since it went 76-86 in 2010.

"It says we're going in the right direction," interim manager Tom

Lawless said. "We're making strides and we want to continue to improve. We want to be the team at the top."

Astros starter Dallas Keuchel allowed three runs, two earned, and eight hits in 6 2-3 innings. The left-hander is 0-2 with a 3.14 ERA in his last seven starts, keeping him at 10 wins for the year.

"I can be stuck at 10 the rest of the season as long as it means we're winning," Keuchel said. "We're playing relaxed right now and that's a great thing. This is supposed to be a fun game and for the past two or three years we haven't made it fun."

Scoreboard

BASKETBALL
WNBA
FINALS
(Best-of-5)
Eastern Conference
Phoenix 1, Chicago 0
Sunday, Sept. 7: Phoenix 83, Chicago 62
Tuesday, Sept. 9: Chicago at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 12: Phoenix at Chicago, 8 p.m.
x-Sunday, Sept. 14: Phoenix at Chicago, 5:30 p.m.
x-Wednesday, Sept. 17: Chicago at Phoenix, 9 p.m.

BASEBALL
American League
East Division
W L Pct GB
Baltimore 83 59 .585 —
New York 73 68 .518 9½
Toronto 73 69 .514 10
Tampa Bay 69 75 .479 15
Boston 63 80 .441 20½

Central Division
W L Pct GB
Kansas City 79 62 .560 —
Detroit 78 65 .545 2
Cleveland 74 67 .525 5
Chicago 63 79 .444 16½
Minnesota 61 82 .427 19

West Division
W L Pct GB
Los Angeles 87 55 .613 —
Oakland 80 62 .563 7
Seattle 78 64 .549 9
Houston 63 80 .441 24½
Texas 54 89 .378 33½

Sunday's Games
Cleveland 2, Chicago White Sox 0
Kansas City 2, N.Y. Yankees 0
Toronto 3, Boston 1
Baltimore 7, Tampa Bay 5, 11 innings
L.A. Angels 14, Minnesota 4
Texas 1, Seattle 0
Houston 4, Oakland 3
Detroit 6, San Francisco 1

Monday's Games
L.A. Angels (Weaver 15-8) at Cleveland (Salazar 6-6), 1:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Guthrie 10-10) at Detroit (Verlander 12-12), 4:08 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Ja.Turner 5-8) at Toronto (Stroman 9-5), 7:07 p.m.
Baltimore (M.Gonzalez 8-7) at Boston (J.Kelly 1-1), 7:10 p.m.
Oakland (Gray 13-8) at Chicago White Sox (Noesi 8-9), 8:10 p.m.
Houston (Peacock 4-8) at Seattle (F.Hernandez 14-5), 10:10 p.m.

American League Leaders
BATTING — Altuve, Houston, .340; VMartinez, Detroit, .335; Beltre, Texas, .323; Cano, Seattle, .321; JAbreu, Chicago, .320; Brantley, Cleveland, .317; MiCabrera, Detroit, .310.

RUNS — Dozier, Minnesota, 99; Trout, Los Angeles, 97; Kinsler, Detroit, 91; MiCabrera, Detroit, 90; Brantley, Cleveland, 85; Bautista, Toronto, 84; Donaldson, Oakland, 83.

RBI — Trout, Los Angeles, 102; NCruz, Baltimore, 101; MiCabrera, Detroit, 100; JAbreu, Chicago, 99; Ortiz, Boston, 98; VMartinez, Detroit, 95; Cespedes, Boston, 94.

HITS — Altuve, Houston, 198; McCabrera, Toronto, 171; Brantley, Cleveland, 170; Kinsler, Detroit, 170; Cano, Seattle, 168; MiCabrera, Detroit, 167; VMartinez, Detroit, 166.

DOUBLES — MiCabrera, Detroit, 44; Altuve, Houston, 40; Plouffe, Minnesota, 40; Brantley, Cleveland, 39; Kinsler, Detroit, 37; Trout, Los Angeles, 37; McCabrera, Toronto, 35.

TRIPLES — Bourn, Cleveland, 10; Eaton, Chicago, 8; Gardner, New York, 8; Rios, Texas, 8; LMartin, Texas, 7; AJackson, Seattle, 6; Kiermaier, Tampa Bay, 6; Odor, Texas, 6; DaSantana, Minnesota, 6; Trout, Los Angeles, 6.

HOME RUNS — NCruz, Baltimore, 39; Carter, Houston, 36; JAbreu, Chicago, 33; Ortiz, Boston, 32; Trout, Los Angeles, 32; Bautista, Toronto, 31; Encarnacion, Toronto, 30; VMartinez, Detroit, 30.

STOLEN BASES — Altuve, Houston, 51; Ellsbury, New York, 37; JDyson, Kansas City, 33; RDavis, Detroit, 32; AEscobar, Kansas City, 28; LMartin, Texas, 26; Reyes, Toronto, 26.

PITCHING — Scherzer, Detroit, 15-5; Weaver, Los Angeles, 15-8; PHughes, Minnesota, 15-9; Porcello, Detroit, 15-10; WChen, Baltimore, 14-4; Shoemaker, Los Angeles, 14-4; FHernandez, Seattle, 14-5; Iwakuma, Seattle, 14-6; Kazmir, Oakland, 14-7; Kluber, Cleveland, 14-9.

ERA — Sale, Chicago, 2.09; FHernandez, Seattle, 2.18; Kluber, Cleveland, 2.47; Lester, Oakland, 2.54; Lester, Oakland, 2.54; Richards, Los Angeles, 2.61; Iwakuma, Seattle, 2.97.

STRIKEOUTS — DPrice, Detroit, 243; Scherzer, Detroit, 226; Kluber, Cleveland, 223; FHernandez, Seattle, 209; Lester, Oakland, 191; Sale, Chicago, 183; Darvish, Texas, 182.

SAVES — Rodney, Seattle, 43; GHolland, Kansas City, 42; DavRobertson, New York, 35; ZBritton, Baltimore, 33; Perkins, Minnesota, 33; Nathan, Detroit, 29; Uehara, Boston, 26.

National League
East Division
W L Pct GB
Washington 80 61 .567 —

Atlanta 74 69 .517 7
Miami 69 72 .489 11
New York 68 75 .476 13
Philadelphia 66 76 .465 14½

Central Division
W L Pct GB
St. Louis 79 64 .552 —
Pittsburgh 74 68 .521 4½
Milwaukee 74 69 .517 5
Cincinnati 67 76 .469 12
Chicago 64 79 .448 15

West Division
W L Pct GB
Los Angeles 81 62 .566 —
San Francisco 78 65 .545 3
San Diego 66 76 .465 14½
Arizona 59 84 .413 22
Colorado 59 84 .413 22

Sunday's Games
Miami 4, Atlanta 0
N.Y. Mets 4, Cincinnati 3
Washington 3, Philadelphia 2
St. Louis 9, Milwaukee 1
Pittsburgh 10, Chicago Cubs 4

Monday's Games
Atlanta (Minor 6-9) at Washington (Fister 12-6), 7:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Locke 6-4) at Philadelphia (K.Kendrick 8-11), 7:05 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Ja.Turner 5-8) at Toronto (Stroman 9-5), 7:07 p.m.
Colorado (Lyles 6-2) at N.Y. Mets (Niese 8-10), 7:10 p.m.
St. Louis (S.Miller 8-9) at Cincinnati (Axelrod 1-1), 7:10 p.m.
Miami (Penny 1-1) at Milwaukee (Gallardo 8-8), 8:10 p.m.
San Diego (Despaigne 3-5) at L.A. Dodgers (R.Hernandez 8-10), 10:10 p.m.

Texas League Playoffs
All Times EDT (x-if necessary)
First Round (Best-of-5)
Midland 3, Frisco 1
Wednesday, Sep. 3: Frisco 7, Midland 3
Thursday, Sep. 4: Midland 6, Frisco 3
Friday, Sep. 5: Midland 3, Frisco 2

Canadian Football League
East Division
W L Pts PF PA
Toronto 3 7 6 235 262
Montreal 3 7 6 183 258
Hamilton 2 7 4 193 235
Ottawa 1 9 2 141 258

West Division
W L Pts PF PA
Calgary 9 1 18 292 168
Saskatchewan 8 2 16 258 205
Edmonton 7 3 14 261 211
B.C. 6 4 12 219 187
Winnipeg 6 5 12 284 282

Friday, Aug. 29
B.C. 7, Ottawa 5
Saturday's Game
Calgary 41, Edmonton 34
Sunday's Games
Montreal 38, Hamilton 31
Saskatchewan 30, Winnipeg 24

National Football League
American Conference
East
W L Pct PF PA
Miami 1 0 1.000 33 20
N.Y. Jets 1 0 1.000 19 14
Buffalo 1 0 1.000 23 20
New England 0 1 .000 20 33

South
W L Pct PF PA
Tennessee 1 0 1.000 26 10
Houston 1 0 1.000 17 6
Indianapolis 0 1 .000 24 31

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