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## Pottery practice

Courtesy Photo

The Howard College Continuing Education program and the Art Department hosted the first community raku workshop this past weekend. Funding for the event came from a grant by the Big Spring Convention and Visitors Bureau. Participants had fun setting ceramics pots on the fire outside and watched as the pots took on a spectacular metallic glaze. A second workshop is scheduled at the start of June. For more information, call Stacy Slaten, Chad Averette or Courtney Burgans at 264-5000.

# Early voting totals light

*Today last day to cast ballots prior to May 9 election*

BY **LYNDEL MOODY**

Staff Writer

Voters heading to the polls in municipal, school district races may want to bring along a dust rag. The machines may be harboring a few cobwebs lately as they haven't seen much use this past week.

According to Howard County Election Administer Saura Bloom, 97 votes were cast by end of day Friday.

Early voting wraps up today at 7 p.m. on the first floor of the Howard County Courthouse for Big Spring and Coahoma city and school board elections.

Election Day is Saturday.

The polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Ballots for the Big Spring municipal and school district trustee races can be cast at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum foy-

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# Local bank plans litter pick-up

BY **LYNDEL MOODY**

Staff Writer

Instead of writing a check, employees of a local bank are donating some muscle to help beautify a city park and give back to their community.

On Saturday, Western Bank's Big Spring branch employees will pick up litter at Comanche Trail Park, and they're inviting the community

to participate.

"We will be picking up trash from 10 a.m. to noon," said Joe Johnson, assistant vice president of operations at Western Bank. "At noon, the bank will be serving lunch to anyone who participates."

Participants are asked to meet by the Second Pavilion in the Comanche Trail Park at 10 a.m. The bank will provide trash bags.

Johnson said the bank likes to be

active in the community, but many times that translates to financial donations to local charities and organizations. This time, employees decided to personally lend their energy and muscle to the project.

"My wife and I were walking in the park and feeding the ducks the other day," Johnson said. "It's such a beautiful park but trash is thrown

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# Papa John's fundraiser earns \$3.8K for Big Spring VA center

By **JULIE BASS**

Staff Writer

Papa John's Pizza had its grand opening Thursday of last week and wasted no time in integrating itself into the community by showing support for the local Veterans Affairs Medical Center.

On Saturday, the store held a military appreciation day, offering a 20 percent discount to all active duty military and military veterans.

The military discount was welcomed by those who qualified and the proceeds for the day went to the local VA Medical Center to help with its programs designed to help the local veterans.

Monday morning, Chuck Lakin, co-owner of Papa John's, met with representatives of the VAMC. Michael Kiefer, director of the facility, received the donation of more than \$3,800.

"Papa John's had a good day and now we are having a good day," Kiefer said. "This money will go to support all of the veterans of West Texas. We are very thankful and honored that Papa John's thought of us and showed them such wonderful support."

"We are happy to support our veterans," Lakin said.

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



HERALD Photo/Julie Bass

Chuck Lakin, co-owner of Papa John's pizza store in Big Spring, right, presents a donation of more than \$3,800 to Michael Kiefer, director of the VA Medical Center in Big Spring.

# Gas prices continue climbing

Special to the Herald

Average retail gasoline prices in Texas have risen 7.1 cents per gallon in the past week, averaging \$2.39 a gallon, according to GasBuddy's daily survey of 13,114 gas outlets in Texas. This compares with the national average that has increased 8.5 cents per gallon in the last week to \$2.62 a gallon, according to gasoline price website GasBuddy.com.

Including the change in gas prices in Texas during the past week, prices Sunday were \$1.06 per gallon lower than the same day one year ago and are 18.5 cents per gallon higher than a month ago. The national average has increased 22.7 cents per gallon during the last month and stands \$1.06

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# Obituaries

## Terry Forrest

Terry Forrest, 66, of Midland, died Sunday, May 3, 2015. The family will receive friends on Saturday, May 9, 2015 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at 2903 Bluebird Ln., Midland.

Survivors include wife, Vicci Forrest; children, Shane Forrest, Daryn Forrest, Kathy Powell, Wendi Baugh, and Joshua Mellas.

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

## Nellene 'Nell' Fulcher

Nellene "Nell" Fulcher, 75, of Elk City, Okla., formerly of Big Spring, died Thursday, April 30, 2015, in Elk City, Okla. The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Thursday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Trinity Memorial Park. Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersandsmith.com

## Deana 'Dee Dee' Gaston

Deana "Dee Dee" Gaston, 50, of Lake Thomas, died Saturday, May 2, 2015, at her residence. She will lie in state from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Wednesday, May 6, 2015, at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral service will be at 4 p.m. Thursday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersandsmith.com

# Support Groups

### TUESDAY

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

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

### WEDNESDAY

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

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

### THURSDAY

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

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

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

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

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

### FRIDAY

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

# Correction

In Monday's edition of the Big Spring Herald, Annie Chandler was mistakenly as Annie Chapman in a photo caption of the Coahoma softball team picture celebrating their bi-district win which was published on the front page.

## Local 5-Day Forecast

Wed 5/6	Thu 5/7	Fri 5/8	Sat 5/9	Sun 5/10
<b>82/66</b>	<b>85/66</b>	<b>89/65</b>	<b>88/65</b>	<b>87/59</b>
Partly to mostly cloudy skies with scattered thunderstorms mainly in the mo.	Thunderstorms developing in the afternoon.	Thunderstorms early. Potential for severe thunderstorms.	Morning showers and thunderstorms.	Morning showers and thunderstorms.
<b>Sunrise:</b> 6:56 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 8:30 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 6:55 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 8:30 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 6:54 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 8:31 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 6:53 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 8:32 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 6:53 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 8:32 PM



## Texas At A Glance



### Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	73	64	t-storm	Kingsville	83	73	windy
Amarillo	64	53	t-storm	Livingston	80	67	t-storm
Austin	84	68	t-storm	Longview	82	64	t-storm
Beaumont	80	67	t-storm	Lubbock	75	60	t-storm
Brownsville	84	74	pt sunny	Lufkin	84	68	t-storm
Brownwood	76	64	t-storm	Midland	81	65	t-storm
Corpus Christi	83	74	pt sunny	Raymondville	86	73	cloudy
Corsicana	80	65	t-storm	Rosenberg	80	70	t-storm
Dallas	81	66	t-storm	San Antonio	82	69	t-storm
Del Rio	80	70	t-storm	San Marcos	84	68	t-storm
El Paso	82	59	sunny	Sulphur Springs	79	66	t-storm
Fort Stockton	85	61	mst sunny	Sweetwater	72	63	t-storm
Gainesville	78	65	t-storm	Tyler	81	66	t-storm
Greenville	79	65	t-storm	Weatherford	80	66	t-storm
Houston	81	71	t-storm	Wichita Falls	74	65	t-storm

### National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	82	55	mst sunny	Minneapolis	73	55	pt sunny
Boston	75	55	pt sunny	New York	79	62	t-storm
Chicago	62	51	rain	Phoenix	81	60	mst sunny
Dallas	81	66	t-storm	San Francisco	63	50	mst sunny
Denver	81	47	t-storm	Seattle	59	45	t-storm
Houston	81	71	t-storm	St. Louis	85	64	pt sunny
Los Angeles	67	56	pt sunny	Washington, DC	86	65	t-storm
Miami	77	71	t-storm				

### Moon Phases



### UV Index

Wed 5/6	Thu 5/7	Fri 5/8	Sat 5/9	Sun 5/10
8	10	10	10	10
Very High	Very High	Very High	Very High	Very High

The UV Index is measured on a 0 - 11 number scale, with a higher UV Index showing the need for greater skin protection.

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# Police, Sheriff, Fire/EMS reports

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **TONY ALAN PIKE**, 50, of 101 Collons Rd. was arrested on charges of possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram.

- **JOHN RANDALL LEWIS**, 56, of 813 Creighton was arrested on a warrant for another agency.

- **RENE ANGEL VALDEZ JR.**, 53, of 1904 S. Scurry St. was arrested on charges of public intoxication.

- **MINOR ACCIDENT** was reported at the intersection of Highway 87 and Village Rd. and at the intersection of 15<sup>th</sup> St. and Scurry St.

- **THEFT** was reported in the 1700 E. 3<sup>rd</sup> St.

- **ASSAULT** was reported in the 3200 block of Ave. C.

- **SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY** was reported on S. Highway 87.

- **DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 100 block of Cedar Rd.

The Howard County Sheriff's Department reported the following activity:

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 77 inmates at the time of this report.

- **JENNIFER DEANN CATE**, 32, was booked by the BSPD on warrants for capias - two counts of parent contributing to non-attendance and hindering secured creditors, more than \$500 but less than \$1500.

- **GILBERT RODRIGUEZ**, 19, was booked by the BSPD on charges of possession of marijuana, less than 2 ounces; and possession of a prohibited weapon - knuckles.

- **BRETT ALLEN BARTA**, 35, was booked by the HCSO on warrants for three counts of assault causes bodily injury and manufacture/delivery of a controlled substance, less than 1

gram.

- **LELEAND DUANE JENKINS**, 52, was booked by the BSPD on charges of driving while license invalid with previous convictions.

- **PABLO RODOLFO LUTZ**, 25, was booked by the BSPD on warrants for fail to identify as a fugitive with intent to give false information and discharge firearm on certain municipalities.

- **ALBERT MARTINEZ**, 37, of BSPD was booked by the BSPD on warrants for two counts of parent contributing to non attendance.

- **JOHN FRANCIS FISHER JR.**, 27, was booked by the BSPD on warrants for capias - violate promise to appear, capias - operate motor vehicle without license plate or with one license plate, capias - failure to appear, capias - fail to maintain financial responsibility, fail to display or expired motor vehicle inspection, no seat belt - driver, and two counts of violate promise to appear.

- **EDWARD AGUILAR**, 36, was booked by the BSPD on charges of assault causes bodily injury to a family member.

- **WESLEY MATTHEW TAYLOR**, 37, was booked by the BSPD on warrants for driving while license invalid, violate promise to appear, class C theft, failure to appear and possession of drug paraphernalia.

- **ERICKA B. ARMENDARIZ**, 29, was booked by the BSPD on a warrant for parent contributing to non-attendance.
- **DOUGLAS VIRGIL PAXTON**, 31, was booked by the HCSO on charges of criminal trespass.

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

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1000 block of Lancaster St. Once person was transported to SMMC.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1000 block of Sycamore St. One person was transported to SMMC.

- **PUBLIC SERVICE** was reported in the 1000 block of Lancaster St. Service was refused.

- **VEHICLE FIRE** was reported in the 300 block of Marcy Dr. Fire was extinguished.

- **FALSE ALARM** was reported in the 300 block of Veterans Rd. No action taken.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1000 block of 3<sup>rd</sup> St. One person was transported to SMMC.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1000 block of Yale St. One person was transported to SMMC.

- **TRAUMA CALL** was reported in the 1000 block of Runnels St. One person was transported to SMMC.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 600 block of Highland Ave. One person was transported to SMMC.

- **FLAMMABLE LIQUID SPILL** was reported in the 1000 block of Highway 350. TxDOT responded and cleaned up the spill.



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# Take note

- The Coahoma High School classes of 1952-1956 will have a get together from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. July 24 at the Hampton Inn of Big Spring's Cowboy Meeting Room.  
For more information, call 432-213-3259.
- The time period to transfer into the Forsan ISD system as a student for the 2015-2016 school year has begun. Students entering grades pre-kindergarten through fifth grade must have their transfer application to the school by May 29. Students in grades sixth through 12 have until July 30. Guidelines, timelines and applications are available at each Forsan ISD campus.
- SOS — Save Our Symphony. The Big Spring

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

- For information on Garrett Parrish's condition, or to post messages of support, visit his Facebook page (#GPSTRONG). Parrish was seriously injured in a recent sledding accident.
- An account has been set up at Wells Fargo Bank for Briana Mendoza to help with medical cost. Briana was recently diagnosed with cancer.

- The Big Spring Symphony Board of Directors meets every second Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the symphony office, 808 Scurry Street
- The All-School CHS Reunion date has been scheduled for Saturday, July 25, 2015. This year's focus will be on recognizing and honoring Coahoma ISD teachers from throughout the years.
- Home Hospice is in need of volunteers of all ages. The organization is requesting volunteers to sit with patients, make items for patients and help with office work.  
Volunteers set their own hours. For more information, contact Sherry Hodnett at 264-7911 or 432-213-0150.

# VOTE

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er located on the Howard College campus. Coahoma city and school district constituents may vote at the Coahoma Community Center.  
This election cycle will decide several area city council and school board trustee positions. City council members and school board trustees have the ultimate approval of expenditures, annual tax rates and hires for their respective entities.  
Races in the Big Spring City Council and school district elections are only open to voters who live in those districts.

Voters may want to contact the election office to confirm if they live in the district and are eligible before making the trip down to the court house, Bloom said.

## Area Races

- City of Big Spring, Districts 2, 4, 6  
For the city council District 2 race, incumbent Carmen Harbour hopes to earn a second term in office from her constituents. Thomas Padilla is also running for that position.
- The two other seats up this cycle both have only one candidates in the race. Steve Waggoner, retired education administrator, is seeking the District 4 race.

Businessman Jim DePauw is running for District 6. The city opted to not list those races on the ballot since both candidates are running unopposed.

- BSISD trustee race, Districts 2, 4  
In the BSISD school board race, long-time trustee Tony Kennedy faces Kyle Carroll, an educator, for the single-member District 4 position. Running unopposed for the District 2 race is Maria V. Padilla. Her name will remain on the ballot as BSISD decided to continue to list the race.
- In Coahoma, both city and school board seats will be decided in at-large elections so any-

one who resides in the city limits will be able to participate if they are a registered voter.

- City of Coahoma, at-large seats  
Two city council seats have three candidates vying for a position. They are incumbents Ronnie Dodson, Jay Holt, and new comer Brandy Manning.
- CISD trustee, at-large seats  
In the school board race, voters have a choice of five candidates to fill three at-large positions. They are Jody Reid, incumbent; Brian Moore, incumbent; Alan Wright, incumbent; Melissa Sanchez and Dicky Stone.  
Voters must provide

a valid photo identification in order to cast ballots, according to the state of Texas election laws.

- ID examples include:
  - Texas driver license issued by the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS)
  - Texas Election Identification Certificate issued by DPS
  - Texas personal identification card issued by DPS
  - Texas concealed handgun license issued by DPS
  - United States military identification card containing the person's photograph
  - United States citizenship certificate containing the person's photo-

graph  
• United States passport  
With the exception of the U.S. citizenship certificate, the identification must be current or have expired no more than 60 days before being presented for voter qualification at the polling place.

Contact Lyndel Moody at 263-7331, ext. 234.

# GAS

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per gallon lower than this day one year ago. "Gasoline prices continue to be tugged upward by previous increases in crude oil prices," said Patrick DeHaan, GasBuddy senior

petroleum analyst. "The national average stands at its highest in nearly five months and has risen 20 days straight. West Coast refinery issues have continued to weigh on West Coast gasoline prices, which have easily risen the fastest in the nation for a second consecutive

week, though the increase in prices will be scaled back considerably this week." GasBuddy data shows that during the past month, the percent of gas stations selling under \$2.50 per gallon has dwindled from 77 percent to 54 percent, though motorists are

still saving more than \$400 million a day vs. what they were paying last year. Comparisons show nearly a dozen states that saw a double-digit gain in average gasoline prices over the last week, led by California, Nevada, Arizona, Oregon and Delaware.

On the other end of the spectrum, all but nine states are seeing their current gasoline prices over \$1 per gallon lower than a year ago. The nine states who aren't

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Travis Crow, 85, died Saturday. Services are pending.

# TRASH

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all over it. I talked with the park maintenance workers, and they only have about five people to take care of this park — and its a big park — and

the other city parks." For more information about how to participate, contact Western Bank at 432-466-0000. According to the city of Big Spring web site, Comanche Trail Park is a 400-acre park featuring a 6,900 seat amphitheater, tennis courts,

an 18-hole golf course, baseball fields, three children's playgrounds, pavilions, hiking and biking nature trails. The park also contains a small lake stocked with fish.

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## Landscaping Word Find

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FRUITS	PLANTS	SUNLIGHT
HERBS	POTS	VEGETABLES
HOSE	ROOTS	WATER

S	S	S	O	O	E	S	P	L	D	Q	X
Q	U	O	T	W	I	T	O	H	I	I	P
X	L	N	I	I	G	O	T	U	G	S	Z
A	Q	E	L	L	U	O	S	E	G	C	S
B	F	E	H	I	E	R	O	S	I	T	L
J	J	O	C	S	G	U	F	W	N	A	W
I	S	B	B	W	T	H	F	X	G	X	F
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ANSWER: ALOE VERA

## Get Scrambled

Unscramble the words to determine the phrase.

EGNER HBUTM

Answer: Green thumb

## New Word

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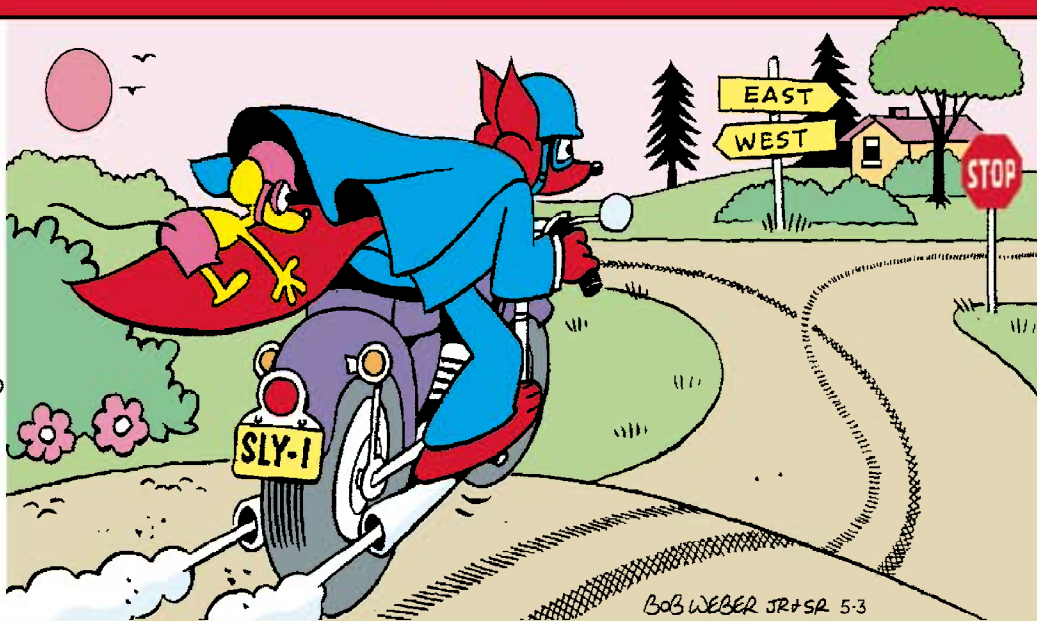
Can you guess what the bigger picture is?

ANSWER: SHOVEL

## SLYLOCK FOX and COMICS FOR KIDS

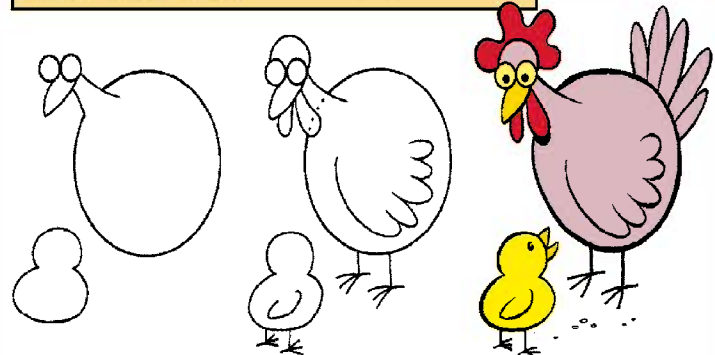
## BY BOB WEBER JR.

Slylock Fox is pursuing two motorcycle-riding bank robbers. The robber holding the money arrived at the junction first and went one way. His empty-handed partner tried to confuse Slylock by going the other way. Which direction did the cash-carrying crook go?



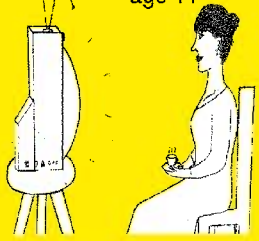
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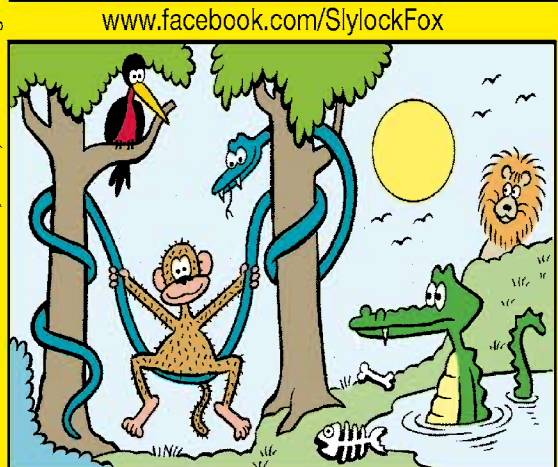
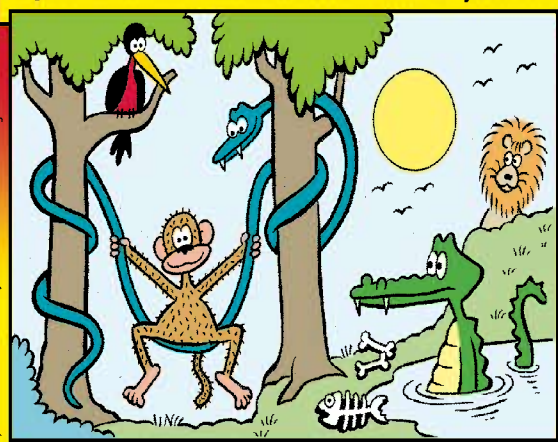
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# BIRD POOP:

## Energy company hopes to see Raven 'nevermore'

Gone for some lengthy periods of time, she once again appeared in the distance. Held crosswise in her beak as she neared the facility was another piece of debris from seasonal growth.

Circling, then landing, she painstakingly toyed with the weed stem as to its placement among the twigs and dried blades of grass interwoven atop the branches she had gathered. To support the weight of this brooding mother-to-be and offer her hatchlings a snug environment was paramount.

To gather all she needed took time. Yet her comings and goings went undetected.

Constructed atop cross members on a 150-foot distribution pole, the nest remained unnoticed until the last week of March. An employee of the Langford Wind Plant located 25 miles south of San Angelo notified the manager. He, in turn, consulted with the environmental department within NRG Energy, Inc.

Contacting U. S. Fish & Wildlife in Albuquerque resulted in the company's learning about the possible removal of the nest, and/or handling of eggs or the young. Our phone number as the closest, licensed wild bird rehabilitator resulted in an unexpected call.

My first response to the situation was to advise allowing the bird to raise her young. Once they had left the area, the nest could be removed and safeguards put in place to prevent future nesting.

Of greatest concern was not only the parent being electrocuted in the process, but causing an outage to the company. When I asked the manager if he knew what type of bird was occupying the top of the pole, he said he thought it was a raptor.

Wanting to know if there were eggs or young in the nest, he mentioned that only someone trained to work around high voltage could access that area. Moreover, the equipment to lift a person to that height would take time.

Needed by the Interior Department was also a lengthy course of paperwork from the environmental department. In the interim, we received several unexpected emails.

First, two pictures arrived, then more. Several employees had photographed the bird. Captured in flight, the parent appeared to be a raven.

As pictures arrived they were forwarded to South Plains Wildlife Cen-

ter in Lubbock, and to retired U.S. Fish & Wildlife biologist and federal agent, Rob Lee.

Upon seeing the nest, Rob's first thought was it's a raven's nest. "Roundish and very tangled on a power pole is classic raven."

Then he referred to the two faded red objects on either side of the nest. Wiring had been inserted through these tube-like enclosures.

"We used to refer to the red things on the wires as bird protectors. Used to prevent shorting the wire and preventing bird electrocutions. Seems to work well here."

From the pictures taken in flight, Rob noticed the wide wings of a raven's landing position. Having the typical body shape, the bird was also all black with the prominent bill of its specie.

"Given the bill length I'd say this is a Common Raven..."

Finally, he added, "A nest without viable eggs or chicks can be removed. If there are chicks there is no harm in letting them fledge. Then remove the nest."

The manager, however, had not been mistaken about thinking he had seen a raptor. One picture was of a bird at some distance. It was later identified as a buteo, a broad winged, broad tailed hawk that just happened to be in the area.

Within a little over a week we learned of two other similar situations. Barn owls were nesting on idled wind turbines outside of Lubbock. Great horned owls in the oil fields of Winkler County had caused unwanted delays. In both cases, tedious paperwork and the hunt for licensed rehabilitators were a preliminary requirement.

In an email on March 31, manager John Yanda wrote, "I have spoken to my boss about this situation and we have decided that we will let the birds hatch and fly away, then remove the nest during a planned outage in September. Thank you for all your help..."

As habitat suitable for nesting has been disappearing rapidly with the



Courtesy photo

A glossy black, the Common Raven may appear to be purplish/greenish in certain light. Flapping its wings, then gliding, it may also be seen soaring.



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rise in energy development, we anticipate being confronted again in the future with more requests for removal.

NRG Energy, a wholesale power generation and retail electricity company, in my opinion, made a wise decision regarding wildlife. The conversations we had, however, brought a new dimension and definition, relocation, to our term "baby season."

*Bebe McCasland is author of The Scoop from Bird Poop. She is federally and state licensed to rehabilitate wild birds.*

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# Lady Steers set for showdown with Andrews

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

Fresh off a convincing win over the Borger Lady Bulldogs, the Big Spring High School Lady Steers will now turn their attention to the second round of the Class 4A state playoffs.

Longtime rival Andrews.

Big Spring is scheduled to kick off its second-round appearance on Friday in Andrews with the first game of a best-of-3 series with the Lady Mustangs. The first pitch in the series will be delivered at 6 p.m.

According to Big Spring head coach Howell Martin,

Game 2, along with a Game 3, if needed, will be played on Saturday at Lady Steer Park beginning at noon.

Big Spring should enter the matchup with plenty of confidence. The Lady Steers pounded Borger in the first round, claiming a lopsided 23-3 victory in front of a large crowd in Lubbock. In that game, BSHS hitters struck early and often.

The Lady Steers, the second-place team from District 2-4A, enter Friday's game sporting a 17-5 record.

Andrews, like Big Spring, enjoyed an easy effort en route to winning their open-

### Area Softball Playoff a Class 4A

**Big Spring vs. Andrews**  
Game 1: 6 p.m. in Andrews  
Game 2: 12 noon in Big Spring  
Game 3: 30 minutes after conclusion of Game 2 (if needed).

### Class 3A

**Coahoma vs. Comanche**  
Game 1: 6 p.m. at Hawley  
Game 2: 1 p.m. at Hawley  
Game 3: 30 minutes after conclusion of Game 2 (if needed).

### Class 2A

**Forsan vs. Lockney**  
Game 1: 7:30 p.m. at Lubb. Cooper  
Game 2: 5 p.m. at Lubb. Cooper  
Game 3: 30 minutes after conclusion of Game 2 (if needed).

ing round matchup. The Lady Mustangs dispatched Fabens by sweeping the first two games of their best-

of-three series. Andrews claimed a 5-0 win on Friday, and then closed out the run on Saturday by a 10-0 mark.

The Lady Steers won't be the only District 2-4A team in action in the area round. Sweetwater and Snyder will also be in action.

Snyder, which blasted Perryton by a 34-1 margin in their bi-district game, is scheduled to play Seminole in the second round.

Seminole is the third-place representative from District 4-4A.

Sweetwater earned a trip to the area round by virtue of having swept Pampa last

week, winning 6-4 and 14-4. Levelland lost its first-round series to Bushland.

Big Spring won't be the only area team making an appearance in the postseason this weekend. Forsan and Coahoma will also be in action.

Forsan will kick off the area round on Thursday evening when they face off with Lockney in a Class 2A showdown at Lubbock Cooper.

The two teams will play Game 2 at 5 p.m. on Friday.

Coahoma will begin a three-game series with Comanche in Hawley on Friday at 6 p.m.

# Texas snaps Astros' streak

HOUSTON (AP) — The Texas Rangers got a much-needed win in a close game and cooled off the hottest team in baseball.

Robinson Chirinos hit a tie-breaking sacrifice fly in the ninth inning, and the Rangers snapped Houston's 10-game winning streak with a 2-1 win over the Astros on Monday night.

"Full of grit," Texas manager Jeff Banister said about the win. "You kind of draw it up in the dirt as you go. It was a pitching victory with timely hitting."

Chirinos' sacrifice fly to center scored Adrian Beltre, who led off the inning with a double off Chad Qualls (0-2), moved to third on Kyle Blanks' single and slid in as Jake Marisnick's throw to the plate went to the backstop.

"The first thing I thought, it was not too deep," Chirinos said. "I hit it with the barrel, and I got just deep enough to have Adrian score that run for us."

Keone Kela (2-1) pitched the eighth and Neftali Feliz got the last three outs for his third save.

Texas had lost five of the last six and eight of the last 10 games entering Monday.

"It's a huge win for the team," Texas starter Ross Detwiler said. "Obviously, everybody knew about the 10-game winning streak, so it's really nice to put an end to that and put a win together."

Houston scored in the first as Jose Altuve and George Springer drew walks, worked a double steal and Altuve scored on Evan Gattis' sacrifice fly to make it 1-0.

Jake Smolinski tied it in the eighth with a one-out RBI single to center.

Dallas Keuchel, who was named the AL pitcher of the month for April earlier in the day, allowed one run on five hits with one season-high eight strikeouts in eight innings.

Keuchel retired nine straight during one stretch, including striking out the side in the second and third innings, and 14 out of 15 batters between the first and fifth innings.

"He pitched well enough to win," Houston manager A.J. Hinch said. "They got one at the end on him but he pitched very well. He was in total control of the game right up until the end. When your guy is on the mound, you want to reward him with the win. We just couldn't get anything started. That type of outing is not uncommon for Dallas."



Tony Claxton photo (claxtonphotography.com)

## Web gem ...

**Howard College's Courtney Laughlin tracks down a fly ball in right field during the Lady Hawks' victory over Midland College on Sunday in the championship game of the Region V West Softball Tournament in Lubbock. The Lady Hawks' win will be one of 16 teams competing in the NJCAA National Softball Championships in St. George, Utah, on May 13-16.**



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## State bound ...

**The Big Spring 4x400-meter relay team earned a berth in the Class 4A state track meet by winning the Region I-4A title on Saturday. Ian Gonzales, Jeremy Cervantes, Jeremiah Rushing, and Leon Mathews teams for a time of 3:22.86 in the 4x400 meter. Gonzales also qualified for state in the 400 with a time of 49:67**

# Curry voted NBA's MVP

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — His voice cracked first. Then, his eyes got red. Finally, Stephen Curry cried.

He had felt this way in the past — when he barely received any scholarship offers out of high school, when some questioned whether his game could translate from tiny Davidson College to the NBA, when he sat in a doctor's office searching for answers on how to fix his troublesome right ankle.

Curry could let it all out and laugh now. This was a time for celebration.

The Golden State Warriors point guard won the NBA's Most Valuable Player award Monday, the biggest moment yet of a young career already full of overcoming obstacles.

Curry received the Maurice Podoloff Trophy in a packed hotel ballroom below Golden State's downtown Oakland practice facility. He shook his head in disbelief as he was announced as the winner of the league's top individual honor.

"There were obviously good times and bad times. Times I wanted to shut it down. Times where you realize that all the hard work you put into it was worth it," Curry said. "It just made me realize how blessed and thankful I really am to be in this position."

Curry received 100 of 130 first-place votes for a total of 1,198 points from a panel of 129 writers and broadcasters, along with the fan vote on the NBA's website.

# Griffin's triple-double lifts L.A. over Rockets

HOUSTON (AP) — The Los Angeles Clippers knew no one player could make up for Chris Paul's absence.

So they all chipped in to fill the void.

Blake Griffin had 26 points, 14 rebounds and 13 assists for his second straight triple-double to lead six double-digit scorers and lift the Clippers to a 117-101 victory over the Houston Rockets on Monday night in Game 1 of the Western Conference semifinals.

"Without Chris, everybody has to step up," Griffin said. "But it's not one person's job, it's everybody's job. And if you look at the stat sheet tonight, it was everybody."

straight points to cut the lead to one with about 7 1/2 minutes left. Matt Barnes got the Clippers going after that, making two 3-pointers in a 12-0 run that made it 101-88 3 minutes later, and the Clippers coasted to the victory.

Barnes raved about Griffin's work as a facilitator.

"He's incredible. He gets in the middle of the field and kind of just picks people apart like Tom Brady," Barnes said.

Paul, who has a strained left hamstring, missed his first game of the season. But Jamal Crawford had 21 points and Barnes added 20.

Dwight Howard led Houston with 22 points.



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ARIES

(March 21-April 19). Mysterious bounty befalls you! You'll be thankful and grateful and not sure whom to thank -- good problem to have. Paying it forward is always a sound option.

TAURUS

(April 20-May 20). You can't control what other people say, but you can live a life that's so good that the chatter doesn't matter to you. That's

what you'll be up to today. Bonus: A big check will help you tune them out.

GEMINI

(May 21-June 21). There are some things (like love and hate) that are obvious to everyone except the person in the thick of the spell. This is why you need friends who are honest and frank.

CANCER

(June 22-July 22). The music is influencing you, whether you want it to or not. Where your taste intersects with another person's taste is more than a confluence of aesthetics. It's a soul connection.

LEO

(July 23-Aug. 22). If you trust too much, you may be led astray, but if you don't trust enough, you'll be isolated. Navigating this territory will be your main responsibility of the day.

VIRGO

(Aug. 23-Sept. 22). There's some funny business afoot, so keep your eyes peeled. Before you reward the savior of the day, make sure this

person didn't actually cause the problem to begin with.

LIBRA

(Sept. 23-Oct. 23). First World problems are a joke because we often react as if they were as dire, frustrating and real as Third World problems. You'll be the voice of perspective, putting the entitled in their place.

SCORPIO

(Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Books can be like people you know, except sometimes they seem more real. You think about them throughout your day. You visit them like friends.

SAGITTARIUS

(Nov. 22-Dec. 21). When your loved ones want your help, your response is automatic. However, should it be? Consider that sometimes the very best way to help is by not helping.

CAPRICORN

(Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Every face has a default position, a resting pose while out in the world. You can't go wrong if you steer toward those whose default happens to be rather pleasant.

AQUARIUS

(Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You prefer to do what fits your skills and talents. But when you can't do that, you fit your skills and talents to the activity at hand, thus multiplying them.

PISCES

(Feb. 19-March 20). As much as you try to live in the present moment, you keep getting pulled back. How can you help it? There's a lot of life in the past, and some of it is begging for a visit.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY

(May 5). Confident in yourself, you'll find it unnecessary to compare and contrast your life with the lives of others. The habit of minding your own business will be what leads to a tremendous success this year. June brings raucous fun; whereas, July brings tender joy. Your best financial months will be August and February. Aries and Gemini people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 40, 1, 13, 32 and 18.

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The most important task on your plate now is reconnecting with your own interests, passions and goals. It will take several months to slip into the spirit of adventure, but try to have some fun. Keep putting yourself in situations that push you toward self-discovery. Love will be a natural outgrowth when you're busy on your own personal journey. A career move in June will help you shake off your blues and move on with life. I wouldn't recommend anything more than casual dating for an entire year from your divorce date. In five years, you'll look back on this period as a fortuitous shift.

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Annie's Mailbox



KATHY MITCHELL  
MARCY SUGAR

for him and his family members.

Three years ago, my daughter lost her job during an economic downturn and has made no attempt to find other employment. I have been giving her money every month and paid for a course in massage therapy, but she has not attempted to find a job in that field. She received insurance money to repair her home when it flooded over the winter, but she hasn't done the repairs. Instead, she camps out at her boyfriend's apartment. When I ask, she will come help me with certain things.

She is my only child, and there are no other

close relatives. I am not wealthy, but am comfortable. My daughter will inherit trust money and my house when I die, and this bothers me. I don't want what my husband and I worked and planned for to eventually go to her boyfriend and his family. I am thinking of changing the trust, leaving her a fixed amount and giving the rest to a charity. Are there other alternatives? -- A.

Dear A.:

There are always alternatives. You could leave your daughter the house and trust only under certain conditions, in order to exclude the boyfriend and his family, although that won't necessarily change how

your daughter chooses to live her life. But there is also nothing wrong with giving some (or all) of your money to a charity that would appreciate it. Please talk to an estate attorney, who will help you figure out the various possibilities and put them in writing.

Dear Annie:

I need to know whether I was out of line. My husband and I have been friends with "Nancy" for years. Last Christmas, she sent us pajamas as a gift. I called her and left a message saying we have never worn pajamas, and not only that, but I am not a size 3x. I wrote her a note and told her I returned the pajamas for something I like better.

We haven't heard from her or her husband since. Was I improper? Is this a reason to end a long friendship? -- C.

Dear C.:

When someone gives you a gift, you don't tell them you dislike it, it's the wrong size, you never wear such things or that you had to return it. It sounds rude and ungrateful, and we don't believe you intended to come across that way. Instead, you simply say, "Thank you for your thoughtfulness. It was kind of you to remember us." And then you get to do whatever you like with the gift.

If you value this

friendship and want to mend fences, call or write Nancy. Say that you are terribly sorry to have been so ill mannered when thanking them for their gift, and you hope they will forgive you. We hope they will, too.

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♠ 7 4 3  
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South West North East  
1♠ 2♥ 2♠ Pass  
4♠

Opening lead — nine of diamonds. There are plays that are relatively simple and yet are frequently overlooked because they are somewhat out of the ordinary. Usually, the reason for missing the play is that it is so far removed from normal procedure that it does not enter the player's mind. Yet when the play is later called to his attention, he wonders how he could have missed it. For a typical case, consider this deal furnished by Bruce Bell, New

Zealand expert. He was West and led a diamond against four spades. Declarer won with the ten, cashed the A-K-Q of trumps and A-K-Q of diamonds, then led a heart from dummy.

East followed low, and South played the jack, hoping East held the queen — which would have assured the contract. But West took the jack with the queen and continued with the ace of hearts. Declarer ruffed in dummy, but then had to lose three club tricks and go down one.

All of South's plays were correct except the last one. Had he resisted the temptation to trump West's ace of hearts at trick nine and discarded a club from dummy instead, he would have made the contract. West, still on lead, would have had no choice but to play a club or a heart next, and either return would have handed declarer his 10th trick.

It is true that South, by refusing to ruff the ace of hearts at trick nine, loses a trick he does not have to lose — and to that extent it is an unnatural play to make.

But it is equally true that losing two hearts to West, instead of only one, ensures the contract — and making the contract is always the first consideration.

Tomorrow: Taking the long view.

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ANSWERS

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

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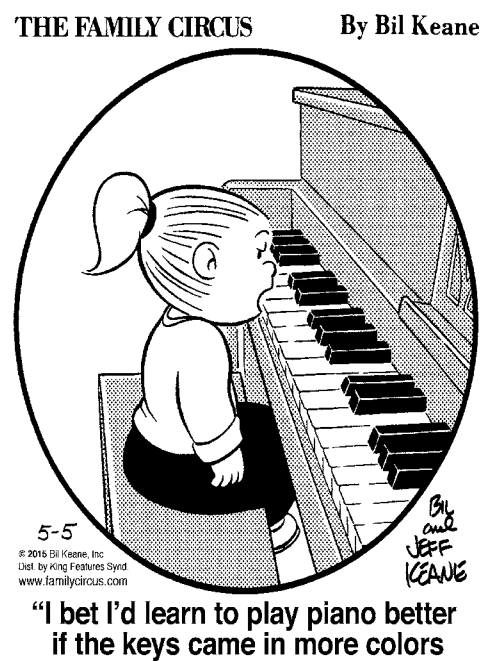
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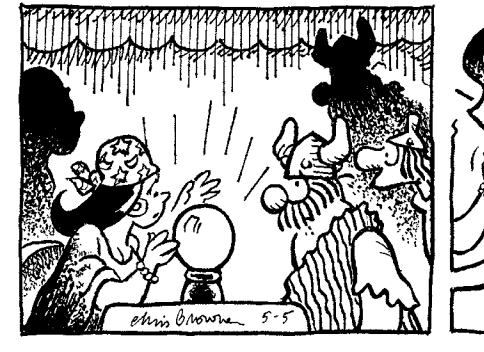
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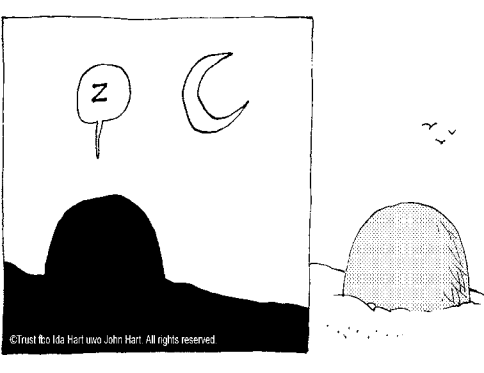
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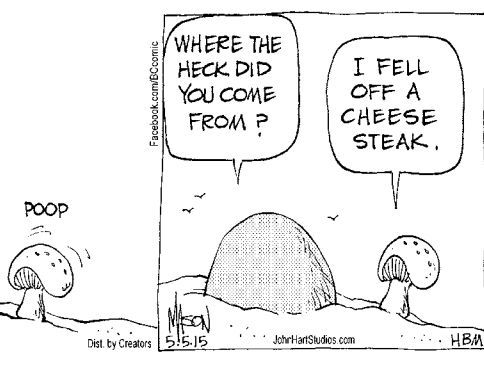
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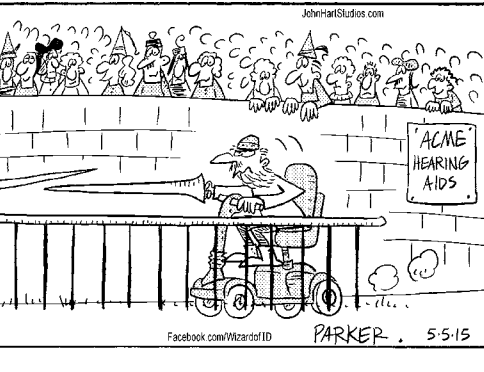
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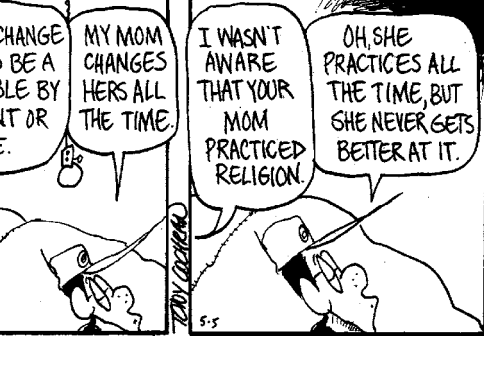
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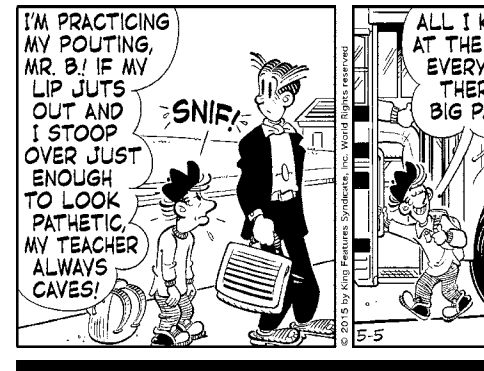
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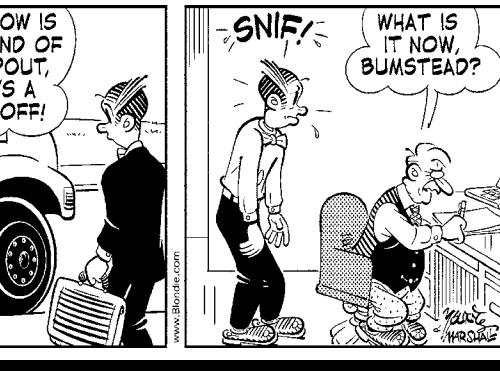
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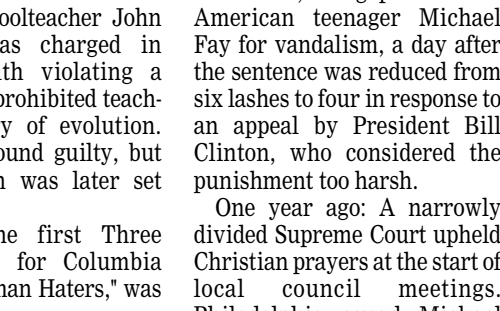
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This Date In History

Today is Tuesday, May 5, the 125th day of 2015. There are 240 days left in the year.

Today's Highlights in History:

- On May 5, 1945, in the only fatal attack of its kind during World War II, a Japanese balloon bomb exploded on Gearhart Mountain in Oregon, killing Elsie Mitchell, the 26-year-old pregnant wife of a minister, and five children: Dick Patzke, 14; Jay Gifford, 13; Edward Engen, 13; Joan Patzke, 13; and Sherman Shoemaker, 11. Denmark and the Netherlands were liberated as a German surrender went into effect.
- On this date: In 1865, what's believed to be America's first train robbery took place as a band of criminals derailed a St. Louis-bound train near North Bend, Ohio; they proceeded to rob the passengers and loot safes on board before getting away.
- In 1915, musical film star Alice Faye was born Alice Leppert in New York.
- In 1925, schoolteacher John T. Scopes was charged in Tennessee with violating a state law that prohibited teaching the theory of evolution. (Scopes was found guilty, but his conviction was later set aside.)
- In 1934, the first Three Stooges short for Columbia Pictures, "Woman Haters," was released.
- In 1955, West Germany became a fully sovereign state. The baseball musical "Damn Yankees" opened on Broadway.
- In 1961, astronaut Alan B. Shepard Jr. became America's first space traveler as he made a 15-minute suborbital flight aboard Mercury capsule Freedom 7.
- In 1973, Secretariat won the Kentucky Derby, the first of its Triple Crown victories.
- In 1981, Irish Republican Army hunger-striker Bobby Sands died at the Maze Prison in Northern Ireland in his 66th day without food.
- In 1985, President Ronald Reagan kept a controversial promise to West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl by launching a wreath-laying ceremony at the military cemetery in Bitburg.

In 1994, Singapore caned American teenager Michael Fay for vandalism, a day after the sentence was reduced from six lashes to four in response to an appeal by President Bill Clinton, who considered the punishment too harsh.

One year ago: A narrowly divided Supreme Court upheld Christian prayers at the start of local council meetings. Philadelphia guard Michael Carter-Williams won the NBA's Rookie of the Year Award.

Thought for Today: "Some of us think holding on makes us strong; but sometimes it is letting go." -Alfred Hermann Hesse, German-born Swiss poet and author (1877-1962).

Newsday Crossword

STICKY AND SWEET by Sally R. Stein Edited by Stanley Newman www.stanxwords.com

ACROSS

- 1 Weep loudly
- 5 Skiing surface
- 10 Undecorated
- 14 Black-and-white cookie
- 15 Captured
- 16 Creative notion
- 17 Blab a secret
- 18 Showed on TV
- 19 Club members' payments
- 20 Building corridor
- 21 Frequent peanut-butter partner
- 23 Tops with frosting
- 25 Fender dings
- 26 French pancakes
- 29 Look mopey
- 31 Marsh bird
- 32 Witty remark
- 33 L. Frank (Oz creator)
- 37 Make suitable
- 38 Large vase
- 39 City in Oklahoma
- 40 Soft throw
- 41 Jeopardize
- 42 Woodwind instruments
- 43 Take a nap
- 44 Actor Redford
- 45 Informal farewell
- 48 Invoice
- 49 Waffle topping
- 52 Canyon sound
- 56 Community pool site
- 57 Heckle
- 58 Well-behaved

DOWN

- 2 These two things
- 3 Region
- 4 All-day suckers, for instance
- 5 Theater platforms
- 6 Animal dens
- 7 Cajun vegetable
- 8 Baby chick's sound
- 9 Eventually became
- 10 Obama's veep
- 11 Grown-up
- 12 Fishing line
- 13 Not at all difficult
- 22 Boeing product
- 24 Lincoln's coin
- 26 Informal talk
- 27 Make over
- 28 Historical periods
- 29 Handbag
- 30 Pigsty cry
- 32 Short exam
- 33 Supermarket checkout display
- 34 Natural balm
- 35 Computer owner
- 36 Ship pole
- 39 Pliers or plane
- 41 Cooked, as some peanuts
- 43 Colorant
- 44 Becomes edible
- 45 Pago Pago's land
- 46 Disney World theme park
- 47 Make happy
- 48 Greyhound vehicles
- 49 Ancient legend
- 50 1492 or 1776
- 51 Evaluate
- 53 Center of an apple
- 54 Won't share
- 55 Tributes in verse

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Scoreboard

**BASEBALL**  
**AMERICAN LEAGUE**

**East Division**

W	L	Pct	GB	
New York	16	10	.615	—
Tampa Bay	14	12	.538	2
Baltimore	12	11	.522	2½
Toronto	13	14	.481	3½
Boston	12	14	.462	4

**Central Division**

W	L	Pct	GB	
Detroit	17	9	.654	—
Kansas City	16	9	.640	½
Minnesota	14	12	.538	3
Cleveland	9	15	.375	7
Chicago	8	14	.364	7

**West Division**

W	L	Pct	GB	
Houston	18	8	.692	—
Los Angeles	11	15	.423	7
Seattle	11	15	.423	7
Oakland	11	16	.407	7½
Texas	9	16	.360	8½

Arizona at Colorado, ppd., rain  
San Francisco 2, San Diego 0

**Tuesday's Games**

Cincinnati (Lorenzen 0-1) at Pittsburgh (Locke 2-1), 7:05 p.m.  
Miami (Latos 0-3) at Washington (Strasburg 2-2), 7:05 p.m.  
Baltimore (B.Norris 1-2) at N.Y. Mets (B.Colon 4-1), 7:10 p.m.  
Philadelphia (Billingsley 0-0) at Atlanta (S.Miller 3-1), 7:10 p.m.  
L.A. Dodgers (Greinke 4-0) at Milwaukee (Garza 2-3), 8:10 p.m.  
Chicago Cubs (Hendricks 0-1) at St. Louis (Lyons 0-0), 8:15 p.m.  
Arizona (Collmenter 2-3) at Colorado (Matzek 2-0), 8:40 p.m.  
San Diego (Cashner 1-4) at San Francisco (Vogelsong 0-2), 10:15 p.m.

Washington, 5 p.m.  
Monday, May 11: Atlanta at Washington, 7 p.m.  
x-Wednesday, May 13: Washington at Atlanta, TBD  
x-Friday, May 15: Atlanta at Washington, TBD  
x-Monday, May 18: Washington at Atlanta, 8 p.m.

**WESTERN CONFERENCE**  
**L.A. Clippers 1, Houston 0**  
Monday, May 4: L.A. Clippers 117, Houston 101  
Wednesday, May 6: L.A. Clippers at Houston, 9:30 p.m.  
Friday, May 8: Houston at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.  
Sunday, May 10: Houston at L.A. Clippers, 8:30 p.m.  
x-Tuesday, May 12: L.A. Clippers at Houston, TBD  
x-Thursday, May 14: Houston at L.A. Clippers, TBD  
x-Sunday, May 17: L.A. Clippers at Houston, TBD

**NL TOP TEN**

G	AB	R	H	Pct.		
DGordon	Mia	25	104	16	45	.433
LeMahieu	Col	23	79	5	31	.392
AGonzalez	LAD	25	94	21	34	.362
Goldschmidt	Ari	24	90	19	32	.356
Pagan	SF	26	103	8	36	.350
Galvis	Phi	25	86	9	30	.349
MCarpenter	StL	25	101	22	35	.347
Alonso	SD	24	81	9	27	.333
Holliday	StL	24	82	14	27	.329
Lind	Mil	25	86	10	28	.326

**Home Runs**

Frazier, Cincinnati, 8; AGonzalez, Los Angeles, 8; Pederson, Los Angeles, 7; Upton, San Diego, 7; Votto, Cincinnati, 7; Arenado, Colorado, 6; Goldschmidt, Arizona, 6; Marte, Pittsburgh, 6; Stanton, Miami, 6.

**Golden State 1, Memphis 0**  
Sunday, May 3: Golden State 101, Memphis 86  
Tuesday, May 5: Memphis at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.  
Saturday, May 9: Golden State at Memphis, 8 p.m.  
Monday, May 11: Golden State at Memphis, 9:30 p.m.  
x-Wednesday, May 13: Memphis at Golden State, TBD  
x-Friday, May 15: Golden State at Memphis, TBD  
x-Sunday, May 17: Memphis at Golden State, TBD

**TEXAS LEAGUE**

**North Division**

W	L	Pct	GB	
Arkansas (Angels)	15	8	.652	—
NW Arkansas (Royals)	15	9	.625	½
Tulsa (Dodgers)	12	12	.500	3½
Springfield (Cardinals)	6	17	.261	9

**South Division**

W	L	Pct	GB	
Corpus Christi (Astros)	14	10	.583	—
Midland (Athletics)	12	12	.500	2
Frisco (Rangers)	11	13	.458	3
San Antonio (Padres)	10	14	.417	4

**Monday's Games**

Northwest Arkansas 7, Tulsa 2  
Midland 4, San Antonio 3, 11 innings  
Corpus Christi 5, Frisco 4  
Springfield at Arkansas, 8:10 p.m.

**Tuesday's Games**

Northwest Arkansas at Springfield, 7:30 p.m.  
Arkansas at Tulsa, 8:05 p.m.  
Midland at Corpus Christi, 8:05 p.m.  
San Antonio at Frisco, 8:05 p.m.

**TRANSACTIONS**  
**BASEBALL**  
**American League**

BOSTON RED SOX — Activated INF Luis Jimenez. Optioned RHP Dalier Hinojosa to Pawtucket (IL).  
LOS ANGELES ANGELS — Recalled C Carlos Perez from Salt Lake (PCL). Designated C Drew Butera for assignment.  
MINNESOTA TWINS — Placed OF Oswaldo Arcia on the 15-day DL. Recalled OF Eddie Rosario from Rochester (IL).  
SEATTLE MARINERS — Selected the contract of RHP Mark Lowe from Tacoma (PCL). Recalled INF Chris Taylor and LHP Joe Beimel selected from Tacoma. Placed OF Austin Jackson on the 15-day DL. Designated LHP Mike Kickham for assignment.  
TEXAS RANGERS — Recalled RHP Spencer Patton from Round Rock (PCL). Optioned RHP Roman Mendez to Round Rock.  
TORONTO BLUE JAYS — Traded RHP Matt West to the Los Angeles Dodgers for cash considerations.

**National League**

LOS ANGELES DODGERS — Recalled LHP Daniel Coulombe from Oklahoma City (PCL). Transferred LHP Hyun-Jin Ryu from the 15- to the 60-day DL.  
MILWAUKEE BREWERS — Fired manager Ron Roenicke. Named Craig Counsell manager and signed him through 2017.  
NEW YORK METS — Announced RHP Logan Verrett was returned to the team by Texas and sent him outright to Las Vegas (PCL).  
SAN DIEGO PADRES — Selected the contract of C Austin Hedges from El Paso (PCL). Designated C Wil Nieves for assignment.

**FOOTBALL**  
**National Football League**

HOUSTON TEXANS — Signed OLB Whitney Mercilus to a contract extension.

**Monday's Games**

Toronto 3, N.Y. Yankees 1  
Tampa Bay 5, Boston 1  
Minnesota 8, Oakland 7  
Texas 2, Houston 1  
Seattle 3, L.A. Angels 2

**Tuesday's Games**

N.Y. Yankees (Pineda 3-0) at Toronto (Estrada 1-0), 7:07 p.m.  
Baltimore (B.Norris 1-2) at N.Y. Mets (B.Colon 4-1), 7:10 p.m.  
Tampa Bay (Smyly 0-0) at Boston (Porcello 2-2), 7:10 p.m.  
Cleveland (Salazar 3-0) at Kansas City (J.Vargas 2-1), 8:10 p.m.  
Detroit (Greene 3-1) at Chicago White Sox (Samardzija 1-2), 8:10 p.m.  
Oakland (Chavez 0-2) at Minnesota (May 2-1), 8:10 p.m.  
Texas (W.Rodriguez 0-1) at Houston (Feldman 2-2), 8:10 p.m.  
Seattle (Paxton 0-2) at L.A. Angels (Richards 2-1), 10:05 p.m.

**AL TOP TEN**

G	AB	R	H	Pct.		
AJones	Bal	23	87	17	35	.402
Vogt	Oak	25	78	15	29	.372
MiCabrera	Det	26	93	13	34	.366
Altuve	Hou	26	111	16	40	.360
Jglesias	Det	25	79	7	28	.354
Felder	Tex	25	99	10	35	.354
Brantley	Cle	18	71	10	25	.352
Ellsbury	NYY	24	101	19	35	.347
AGarcia	CWS	21	79	12	27	.342
NCruz	Sea	26	103	18	35	.340

**Home Runs**

NCruz, Seattle, 14; HRamirez, Boston, 10; Teixeira, New York, 9; Travis, Toronto, 7; Vogt, Oakland, 7; 8 tied at 6.

**NATIONAL LEAGUE**

**East Division**

W	L	Pct	GB	
New York	16	10	.615	—
Washington	13	14	.481	3½
Atlanta	12	14	.462	4
Miami	12	14	.462	4
Philadelphia	10	17	.370	6½

**Central Division**

W	L	Pct	GB	
St. Louis	19	6	.760	—
Chicago	13	11	.542	5½
Cincinnati	12	13	.480	7
Pittsburgh	12	13	.480	7
Milwaukee	8	18	.308	11½

**West Division**

W	L	Pct	GB	
Los Angeles	16	9	.640	—
San Diego	14	13	.519	3
San Francisco	13	13	.500	3½
Colorado	11	13	.458	4½
Arizona	10	14	.417	5½

**Monday's Games**

Washington 6, Miami 4  
Philadelphia 5, Atlanta 2  
Milwaukee 4, L.A. Dodgers 3  
St. Louis 10, Chicago Cubs 9

Student council sets CFG Color Blast 5K Run/Walk

In memory of three Big Spring employees who died this past school year, the Big Spring High School Student Council is hosting a CFG Color Blast 5k Run/Walk. The event which honors the late Coach Jim Campbell, Danny Ferrell and Carol Green will be held on Friday, May 22 at Comanche Trail Park with a shotgun start at 6:15 p.m. Registration that day is from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. The registration fee is \$25 which includes a T-shirt and all proceeds will be donated to the American Heart Association and the North Side Community Center. The pre-registration

deadline is May 12. Sign-ups are allowed on the day of the event but T-shirts will be given out on a first serve basis. Pre-registration forms can be found on the Big Spring Independent School website www.bigspringisd.net. On Christmas Eve, Jim Campbell, a Big Spring athletic trainer, passed away. He has

worked in the district for more than 17 years. The next day, Carol Green, a long-time Big Spring ISD teacher whose educational career covered 41 years, also died. Then on Jan. 4, Danny Ferrall, assistant superintendent, died of a sudden illness in a Martin County hospital. Ferrall had served the district since 2009.

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