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Police release sketch of stabbing/rape suspect

Herald Staff Report

Big Spring Police Department has released a forensic drawing of the suspect wanted in the sexual assault and stabbing of an 84-yearold woman July 17 in Big Spring.

The victim was able to describe the suspect to a forensic artist. The suspect is believed to be 6 feet tall and weight approximately 200

Anyone with information is asked to contact Crime Stoppers at 432-263-TIPS (8477) or 432-333-tips (8477). There is a \$20,000 reward for the arrest and indictment of the suspect in this case.

According to police reports, the

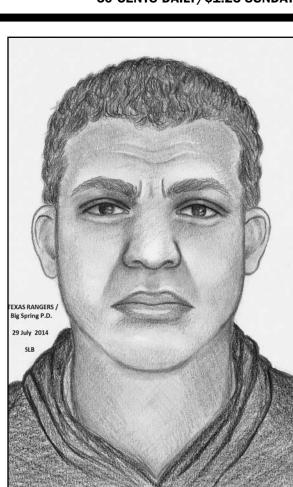
The suspect is believed to be 6 feet tall and weigh approximately 200 pounds.

victim was awoken in her bedroom in the 600 block of Washington about 12:30 a.m. July 17 by the suspect, who at the time was wearing a black hooded sweatshirt. After taking a small television set, the man forced the female victim into her vehicle and drove around town before stopping along Radio Tower Road near Texas Highway 350 and the I-20 service road.

There, reports say, the man sexually assaulted the woman and stabbed her multiple times in her abdomen, chest and neck. He left her on the side of the road and drove off in her vehicle, which was later found abandoned by police in the 1400 block of E. Second Street.

Shortly after 2 a.m., the severly injured woman was discovered and police were notified. The victim was taken to Scenic Mountain Medical Center and flown to Odessa Medical Center.

The Texas Rangers are working with police to apprehend the suspect.





HERALD photo/Andreia Medlin

The Northside Movement flea market saw a large turnout Saturday. Rick and Martha Mata of Andrews talk prices with customer Victor Garcia.

Neugebauer town hall meeting Tuesday

U.S. Rep. Randy Neugebauer (R-Lubbock) will host a town hall meeting from 3-4 p.m. Tuesday in the Hall Center for the Arts on the Howard College campus. He will give brief legislative updates at these events, but his focus will be on listening to constituents' concerns and ideas, and answering any questions they may have.

Big Spring ISD students' registration starts Aug. 19

Herald Staff Report

Area public students have only a few weeks left before first day of school.

School begins Aug. 25 in Texas and Big Spring Independent School District employees are gearing up for another academic year.

Parents and guardians of Big Spring ISD students in first through fifth grade need to stop by the elementary campus they believe their student will be attending this year before Aug. 15. They need to bring proof of residency to the school's administration office which can be a bill or bank statement with a street address to validate their resi-

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CRMWD pipeline project wins award

Special to the Herald

A groundwater system that prevented a water supply crisis in West Texas has been named the top civil engineering project in Texas and one of the top five in the United States. The Ward County Water Supply Project,

owned and operated by the Colorado River Municipal Water District, received the 2014 Texas Outstanding Civil Engineering Achievement Award from the American Society of Civil Engineers Texas Section. It is also one of five finalists for the 2015 Outstanding Civil Engineering Achievement Award, given by the ASCE national organization. The project is a \$120 million groundwater well

field and transmission system supplying an additional 30 million gallons of water per day to Odessa, Big Spring, Snyder, Midland and Stan-

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The Ward County Water Supply Project has 65 miles of pipeline.



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Obituaries

Ronnie Ray Hodges



Ronnie Ray Hodges, 59, of Big Spring, died Thursday, July 25, 2014, at University Medical Center in Lubbock. Graveside services with military honors will be 10 a.m. Tuesday at Trinity Memorial Park Peace Chapel. Dr. Doug Shelley of Eastside Baptist Church will be officiating.

He was born to Helen and Harland Hodges on Feb. 27, 1955, in Big Spring. He served in the Unit-

ed States Air Force from 1973 to 1976. He spent most of his life in law enforcement, including serving as a deputy sheriff for Howard and Midland counties, as well as the Abernathy Police Department and serving as Chief of Police in Seagraves.

He is survived by three daughters, Rachel Hodges, Karen Hodges and Sarah Hodges, all of Big Spring; wife Lisa Lynn Hodges; half-brother, Jimmy Hodges and wife Kim of Midland; and two half-sisters: Becky Vance and husband Jerry of Lubbock and Connie Faraldo and husband Lou of Houston.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Please pay your respects online at www.myersandsmith.com

Betty Ruth Green Betty Ruth Green, 85, of Big Spring, formerly of Jal, N.M., died Friday, Aug. 1, 2014, in a local care facility. Her services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Earnest Henry Jr.

Earnest Henry Jr., 71, of Big Spring died Thursday, July 31, 2014, at Rockwood Manor in Midland. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral

Police blotter

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

- JAMES LEE MILLER, 19, of 1204 S. Benton, was arrested Friday on a charge of possession of marijuana less than or equal to 2 ounces in a drug free zone.
- MATTHEW CORY FOWLER, 330, of 800 W. FM 700 no. 16, was arrested Friday on a charge of assault family violence threat or offensive touch.
- LUCERO HERNANDEZ BU-JANDA, 35, of 1900 Martin Luther King Blvd., was arrested Fri-

day on warrants for fail to report change of address/name, fail to appear, expired motor vehicle inspection and failure to maintain financial responsibility.

- MIGUEL GARCIA RAMIREZ, 33. of 2901 S. Anderson, was arrested Friday on a charge of assault family/household member and intentionally/recklessly impeding normal breathing or circulation.
- BROOKELYNN PAIGE COK-ER, 22, of 208 Moore Rd., was arrested Friday on charges of disorderly conduct language and resist arrest search or transport.
- THEFT was reported at the 600 block of Tulane.
- BURGLARY OF A BUILDING was reported at the 3100 block of Highway 350.
- MINOR ACCIDENT reported at the 1800 block of Scurry.
- HARASSMENT reported at the 1000 block of Ridgeroad Dr.
- DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported at the 800 block of W. FM 700 and the 700 block of E.
- MAJOR ACCIDENT reported at the 1400 block of E. Highway

Support Groups

MONDAY Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, noon-1 p.m.,

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

615 Settles.

• Take Pounds Off Sensibly (TOPS) TX 0021 meets at First Christian Church at 10th and Goliad, in the dining hall on the east side of the building. Weigh-in starts at 2:50 p.m. and meeting starts at 3 p.m. We have a different program each week. For more

information, please call

517-4922 or 935-6306.

- Circle of Hope, a Celebrate Recovery group, meets at 6:30-8 p.m. at Spring Creek Fellowship, located in the College Park Shopping Center. Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered recovery program dealing with life's hang-ups, hurts and habits, covering many areas. Circle of Hope group is a ministry of Spring Creek Fellowship. For further
- Reformers Unanimous International is a faith-based addictions program helping people find freedom from addiction. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Mondays at

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Dale at 432-270-8462.

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

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

- · VA Alcoholics Anonymous support group, 7:30-8:30 p.m., Veterans Healing Center.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; closed discussion meeting 8 p.m. to 9
- 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

THURSDAY

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

Ministries has a faithbased 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.

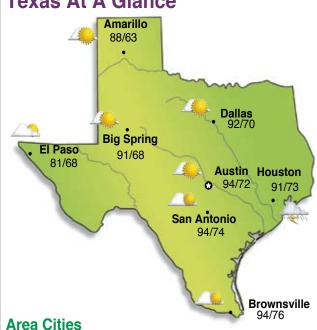
- Weight Watchers meets at 6 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church. Weigh-in is at 5:30 p.m. Weigh-in is confidential and you don't have to talk if you don't want to. Flexible payment op
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Today's Weather

Local	5-Day F	orecas	t	
Sun 8/3	Mon 8/4	Tue 8/5	Wed 8/6	Thu 8/7
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91/68 Mostly sunny skies. High 91F. Winds E at 10 to 15 mph.	93/70 Plenty of sun. Highs in the low 90s and lows in the low 70s.	95/74 Mix of sun and clouds. Highs in the mid 90s and lows in the mid 70s.	97/76 Mainly sunny. Highs in the upper 90s and lows in the mid 70s.	99/75 Mostly sunny. Highs in the upper 90s and lows in the mid 70s.
Sunrise: 7:02 AM Sunset: 8:41 PM	Sunrise: 7:03 AM Sunset: 8:41 PM	Sunrise: 7:03 AM Sunset: 8:40 PM	Sunrise: 7:04 AM Sunset: 8:39 PM	Sunrise: 7:04 AM Sunset: 8:38 PM

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City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	91	70	mst sunny	Kingsville	96	74	pt sunny
Amarillo	88	63	mst sunny	Livingston	87	70	t-storm
Austin	94	72	mst sunny	Longview	89	67	t-storm
Beaumont	88	71	t-storm	Lubbock	88	65	mst sunn
Brownsville	94	76	pt sunny	Lufkin	87	71	t-storm
Brownwood	92	68	mst sunny	Midland	91	68	mst sunn
Corpus Christi	93	76	pt sunny	Raymondville	97	76	pt sunny
Corsicana	91	70	mst sunny	Rosenberg	91	73	t-storm
Dallas	92	70	mst sunny	San Antonio	94	74	pt sunny
Del Rio	96	78	pt sunny	San Marcos	94	73	mst sunn
El Paso	81	68	cloudy	Sulphur Springs	89	68	mst sunn
Fort Stockton	90	69	pt sunny	Sweetwater	90	68	sunny
Gainesville	90	68	sunny	Tyler	89	68	mst sunn
Greenville	89	68	sunny	Weatherford	91	69	sunny
Houston	91	73	t-storm	Wichita Falls	90	68	sunny

National Cities

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City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	88	67	t-storm	Minneapolis	87	65	t-storm
Boston	73	63	cloudy	New York	78	69	t-storm
Chicago	85	65	t-storm	Phoenix	94	75	t-storm
Dallas	92	70	mst sunny	San Francisco	67	56	pt sunn
Denver	86	62	mst sunny	Seattle	86	61	sunny
Houston	91	73	t-storm	St. Louis	89	71	sunny
Los Angeles	86	71	cloudy	Washington, DC	82	69	t-storm
Miami	88	78	t-storm	_			

Moon Phases



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Gracias a Midland Memorial Hospital y todo

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• The 1969 class of BSHS will hold a reunion on Oct. 3-4. The following lost class members are being sought for by the committee. Please contact Shelane Parnell Roberts 432-267-2798 or Jann Forrest Caffey 432-393-5284.

Robert Aaron, Mary Ann Abreo (Ficke), Steve Austin; Ruth Bailey, Shirley Baldock, Judy Barber, Rhonda Barger, Jessie Ladd Bennett, Linda Gail Benson, Mike Bolte, Brenda Bradbury, Dwight Brown, James Brown, Sherry Buford, Mary Beth Burcham, Douglas Lee Burnett, Bobbie Beatrice Byrd, and Candace Carothers.

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Vera, Richard Vera, Carl Van Veet, Joyce Walker, Herbert Ward, Roy Lee Warren, Glee Webb, James Webb, Betty L.Welch, Michael David Wiggins, Rocky Wooley and Manuel Ybarra.

- The hang gliders will be in Big Spring Aug. 2 and 3. Tandem flights will be available at \$100 per flight. To schedule a flight, contact Russell Brown at 352-516-8616.
- 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.

- Mitchell County Senior Citizen Dance, Colorado City Civic Center, 157 East 2nd Street, Colorado City, Texas, July 24 from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., \$5 per person. Live music, Mike Porter and Friends. Bring snacks to share.
- 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.
- Friends of the Library is asking the public to begin gathering books for donation to the annual book sale. Books should be in good condition. Please, no magazines or condensed books. Friends will let the public know when to begin bringing books to the Howard County Library.
- Forsan School All Class Reunion will be held Saturday, Aug. 2, 2014, from 9:30 a.m. until late. Lunch will be held at 12:30 p.m. Cost is \$20 per person. The meeting will be held at the Forsan High School cafeteria. Dress is casual. All ex-students, spouses, teachers and friends of the school are invited. Volunteers are needed to help as well as donations for door prizes. For more information and to submit a suggestion for the event, call Ida Lou Raney at 432-264-9580.

CRMWD

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ton. As CRMWD's emergency response to the drought, the entire system was designed and constructed in less than 18 months. That included 21 groundwater wells and 65 miles of pipeline. With this project

CRMWD can now supply a total of 45 million gallons of groundwater per day. The ASCE judges rec-

ognized the Ward County project as critical in meeting West Texas' water needs amid dramatic population growth, the gas boom, and sustained drought. The judges also commended the CRM-WD team for completing the project \$15 million under budget. The project draws

Permian Basin oil and

groundwater from the Ward County North Well Field, west of Monahans. CRMWD bought the field from Luminant Generation in 2010 to diversify its supplies and provide an additional water source over the long term. But then the severe drought struck; 2011 would become the driest year on record in

CRMWD's three sup-

J.B. ply reservoirs — Thomas, E.V. Spence and O.H. Ivie projected to be completely dry in the spring of 2013.

The CRMWD Board of Directors responded to the emergency by moving quickly to develop the well field. It began the Ward County project in June 2011; to avoid interruption of the cities' water supplies, the system had to be operational by Jan. 1, 2013.

Meeting that demanding schedule required seven design teams, seven pipe production plants, five pipe-laying crews and four construction contractors. Major construction and startup was completed Dec. 13, 2012, two weeks ahead of schedule.

Freese and Nichols, Inc. designed and overconstruction the well collection and transmission system; the company is headquartered in Fort Worth and has offices in Midland and Lubbock. Daniel B. Stephens & Associates, Inc. designed and oversaw construction of the well field; the company is headquartered in Albuquerque and has an office in Lub-

General contractors

were Garney Construction of Kansas City, Mo.; S.J. Louis Construction of Mansfield; Oscar Renda Contracting of Roanoke; and Hydro Resources of Sugar Land. The CRMWD team

will receive the Texas OCEA Award in September at ASCE Texas' annual conference in Galveston; the winner of the national award will be announced in March 2015. In addition to the awards from ASCE, the project has also been recognized by the American Council of Engineering Companies, receiving the Gold Medal in Water Re-

sources at the 2014 Texas Engineering Excellence Awards and one of eight Grand Awards at the 2014 National Engineering Excellence

The CRMWD was created in 1949 to provide water to its member cities of Odessa, Big Spring and Snyder. It also has contracts to provide specified quantities of water to the cities of Midland, San Angelo, Abilene, Stanton, Robert Lee, Grandfalls and Pyote, and the Millersview-Doole Water Supply Corp.

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dence. This needs to be done before the administration can place the student on the classroom roster.

Spring High Big 707 E. 11th School, Place

The follow schedule pick for high school students is as follows:

- Seniors, Tuesday, Aug. 19, from 8 a.m. to noon.
- Juniors, Tuesday, Aug. 19, from 1 p.m. to

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- Sophomores, Wednesday, Aug. 20, from 8 a.m. to noon.
- · Freshmen orientation and pick up, Thursday, Aug. 21, high school auditorium, 6 p.m.

Big Spring Junior High, 624 E. Sixth, Monday, Aug. 18.

Seventh grade orientation will be held at 5:30 p.m. to 5:45 p.m. followed by resignation and schedule pick up to 6:45 p.m.

Eighth graders will meet for orientation from 7:15 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. followed by reg-

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istration and schedule School, 2101 Wasson, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. pick up to 8:30 p.m.

Meet the teacher night All elementary schools will hold at meet the teacher night Thursday, Aug. 21. The newly open Big Spring Intermediate School will host a meet the teacher night Aug.

- Big Spring Intermediate, 2001 S. Goliad, 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
- Goliad Elementary, 1801 S. Goliad, 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
- Kentwood Early Education Center, 2500 Merrily, 4:30 p.m to 5:30 p.m.
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& CHAPEL Washington Ele-24th & Johnson 267-8288 mentary School, 1201 S.

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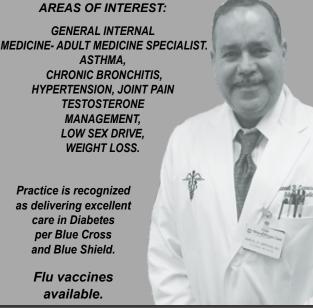
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-FIRST AMENDMENT

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Daily Prayer

Let us sing your praises, Lord, for all that you do.

optimism, Poff is forever bold, Amen and the Holy Bible would be

Preserving the Yellow Jacket Inn

The Yellow Jacket Inn in Muleshoe was a popular eating-place where students had lunch. The small, privately owned café was just across the street from the school complex that had all grades.

"The ones that got permission from their parents could go across the street and eat lunch over there," says Kenneth Henry, a resident of Muleshoe who attended school there. The café had

hamburgers, hot



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dogs, soda pop and candy. At lunchtime it got crowded. "They had to run them through

pretty fast, you know, because of the short amount of time the students had to eat. If you didn't have your mind made up they'd take an order from the person behind you. Most everybody had their favorite and they'd order the same thing nearly every day." The place had long tables at

first, then installed five booths. When they filled up, students ate outside where large cable spools served as tables. There were a few fights at the Yellow Jacket

"There were a few times teachers would have to be called over, but not very many. Children during that time acted well enough that it did not create a big problem."

When Muleshoe schools instituted a closed campus rule, business at the Inn declined and it finally closed. It was open 53 years, from 1946 to 1999. The building was vacant for years. Students who had fond memories of the Yellow Jacket Inn wanted it preserved and moved to Muleshoe's Heritage Center, which has some historic struc-

"They noticed that building was just sitting there and were afraid it would just rot away or be demolished. There were enough people interested in saving it that it was moved over."

Kenneth became project manager to get the building moved. Many business owners in town bought advertising space on walls inside the structure to help pay the cost of moving it. Huge posters tell about the history of their businesses.

Kenneth put together a booklet containing students' memories at the Yellow Jacket Inn. They remembered the 15-cent

hamburgers and Frito pies that had a scoop of chili dumped into the bag of corn chips. They remembered the wax lips and peanuts in a round can, some with coins in them.

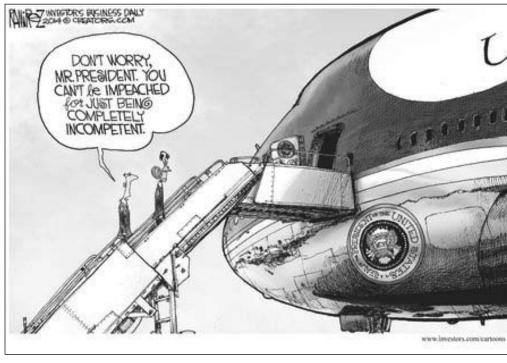
They remembered Nehi, Grapette and Nu-Grape soda pops and a sweet liquid that came in tiny wax bottles. They remembered the jukebox and pinball machine. They remembered getting a sweet snack for the bus ride home. Some of them remembered watching the older kids get to go to the Yellow Jacket Inn and couldn't wait until they were old enough to go. When they finally went, they felt grown up.

The building is in good shape now and has been fully restored. The old booths have been replaced with newer ones and the building is very close to the way it was when it housed a booming business. It was moved to the Heritage Center in 2009.

"There's a lot of history to it," says Kenneth. "A lot of the first kisses took place around the Yellow Jacket Inn."

The place was called the Yellow Jacket Inn because athletic teams in Muleshoe schools used to be called Yellow Jackets. Now they're called Mules.

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Life through oil-coated glasses

h, No! Say it isn't so. My Uncle Mort, who usually doesn't stay on a single subject long enough to muster a significant "peeve," is speaking to me again. He's mighty disappointed that I didn't mention — "privately or in print" — his July 4 birthday.

"The date has passed and the whole blamed month is gone, too," he added, whimpering lamely that he's "trying to get over it." (I've heard he's been accusing me of

"routinely writing of lesser things" than his 102nd birthday, and that whether he's a "real" person a figment of my imagination "really shouldn't matter.") I mumbled

apologetically,



Don Newbury

biting my tongue to avoid speaking of a "real" friend whose age is closer to 104 than 103. His name: H. Bryan Poff, who still makes oil and gas deals daily from his modest home in east Fort Worth.

Mr. Poff gave up driving a decade or so ago, but drilling? He's still at it, now in his ninth decade of petroleum exploration. He's known for his unshakable faith, bright mind, keen memory and rich first-hand experiences in Texas' major oil fields — save He missed out on Spindletop

the forerunner of state-wide drilling that blew in between Beaumont and Port Arthur in 1901 — one decade before the old wildcatter was born. With a hearty laugh, quick-

triggered smile and incurable

home plate if his Christian pilgrimage were a game. He claims "mother's knee" teachings-many from Philippians--and his ongoing daily Bible study often in Proverbs — to be foundational.

He's experienced all of the "ups and downs" of exploration. "I'm happy for my share of dry holes, because they make 'hits' even sweeter," Poff claims.

He's a "living encyclopedia" of Texas' petroleum history, citing "chapters and verses" of major events — and some not so major. Files, documents, clippings and photographs surround his big recliner, where he now spends most days. A telephone--usually warm-- is within arm's reach. Poff is now perusing mounds

of material — some yellowed with age — begging to be passed along...or tossed. "I'm sending you some items

you might like," he mentioned as casually as a Texas tourist might describe Gibraltar as "a good-sized" rock.

Sure enough, the mail soon brought an old clipping from the Fort Worth News-Tribune. In vivid detail, it recounted newspaper coverage of a remarkable 1920 Fort Worth funeral attended by more than 50,000 people when the city's population was only 103,000.

Perhaps no Texas funeral has ever piqued more interest. It honored the life of Ormer Locklear, who dreamed big dreams of becoming a daring aviator and flying in World War I's Army Aviation branch. He built gliders — this young mechanic who was well known for his daring aerial stunts. Locklear performed one stunt in tandem with fabled escape artist Harry

Houdini and enjoyed a brief Hol-

lywood career. At age 29, a failed

aerial stunt for a film did him in. The late Delbert Willis' col-

umn — written 63 years after the fact — cites superlatives, including phrases like "never to be equaled, longest procession, biggest crowd, most mourners, most lavish floral tributes and most bandsmen." Well-known military and Hollywood figures attended the funeral — first ever to include aerial photographs

made from circling planes. Wow A few days later came a 1931 Shell Oil Co. telegram, explaining to Poff's bunch that pay for crude run from the Tippett Lease in Yates Shallow District is a "flat price of six cents per barrel." It claimed the crude to have a "refining value of only

three cents per barrel." Hope was expressed that this position was "only temporary." Yep, oil is more valuable now.

Poff said recent sales netted \$99.80 per barrel. Friends sometimes gather at

his home for lunch to hear stories spun by the colorful charter member of the Fort Worth Petro leum Club. They share his favor ite fare — tamales, extra spicy, with liberal dollops of chili.

He says meals are "extra larrapin" when they include fried onion rings — a full order, since a "half-order doesn't quite get it done."

His friends, all with ages in two digits, opt for mild tamales, with a hint of chili. And onions? Okay, but sautéed, please, not fried.

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Wichita Falls officials hope to cut lake evaporation

A North Texas city already has deployed two unusual techniques to try to cope with a persistent and lengthy drought, and Wichita Falls just added a third, more extreme tool to try to deal with its dwindling water supply.

The hope is that adding a biodegradable palm oil-andlime-based product on the surface of a lake that's the city's primary water supply will cut the evaporation rate of 40 million gallons a day by at least 10 percent, Russell Schreiber, the city's director of public works, said.

"We're in desperate times here," he said. Wichita Falls provides water to about 150,000 people near the Oklahoma border, and has cut its usage from 35 million gallons a day to about 12 million gallons. "We've got to do whatthing or as much as we can."

Though Wichita Falls is not the first city to try the method, it is the largest of its kind in the nation, Schreiber said. It's yet another step for the city that is more than 40 inches behind on rainfall over the past 46 months and hasn't recovered from the drought of

It's instituted a prohibition on all outside watering; it's tried cloud seeding, sending silver iodide particles into clouds to encourage rain; and more recently it began using a wastewater reuse program.

The 75-day pilot project, which began July 23, is costing the city \$375,000. Crews will go out to Arrowhead Lake every three days that's how long it takes for the layer to biodegrade — to disperse about 5,700 pounds a one-molecule-thick layer.

Evaporation from wind and hot temperatures can rob Texas lakes of as much as 2.3 trillion gallons a year, according to the Texas Water Developmental Board. Arrowhead Lake is about 17,000 acres when full, but it's now 6,000 acres, or 22 percent, full.

Researchers and water experts have experimented with ways to cut evaporation. Some have tried putting a layer of pingpong balls on water surfaces or laying out large tarps or plastic films.

The anti-evaporation product, WaterSavr, has been around for about 10 years, according to Jason Bloom, a spokesman for Flexible Solutions, the Chicago company that makes the product and is handling the Wichita Falls

He says it's been effective in other places: A Singapore lake of about 250 acres had a 29 percent reduction in evaporation and a 10-acre lake in Australia saw a 30 percent re-

A 30-acre lake in a gated Las Vegas community has been using the product since 2012, Flexible Solutions vice president David Verlee said. In 2012, there was a 31 percent reduction in evaporation on the recreational lake over a two-month period, said Nicole Lise, a spokeswoman for the Southern Nevada Water Authority.

In Texas, Barney Austin, a hydrologist and former director of surface water for the state water board, said he'll be interested to see whether the method affects the lake's oxygen levels and temperatures, and if those impact plants. The board and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality are monitoring the levels.

"It has a real potential," he said. "I'm all for trying to re-

duce evaporation."

Schreiber said the main concern is whether the product can withstand the whipping wind.

Ions of the same charge are in the lime powder, which repels the molecules and allows the mixture to spread over a surface. But if winds cause the mixture to cluster, the question will be whether repelling ions force it to again

"Whether this is the solution, I don't know," Austin said. "I think in Wichita Falls they are struggling so badly to get water that they should consider all alternatives."

Odds and ends

Otter attacks swimmers in Washington river

SEATTLE (AP) — State and federal wildlife agents are trying to trap the otter that attacked a boy and his grandmother as they were swimming in the Pilchuck River about 30 miles northeast of Seattle. Because it has pounced on people, the otter will

likely be killed unless it is a female with pups, said Capt. Alan Myers of the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife. "We're doing everything possible to capture than

animal as soon as possible," Myers said Friday. "This is an extremely rare incident. Otters are not known to be aggressive toward people.' The boy needed stitches for bites, and his grand-

mother could lose an eye from the attack Thursday morning in the river near Lake Connor Park, which is between Lake Stevens and Machias. A state worker was unable to find the otter, so ex-

pert trappers were called in from the U.S. Department of Agriculture Wildlife Services, Myers said. They'll try to trap it with a foot snare or tranquilize "We're not sure if it's a hyper-aggressive male pro-

tecting territory or a female protecting its young,' Myers said. "There's a lot of liability in trying to relocate an animal that's been hyper-aggressive, and it would likely be euthanized. If it's a female with pups, there's another possible outcome if we can find a good location." But the otter would have to be killed in any case

so its brain could be tested for rabies, if that's a concern for doctors treating the boy and his grandmother, he said.

Cops may have 'freaked' man who stole trash truck

BOULDER, Colo. (AP) — A man accused of stealing a garbage truck in Boulder this week may have been scared by officers responding to an unrelated call near his home.

The Daily Camera reports that a neighbor told police that 26-year-old Daniel Morkert got "freaked" when officers arrived in the area Wednesday after-

According to the police report, Morkert came out of his apartment building with his pit bull and asked an officer if he could borrow his car. The officer assumed he was joking. Morkert then allegedly got into garbage truck with his dog while the driver was out moving a dumpster and took off.

Morkert led officers on a low-speed chase down U.S. 36 until he crashed over a median in Broom-

Semi crash coats Indianapolis

highway in butter

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — A semitrailer has overturned on an Indianapolis interstate, spilling what police say are 45,000 pounds of packages of butter and other dairy products.

The crash happened about 3:30 a.m. Friday in the eastbound lanes of Interstate 465 just west of its interchange with Interstate 65 on the city's south

The crash left perhaps thousands of butter tubs strewn on the highway, many broken open and coating the roadway.

Police say the truck driver apparently fell asleep and hit a highway barrier. No injuries were report-

Some lanes of the highway are expected to be closed for hours for cleanup work, with crews using a small front-end loader to scoop the butter tubs and whipped cream containers into large trash bins.

Maine berry festival to feature huge human organs

WILTON, Maine (AP) — One of the main attrac-

tions at this year's Wilton Blueberry Festival isn't a fruit — it's a set of giant inflatable human organs for people to walk through.

The Morning Sentinel reports the two-day festival will include an inflatable heart, lungs, and a 50-footlong human body visitors can walk through to observe the way organs work. The festival's chairwoman says the festival is adding the giant organs to bring an educational aspect to the event.

DPS surge achieves 'astounding' results AUSTIN, Texas (AP)

 When Texas leaders ordered a \$30 million "surge" of Department of Public Safety troopers to the Rio Grande Valley in mid-June, they touted the success of an earlier operation that they said was a model for the current effort.

In a June 18 letter expressing his support for the new operation, Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst cited Operation Strong Safety, which massed DPS troopers along the border last fall for three weeks.

The Austin American-Statesman reports the effort "achieved astounding results," he wrote, echoing earlier claims by DPS officials that Strong Safety had "curtail(ed)" cartel activity in the region during the surge.

Yet the raw numbers behind those claims, obtained this week by American-Statesman through a Texas Public Information Act request show that the surge's impact was actually much less clear-

For example, the DPS boasted in a press release that drug seizures had decreased during the surge — a sign the operation had deterred illegal activity, according to the agency — citing drops in confiscated cocaine, marijuana and methamphetamine. What officials didn't mention is that heroin seizures increased 61 percent during that period.

At the same time that the DPS identified decreased drug seizures as a mark of Strong Safety's

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success, the agency also pointed to increased currency seizures as an indication the operation had worked.

Even then, while officials trumpeted a dramatic 185 percent increase in U.S. currency seizures, they didn't mention that currency seizures continued to rise steeply over the next three weeks after the surge ended. DPS Director Steve

McCraw told the Statesman on Thursday the varying results were "positive, relevant outcomes related to the disruption of cartel activ-

For example, he said, "cash is typically southbound commodity, and heroin is typically smuggled through the ports of entry."

On one level, officials' parsing of statistics to declare the success of a high-profile operation is a reminder that the 1,254-mile border between Texas and Mexico often serves as a stage for political theater, a place where partisan actors on either side of the immigration and security debates can find ample evidence to support their positions and dismiss those of their opponents.

Yet the numbers also highlight real-world challenges facing officials as they embark on another expensive operation they say is necessary to protect Texans from a border left porous by federal negligence. Hundreds of millions of dollars in public funding hang on the question of what constitutes a successful operation.

How it is measured mat-

In a report in Sunday's paper, the American-Statesman detailed how state officials had used sometimes different, conflicting criteria to declare past border surges a success. The story also noted that the DPS had yet to come up with a measurement of success for the latest operation — a \$30 million surge of DPS troopers scheduled to continue through at least the end of the year. Over the next month, an additional 1,000 Texas National Guard troops will deploy to the border, at a cost of \$12 million per month, with no defined end date.

On Tuesday, McCraw told a Texas House committee that the agency had landed on a reliable metric. A decrease in the number of undocumented immigrants apprehended by Border Patrol during the operation "is the best indicator across the board" to determine the impact of the surge, he said. He also recommended including drug prices and crime trends, such as home invasions and police pursuits, as

performance measures. Yet using apprehensions to gauge progress has been tried and discarded as a reliable metric by others. The U.S. Homeland Security Department, which oversees U.S. Border Patrol, turned to the number of apprehensions as an indicator of its progress securing the border in 2011. The Government Accountability Office later found the number to be incomplete, particularly as it didn't take

into account the number of people crossing the border that agents missed.

McCraw said Border Patrol activities differ from those of the DPS, so measures of success wouldn't be the same. The GAO, he told the Statesman, "has not assessed sustained, 24/7, multiagency surge operations on the border, and we would encourage them to do so."

Henry Willis, director of the RAND Homeland Security and Defense Center, who has studied border metrics for the Homeland Security Department, agreed that "it is certainly important to keep track of apprehensions.

But unfortunately it doesn't tell you everything that's going on.' For example, the numof apprehensions has climbed and dropped over the past decade, often due not to any particular law enforcement efforts, but rather as the result of larger forces such as economic or social pressures in home

Still, Willis added that tracking the number of apprehensions can be useful—when compared with the number of border crossing attempts. In its most recent annual performance report, the Homeland Security Department said it would start using the "rate of interdiction effectiveness," which essentially calculates the percentage of border-crossers intercepted versus those undocumented immigrants who enter the country successfully.

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News in brief

Midland officer not indicted in fatal shooting

MIDLAND, Texas (AP) — A grand jury has declined to indict a West Texas police officer who was off-duty when he fatally shot a robbery suspect at restaurant.

Midland police on Thursday announced Detective James Cox has returned to work.

Cox on June 27 was eating at a Mexican restaurant in Midland when a man walked in a back door, fired several shots in the kitchen and tried to rob the place.

Investigators say Cox confronted the fleeing suspect, 35-year-old Nyocomus Garnett, who refused to surrender. Cox fatally shot Garnett when the suspect pointed a gun at him.

Cox was put on paid administrative leave following the incident. He was no-billed by a grand jury in late July.

Contractor serving 1,100 foster children quits

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The contractor leading a pilot program to overhaul Texas' troubled foster care system canceled its five-year contract with the state Friday, forcing the Department of Family and Protective Services to take over direct management of about 1,100 foster children.

Providence Service Corp. last February signed a five-year, \$30 million deal that included managing 1,100 children in West Texas, the first region selected as part of a redesign of foster services statewide. But the firm is now pulling out.

"The care and services for these fos-

ter children will not be affected in any way," John Specia, commissioner of the Department of Family and Protective Services, said in a statement. "This will be a smooth transition."

The 17,000-child statewide foster care system has been under scrutiny since seven foster children died of abuse or neglect in fiscal year 2013.

Only one such youngster died this year, but two siblings in foster care, ages 4 and 6, drowned last month in a lake near Austin and the case is still being investigated. Those children were placed in their foster home by Providence Kids, the Arizona-based child-placing company for Providence Service.

In recent years, Texas has moved to privatize its foster care placement efforts. Under the redesign, Providence Service, rather than state officials, was managing other contractors charged with selecting foster homes

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and providing other services for children within the system.

The Department of Family and Protective Services said the company exercised an opt-out clause after state officials notified it about "several issues" with contract performance, including missing targets on efforts to better place siblings together and keep children close to their existing homes.

Ashley Harris, child welfare policy associate for the advocacy group Texans Care for Children, said, "It should now be clear to everyone that just barreling ahead with further privatization isn't going to work."

"We can do some things on the cheap," Harris said in a statement, "but protecting a child after the state takes custody of her is not one of them."

GM Financial to expand Texas operations center

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — General Motors Financial Company Inc. has purchased a facility in Arlington to expand its operations center campus there and accommodate 800 to 900 employees, most of them new hires, the company said Friday.

GMFinancialsaidthe240,000-square-foot facility is located on 22 acres. The Fort Worth-based company, a wholly owned subsidiary of General Motors Company, said the new hires would be added over the next two to three years.

GM Financial will begin occupying the space in the next few months, but renovations over the next two years will upgrade the exterior, interior and parking lot. The new office space will be used for operations and as a training and conference center.

"The purchase of this building demonstrates the continued growth and expansion that GM Financial has experienced during the past three years," Dan Berce, president and CEO of GM Financial, said in a news release. "We have more than doubled our employee base in North America and are pleased to have acquired this additional office space in such close proximity to our existing operations center."

The new facility is located one block east of two buildings currently occupied by nearly 2,150 GM Financial employees and used for operations and customer service.

The company, which has 4,600 employees in North America, also has customer service centers in Chan-

dler, Arizona; Huntersville, North Carolina; and in Canada in Peterborough, Ontario. The company also has 17 credit centers in the U.S. and Canada.

The company has 6,200 employees worldwide.

\$700M housing project set for Austin watershed

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Crews are doing prep work on a \$700 million project in a watershed area that's expected to bring more housing and commercial space to Austin.

The project is called Tecoma and is being handled by Austin-based developer Stratus Properties Inc. It's expected to bring more than 1,800 apartments and townhomes, over a million square feet of commercial space and a golf course to Austin.

Real Armstrong president chair-

Beau Armstrong, president, chairman and CEO of Stratus, said Tecoma will bring new retail, restaurant and entertainment options to an area that's currently lacking them, the Austin American-Statesman reported.

Stratus plans to build 300 apartments and 200,000 square feet of commercial space during the first phase of construction, which is set to begin later this year. The project is expected to be complete in seven years.

Tecoma will occupy about 650 acres on the north side of Southwest Parkway, an area that sparked an environmental debate in 1990. Hundreds of Austin residents mobilized against a Barton Creek development plan by starting the Save Our Springs movement. Two years later, voter approved the environmental group's measure to improve water quality by placing stricter limits on development in the area.

City officials said they're allowing the Stratus to build part of its project under less strict environmental rules because the firm's preliminary plans were approved before the Save Our Springs Ordinance was passed.

Armstrong said the project will still consider the environment through water-quality protection measures and sustainable features.

Texas to continue pursuit of Tesla battery factory

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — Gov. Rick Perry's office says it continues to negotiate with Tesla Motors to build an electric car battery factory in Texas, despite Tesla's announcement Thursday that it has broken ground on a Nevada site.

The company has said a final decision on the location of the \$5 billion factory will come in the next few months.

Other places in Texas are indepen-

dently pursuing Tesla.
San Antonio Economic Develop-

ment Foundation spokeswoman Liz Clark told The Associated Press on Friday her group has been given strict instructions by Tesla "not to say anything." Dallas County Economic Develop-

Dallas County Economic Development Director Rick Loesberg says the county is still hoping a Tesla factory will be built in North Texas. He says the county is interested but doesn't know if Tesla feels the same.

East Texas sisters died of blunt force trauma

QUITMAN, Texas (AP) — A coroner has determined two young sisters whose bodies were found in an East Texas apartment died of blunt force injuries.

Preliminary autopsy results Thursday indicated the deaths of Natalye Price, 1, and Gabriella Guerrero, 3, were homicides.

Quitman police said the bodies

were discovered July 24 after officers responded to a report of two children not breathing. Witnesses reported seeing a man running from the apartment and throwing items into a trash bin.

Police later arrested Thomas Wayne Liles, 19, of Quitman on a charge of tampering with or fabricating physical evidence. Liles remained in custody Friday with bond set at \$50,000. Investigators declined to release further details on Liles, whose original bond was \$25,000.

Texas Department of Family and Protective Services said the family had been investigated for medical and physical neglect, the Tyler Morning Telegraph reported. The paper said a report found the children's previous home didn't have running water and was littered with trash and debris. The department closed the case in February after the mother, who was living alone with the children, moved into better housing.

Street flooding reported in Houston after storms

HOUSTON (AP) — Some street flooding has been reported in Houston after storms dumped several inches of rain and cut power to thousands of homes and businesses.

The National Weather Service says a weak cold front moved through the Houston area Friday. Parts of Harris County had more than 6 inches of

An underground parking garage at an apartment complex flooded, with water and debris nearly up to the windows of some vehicles.

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Why isn't there an effective treatment?

LONDON (AP) — In the four decades since the Ebola virus was first identified in Africa, treatment hasn't changed much. There are no licensed drugs or vaccines for the deadly disease.

Some are being developed, but none have been rigorously tested in humans. One experimental treatment, though, was tried this week in an American aid worker sick with Ebola, according to the U.S-based group that she works for in Libe-

Without a specific treatment, doctors and nurses focus on easing the disease's symptoms — fever, headache, vomiting and diarrhea — and on keeping patients hydrated and comfortable. The outbreak in three West African countries -

Liberia, Guinea and Sierra Leone — has sickened more than 1,300 people.

WHY ISN'T THERE A TREATMENT BY

For one thing, the Ebola virus is hard to work with. The virus doesn't grow well in petri dishes and experiments can only be done in the relatively few labs with the highest security measures.

And while Ebola is lethal, it's rare. Outbreaks are unpredictable, giving doctors few chances to test new treatments. While the current epidemic is the largest recorded, the number of people sickened by Ebola is small compared to the number killed by other diseases like malaria or dengue. Much of the funding for Ebola research is from governments that worry about the virus being used in a bioterror attack.

"It's not economically viable for any company to do this kind of research because they have stockholders to think about," said Ben Neuman, a virologist at the University of Reading in Britain.

WHAT'S IN THE PIPELINE?

There are about a half dozen Ebola drugs and vaccines in development, several of which have received funding from the U.S. One drug developed by the U.S. Army has shown promising results when tested in monkeys.

"We think this may work because of the animal models but until you do the studies in humans, you just don't know," said Fred Hayden, an infectious diseases specialist at the University of Virginia, who was not involved in the research.

While animal studies for vaccine candidates have been encouraging, it's unclear what dose humans would need.

A Canadian company, Tekmira, has a \$140 million contract with the U.S. government to develop a Ebola vaccine.

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The Emory hospital unit is located just down a hill from the Centers for Disease Control and

Ebola: five things to know

Two Americans who had been working to treat Ebola patients in Africa have been stricken by the disease. Officials say they will be taken to Atlanta's Emory University Hospital in a tightly sealed isolation unit. The first is expected to arrive Saturday, and the other a few days later, according to hospital officials.

Here are five things to know about Ebola and how it is spread:

1. THE WEST AFRICA EBOLA OUTBREAK IS NOW THE LARG-EST IN HISTORY. The current outbreak in Liberia, Guinea and Sierra Leone has sickened more than 1.300 people and killed more than 700 this

2. BUT SOME PEOPLE HAVE SURVIVED EBOLA. While the fatality rate for Ebola can be as high as 90 percent, health officials in the three countries say people have recovered from the virus and the current death rate is about 70 percent. Those who fared best sought immediate medical attention and got supportive care to prevent dehydration even though there is no specific treatment for Eb-

3. EBOLA CAN LOOK A LOT LIKE OTHER DISEASES. The early symptoms of an Ebola infection include

Prevention. It is one of about four such units around the country for testing and treating people infected with infectious dangerous, germs.

The unit has its own laboratory equipment so samples don't have to be sent to the main hospital lab. Located on the ground floor, it's carefully separated from other patient areas, said Dr. Eileen Farnon. a Temple University doctor who formerly worked at the CDC and led teams investigating past Ebola outbreaks in

The two Americans Dr. Kent Brantly and Nancy Writebol worked for U.S. aid groups Samaritan's Purse and SIM at a Liberian hospital that treated Ebola patients. Late last week, the Carolina-based North Samaritan's Purse said Brantly, 33, had been diagnosed with Ebola. Then, Writebol's infection was disclosed.

The government is working to ensure that

any Ebola-related evacuations "are carried out safely, thereby protecting the patient and the American public," State Department spokeswoman Marie Harf said in a statement released Friday.

A Department of Defense spokesman said Dobbins Air Reserve Base in Marietta, Georgia, will be used for the Samaritan's transfer. Purse is paying for the Ebola is considered

one of the world's deaddiseases. current outbreak in Liberia, Guinea and Sierra Leone has sickened more than 1,300 people and killed more than 700 this year.

The virus is spread through direct contact with blood, urine, saliva and other bodily fluids from an infected person. It is not spread through the air so it is not as infectious as a germ like the flu.

The Americans will travel on a Gulfstream jet fitted with a collapsible, clear tent built to

fever, headache, muscle aches and sore throat, according to the World Health Organization. It can be difficult to distinguish between Ebola and the symptoms of malaria, typhoid fever or cholera. Only in later stages do people with Ebola begin bleeding both internally and externally, often through the nose and ears.

4. EBOLA IS ONLY SPREAD THROUGH BODILY FLUIDS. The Ebola virus is not airborne, so people would have to come into contact with the bodily fluids of an infected person. These include blood, sweat, vomit, feces, urine, saliva or semen making transmission through casual contact in a public setting un-

5. FEAR AND MISINFORMATION THOUGH IS MAKING THINGS WORSE. In each of the affected countries, health workers and clinics have come under attack from panicked residents who mistakenly blame foreign doctors and nurses for bringing the virus to remote commu-

Family members also have removed sick Ebola patients from hospitals, including one woman in Sierra Leone's capital who later died. Police had to use tear gas to disperse others who attacked a hospital in the country.

> exposed to contagious The CDC said the private jet can only accommodate one patient at a

transfer CDC employees

An Emory emergency medical team in Liberia has evaluated the two aid workers, and deemed both stable enough for the trip to Atlanta, said Emory's Dr. Bruce Ribner. Hospital spokesman Vincent Dollard said the first patient was scheduled to arrive Sat-

"If there's any modern therapy that can be done," such as better monitoring of fluids, electrolytes and vital signs, workers will be able to do it better in this safe environment, said Dr. Philip Brachman, an Emory University public health specialist who for many years headed the CDC's disease detectives program.

"That's all we can do for such a patient. We can make them feel comfortable" and let the body try to beat back the virus, he said.



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Families await Peace Corps evacuees' homecoming

CHICAGO (AP) Families in the United States expect to be reunited as early as this weekend with some of the more than 300 Peace Corps volunteers being evacuated from three West African nations affected by the worst recorded Ebola outbreak in history.

"We did really have faith in the Peace Corps that if things would be-

come dangerous they would do what they're now doing," said Mirna Jope of Carmichael, California, whose 25-yearold son called home Thursday after learning he would be leaving Sierra Leone.

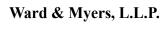
In his personal blog, Dawson Jope described the Peace Corps' withdrawal of all its workers from Sierra Leone, Guinea and Liberia as

"testament to the deadly potential and spread of the disease," noting the organization's first priority is volunteers' safety. More than 700 people have died in four countries since cases first emerged in March.

A Peace Corps spokeswoman said the organization is working to bring the volunteers home as quickly as pos-

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News in brief

Israel bombards Gaza as it searches for missing officer believed seized by Hamas

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip (AP) — Israel bombarded the southern Gaza town of Rafah on Saturday as troops searched for an officer they believe was captured by Hamas in an ambush that shattered a humanitarian ceasefire and set the stage for a major escalation of the 26-day-old war.

The Israeli military has said it believes the soldier was grabbed in a Hamas ambush about an hour after an internationally brokered ceasefire took effect Friday morning. The Hamas military wing on Saturday tried to distance itself from the soldier's alleged capture, which has prompted widespread international condemnation. President Barack Obama, U.N. chief Ban Ki-moon and others have accused Hamas of violating the cease-fire and have called for the soldier's immediate and unconditional release.

At least 35 Palestinians were killed in the bombardment and shelling in and around the city of Rafah early Saturday, said Palestinian health official Ashraf al-Kidra, adding that the area's main hospital was evacuated because of the strikes, which killed dozens of people on Friday.

Elsewhere in Gaza, Palestinian officials reported more than 150 airstrikes including one against the Hamas-linked Islamic University in Gaza City. Heavy shelling continued along the border areas.

The fiercest battles took place near the site of Friday's attack and purported abduction, near Rafah, about 3 kilometers inside the strip and close to the borders with Israel and Egypt. Officials have reported that dozens of houses have been damaged or destroyed in airstrikes.

After cease-fire's failure, Netanyahu tells US: Don't ever 'second guess me again' on Hamas

WASHINGTON (AP) — Following the quick collapse of the cease-fire in Gaza, Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu told the White House not to force a truce with Palestinian militants on Israel.

Sources familiar with conversations between Netanyahu and senior U.S. officials, including Secretary of State John Kerry, say the Israeli leader advised the Obama administration "not to ever second guess me again" on the matter. The officials also said Netanyahu said he should be "trusted" on the issue and about the unwillingness of Hamas to enter into and follow through on cease-fire talks.

The Obama administration on Friday condemned "outrageous" violations of an internationally brokered Gaza cease-fire by Palestinian militants and called the apparent abduction of an Israeli soldier a "barbaric" action

The strong reaction came as top Israeli officials questioned the effort to forge the truce, accusing the U.S. and the United Nations of being naive in assuming the radical Hamas movement would adhere with its terms. The officials also blamed the Gulf state of Qatar for not forcing the militants to comply.

With the cease-fire in tatters fewer than two hours after it took effect with an attack that killed two Israeli troops and left a third missing, President Barack Obama demanded that those responsible release the soldier.

Even without help from Congress, Obama has room to maneuver on immigration changes

WASHINGTON (AP) — What can President Barack Obama actually do without Congress to change U.S. immigration policies? A lot, it turns out.

There are some limits under federal law, and anything the White House ultimately decides to do may be challenged in court as unconstitutional. But leading legal experts say the White House almost certainly could delay indefinitely efforts to deport millions of immigrants already in the U.S. illegally, and it could give them official work permits that would allow them to legally find jobs, obtain driv-

er's licenses and pay income taxes. Here is what Obama could not do without approval from Congress: He couldn't generally give large groups of immigrants permission to remain permanently in the United States, and he couldn't grant them American citizenship. And he couldn't generally make them eligible for federal or state social benefit programs, such as welfare payments, food stamps or the administration's health care plans.

"There is prosecutorial discretion which can be exercised in these sorts of situations," said Leon Rodriguez, a former Justice Department lawyer and the newly confirmed director for U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services. "In most enforcement realms, generally there is pretty broad discretion." Rodriguez spoke earlier this week on Capitol Hill during an oversight hearing for the House Judiciary Committee.

With Congress declining to approve significant changes to immigration laws, the White House is hinting that Obama is considering broadening a program known as Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals to temporarily shield from deportation many young immigrants who came to the U.S. as children and allow them to get a work permit. Immigration reform advocates have been pushing to include parents of U.S. citizens and the parents of young immigrants already protected under the earlier program, which covers more than 700,000 immigrants so far.

US aid workers sick with Ebola leaving Africa; going to Atlanta hospital for treatment

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Explosion at car parts factory in eastern China kills 65 people, injures over 100

BEIJING (AP) — Sixty-five people were killed and dozens seriously burned Saturday by an explosion at an eastern Chinese automotive parts factory that says it supplies General Motors, state media reported.

The blast at the factory in an industrial zone of the city of Kunshan also left more than 100 people injured, with many suffering severe burns, the official Xinhua News Agency said. Kunshan, in Jiangsu province, is about 1,000 kilometers (600 miles) southeast of Beijing. Authorities have taken away two company executives

State broadcaster CCTV showed footage shot by residents of large plumes of thick, black smoke rising from the plant. Several firefighting trucks were shown in the factory compound. News websites posted photos showing survivors or victims being lifted onto the back of large trucks, their bodies black presumably from burns or being covered in soot.

Some survivors were seen sitting on wooden cargo platforms on the road outside the factory, their clothes apparently burned off and skin exposed or being carried into ambulances.

Push for charges after medical examiner says police officer's chokehold caused NYC man's death

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NEW YORK (AP) — New Yorkers enraged by a man's death in police custody see a medical examiner's ruling that blames a prohibited chokehold as a clear indication the officers in-

volved should face criminal charges.

"They killed somebody," neighbor Charlene Thomas said after the city's medical examiner deemed Eric Garner's death a homicide. "Why? Because they're cops, they gotta get away with this?"

Garner was killed by neck compressions from the chokehold and "the compression of his chest and prone positioning during physical restraint by police," city medical examiner spokeswoman Julie Bolcer said Friday.

Ramsey Orta, a friend of Garner's who videotaped his struggle with police, said the medical examiner's ruling wasn't surprising.

"I knew that was the cause because I saw it," he said. "Now somebody should get charged."

For Kentucky's Senate race, picnic mixes politics and barbecue in a free-for-all atmosphere

MAYFIELD, Ky. (AP) — The annual picnic at Fancy Farm always serves up a main dish of politics along with a side of delicious barbecue. And this year voters will get a rare glimpse of Kentucky's U.S. Senate candidates standing side by side as they face armies of hecklers trying to move them off their talking points.

Senate Minority Leader Mitch Mc-Connell and his Democratic challenger, Alison Lundergan Grimes, will share the same stage for only the second time. One of the most-watched races in the country, it could weigh heavily on which party controls the Senate for the final two years of President Barack Obama's term.

Their scripted, crowd-controlled campaigns could go anywhere dur-

ing their appearances Saturday along with other political speakers at the 134th annual picnic, a major draw for political types. McConnell is in the toughest re-election race of his career, making this year's event even bigger than usual.

Nominally a fundraiser for a small Roman Catholic church in western Kentucky, the two-day picnic in the tiny town of Fancy Farm is a throwback to the days before television, when stump speeches were the candidates' main vehicle to reach voters.

"There used to be actual voters in the audience you could persuade to be for you. But in the last 20 years or so, it's just turned into who can bring the most people and scream the loudest and come up with the craziest antics," said veteran Kentucky Democratic political consultant Danny Briscoe said. "It's turned into, I think, a circus."

2 crashes minutes apart injure 40 in San Francisco

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Forty people were injured and more than half of them hospitalized in two separate San Francisco transit collisions just minutes apart — a bus and a dump truck crashed then a light-rail train and a tractor-trailer collided across town.

The San Francisco Municipal Railway bus and the dump truck collided at about 1:30 p.m. Friday in the Japantown neighborhood, leaving the bus with a smashed windshield. Twenty people were examined at the scene and a dozen of them went to hospitals, including one with serious injuries, fire spokeswoman Jennifer Balestrieri said. Five had moderate injuries and six minor injuries.



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Dolphins still looking to protect Tannehill

DAVIE, Fla. (AP) — The Miami Dolphins' revamped offensive line has been a concern since the start of training camp, when the first snap of the first practice landed on the ground.

Poor exchanges with the quarterback have been a persistent problem, and blocking is an even bigger worry. The Dolphins will have five new starters in the season opener, and one week into camp, two positions remain up for grabs.

Miami's set at tackle with veteran newcomer Braden Albert on the left side and firstround draft pick Ja'Wuan James on the right. Daryn Colledge, a ninth-year veteran who signed in June, has plugged the hole at left guard. But the Dolphins have tried three centers with the first team and done even more shuffling at right guard, with spotty results.

The biggest test yet will come when the team scrimmages Saturday at the Dolphins' stadium.

"Tomorrow is going to be important," coach Joe Philbin said Friday. "There will be no coaches on the field, so the players will have to figure it out. They have to make the calls. We'll see how those guys sort things out for themselves."

The offensive line was the Dolphins' downfall last year. Ryan Tannehill endured a franchise-record 58 sacks, and Lamar Miller scored two touchdowns, the lowest total for a player leading the Dolphins in rushing since 1980. To compound matters, a troubled relationship between two starters — both now departed mushroomed into a bullying scandal.

The blocking might not be any better this year, but at least chemistry has improved.

"All of us are gelling together." Albert said. "Even the backups are gelling together. It's part of this team that has to come together at some point, and we will."

Albert, who signed a \$47 million, four-year contract in March, has quickly become the anchor in the line with the absence of Pro Bowl center Mike Pouncey, who is expected to miss at least a couple of games recovering from hip surgery.

Newcomer Shelley Smith, a reserve guard for most of his

career, fared poorly in a tryout at center. Another option, Sam Brenner, missed several practices with a leg injury. Nate Garner, a utilityman for Miami since 2009, lined up with the first team Friday.

The right guard situation is also muddled, with Dallas Thomas, Billy Turner, Brenner, Smith, Garner and David Arkin all possibilities. Thomas saw little action as a rookie last year, while Turner is a third-round pick who played tackle in college.

Much of the shuffling of personnel was planned before

Lady Steers set two-a-day schedule

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

In less than 48 hours, the fun will begin in earnest for members of the Big Spring High School Lady Steers' volleyball team. That's right, the official start to the 2014 vollevball season is almost at hand.

Big Spring head volleyball coach Lynn Osbourne announced earlier this week the BSHS squads would begin two-a-day workouts on Monday beginning at 9:30 a.m. at the junior high school gymnasium. The team's first practice will run from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. They will meet again from 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Dorothy Garrett Athletic Training Center.

The Lady Steers, fresh off a berth in the Class 3A state tournament, are scheduled to practice at the same times on Tuesday and Thursday. On Wednesday, the squad will practice from 8 a.a. to 11 a.m. and from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Big Spring is scheduled to make its first scrimmage appearance on Friday when they travel to San Angelo to face off with San Angelo Central. They will also see scrimmage action on Saturday at home, starting at 9 a.m.



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Big Spring Volleyball Two-a-Day Schedule

Monday, August 4					
9:30 - 12:30JH Gym					
2:30 – 4:30 ATC					
Tuesday, August 5					
9:30 - 12:30JH Gym					
2:30 – 4:30*ATC					
*Weights and Conditioning/					
Chalk talk and video					

Wednesday, August 6 8:00 - 11:00......JH Gym 1:00 - 3:00*ATC *Weights and Conditioning/ Chalk talk and video Thursday, August 7

9:30 - 12:30JH Gym 2:30 – 4:30.....*ATC

*Weights and Conditioning 6 p.m. Parent Meeting @ Junior High Gym

Friday, August 8 San Angelo Central Scrimmage (Leaving @ 6:15 a.m.)

Saturday, August 9 Big Spring Scrimmage 9 - ?

Petit's homer leads Astros over Jays, 3-1

Gregorio Petit's wife Yessica didn't come to Friday night's game because she had a head-

She thoroughly regretted her decision after Petit hit his first career home run to help the Houston Astros to a 3-1 win over the Toronto Blue Jays.

The homer put Houston on top in the eighth inning and the Astros held on for the victory, snapping Toronto's sixgame winning streak.

"My wife is mad because she didn't come to the game," Petit said. "I got like seven messages, all smiling faces. It wasn't really smiling, but crying faces all over in my phone. (She said)

I won't forgive myself fly by Robbie Grossfor this. I missed the first one.

He tried to console

"It's OK," he said he told her. "You could YouTube it."

The game was tied at 1-1 when Petit launched Aaron Loup's first pitch into the first row of the Crawford Boxes in left field to give the Astros the lead. Jose Altuve connected on the next pitch by Loup (3-3) for a ground-rule double before stealing third base.

"I threw two pitches and the next thing you know I give up a home run and a double," Loup said. "I guess it just wasn't my day today."

Houston got an insurance run on a sacrifice

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Jose Veras (1-1) got the last two outs of the eighth inning for the win and Chad Qualls threw a scoreless ninth

for his 12th save. Melky Cabrera singled with one out in the first and reached third on a single by Jose Bautista that crashed off the wall in left field and knocked a number out of the scoreboard there.

The Blue Jays took a 1-0 lead on a sacrifice fly by Dioner Navarro.

Toronto starter J.A. Happ gave up three hits and one run with six strikeouts in seven innings.

Happ retired the first 11 batters he faced before Chris Carter singled on a dribbler with two outs in the fourth inning.

Matt Dominguez drew a walk before Carter scored on a single by Guzman to tie it at 1-1.

Houston starter Collin McHugh did not factor into the decision after allowing five hits and a run in 6 1-3 innings to remain winless since

Jake Marisnick, acthe Marlins as part of a six-player deal that sent right-hander Jarred Cosart to Miami, went 0 for 3 in his Houston de-

The game was delayed in the third inning when the Astros complained about the mound being

Struggling Rangers routed by Indians, 12-2

CLEVELAND (AP) — In a lost season, the Texas Rangers keep strugging on the road.

Jerome Williams was roughed up for 10 runs in four-plus innings as the Rangers were beaten once again by the Cleveland Indians in a 12-2 loss Friday night.

It wasn't a good sign for the start of the Rangers' nine-game road trip. After starting the season 15-10 on the road, the Rangers have gone 7-23 away from home since May 30, losing 17 of their last 20 road games.

Texas has also lost nine of its last 10 games against Cleveland.

"(Williams) didn't have his changeup, didn't really have his breaking ball. And he didn't command his fastball," Rangers manager Ron Washington

"Got a lot of ground balls, but they were hard-hit and they found holes."

Williams (2-5), making the start in place of the injured Nick Tepesch, allowed the first five Indians to reach base in the fifth in what would become a six-run inning, highlighted by two-run hits from former Ranger David Mur-

phy and Mike Aviles. "I didn't execute and that's what happens when you don't execute," Williams said.

"I walked three guys, that's not me. I don't walk people, I try and at-

tack. It's unacceptable." Cleveland scored a run in the first and two more runs in both the third and fourth innings. Lonnie Chisenhall added a solo homer in the sixth.

Murphy had four hits against his former club, and Michael Brantley added three hits and two RBIs. Cleveland totaled 16 hits — 13 off Williams.

Murphy played for Texas from 2007-13 before signing a two-year contract with the Indians in November.

Williams allowed just one run in six innings in a 4-1 win against Oakland in his first start with Texas on July 25.

Offense was nonexistent for Texas, as the Rangers managed just four hits off Salazar (4-4), who walked three and struck out four in six innings.

The Rangers' only run off him was unearned in the fifth on a Rougned Odor groundout to score Robinson Chirinos.

With two hits, including a single to score Daniel Robertson in the ninth, Elvis Andrus has now hit safely in 41 of his 42 career games against the Indians.

Right-hander Phil Klein made his majorleague debut in the sixth, giving up the homer to Chisenhall,

Serena Williams reaches semi at Stanford tourney

STANFORD, Calif. (AP) — Serena Williams knows all about coming back from injury, illness and disappointment. She also knows how to compete, which quired Thursday from may be her biggest as-

Williams roared back after falling behind in the third set to beat Ana Ivanovic 2-6, 6-3, 7-5 on Friday night to reach the semifinals of the Bank of the West Clas-

"She's not easy to play. She always gives 100 percent," Williams

said. "I just kept fighting, stayed calm and focused on what I wanted to do."

The top-seeded and top-ranked Williams dropped three consecutive games to fall behind 4-3 and then ripped seven straight points to right the ship in front of a sellout crowd at Stanford.

"I think I can play loads better and that's good that I believe that," Williams said. "I thought we both played very well."

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Pacers' George 'resting comfortably' after surgery LAS VEGAS (AP) — Indiana lease early Saturday morning. scrimmage Friday night. He a stretcher. With players look- for our entire organization, the

Pacers All-Star Paul George has undergone successful surgery on his injured right leg and is expected to remain in the hospital for about three days.

The 6-foot-10 George is resting comfortably after surgery at Sunrise Hospital to repair the open tibia-fibula fracture, USA Basketball said in a reDr. David Silverberg, Dr. Joseph Yu and USA Basketball team physician Riley Williams (Brooklyn Nets, Hospital for Special Surgery), were present for the surgery, the release

George suffered the gruesome right leg injury late in the U.S. national team's intrasquad leaped to contest a fast-break layup by James Harden with 9:33 left in the fourth quarter and his leg smashed against the bottom of the backboard stanchion and crumpled.

Trainers immediately ran onto the floor and after roughly 10 minutes of stoppage, George was taken out of the arena on

ing visibly upset, coach Mike Krzyzewski then announced to the crowd that the scrimmage would not be finished out of respect to George and his family.

"This is a first for us in USA Basketball, to have something like this take place," USA Basketball chairman Jerry Colangelo said. "It's a tough situation

St. Louis

Toronto

coaches, the players. Very, very emotional. There's no way the game could have gone on under the circumstances."

The White team led George's Blue team 81-71.

"We got all the players together, Jerry addressed them and then I did. Very emotional setting," Krzyzewski said.

Scoreboard

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Colorado (Matzek 2-5) at Detroit (Porcello 12-5), 7:08 L.A. Angels (C.Wilson 8-6) at

Tampa Bay (Archer 6-6), 7:10 Minnesota (Pino 1-3) at Chicago White Sox (Carroll 4-6),

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Detroit (Porcello 12-5), 7:08 Cincinnati (Bailey 8-5) at Miami (Eovaldi 5-6), 7:10 p.m. San Francisco (Peavy 0-1) at

N.Y. Mets (deGrom 5-5), 7:10 p.m. Milwaukee (J Nelson 1-2) at St. Louis (Masterson 0-0), 7:15

Pittsburgh (Worley 4-1) at Arizona (C.Anderson 6-4), 8:10 Atlanta (E.Santana 10-6) at

San Diego (Kennedy 8-9), 8:40 Chicago Cubs (Wada 1-1) at L.A. Dodgers (Ryu 12-5), 9:10

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Saturday's Games Arkansas at Springfield, 7:10

Corpus Christi at Midland, 8 p.m. Northwest Arkansas at Tulsa, 8:05 p.m.

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Arena Football League Playoff Schedule First Round Saturday, Aug. 2 National Conference Spokane at San Jose, 7 p.m. **American Conference** Philadelphia at Cleveland, 7 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 3 **National Conference** Portland at Arizona, 6 p.m. **American Conference**

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TRANSACTIONS

Major League Baseball BOSTON RED SOX — Traded

LHP Jon Lester. OF Jonny Go American League $\mathsf{MLB} - \mathsf{Suspended} \, \bar{\mathsf{Milwaukee}}$

minor league RHP Mark Williams (Brevard County-FSL) 50 games after testing positive for an amphetamine in violation of the Minor League Drug Prevention and Treatment Program. American League

BALTIMORE ORIOLES Activated LHP Andrew Miller. Designated RHP Rvan Webb for assignment. Signed LHP

Joe Saunders to a minor league contract. BOSTON RED SOX Activated OF Yoenis Cespedes

and OF/1B Allen Craig. Recalled OF/INF Mookie Betts, LHP Tommy Layne, RHP Anthony Ranaudo and RHP Alex Wilson from Pawtucket (IL). Activated 3B Will Middlebrooks from the 15-day DL. Placed OF Shane Victorino on the 15-day DL, retroactive to July 31. Designated 1B/OF Mike Carp for assignment. CLEVELAND IND

Designated RHP Zach McAllister for assignment. Recalled OF Tyler Holt from Columbus (II.) HOUSTON ASTROS — Called up RHP Mike Foltynewicz from

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Oklahoma City (PCL).

LOS ANGELES ANGELS -Placed LHP Tyler Skaggs on the 15-day DL. Recalled LHP Michael Roth from Arkansas (Texas) NEW YORK YANKEES -

Designated INF Brian Roberts for assignment. Optioned INF Zelous Wheeler and OF Zoilo Almonte to Scranton/Wilkes-Barre (IL).

RANGERS TEXAS Purchased the contract of RHP Phil Klein from Round Rock (PCL). Designated LHP Ryan Feierabend for assignment.

National League MIAMI MARLINS —Placed RHP Henderson Alvarez on the 15-day DL. retroactive to July 30. Recalled LHP Dan Jennings

from New Orleans (PCL). PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES -Placed LHP Cliff Lee on the 15-day DL. Recalled LHP Cesar Jimenez from Lehigh Valley (IL). ST. LOUIS CARDINALS -Activated RHPs John Lackey and

Justin Masterson, Recalled OF Shane Robinson from Memphis (PCL). Optioned RHP Carlos Martinez to Memphis. SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS -Sesignated 2B Dan Uggla and OF Tyler Colvin for assignment.

Called INF Matt Duffy and OF Jarrett Parker from Fresno WASHINGTON NATIONALS Activated INF Asdrubal

Cabrera. Optioned RHP Aaron Barrett to Syracuse (IL). BASKETBALL National Basketball Association

DENVER NUGGETS Signed G Erick Green. MIAMI HEAT — Signed F Shawne Williams. NEW YORK KNICKS

Signed F Cleanthony Early. SAN ANTONIÓ SPURS Signed G Tony Parker to a

multiyear contract extension. **FOOTBALL** National Football League ARIZONA CARDINALS

Signed LB Derrell Johnson. NEW YORK GIANTS Signed OT Adam Gress and CB Chandler Fenner, Placed OT Troy Kropog on injured reserve. Waived/injured CB Travis Howard.

NEW YORK JETS - Signed RB Michael Smith. Released S Brandon Hardin. PITTSBURGH STEELERS

Signed K Shaun Suisham to a four-year contract extension through the 2018 season. SEATTLE SEAHAWA

Placed TE Anthony McCoy and DT Jesse Williams on injured reserve. Released WR Randall Carroll. Signed LB Marcus Dowtin and WR Ronald Johnson.

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Complete Nutrition Vitamins and supplements to promote health To promote health To promote health

FAMILY FEATURES

ith so many different choices in the vitamin aisle, many women find it difficult to choose the right ones to fit their personal needs.

As a woman, keeping your body healthy is an important task. Whether you are in your child-bearing years, taking folic acid for a healthy baby, or in your post-menopausal years, taking extra calcium for healthy bones, there are various vitamins for women to consider at every stage of life.

A daily regimen

It's no secret that the use of vitamins has become a common act for most people. In fact, a recent Gallup poll found that 54 percent of women take a vitamin on a daily basis. If your intention is to prevent disease, such as cancer or osteoporosis, or you just want to fill in nutrition gaps not covered in your daily diet, the reasons for taking vitamins and their many different forms are endless.

Giving back

While having the means to obtain such essential nutrients is simple for most Americans, there are many people who aren't as fortunate. In an effort to improve the everyday health of people everywhere, Walgreens is joining up with Vitamin Angels, a non-profit organization dedicated to helping at-risk populations gain access to lifesaving micronutrients.

Customers can make a difference and help children and mothers at risk by purchasing select health and wellness supplements at Walgreens. With each purchase, the company will offer 1 percent of its vitamins sales to help provide 100 million at-risk children and mothers in the US and abroad with essential vitamins and minerals.

"Walgreens' mission is to help people get, stay and live well, and we are proud to support Vitamin Angels' cause," said Robert Tompkins, group vice president and general merchandise manager. "Through this program, our customers can make a difference in so many lives by simply continuing to fulfill their health and wellness needs at Walgreens."

For more information, visit www.vitaminangels.org and www.walgreens.com.

Trends in women's nutrition

From TV talk shows to the local nightly news programs, the public is never at a loss for nutritional information targeted toward women. Use this list of some of the popular vitamins and supplements that have recently made headlines to help you decide whether they fit into your health and wellness regimen.

Multivitamins

While most of the nutrients contained within multivitamins can be found in food, taking one daily can fill in any missing gaps. A daily multivitamin can satisfy all of your daily nutrition needs. When shopping for the right product, note that not all multivitamins are created equal. Some varieties offer a different amount of nutrients targeted to a specific age group or function, such as Centrum Silver Women 50+ Multivitamin tablets, which provide additional support for breast and bone health.

Omega-3 supplements

Perhaps one of the most talked about nutrition products on the market, omega-3 fish oil supplements have been praised by various health professionals for their heart health benefits. Supportive but not conclusive research shows that consumption of EPA and DHA omega-3 fatty acids may reduce the risk of coronary heart disease. One product, Nature's Bounty Odorless Fish Oil 1000 mg Dietary Supplement Softgels, provides a special coating to minimize the unfavorable aftertaste often associated with such pills.

Vitamin D

While many people obtain vitamin D through exposure to natural sunlight, it can also be found in small increments

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in fatty fishes and in fortified dairy and cereal products. Supplements of both vitamin D3 (at 700–800 IU/day) have been shown to reduce the risk of bone loss and fractures in elderly people aged 62–85 years. For those looking for a convenient way to get the vitamin D needed for optimal health, try the Finest Nutrition Vitamin 5000 IU Dietary Supplement.

Calcium

To keep bones healthy and strong throughout life, your body requires calcium. This bone-strengthening nutrient reduces the risk of developing osteoporosis. To increase your calcium intake, try the Nature Made Calcium 600 mg with Vitamin D Dietary Supplement Liquid Softgels, which provide additional vitamin D to promote calcium absorption.

Folic acid

A nutrient commonly taken by women who are pregnant or who wish to become pregnant, folic acid is known to reduce the risk of neural tube defects such as spina bifida in babies.

For those looking to improve their health and wellbeing, a general understanding of the many uses for vitamins and supplements may just be their own personal key to longevity.



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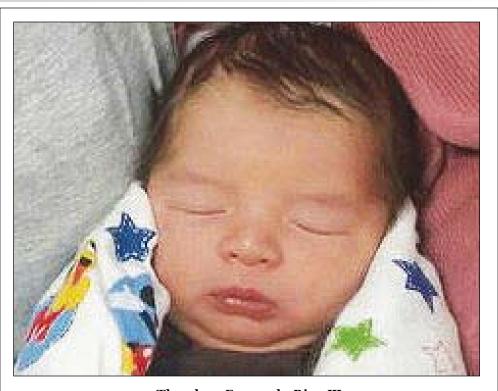


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Births



Theodore Escovedo Rios III heodore Escovedo Rios III, a boy, was born June 30, 2014, at 3:01 p.m. He weighed 6 pounds 6 ounces and was 19 inches long.

Parents are Ted Rios Jr. and Kelsey Renee Chavarria of Big Spring. Maternal grandparents are Pete and Melissa Chavarria.

Paternal grandparents are Ted Rios and Cindy Mendez. Theodore was welcomed home by siblings Aaleyah Ann Marquez, Amariah Danielle Marquez and Karaliegh Rios.

Food swaps give homemade goods a place to offload extras

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP)

They came armed with berries and honey and black licorice, sweet strawberry lemonade and lush lavender caramel, shoulders sagging from the weight of a dozen glass canning jars or boxes piled with small mountains of baked goods. And as they gathered, there were three simple rules:

Be fair. Be nice. And please, do it yourself.

This is food swapping, a growing if slightly underground trend in which home cooks can substitute the "Y" in DIY with someone else. Bring something you've made, swap it for something somebody else made.

No money changes hands, but commerce is in the air. Ask them, and food swappers will tell you they are simply recreating a system that predates the birth of currency, a return to a short-term bartering marketplace. It also happens to be a fine way to enjoy some of the perks of having a small kitchen-based business without the regulatory and commercial hassles of truly setting up shop.

The food swaps operate in a gray area in Oregon (and quite possibly most places they pop up). While legislation called the Farm-Direct Bill allows some unlicensed food production by farmers that grow the food themselves, the law is murkier on unlabeled products, alcohol and most additives.

In New York, Austin and now Portland, swaps have been organized with regularity. The first to promote itself publicly was in Brooklyn in the mid-2000s. By 2010, Portland had its own quiet swap and by this summer, the number of regulars that meet monthly in a culinary school kitchen swelled to 30.

Of course, this does leave the safety onus on the swapper, something PDX Food Swap organizer Bethany Rydmark says is worth it. "No one's buying or selling anything, so it's more like neighbors gifting to each other," she said during a Portland swap held in June.

The kitchen at the Art Institute of

Portland's International Culinary School was sweltering from a wall of cooking stoves with low flames and the constant motion of bodies: Swappers eyeing each other's jams and jellies, sniffing at homemade soaps and knocking back shots of rhubarb and raspberry vodka. The culinary school kitchen is

composed of eight long steel tables and two aisles, with room for about four swappers each. Where samples were offered, lines formed. Everyone wore nervous smiles.

For home preservers and urban gardeners who grow or process on a small scale, food swaps are a place to offload abundance, as well as try ideas. "It's a place to test-run," said Margaret Spring, who co-founded the original food swap in the mid-2000s in Brooklyn, New York. "You find out what works, and how your tastes compare to other people. If you keep bringing good food, people will remember."

Though regional differences apply, the rules generally adhere to the silent auction method. Swappers get a half-hour at the start to peruse others' wares. They'll jot down an offer or more broadly pitch "anything I've

The art of the swap is in making reasonable offers while dangling the potential for a better deal. Two jars of pickles for that liter of bone-marrow broth?

What about three pickle jars and you throw in the lavender bunch? Swappers tend to fall into three general types.

The first brings a massive mishmash of goods, homegrown beets, lemon cakes, basil pesto and tries to sell everything. The second brings just a couple high-value items and trades selectively.

The third shows you the bounty of the season, perhaps with a crate of plum tomatoes and the various jars of spaghetti sauce, barbecue sauce, salsa, pickles and canned tomatoes made from it.

For some, the swaps serve as a kind of incubator for a food growing and processing operation.



Austyn Kellye Woodard

Hustyn Kellye Woodard, a girl, was born June 22, 2014, at 12:18 p.m. She weighed 6 pounds 14 ounces and was 19.5 inches long. She is the daughter of Mitchell and Nicole Woodard of Big Spring.

Maternal grandparents are Michael and Anita Chesworth of Big Spring. Paternal grandparent is Margaret P. Woodard of Big Lake, Texas. Austyn was welcomed home by her sister Addison Woodard.

In Todd Parr's world, it's OK to make mistakes

NEW YORK (AP) In Todd Parr's world, it's OK to wear your undies on your head, spill your milk or eat mac and cheese in the bathtub. Most of all, it's OK to be vourself.

Inclusion and acceptance are Parr's mainstays in than 30 quirky picture books for young kids, including "It's Okay to Make Mistakes," out this month from Little, Brown and Co.

Parr, 52, relies on playful, brightly colored drawings and easy-tounderstand messages to win over the age 4-to-6 set, along with their teachers and parents. In today's competitive swirl of perfectionism, it's Parr who declares it OK to draw outside the lines, celebrate your big hair and feel lonely sometimes.

The artist and writer in Berkeley, lives California, and worked as a flight attendant for 15 years while he got his career off the ground after leaving home in Rock Springs, Wyoming, soon atter nigh school graduation.

A conversation with Todd Parr:

AP: You've been called the artist who never grew up. Is that your secret to reaching kids? Parr: It's the best answer I have when people say, 'Well you don't have kids, so how do you relate to kids?" My childhood is so vivid to me, and my dad was very funny. There's playfulness simplicity still within me.

AP: You once got an F in art. What did the teacher say about that?

Parr: I was a difficult student. I struggled a lot. I continually expressed myself in art in ways that were not being asked of me and I got an F for not doing what I was told.

People ask, would you say to your

art teacher now who said you should pursue a different career?' He passed away years ago but I think the only thing I would have said is why not point out any positives in what I was doing, like, 'Todd, you draw really great circles, although that's not what I asked you to

Art was the one interest I had, but I didn't have the confidence. It took me years. AP: You entered a

drawing of Snoopy in a contest when you were a kid and your dad said, 'That's great but you're not allowed to trace, when you hadn't. How did that feel?

Parr: It was so good that hethoughtIhadtracedit, but I was disappointed. I was so deflated that I had expressed myself in such a way that I was so proud of and I wanted to hear, 'That's really AP: You were a gay kid

living in small-town Wyoming. How did your childhood impact the content of your books? Parr: I left that I didn't belong where I grew up. I was so excited by what I thought was this big world that was out there waiting for me, where you could just be whoever you were. You could wear whatever you wanted. I felt like I was trapped in a place where basically you went to school, you went into certain types of jobs, and you got married and you had kids.

There weren't options to be different. My dad has said if he used the term 'wanting to be an artist' with his dad and mom they would have kicked him out of the house. It took my dad a number of years to embrace it and understand it. He finally said, 'I just want you to

be happy.'
AP: You take on a lot of tough subjects in a simple, straightforward style. Are other books for kids too preachy, busy or condescending?

Parr: The only selfimposed directive I had in the beginning was to stay away from preachy, teachy or new agey. My artwork originally led to a proposal from an editor who said, 'Hey, have you ever thought about writing children's books?' I said, 'No, I haven't. I did horrible in school. I barely made it out, so no. Books are for smart people.'

did it had to be fun and edgy and simple so that kids could be like, 'I can draw just like him.' I knew I would need some humor in there. Somebody once said, 'Oh I thought you were a 6-year-old writing these books,' and I that because that's what

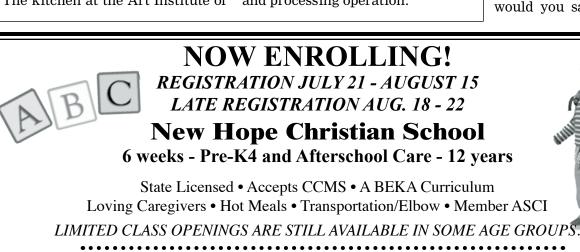
I knew that whatever I

thought, 'Oh god, that's not good,' but now I love kias see and noperully go, 'I can do that.' You don't have to beat them over the head. No one was doing these

kinds of books. When I started, 'It's OK to Be Different' was in the selfhelp section of Borders. No one knew what to do with them. People were like, 'Where are the bunnies and the bears and the pastels?'

AP: Why do parents love your books so much?

Parr: I always try and think about how a grandma is going to feel reading this book, like my grandmother read to me every night, or a mom and dad are going to read this book, and I want them to laugh.



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Florida preserve brings wolves, people together

BY MELISSA NELSON-GABRIEL

Associated Press

CHIPLEY, Fla. (AP) — At Seacrest Wolf Preserve in northern Florida, billed as the largest such facility in the Southeast, owners Cynthia and Wayne Watkins say they raise their wolves

become accustomed humans and for a \$25 fee, they even let visitors

mingle with a wolf pack. It lets wolves become ambassadors for their spe-

cies, they say, and helps people become advocates for wolves. "We offer

one of the rarest opportunities in the world for humans to see wolves up close and personal," Cynthia Watkins says. The Watkinses estimate that Seacrest, near the small town of Chipley, gets 10,000 visitors a year. But some wolf experts worry

that Seacrest may be allowing wolves and humans to get too

Dave Mech, a senior research assistant with the U.S. Geological Survey who has spent decades studying wolves, says allowing visitors to enter a wolf pack enclosure isn't safe.

'They are still unpredictable because they are wild animals," he said. "Wolves are not like dogs. Dogs have been domesticated for thousands of years and that unpredictability and wildness is taken out of them because of the breeding.'

A worker was attacked and

killed by a pack of wolves in 2012

at a wildlife park in Sweden. A

Canadian biologist was killed by

wolves at the Haliburton Forest

Seacrest requires visitors to

watch an educational video

before they interact with the

wolves, has trained wolf handlers

on hand during every tour and

doesn't allow children under 6 to

"We are not some little road-

The Seacrest preserve grew out

kies, the sled dogs with a

wolf-like appearance.

That evolved

into providing

of her passion for raising hus-

take the tour, Watkins said.

side zoo," she added.

& Wild Life Preserve in 1996.

a home for wolves in need of relocation and later into a captive breeding program. The 30 gray, Arctic and British

Columbian wolves, with names including Utah, Rio, Liberty and Spirit Prince, are separated into packs. Each pack has several

> roam. On a recent afternoon, Cynthia rounded by wolves. Watkins joined their howling and pet and kissed

"Little Red Riding Hood was wrong and the wolf is not the bad guy but indeed a very important keystone species," she said.

Seacrest also provides wolves to education programs around the country.

Pat Goodman, curator of Wolf Park in Battle Ground, Indiana, has worked with wolves for more places around the country.

In Florida, thousands of miles from many of the wolves' native habitat, Seacrest uses spray misters, large ponds and lots of shade inside the wolves' densely wooded enclosures to help the animals deal with the heat and humidity.

The preserve is still recovering

▶ Menus

Senior Center

Monday: Lasagna, Italian vegetables, garlic bread, peaches and milk.

Tuesday: Turkey and gravy, sweet potatoes, peas, Waldorf salad, rolls and milk.

Wednesday: Ham with pinto beans, turnip greens, cucumber and tomato salad, spice apples

cornbread and milk. Thursday: Chicken enchilada casserole, squash medley, salad, lime Jell-O/cottage cheese and

Friday: Hot dog on a bun, chili with beans, baked chips, oatmeal cookie, orange and milk.

New Hope Christian School Monday: Breakfast, cereal, grape juice and milk

Snack, animal crackers and yogurt. Lunch, chicken strips, mashed potatoes and gravy, mixed veg-Tuesday: Breakfast, buttered toast, apricots and milk. Snack, fruit bars and Mandarin oranges.

Lunch, pizza casserole, green beans, peaches, garlic bread and milk. Wednesday: Breakfast, blueberry muffins, applesauce and milk. Snack, Goldfish and apple

juice. Lunch, cheese burger, French fries, peas Thursday: Breakfast, French toast sticks, peach

es and milk. Snack, butter crackers and deli meat roll. Lunch, Beanie Weanies, carrots, corn and Friday: Breakfast, granola bar, Mandarin orang-

es and milk. Snack, vanilla wafers and banana pudding. Lunch, ham and cheese sandwich, vegetable sticks, tater tots and milk.

from a major flood in late April when heavy rains burst a dam on the property, washing out the wolf enclosures. The flood led to the death of one British Columbian wolf that escaped from its enclosure. It was shot and killed by a sheriff's deputy after an extensive search for the animal led by Florida's Fish and Wild Conservation Commission.

Stan Kirkland, a spokesman for Florida's Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, said the deputy shot the wolf out of concern for public safety after officers spent days tracking the animal and trying to trap it without killing it. He said officers couldn't get close enough to use a tranquilizer

"You are talking about a 90- to 100-pound wolf escaping and we really were out of options," Kirkland said.

The Watkins are petitioning Gov. Rick Scott to start an investigation into the death of the wolf.

The preserve has finished the most-crucial repairs needed to ensure the safety of the wolves, but more work needs to be done, she said. Seacrest has received donations and messages of support from around the world for the \$100,000 rebuilding effort.

"All I could do was cry when I looked at how beautiful each enclosure was and how well thought out it was," Watkins said. "The flood was extremely devastating."

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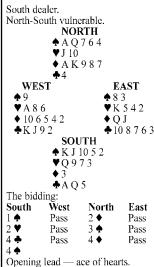
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A Tragedy of Errors



There are times when a partnership misunderstanding, which would normally spell disaster, instead produces a spectacularly good result. For example, take this deal from

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held the North-South hands, the bid-

South West North East Pass 4 💠 Pass Pass Pass Pass North's four-club bid was a "splinter," indicating a singleton

club. Supposedly, it accepted South's suit, hearts, as trumps Accordingly, South, with a minimum opening bid and no interest in a slam. signed off with four hearts. North, who had no desire what-

ever to play with hearts as trumps, then corrected four hearts to four spades. But South, acting under the delusion that hearts had been agreed upon as the trump suit, read the fourspade bid as an ace-showing cuebid. He therefore cuebid five clubs to

show the ace of clubs. North then cuebid diamonds, but South had run out of cuebids and signed off with five hearts. This did not discourage North in the least, and, having heard his partner bid hearts three times, he jumped to six spades All these machinations had a

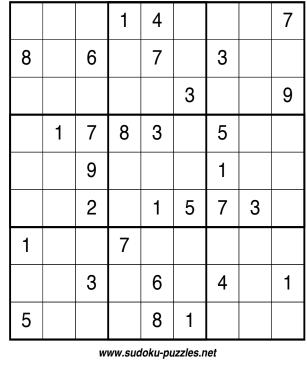
deleterious effect upon West, who was left with a difficult choice of leads. Unfortunately, he decided to lead a club, hoping to find his partner with the queen. South gratefully took East's ten with the queen, drew trumps and discarded one of dummy's hearts on the club ace to bring in the slam.

ding went: Tomorrow: Famous Hand.

Sudoku Answer on Page 5B

sudoku

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



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HOMES ON THE HORIZON



HERALD photo/Andreia Medlin

Crews pour the foundation for a new home in the 2500 block of Alamesa.

Companies begin responding to housing demand

By ANDREIA MEDLIN

Staff Writer

Mike Terry came to Big Spring in hopes of finding a better way to build homes. So far, his gamble has paid off.

"Getting permits in Lubbock is a lot harder than it is here," said Terry, owner of Haveli Companies. "Everyone has been so kind and helpful. Code enforcement has gone out of their way to help

Seeing that there is a need and believing Big Spring will continue to grow for many years conhis energies here.

There's no question Big Spring is in a housing crisis. The "man camps" are continuously growing, filling up with people who came to West Texas because of the oil boom. The jobs created by the market for fuel attracts would-be workers from all over the country. But once they get here, finding a place to live is a challenge to say the least. Rent is unaffordable for many and hooking up an RV can cost in the range of \$600 to \$800 or more. Converted rail

vinced the entrepreneur to focus cars, 320 square feet in area, are \$1,200 a month that pays electric, water, cable, internet, bed, TV, refrigerator, microwave, upkeep, taxes and repairs.

The majority of the influx may be working for oil field companies, there are others who have taken jobs with the school districts, hospitals and other area businesses. According to officials, when an oil boom begins, the first phase of workers are young men in their 20s who are

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Building Permits

Building Permits for July 15, 2014 through July 29,

J. Evans and J. Mize, LLC, 1206 Pickens. Residential construction. Residential electric. Valuation: \$1,500 Fee: \$52.40. Residential HVAC. Val: \$4,000 Fee: \$45 J. Evans and J. Mize. LLC.

1208 Pickens. Residential construction. Residential elctric. Val: \$1,500 Fee:

Larry Dean, 2511 Cheyenne. Residential construction. Residential electric. Val: \$6,500 Fee: \$59

Northcrest Apartments, 1002 N. Main. Commercial

plumbing. Val: \$90,000 Fee: \$1,059 HEB #0051, 2000 Gregg.

Sign. Val: \$8,000 Fee: \$50 KBST/Professional building, 608 Johnson. Commercial reroof. Val: \$800 Fee: \$25

Tommy Ramirez, 106 NW 4th St. Residential electric. Val: \$1,000 Fee: \$25

Frank Garza, 609 N. Runnels. Residential HVAC. Val: \$6,000 Fee: \$45

Darryl H. Powell, 3100 Mountain Shadow. Reroof. Val: \$60,000 Fee: \$300

Ken McIntosh, 2800 Crestline. Fence. Val: \$400

Fee: \$25 Thomas Hodges, 601

Linda Ln. Gas practice permit. Val: \$1 Fee: 0 Sylvia Rodriguez, 1804

Hamilton. Fence. Val: \$1,000 Fee: \$25

Mary Lou Saldana, 909 E. 16th St. Accessory building.

Val: \$3,900 Fee: \$30 Linda Sepulveda, 1409 E. 11th Pl. Residential gas. Val:

\$500 Fee: \$32 George Gandar, 505 N.

Nolan. Gas and water line. Val: \$1 Fee: 0. Commercial plumbing. Val: \$50 Fee: 0. Residential gas. Val: \$30 Fee: 0

George Gandar, 505 N. Nolan. Residnetial plumbing. Val: \$1 Fee: \$7. Residential

gas. Val: \$30 Fee: \$32 Larry Dean, 2511 Cheyenne. Residential electric.

Val: \$500 Fee: \$25

1503 Avion. Accessory building. Val: \$1,500 Fee: \$25

Juddy Amos Johnson Jr.,

White Oak Development, 2503 Gregg. Demolition. Val: \$80,000 Fee: \$50

Christopher Way Mason, 708 E. 15th St. Fence. Val:

\$1,000 Fee: \$25 Esmerelda Ortiz, 2507 Carleton. Residential plumbing. Val: \$1,500 Fee: \$32

Identity Hair Salon, 2105 S. Gregg. Residential plumbing. Val: \$1,500 Fee: \$32

Melissa Rose, 504 Benton. Commercial elctrical safety. Val: 0 Fee: \$25 J. Evans and J. Mize, LLC,

1203 Pickens Ave. Single family housing. Val: \$50,000 Fee: \$400. Residential plumbing. Val: \$6,000 Fee: \$60. Residential HVAC. Val: \$4,000 Fee: \$45. Residential gas. Val: \$500 Fee: \$7

Leonor Montiz Rios, 1401 Nolan. Residential reroof. Val: \$1,600 Fee: \$25

Advance Plumbing, 3218 Drexel. Residential gas. Val: \$1,600 Fee: \$32 Sterling Creek Property,

1509 Stadium. Residential reroof. Val: \$1,600 Fee: \$25 Billy J. McMahon, 2505 Central. Residential reroof.

Val: \$1,800 Fee: \$25 Salvador D. Garcia Sr., 509 NW 8th St. Residential

gas. Val: \$500 Fee: \$32 Daniel Martinez, 1508

Vines. Fence. Val: \$350 Fee: Limestone Ridge Apart-

ments, 1401 N. Highway 87 no. 1703. Commercial plumbing. Val: \$500 Fee: \$30

Jennifer Ros De Los Santos, 401 NW 11th St. Fence and carport. Val: \$1,100 Fee:

Tony Aguilar, 2505 Carol. Residential reroof. Val: \$8,200 Fee: \$55

Emma Bermea, 712 Andree. Residential plumbing.

Val: \$2,500 Fee: \$39 Demetrio C. Franco, 1706 Austin. Carport. Val: \$3,500

Wegman Homes, 703

Bucknell. Residential elec-

tric. Val: \$500 Fee: \$25 Jason Disidoro Canales, 2902 Cherokee. Residential gas. Val: \$25 Fee: \$32

Joseph Chavez, 1707 Kentucky Way. Residential reroof. Val: \$4,500 Fee: \$35

A&B Glass Co., 3208 E. Marcy. Sign. Val: \$700 Fee:

R.M. Moore, 2107 Morrison. Residential electric. Val: \$500 Fee: \$25

Joyce Ann Nelson, 1609 Kentucky Way. Residential

electrical. Val: \$500 Fee: \$25 Carolyn H. Hanson, 517 Scott Dr. Residential gas.

Val: \$1,875 Fee: \$32 Bobby Franco, 1510 Mesa.

Fence. Val: \$100 Fee: \$25 Donald Hodnett, 3603

Tingle. Residential gas. Val:

\$1,200 Fee: \$32 Juan Bermea, 712 Andree.

Residential alteration/addition. Val: \$7,500 Fee: \$50 Pizza Hut, 2601 Gregg. Accessory building. Val:

\$2,500 Fee: \$25 Brenda White, 710 Birdwell. Residential gas.

Val: \$2,000 Fee: \$32 Don Stabeno, 2506 Ann

Dr. Residential reroof. Val: \$9,000 Fee: \$55 KERR Management Inc.,

2516 Langley. Residential reroof. Val: \$2,500 Fee: \$25 Lisa Rae Thompson, 1402 E. 6th St. Fence. Val: \$1,500

Fee: \$25 Maria Adame, 515 N. Goliad. Residential alteration/addition. Val: \$5,000

Fee: \$35 Evita's Fine Mexican Restaurant, 1801 E. FM 700

E-7. Commercial HVAC. Val: \$5,000 Fee: \$45 Celeste Ann Jones, 407

S. Lancaster. Residential alteration/addition. Val: \$5,000 Fee: \$35 Rogelio Perez, 621 Ridge-

lea. Residential reroof. Val: \$10,000 Fee: \$60 RM Moore, 2107 Morri-

son. Residential HVAC. Val: \$4,150 Fee: \$45

Joe Allen Lee, 2502 Lynn. Accessory building. Val: \$2,000 Fee: \$25

Thomas Jasper Evans, 1313 Kindle. Residential gas. Val: \$1,500 Fee: \$32 Gilbert Apodaca, 1210 W. 6th St. Residential alteration/ addition. Val: \$15,000 Fee:

Daniel A. Rios, 2702 Central. Residential electric. Val: \$500 Fee: \$25

KERR Management Inc., 4119 Dixon. Residential gas. Val: \$500 Fee: \$32

Building Code Recap Single Family Housing

1 project 1 segment. Val: \$50,000 Fee: \$400 Res Re-roof 9 projects 9

segments. Val: \$99,200 Fee: \$605 Res elec 9 projects 9 seg-

ments. Val: \$13,000 Fee:

Res plumb 5 projects 6 segments. Val: \$11,502 Fee: \$170

Res HVAC 2 projects 5 segments. Val: \$22,150 Fee: \$225

segments. Val: \$10,261 Fee: Signs, Type A,B,C,D,E,F

Res gas 10 projects 13

2 projects 2 segments. Val: \$8,700 Fee: \$75 Com Re-roof 1 project, 1

segment. Val: \$800 Fee: \$25 Com elec 1 project 1 segment. Val: 0 Fee: \$25

Com plumb 2 projects 3 segments. Val: \$7,900 Fee: Com HVAC 1 project 1

segment. Val: \$5,000 Fee: \$45 Other nonresidential buildings 3 projects 3 segments.

Val: \$7,900 Fee: \$80 Structures other than buildings 7 projects 7 segments.

Val: \$5,450 Fee: \$175 Residential additions and alterations 4 projects 4 seg-

ments. Val: \$32,500 Fee: Residential additions garages and carports 2 projects 2 segments. Val: \$5,500

Fee: \$55 Demo-all other buildings and structures 1 project 1 segment. Val: \$80,000 Fee:

WEATHER WHYS

Raining cats and dogs? You bet!

dogs, but sometimes you hear about frogs and other animals coming down from the sky. Is this possible? A: It is, and it's happened many times throughout history, says Brent McRoberts of Texas A&M University. "There are reports of it raining frogs,

Q: We know it's not possible to rain cats and

fishes and even snakes going back almost 2,000 years," McRoberts says. "In the past 300 years, many of these have been carefully documented and witnessed by hundreds of people. Most of these have involved frogs and fish, but others have seen such things as corn, snakes, flowers and other materials. In 1873, it was reported that parts of Kansas City were covered with frogs that had dropped from the sky. In 1997, a Japanese fishing vessel was sunk by one of several cows falling from the sky, in an almost unbelievable tale that was later verified by the Russian Air Force."

Q: What causes these things to fall from the sky?

A: The most generally accepted answer is that small creatures, such as fish or frogs, are sucked up high into the air by either very strong thunderstorms or tornadoes, McRoberts explains. "Over the ocean, a waterspout — a tornado that forms over water — can produce strong enough winds to carry small fish into the air. There are instances of some of these creatures being carried long distances because there was no water nearby. Maybe one of the strangest occurred in 1877 when The New York Times reported that several small alligators had fallen from the sky onto a South Carolina farm, and in August of 2001, the Wichita, Kansas, area experienced rain mixed with cornhusks, some of them 30 inches long."

Weather Whys is a service of the Department of Atmospheric Sciences at Texas A&M University.

Public Records

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

Sherri Monique Aldridge, 1507 E. 6th St., Big Spring Marcus Joe Anderson, 3306 Auburn St., Big Spring

Steve Antoine, 1425 E. 6th St. no. 19, Big Spring Katie Cole L. Baker, P.O.

Box 3372, Big Spring Jessica Lynn Banks, 6403 CR 1200, Big Spring William Riley Bounds,

1810 Corsicana, Dallas Tiffiny Burke-Mendoza, 1503 Robin, Big Spring

Raymond Carroll, 712 E. 17th St., Big Spring Roy DeWayne Carter, 5320 Wasson, Big Spring

Susan Cheyanne Cearley, 4104 Muir, Big Spring Okytra Larae Cole, 1903 Runnels, Big Spring

Matilda Cortez, 302 N. St. Teresa, Stanton Stefan Deal, 8102 Casie

Ln. apt. 1131, Fort Worth Manuel DeLosrios, 707 Lorilla St., Big Spring Teana L. Demeny-Rob-

erts, 5601 N. Service Rd., Big Spring Shiloh Sharee Dennis,

4651 E. CR 490, Stanton Maria Luisa Elizondo. 603 S. 2nd St., Meadow Tina Marie Ellis, 4002

Austin Ave., Snyder John Randall Evatt, 608 S. Louisiana apt. C, Amarillo Kristen Falcon, 2606

Fairchild Dr., Big Spring Michael Dean Fleming, 5216 Tremont Ave., Mid-

Andy Lee Flores, 1302 Kendall, Big Spring Sharlamarr Frink, 3723 Monclair, Odessa

Pedro Garcia, 806 Johnson, Big Spring Rosa M. George, 509 W.

2nd St., Stanton Roxanne Deanda Gonzales, 538 Westover Rd. apt. 211, Big Spring

Whitney Marquez Gray, 2934 Old Anson Rd. no. 1224, Abilene

James Michael Griffin, 303 Butler St. no. 502, Atlanta

Eugene Frank Gulley, 1201 Floydada, Welling-

ton, Texas Christina Nichole Gutierrez, 2809 25th St., Snyder Joe Guzman, 1313 Mesquite, Big Spring

Dylan Hammons, 4404 E. 11th Pl., Big Spring Matias Hernandez Jr., 620 E. 4th St., Big Spring

April M. Horton, 1705 Charles St., Portsmouth, Ohio Brian Ivanchan, 1208

Mulberry, Big Spring Shatiya Lasha Jenkins, 4590 N. Texas no. 198,

Odessa Christopher Shawn Jones, Vanham Ave., Wil-

Albert Leal, 2522 Albrook, Big Spring Richard Leos, 509 W. 8th St., Big Spring

Jesse Paul Lopez, 1011 Scurry, Big Spring Aaron Christopher Mack,

2134 Bonham Ave., Odes-Todd Vincent Martin, 409 Woodcrest, Midland

Martinez,

Fairchild, Big Spring

2525

Joe

Manuel Martinez Jr., 702 NE Iona, Lamesa Lee Allen Mathis, 101 Falcon Ln., Hillsboro

Jonathan L. Michelsen, 2798 Simmons, Abilene Jacob Montoya, 149 Whipowheel, Rockdale

Camilo Martin Nieto, 1 Courtney Pl. no. 108, Big Spring

Melissa Chu-Lai Nieto, 615 Tulane, Big Spring Robert Scott Ochoa, 2607 Chanute, Big Spring Cresencio Inez Padilla, P.O. box 2567, Big Spring James Michael Perez, 1603 Owens, Big Spring

Michael Lynn Perkins, 11681 CR 4164, Hermleigh Fred Allen Perry, 509 Reed Rd., Big Spring

Taylor James Perry, 2105 Sidney Baker no. 228, Kerriville Jarum Renee Pryor, 602

N. Plaza, Big Lake

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HOMES

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here to do the drilling and exploration. Usually single, they are not very likely to stay. The next influx, however, are the people who maintain the wells. They are older with families who are looking to find a house, to put down roots. These are the people who become invested in the community.

The estimation of new residents within the past year is in the thousands, most of whom resolve themselves to living in an RV sea container because there is no affordable housing to be had and paying \$1,200 to live in a converted train car just isn't something to move a family in to.

While there are a num-

ber of new houses being built in Big Spring, one company is taking a different approach to building houses in the city.

"We went door to door and let people know we were coming," said Terry. "We told them who we are, what we are doing and that if there was anything they had a problem with to let us know and we would take care of it."

Haveli Companies, realty, construction and supply, hopes to help remedy the housing problem in Big Spring. And with the reception they have had, that seems to be on the hori-

"From what I understand, there have been other builders who have come in and promised things and then left town. We are not going to promise anything," said Terry. "We are go-

"We are not going to promise anything. We are going to deliver."

Mike Terry

ing to deliver."

The company is in the process of building four new homes in the 2500 block of Alamesa with three more in the off-

While the reaction of the city officials was unexpected, reaction of the residents on Alamesa has been refreshing as well. "It's been incredible," said Terry. "We've had people invite us to dinner and offered to let us use their shower."

Making contact with the general public is part of the plan to gain confidence and establish trust.

"We talk to everybody," said Terry. "We want everyone to know

and Lucille White

Grantor: Jack K. White

Property: Lot 5, blk 3,

Grantor: Richie W. Yar-

Grantee: Oxyco Inc., a

Property: A 5.0 acre tract

of land out of the SE/4 of

sec 20, blk 32, T-1-N, T&P

Ry Co. Survey, Howard

Grantor: Charles Byron

Grantee: Edward M.

Property: SW/4 of sec

19, blk 32, T-1-S, T&P Ry

County Survey, Howard

Warranty Deeds With

Grantor: LiveSage LLC

Grantee: Jennifer Posey

Property: Lot 1, blk 1,

Grantor: Anthony Acosta

Grantee: Vance B. Ja-

Property: Lot 11, blk 2,

sudoku

ANSWERS

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Wasson Place Addition

Date: July 22, 2014

dba Wegman Homes

and Bobby Posey

University Gardens

and Amanda Acosta

Date: July 30, 2014

Vendors Leins

Phillips and Druzilla Phil-

Date: July 22, 2014

Harris

Grantee: Edward Ash

Cedar Ridge Addition

Date: July 30, 2014

bar and Angela Yarbar

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that we are here and we want to help."

If the company can secure enough lots, a model home will be built for prospective buyers to tour. The starter homes are three bedroom, two bath and are 1,600 square feet. These "smart" homes will have an app allowing the owner to control the lighting from their phone. Some will have a kitchen island and will either be brick or stucco.

There are four floor plans to choose from. The bathrooms, dining room and kitchen will have stained concrete floors. The living rooms and bedrooms will be carpeted. Every house will have vaulted ceilings, LED lighting, central air, powered entirely by electricity, have one-car garages foam insulation.

These for sale homes are less than \$200,000 and are not rentals. While there isn't an official waiting list, those who are interested can contact J. Rutledge Realty, 1600 S. Gregg, at 432-714-4900 "We want to do 50

houses a year — as fast as they are needed," said Terry. "We want to get the word out that we are here and are willing to build." Although the compa-

ny is fairly new, Terry has a background in real estate and worked for 10 years in information technologies. With his experience in the field, Terry has a downto-earth perspective on

what's to come.

"You've got guys living here without their families," said Terry. "They can't plant any roots. You can't do that without a home. We hear all the time that, 'we need more restaurants' but you don't have the workforce. By providing homes for these guys, they can bring their wives and kids who might could work at other businesses. When you get houses then town will grow. We've all seen booms come and go. This is a big chance for every-

body." For more information, contact Mike Terry at 806-928-3764 or email mterry@havelius.com

To contact Andreia Medlin, call the Herald *263-7331*.

RECORDS

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Martin Sosa Puga, 1614 Settles, Big Spring Randy Randolph, 237 W. 21st St., Ft. Stockton Shenna Leean Reeves, 615 Gene Lee Rd., Mineral Wells

John Daniel Renteria, 4221 CR A 3500, Knott John Troy Riddle, 801 Industrial Loop no. 65, Breckenridge

Liza Leigh Rios, 1002 Main no. 30, Big Spring Linda Eva Rodriguez, 2519 Gunter, Big Spring Veronica Romero, 103 Becker Rd., Big Spring Lisa J. Rubio, 1303 Sycamore, Big Spring

Miguel Andres Sanchez, 64 McCaleb Rd., Montgomery

Anastasia Clarice Sanders, 1401 Culpepper, Wil-

Brittany Nicole Savell, 425 East Davis Rd., Big Spring

Kennedra Wynell Shelton, 400 N. 40th St. no. A,

Corsicana Amy Leigh Shifflett, 209

N. Main, Big Spring Charles Ray Smith, 2911 W. Highway 80 apt. 155,

Big Spring Tiffany Katherine Stokes, 1407 E. 19th St., Big Spring

Timothy Donald Taylor, 4000 W. Highway 80 no. 18, Big Spring

Abram Heinrichs Unger, 503 NE 4th St., Big Spring Ricky Lynn Waltenbaugh, 538 Westover Rd., apt. 133, Big Spring Timothy Shea Wargo,

624 State St., Big Spring Thomas Weeks, P.O. Box 110891, Anchorage,

Linda Cortez White, 6601 E. Robinson Rd., Coahoma

Candida Lynn Whitehead, 3706 Connolly St.,

Big Spring Tamara Ruth Whitt, 1909 Morrison, Big Spring

Jamie Wiggins, 1905 Wasson Rd. apt. 28, Big Spring

Byran Paul Williams, 1409 E. Main, Big Spring Cynthia Sue Williams, 101 Legend Hills Blvd. apt 514, Llano

Alma Jean Yanez, 1608 Sycamore, Big Spring Frances Elena Yanez, 1610 Cardinal, Big Spring James Edward Young,

3313 Auburn Ave., Big Spring

District Court Filings State Farm Mutual Au-

tomobile Insurance Co. vs Teresa Marie Chavera Injury damage motor vehicles

Lindsey Atkins vs William Robert Atkins - Divorce

Jonathan Paul Rios vs

Estefania V. Rios - Di-

Elizabeth Apodaca -Deloya vs Salvador Loya Divorce

Ahern Rentals Inc. vs Canyon Drilling Company and Gary Holley - Accounts, notes and con-

Somer Danae Jo Lancaster vs Chastin Michael McNew - Divorce

Marriage Licenses Joshua Anthony Yanez,

26 and Frances Vallejo Mora, 19, both of Big

Ronie Leon Phillips, 45 and Jeana Marie Amos, 52, both of Big Spring

Terry F. Garrett, 57 and Kathryn E. Smith, 60, both

Mark T. Frutiger, 57 and Kimberly Kay Braswell, 46, both of Florida

County Court Filings

State of Texas vs Andrea Delgado. Judgment and sentence. Theft of property \$50 but less than \$500. \$200 fine, \$337 court cost and 40 days in jail.

State of Texas vs Bryant Lee Butchee. Probated judgment. Evading arrest/ detention. \$200 fine, 180 days in jail and \$287 court

State of Texas vs Alfred Ray Lang. Probated judgement. Driving while intoxicated 2nd offense. \$500 fine, 180 days in jail and \$462.10 court cost.

State of Texas vs Caleb James Loveless. Probated judgment. Resist arrest, search or transport. \$200 fine, 180 days in jail and \$287 court cost.

State of Texas vs Keith Glenn Graham. Probated judgment. Driving while intoxicated 2nd offense. \$750 fine, 180 days in jail and \$462.10 court cost. State of Texas vs Paula

Jolley Butler. Judgment and sentence. Resist arrest, search or transport. \$200 fine, \$287 court cost and 40 days in jail. State of Texas vs Shawn

Carr. Judgment and sentence. Possession of marijuana less than 2 ounces. \$200 fine, \$347 court cost and 20 days in jail.

Warranty Deeds Grantor: Mary Alyce

Haire and James G. Rudinger Grantee: BR Investment

Property: Lot 1, blk 1,

East Park Addition Date: July 30, 2014

Grantor: James G. Rudinger Grantee: BR Investment

Property: Lot 2, blk 1, Amended East Park Ad-

Date: July 30, 2014

Date: July 30, 2014

Grantor: Marc A. Couch and Kristi G. Couch Grantee: Krista Coccozza and Ian Coccozza

Property: Lot 16, blk 2, sec 1, Village at the Date: July 30, 2014

Grantor: Chesley Wilson

and Sallie Wilson

Grantee: James Dale Montgomery

Property: Lot 11, blk 2, Kentwood Addition

Date: July 22, 2014



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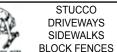
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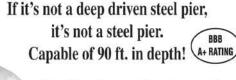
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Home-Based Teacher: Applicant must have a high school diploma, valid driver's license, must have Child Development Associate credential or be willing to obtain one through the Early Head Start training program; have experience working with infants, toddlers and families; must have strong desire to work with infants and toddlers; will follow infant and toddler curriculum; will develop lesson plans and activities for children and families; will work directly with children ages 0-3 and families in a home-based setting; will provide monthly parent meetings and parent training; must have basic computer knowledge; must have good communication skills and ability to complete written reports; must pass a criminal background check and pre-employment drug testing. Applications may be printed at HYPERLINK "http://www.gowto.org"

Mail comwww.gowto.org. pleted application to WTO,I Head Start, P.O. Box 1308, Lamesa, TX 79331. Applications will be accepted until position is filled. WTO,I is an equal opportunity employer.

Items for Sale

12X24 FT custom building with 4 Ft. covered porch, finished inside, has heating and A/C corner desk, and cabinets. \$5,000. Call 432-264-2926.

FOR SALE 2013 25FT. TRACER TRAVEL TRAILER. King shower, queen bed, black appliances, electric awning, shower, E-Z Tow axles. Like NEW outside spread \$13,500 OBO Call (903)316-8756

Pets

\$300 REWARD for BOXER LOST off Driver Road July 3. Male Brindle Color, 9 years, ROCKO. goes by 432-425-5087.

Licenced therapy dog, ready for adoption immediatly. Needs special love and care

432-714-1417 or 432-209-9221 Miscellaneous ANNUAL YELLOW Box Shoe

Sale- Merle Norman, 1210 South Gregg St..

Real Estate for Rent Swimming Pool Carports, Most Utilities Paid,

Senior Citizen **Discounts** 1 & 2 Bedrooms & 1 or 2 Baths

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KENTWOOD APARTMENTS 1904 East 25th Street

267-5444 263-5555

Travel Trailers for rent. Peaceful Country setting. Call Cindy 432-213-0243



REMODELED 4 Bedroom 2 bath Central air and heat. 1600/month, Deposite Requred, References required. Call 213-2400.

DELIGHTFUL, SPACIOUS. 2br1bath, recreation room. 600 Runnels. of Non-smoking/pets. Good neighbors, trim, yards, trees. Central air, carpet. Covered parking. \$775/month. Qualify. 432- 263-1234 - Broker

RENT TO own 2bedroom/2bath 2012 manufactured home located in Big Spring. For more information 432-661-4678 432-661-4677

AFFORDABLE COUNTRY Living- OASIS RV Park has Spaces & Travel Trailers for Rent, also weekly rentals. Call 432-517-0062 or 264-9907.

ONE BEDROOM apartment, all bills paid everything furnished, and cable. dishes, linens, \$850/month \$500/deposit. 432-816-3224

OFFICE SUITE for rent. 1502 Scurry. 3 offices with conference room. Please call 213-1496

VERY NICE, 3 bdrm, 1 bath, plus bonus room! 2911 Navajo. \$1400.00 plus deposit. Background check. 432-816-1815.

RV SPACES 30 Miles East of Big Spring on I-20 \$300/month with electric water and cable. Motor home \$500/month, Call Butch @ 575-390-0691

SPOTS Available. \$475/month all bills paid. 7400 S Service Rd Big Spring, TX Call Danny @ 432-296-1213

Real Estate for Sale

NEW CONSTRUCTION Home, Highland South. 4bd/2-1/2bth on half acre. County taxes, city water, septic tank. 432-816-3877 432-816-9215.

MUST SALE

Duplex For Sale 809 Runnels, 1 side rented, 1 side ready for tenant. \$25,000 obo No owner finance. Call 432-268-1684

A Company that Believes **Sunoco Logistics** in One Team, One Company.... At Sunoco Logistics Partners L.P. (NYSE: SXL) we are one team driven by a

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Local hauls! Minimal to no overnight travel! Drivers typically work 5 or 6, 10 to 12 hr shifts starting at 5AM or 5PM and move product safely from the field to pipeline injection sites. Some minor vehicle maintenance also involved. You will need a H.S. diploma/GED, be 21 yrs of age or older with a clean driving

record, CDL Class A with X endorsements, minimum of 1 year verifiable oil field experience OR 2 years of over the road driving experience OR have graduated from an accredited truck driving school. NEW COMPENSATION!

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2800 SQAURE ft building. Formerly the Sunset Bar on approximatly 1.5 acres. 1800 N Birdwell Lane. \$65,500. Call 432-263-6292.

Want to Buy

NEED CASH?- Will buy minerals in Midland, Howard, Ector, or Glasscock county. Call 512-970-9995

Public Notice

NOTICE OF public sale Pursuant to chapter 59, Texas Property Code, Reliable Self Storage which is located at 1908 Wasson Drive, Big Spring TX 79720 will hold a Public Auction of property being sold to satisfy a landlord's lien.

Sale will be on August 9, 2014 at reliable self storage, 1908 Wasson Drive at 10:00 o'clock A.M. Property being sold includes contents in spaces of following tenants. #232 - Ariell Brown

#310 - Amelia Collins #120 - Don Anderson

Public Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE Howard County is accepting proposals for Property & Casualty insurance. Specifications may be obtained from Jackie Olson in the Auditor's Office, 300 S. Main, Room 202, Big Spring, TX or by calling (432) 264-2210.

Bids must be recieved by 1:00 PM on Friday, August 22, 2014 in the office of the County Auditor, Jackie Olson, 300 S Main, Room 300 and will be opened at that time.

Bids will be presented to the Commissioners' COurt at 10:00 AM on August 25, 2014 for their consideration. Project will be paid for out of current County Funds. The Court reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Jackie Olson, County Auditor

www.co.howard.tx.us

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL **PERMIT**

Athlon Holdings LP, Throckmorton St. Ste. 1200, Fort Worth, Texas 76102 (Company Name/Address)

is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas to amend permit to dispose produced water fluid into a formation which is NOT productive of oil and gas.

The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the San Andres Formation, in the Buckner Baptist Benevolences SWD #4

nence, Texas (Nearest Town) (Direction)

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<u>West from St. Lawer-</u>

in the Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, in Glasscock County.

Fluid is injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval

from 3,575 to 4,000 feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512/463/6792). #8401 Aug 3, 2014 Legals

Application for Exception to Statewide Rules (SWR) 26 and/or

Notice is hereby given that Cono-

coPhillips Company, Operator 172232, has filed with the Texas Railroad Commission the following: P-17 application for the exception to SWR 26 and/or 27 to surface commingle production, allocate production and for off-lease storage, from oil and gas leases in the 1/2 of Section 141 Block 29 W&NW RR Co Survey, W 1/2 of Section 142 Block 29 W&NW RR Co survey and Section 152 Block 29 W&NW RR Co survey in Howard and Glasscock Counties, Texas under other leases. Any affected mineral interest owners who have not received written notification are advised to contact Ken Andersen of ConocoPhillips Company, in Midland, Texas at 3300 North A Street, Bldg 6-120, Midland, Texas 79705-5490, 688-9020 by August 10, 2014. #8376 July 20, 27, 2014; August 3, 10, 2014

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

above name Defendants be dead.

Antonio Flores if living, and if any or all of the

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

All of the N/40' of Lt 5. Bk 3. Wright's Airport Annex Addn., City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas: All of the Lt 7, Bk 3, Wright's Air-

port Annex Addn, City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas: All of the S/10' Lt 5 and lot 6. Bk 3. Wright's Airport Annex Addn. City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas: Which said property is delinquent

to plaintiffs for taxes in the following amount: \$950.61, exclusive of interest, penalties, and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes all said interest, penalties, and costs thereon, allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein. You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by HOWARD

COUNTY, ET AL as Plaintiffs, against ANTONIO FLORES and others, as Defendant(s), by petition filed on July 25, 2013, in a certain suit styled HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. ANTONIO FLORES, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Howard County, Texas 118th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is 6275 that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit, are NONE. Plaintiffs and all other taxing units

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

plaintiffs, defendant(s), and Intervenors, shall take notice that claims not only for any taxes which were delinquent on said property at the time this suit was filed bit all taxes becoming delinquent thereon at any time thereafter up to the day of judgment, including all interest, penalties, and cost allowed by law thereon, may, upon request therefore, be recovered herein without further citation or notice to any parties herein, and all said parties shall take notice of and plead and answer to all claims and pleading now on file in said causes by all The disposal well is located 4.6 other parties herein, and all of taxing units above named those who may intervene herein and set up her respective tax claims

against said property.

You are hereby commanded to appear and defend such suit at or before 10:00 o'clock a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from and after the date of issuance hereof, the same being the 8 day of September, 2014 before the honorable Districe Court of Howard County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, then and there to show cuase why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes, penalties, interest, and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure off the constitutional statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiffs and the taxing unit parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein, and all costs of this suit.

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Issued and given under my hand

and seal of said court in the City of

Big Spring, Howard County, Texas,

this 22 day of July, A.D. 2014

Clerk of the District Court

Howard County, Texas,

118th Judicial District.

erning Body will convene an Executive Governing Body meeting at 8:30 a.m., Aug. 14, in the Big Spring State Hospital Professional Library Conference Room, 1901 N. Hwy 87, Big Spring, TX. Any citizen wishing to address the Governing Body must schedule an appointment through the Superintendent's office by calling (432) 268-7222. Appointments must be scheduled no later than Aug.11. Public comments are limited to three minutes and will begin at 10:30 a.m. If you require special accommodations, please advise the Superintendent's office when scheduling your appointment. Written comments also may be submitted to Claudene Cooper, Big Spring State Hospital, 1901 N. Hwy 87, Big Spring, TX, 79720, e-mailed claudene.cooper@dshs.state.tx.us.

Rights Act of 1964, Titles VI and VII; the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Section 504; Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990; and the Age Discrimination in Employment Act. #8399 August 3rd

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Which said property is delinguent CITATION BY PUBLICATION to plaintiffs for taxes in the follow-IN THE NAME AND BY THE ing amount: \$1,212.77, exclusive of AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF interest, penalties, and costs, and NOTICE IS HEREBY there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes all said interest, penalties, and costs thereon, alif living, and if any or all of the lowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein. above name Defendants be dead, You are hereby notified that suit the unknown heirs of such person if he should be deceased, and any

has been brought by HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL as Plaintiffs, against TINA HILARIO and others, as Defendant(s), by petition filed on November 5, 2013, in a certain suit styled HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. TINA HILARIO, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Howard County Texas 118th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is 6317 that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit, are NONE.

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

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

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

You are hereby commanded to appear and defend such suit at or be

Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from and after the date of issuance hereof, the same being the 1 day of September, 2014 before the honorable Districe Court of Howard County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, then and there to show cuase why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes, penalties, interest, and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure off the constitutional statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiffs and the taxing unit parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein, and all costs of this suit.

fore 10:00 o'clock a.m. on the first

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Which said property is delinquent to plaintiffs for taxes in the following amount: \$800.18, exclusive of interest, penalties, and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes all said interest, penalties, and costs thereon, allowed by law up to and including

the day of judgment herein.

You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL as Plaintiffs, against MARYANN GARZA and others, as Defendant(s), by petition filed on July, 25,2013, in a certain suit styled HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. MARYANN GARZA, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Howard County, Texas 118th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is 6238 that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit, are NONE.

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

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RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION DISTRICT 8A

DATE OF ISSUANCE: Jul 11, 2014 NOTICE OF PROTEST DEAD-LINE: 5:00 PM, Aug 15, 2014 Address: Railroad commission of Texas

ATTN: Drilling permit unit P.O. Box 12967

Austin, Texas 78711-2967 Fax: (512) 463-6780 SWR37@RRC.STATE.TEXAS.US

Rule 37/38 Case No.0290217 Status/Permit No. 786982 NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that APACHE CORPORATION, [RRC Operator No. 027200] has made application for a spacing and density exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 and 38 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37 and 3.38). Applicant seeks exemption the DISTANCE BETWEEN WELLS requirement of Rule 37, and the DENSITY requirement of Rule 38, for the NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 131, Bk. 97, H&TC RR CO; DAVIS, M J Survey, A-1958, SHARON RIDGE (CLEAR FORK) Field, SCURRY County, being 11.4 miles SW direction from SYNDER,

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of RaildroadCommssion rules and regulations, this application may be granted WITHOUT A HEARING if no protest to the application is recieved within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons includeowners of record and the operator or leasees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum leaase line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exeption, A Protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application

evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commissio's Docket Services Department at (512) 463-6848. ÌF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICA-TION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECIEVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMIS-SION'S AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER, OR

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E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE BY Aug 15, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. IF NO PROTEST IS RE-CIEVED WITHIIN SUCH TIME YOU WILL LOSE YOUR RIGH TO PROTEST AND THE RE-QUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY. THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION **REQUIRES PUBLICATION**

The location and identity of the well is as shown below: FIELD: SHARON RIDGE (CLEAR FORK)

Lease/Unit Name: Mattie Minor Lease/ Unit Well No.: 25 Lease/Unit acres: 140.0 Nearest Lease Line (ft): 6.0 Nearest Well on Lease (ft): 518.0

Lease Lines : 11.0 F N C L, 1320.0 F EAST L Survey Lines: 1980.0 F SOUTH L, 1320.0 F EAST L

Field Rules for ALL firelds on the

permit application are as follows: SHARON RIDGE (CLEAR FORK): OIL Special Rules 220/660, 20.0 OIL optional Rules 330/660, 10.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 3600 feet. If you have questions reguarding this application, please contact the Applicatn's representative, Jenna Hernandez, at (432) 818-1112, #8378 July 20, 27 2014,

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to plaintiffs for taxes in the follow-CITATION BY PUBLICATION ing amount: \$4,431.75, exclusive of IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN AS FOLLOWS: Diana Valdez

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

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eRAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION

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DISTRICT 8A DATE OF ISSUANCE: Jul 11, 2014 NOTICE OF PROTEST DEAD-LINE: 5:00 PM, Aug 15, 2014 Address: Railroad commission of Texas ATTN: Drilling permit unit P.O. Box 12967 Austin, Texas 78711-2967

Fax: (512) 463-6780 SWR37@RRC.STATE.TEXAS.US Rule 37/38 Case No.0290050 Status/Permit No. 786975 NOTICE OF APPLICATION NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that APACHE CORPORATION, [RRC Operator No. 027200] has made application for a spacing and density exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 and 38 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37 and 3.38). Applicant seeks exemption to the DISTANCE BETWEEN WELLS requirement of Rule 37, and the DENSITY requirement of Rule 38, for the NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 131. Bk. 97. H&TC BB CO: DAVIS, M J Survey, A-1958, SHARON RIDGE (CLEAR FORK)

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The location and identity of the well is as shown below: FIELD: SHARON RIDGE (CLEAR FORK)

Lease/Unit Name: MATTIE MINOR Lease/ Unit Well No.: 24 Lease/Unit acres: 140.0 Nearest Lease Line (ft): 660.0

Nearest Well on Lease (ft): 410.0 Lease Lines: 660.0 F N C L. 1320.0 F EAST L

Survey Lines : 660.0 F SOUTH L, 1320.0 F EAST L Field Rules for ALL firelds on the permit application are as follows:

SHARON RIDGE (CLEAR FORK): OIL Special Rules 330/660, 20.0 OIL optional Rules 330/660, 10.0

This well is to be drilled to an ap-

proximate depth of 3600 feet. If you have questions reguarding this application, please contact the Applicatn's representative, Jenna Hernandez, at (432) 818-1112, #8379 July 20, 27 2014; August 3,

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ARIES (March 21-April 19). You've an almost shamanistic charisma now, so don't be surprised if you gain followers, the likes of which want to trust you with their life stories and implore your advice, too.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Your feedback and attention is a gift. Those who get a lot of it will feel rich, even if it's not all complimentary. Most people want to learn and grow, and you'll help them out by reflecting back their actions in a nurturing and positive way. GEMINI (May 21-June 21).

Your kindness will be most

profoundly felt -- not in the moments when you mean to be or are supposed to be kind, but in the moments when you don't have to be kind at all and yet you are. CANCER (June 22-July 22). "I want to, but I shouldn't" is the theme of the day. The question

is: Are your "shouldn'ts" based on a morality that feels authentic to you, or a reality that feels imposed? LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). New beginnings and early endings is the theme. Being willing to break away before the official

"ending" will keep things from getting dull. A Sagittarius will be your ally in keeping things moving along. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). One way to be charming is to make sure that what you say is unexpected, yet completely

relatable. It's not an easy note to

hit, but you'll manage it time

and again. Your great face doesn't hurt matters.

Tomorrow's Horoscope

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). The day will bring a variety of settings, moods and characters. If you remain open to the possibilities, you'll mix it up and have a blast with the changes. **SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).

There isn't one way through the labyrinth, so that should take some of the pressure off of the decisions of the day. Go exploring. Give yourself the leeway to experiment. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You know what needs to be

done; you just don't know how. The "how" isn't for you to worry about. This is the day to start telling people and follow up on the leads that come thereafter. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). What seems like an insignificant tangent may

indeed be the most important point of the day. So don't discount the wisdom of a good long ramble. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). What starts as a source of

entertainment may end up taking you on a highly emotional ride. Maybe even changing you forever. Be careful what you dabble in now. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20).

organically fit

It's almost as if today's situation is a puzzle piece. You will tune into the shape of it and try to fit it where it most gracefully goes. You don't want to jam or force anything that doesn't

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Aug. 3). You'll enjoy being understood and respected at new levels. Now is your time for adventuring, and you'll be accompanied by an equally curious partner. Next month brings social fun, which leads to

important business. There's a move or renovation in October. Health will improve with the change you make in April. Aquarius and Pisces adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 2, 5, 29, 19 and 42. **CELEBRITY PROFILES:** Media mogul Martha Stewart rose to prominence as a domestic diva and has grown one of the most beloved lifestyle brands there is. Her new book

on aging gives advice about caring for yourself and others and living a good long life after 40. Stewart was born when the Sun, Mercury and Jupiter were all in Leo, the sign of entertainment. The other prominent influence in her chart is Scorpio. If you would like to write to

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U.S. auto sales sizzle in July

DETROIT (AP) — Big discounts helped U.S. auto sales sizzle in

Toyota, Ford, Nissan and Chrysler all saw double-digit sales gains and General Motors^{*} sales were up 9 percent over last July. Honda and Volkswagen saw

Analysts predicted the best July for the industry since 2006. Industry sales were expected to rise 11 percent to nearly 1.5 million, according to car buying site Edmunds.com.

Generous summer discounts helped boost sales. Automakers typically offer deals in the summer to clear out inventory before cars from the new model year arrive in the fall. But July's discounts were unusually high.

Incentives rose 8 percent — or \$216 per vehicle — over last July, according to Jesse Toprak, chief analyst for the car shopping site Cars.com. Incentives averaged \$2,774 per vehicle, their highest level since August 2010.

Toyota was offering zero-percent financing on a five-year loan and \$1,000 cash back on the Camry sedan. Ford offered \$6,000 cash back on a new Expedition SUV. And Chrysler was peddling a \$99 per month, two-year lease on a Dodge Dart.

Edmunds.com said 13.5 percent of new car loans in July had zeropercent financing, the highest level since December 2010.

While incentives are a boon for consumers, they're costly for automakers and can hurt resale values down the line. But Ford's U.S. sales chief, John Felice, said the trend isn't too worrisome.

As the post-recession sales rate slows, he said, automakers are getting more aggressive, because in order to grow they need to steal sales from a competitor. That's already happening in the car segment. Buyers are paying an average of \$1,000 less for a Ford Fusion sedan than they did a year ago, he said.

But SUV and truck demand remains strong, and so do prices. Overall, he said, buyers are still paying \$800 more per vehicle than they did last year. That's because even with discounting, more people are choosing pricier SUVs and loading them up with

Michelle Krebs, a senior analyst at AutoTrader.com, said unlike a decade ago, when automakers had to use across-the-board discounts because they were producing too many vehicles, they're now being more strategic with discounts.

"There's intense competition for a pie that's not growing," she said. But automakers are more profitable, so they can afford to give a little, she said.

Chrysler's U.S. sales jumped 20 percent to 140,102 for the month on strong demand for the Ram pickup, which was up 14 percent, and the new Jeep Cherokee small SUV. Chrysler sold nearly 15,000 Cherokees, almost matching sales of the larger Grand Cherokee. Jeep sales were up 41 percent overall.

Toyota said its U.S. sales were up 12 percent to 215,802 on double-digit gains for the Camry and Corolla sedans.

Toyota edged out Ford, whose sales were up 10 percent to 204,373.

Ford saw big gains for the Escape and Explorer SUVs. The country's best-selling vehicle, the Ford F-Series pickup, was up 5 percent to 63,240, while Ford's new Transit Connect van was up 41 percent.

GM's sales rose 9 percent to 256,160 on strong demand for its new large SUVs. Chevrolet Tahoe sales were up 51.5 percent. Cadillac sales dropped 3 percent but Buick sales were up 8 percent on the strength of the new Encore small SUV.

Nissan's sales rose 11 percent. Sales of the electric Leaf increased 62 percent to 3,019, a record July for the car, which went on sale in 2010.

Honda's sales fell 4 percent to 135,908. Accord sedan sales rose 11 percent, but Honda lost ground in its Acura luxury division, where sales dropped 18 percent. The company said it sold out of TL and TSX sedans as it launches their replacement, the new TLX.

Job growth eases, but tops 200K

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. employers extended their solid hiring into July by adding 209,000 jobs. It was the sixth straight month of job growth above 200,000, evidence that businesses are gradually shedding the caution that had marked the 5-year-old recovery.

July's gain was less than in the previous three months, though, and probably wasn't strong enough to suggest that the Federal Reserve will soon raise interest rates to curb inflation.

But the Labor Department's monthly jobs report Friday pointed to an economy that has bounced back with force after a grim start to the year and is expected to sustain its strength into 2015. Along with the consistent job growth, consumer spending is rising, manufacturing is strengthening and auto sales are up.

The unemployment rate ticked up in July to 6.2 percent from 6.1 percent as more Americans started looking for work. Most didn't find jobs, but the increase suggests that they're more optimistic about their prospects. The jobless aren't counted as unemployed unless they're actively seeking work.

Average job gains over the past six months reached 244,000 in July, the best such monthly average in eight years.

"Job growth slowed in July after heated gains in the past three months," Sal Guatieri, senior economist at BMO Capital Markets, noted in a research note. "But hiring trends remain solid, reflecting a strengthening economy."

Stock market indexes fell in early-afternoon trading. The yield on the 10-year Treasury note dipped, suggesting less concern about a Fed rate increase.

The pickup in hiring has yet to translate, however, into larger paychecks for most Americans, a factor that has hobbled the recovery. In July, average hourly earnings ticked up just a penny to \$24.45.

That's just 2 percent higher than it was 12 months earlier and is slightly below current inflation of 2.1 percent. In a healthy economy, wages before inflation would rise 3.5 percent to 4 per-

The proportion of working-age adults who either have a job or are looking for one rose slightly in July from a 35-year low to 62.9 percent. It was the first increase in four months.

Consumer spending up 0.4 percent in June WASHINGTON (AP) spending in the second short-term interest rate

- U.S. consumer spending rose at the fastest pace in three months in June, providing momentum for the economy going into the second half of the year.

Consumer spending increased 0.4 percent in June on a seasonally adjusted basis following slower increases of 0.3 percent in May and 0.1 percent in April, the Commerce Department said Friday.

That was the best showing since a 0.8 percent surge in spending in March, which reflected a rebound after a harsh winter had kept consumers from the malls.

Consumer spending is closely watched because it accounts for two-thirds of economic activity.

Americans saw earnings rise 0.4 percent in June, matching the May increase. Income growth has lagged in this recovery but has shown recent signs of some acceleration.

Paul Dales, a senior U.S. economist at Capital Economics, said the strong gains in employment over the past six months should support stronger consumer

half of this year. He predicted that consumer spending will increase at an annual rate of 3 percent in the next six months, an increase from a more modest 2.3 percent average growth rate in spending over the last two years.

A key measure of inflation favored by the Federal Reserve increased a modest 0.2 percent in June, slightly below the 0.3 percent May increase. Over the past 12 months, this measure of inflation is up 1.6 percent, still below the Fed's target of 2 percent but above the lows of the past two years. Excluding food and energy, prices are up an even slower 1.5 percent over the past 12 months.

The absence of inflationary pressures has given the Fed the leeway to focus on keeping interest rates at ultra-low levels to foster stronger job growth although this inflation gauge has moved up from the lows of the past two years.

In a separate report Friday, the Labor Department said that the economy created 209,000 jobs in July, the sixth straight month that job growth has been above

Economists believe the stronger job will support stronger come gains in coming months, giving households the ability to boost their spending. After a dismal winter

caused the economy to shrink in the Januaryquarter, the government reported this week that overall growth, as measured by the gross domestic product, surged at an annual rate of 4 percent in the April-June quarter. Many analysts believe the current rebound and they are forecasting healthy growth of 3 percent or better in the second half of this year and into 2015.

The stronger growth has prompted some economists to predict that the Fed will decide to start increasing a key

sooner than expected. Fed officials completed a two-day meeting this week with a decision to leave that rate unchanged at a record low near zero, where it has been since late 2008. The Fed said it planned to keep the rate at that level for a "considerable time" after it stops its monthly bond purchas-

Charles Plosser, president of the Fed's Philadelphia regional bank, dissented from this action, and in a statement released Friday said he felt that given the strength already seen in the labor markets and the increase in inflation from last year's low levels, it was no longer appropriate for the Fed to keep stating that it expected rates could remain low for a "considerable time."

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(Family Features) — Eating well doesn't have to mean spending a lot. In fact, there are many ways to eat the foods that make you look and feel your best without hurting your pocketbook. For example, penny for penny, ounce for ounce, milk packs more nutritional value than just about any other beverage you can buy. Here are more reasons why milk is a great option for shoppers looking to squeeze the nutrition out of their food budgets:

1. Nutrients: A true bargain means getting the most out of every dollar and with food, that means getting the most nutrition for your buck. An eight ounce glass of milk contains nine essential nutrients, including B vitamins for energy, protein for lean muscle, vitamin A for a healthy immune system and five bone-building nutrients. Milk is also the top food source of three out of the four nutrients of concern — the nutrients most likely to be missing in the American diet — calcium, vitamin D and potassium.

2. Protein: From building lean muscle to keeping bones healthy, there's good reason to add protein to the shopping cart. Protein, especially in the AM, helps to keep you full and satisfied, making it easier to stick to a healthy eating plan. Not all protein sources are created equal so be sure to opt for a complete protein —like the protein in milk. Each eight ounce glass of milk contains eight grams of high-quality protein — that's more than in an egg!

3. Versatility: Every shopping list should include essential kitchen items, like milk, that are an easy go-to for any meal. A gallon of milk goes a long way: its versatility lends itself well to cereal, smoothies and so much more — making it a convenient and useful item that all home cooks can benefit from having on-hand.

See how simple good nutrition can be with this fast and filling smoothie recipe. To learn more about the value of milk, visit MilkLife.com.

Protein-Packed Berry Burst Smoothie

Makes: 1 serving (4 ounces milk per serving)

- packet plain instant oatmeal cup fat free or lowfat milk 1/2
- cup strawberries, hulled, 1/2chopped
 - tablespoon honey

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- 1/8 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1 tablespoon walnuts, chopped

Combine first five ingredients in the carafe of a blender. Cover and refrigerate overnight.

until smooth. Top with chopped wal-

In the morning, blend the mixture

Nutrition: 280 calories; 7 g fat; 0 g saturated fat; 0mg cholesterol; 10 g protein; 50 g carbohydrates; 5 g fiber; 80 mg sodium; 250mg calcium (25 percent of daily value). Nutrition figures based on using fat free milk.

Purrfect storm

Island near Buffalo overrun by hundreds of feral cats

NORTH TONAWANDA, N.Y. (AP) — A small island near Buffalo has a big cat problem thanks to people who have abandoned felines there over the WIVB-TV reports that hundreds of feral and

abandoned cats are believed to be on the Niagara River's Tonawanda Island. Mike Charnock owns a marina and restaurant on

the 85-acre island just north of Buffalo. He says the cats are making a mess of the island, and even have gotten onto boats at his marina.

Danielle Coogan has launched Operation Island Cats to stem the growing problem. She's trapping cats and having them spayed or neutered by veteri-

In the last 10 days, she has trapped 10 cats. Kittens will be put up for adoptions. Adult cats will be returned to the island.



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