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BIRTHS

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DeTar Hospital

- Sandy Suniga, a son, 10 pounds, 12 ounces, at 8:34 a.m. Nov. 25, 2013
- Beth Latimer and Forrest Vanderford, a son, 6 pounds, 13 ounces, at 12:30 p.m. Nov. 25, 2013
- Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Ramirez, of Port Lavaca, a daughter, 7 pounds, 2 ounces, at 12:58 p.m. Nov. 25, 2013
- Mr. and Mrs. James Lenten Sr., a son, 7 pounds, 10 ounces, at 6:10 p.m. Nov. 25, 2013
- Amanda and Cory Burch, a son, 6 pounds, 1 ounce, at 7:18 a.m. Nov. 26, 2013
- Ursula Blackwell and Derick Gordon, of Cuero, a son, 7 pounds, 1 ounce, at 11:53 a.m. Nov. 26, 2013
- Mr. and Mrs. Brian Rozner, of Edna, a son, 7 pounds, 6 ounces, at 2:45 p.m. Nov. 26, 2013
- Mr. and Mrs. Jose Lopez, of Bloomington, a son, 6 pounds, 1 ounce, at 4:50 p.m. Nov. 26, 2013
- Frances Rodriguez, a daughter, 7 pounds, 2 ounces, at 2:56 a.m. Nov. 27, 2013
- Mr. and Mrs. Mason Schoonover, of Inez, a son, 7 pounds, 7 ounces, at 12:45 p.m. Nov. 27, 2013
- Meagan Villa and Jason Johnson, a son, 10 pounds, 9 ounces, at 1:52 p.m. Nov. 27, 2013
- Natasha Ramirez, a daughter, 3 pounds, 10 ounces, at 2:40 p.m. Nov. 27, 2013
- Andrea Fuentes, a son, 8 pounds, 7 ounces, at 1:43 a.m. Nov. 28, 2013
- Marilyn Sowa and Ruben Baldera, of Port Lavaca, a daughter, 6 pounds, 12 ounces, at 3:17 a.m. Nov. 29, 2013
- Mr. and Mrs. Jason Sandoval, of Inez, a daughter, 7 pounds, 4 ounces, at 11:23 a.m. Nov. 29, 2013
- Mr. and Mrs. Eliseo Neco, a son, 7 pounds, 4 ounces, at 12:48 a.m. Dec. 1, 2013
- Alejandra Garcia and Justin Martinez, a daughter, 7 pounds, 15 ounces, at 4:05 p.m. Dec. 1, 2013
- Kirsten Washington and Esvardo Gonzales Jr., a son, 5 pounds, 8 ounces, at 10:16 p.m. Dec. 1, 2013
- Susan Cayetano, a daughter, 5 pounds, 12 ounces, at 12:46 p.m. Dec. 2, 2013
- Joseph and Karen Young, of Inez, a daughter, 8 pounds, 4 ounces, at 4:43 p.m. Dec. 2, 2013
- Dominique Salazar and Richard Quinonez Jr., a daughter, 3 pounds, 15 ounces, at 5:10 p.m. Dec. 2, 2013
- Jessica Villarreal and Shawn Mendez, of Refugio, a daughter, 7 pounds, 14 ounces, at 6:08 p.m. Dec. 3, 2013
- Chelsea Wyatt and Kyle Ruddick, of Port Lavaca, a daughter, 7 pounds, 10 ounces, at 6:45 p.m. Dec. 3, 2013
- Megan and Jacob Darst, of Inez, a daughter, 6 pounds, 15 ounces, at 2:31 a.m. Dec. 4, 2013
- Anita Cain and Jeffrey Henderson, a daughter, 7 pounds, 7 ounces, at 12:25 p.m. Dec. 4, 2013
- Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Brown, a daughter, 6 pounds, 6 ounces, at 12:40 p.m. Dec. 4, 2013
- Mr. and Mrs. Kenny Brown, a daughter, 8 pounds, 12 ounces, at 5:51 p.m. Dec. 4, 2013
- Mr. and Mrs. Spenser Lassmann, a daughter, 8 pounds, 6 ounces, at 6:51 p.m. Dec. 4, 2013

Citizens Medical Center

- Brian and Ashley Kortz, a daughter, 5 pounds, 1 ounce, at 7:49 a.m. Nov. 25, 2013
- Crystal Estrada, a daughter, 5 pounds, 15 ounces, at 7:03 p.m. Nov. 25, 2013
- Christopher and Nia Vu, a son, 5 pounds, 13 ounces, at 8:02 a.m. Nov. 26, 2013
- Fernando and Maria Camargo, a daughter, 7 pounds, 11 ounces, at 12:18 p.m. Nov. 26, 2013
- Mr. and Mrs. Michael Martinez, a daughter, 6 pounds, 12 ounces, at 7:41 p.m. Nov. 26, 2013
- Iesha Davis and Marcus Enriquez, a son, 6 pounds, 1 ounce, at 5:43 a.m. Nov. 27, 2013
- Eric and Jo Ann Chumchal, a son, 9 pounds, 3 ounces, at 6:52 p.m. Nov. 29, 2013
- Jamie Currie and Brenton Girdy, a son, 6 pounds, 12 ounces, at 12:24 a.m. Nov. 29, 2013
- Nadia King and Eric Burton, a son, 7 pounds, 6 ounces, at 7:51 a.m. Dec. 2, 2013
- Mr. and Mrs. Eric Resendez, a daughter, 8 pounds, 15 ounces, at 10:11 a.m. Dec. 2, 2013
- Mr. and Mrs. Layne Frederick, a son, 7 pounds, 6 ounces, at 12:20 p.m. Dec. 2, 2013
- Louis C. and Candace T. Alaniz, a daughter, 6 pounds, 15 ounces, at 5:09 p.m. Dec. 3, 2013
- Mr. and Mrs. David A. Storz, a son, 7 pounds, 11 ounces, at 5:33 p.m. Dec. 3, 2013
- John and Kristine King, a daughter, 6 pounds, 13 ounces, at 6:11 p.m. Dec. 4, 2013
- Mercedes Arguellez and Brian Villegas, a daughter, 5 pounds, 14 ounces, at 19:21 p.m. Dec. 4, 2013
- Wes Appelt and Shelli Doubrava, a son, 9 pounds, 10 ounces, at 8:25 p.m. Dec. 4, 2013
- Dr. and Mr. Trace Jacoby, a son, 5 pounds, 11 ounces, at 3:37 p.m. Dec. 5, 2013

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Victoria County

- Arturo Juarez Hernandez to Veronica Marie Martinez
- Ricky David Zuniga to Crystal Marie Morales
- Elmer McCally Murray Jr. to Audrey P. Carr
- Justin Cuyler Wyble to Gisel Resendiz
- Mario Alberto Rodriguez-Loredo to Maria Magdalena Cruz-Pena
- Steven Paul Svetlik to The Thanh Nasternak
- Santiago Castillo to Marietta Ann Deleon
- Dmitri Sobolev to Iryna Bieda
- Trung Van Ngyen to Van T. Nguyen
- Derick Ladray Ross to Stephanie Suzanne Petrash
- Victor Cisneros to Sarah Delette Sturm
- Robert Lee Briscoe to Allyson Beane Griffith
- Aaron Westley Chaney to Chelsa Joann Courville

Refugio County

- None reported.



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The 100-pound cinnamon roll created by House of Bread bakers for the Nov. 16 grand opening celebration had to be baked in two separate halves so it would all fit in the oven. After an hour of baking, the crew, from left, Chris Brown, Celeste Ramirez, owner Tom Fitzwilliam, Neil Giannini, Jenna Farthing and Chase Peterson, had to use teamwork to pull the halves out of the oven over two people's heads so they could connect them.

CINNAMON ROLL: Bakers used 75 pounds of white flour

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Armed with 75 pounds of white flour, 35 pounds of honey, 30 pounds of brown sugar and a whole lot of cinnamon, the staff kneaded, rolled and shaped.



Chris Brown applies frosting using a pitcher to the 100-pound cinnamon roll created by House of Bread staff for the Nov. 16 grand opening event. The roll was made from about 75 pounds of white flour, 35 pounds of honey and 30 pounds of brown sugar.

The pastry spanned eight regular baking pans and had to be assembled in two parts to fit into the bakery's oven.

Although the store has actually been open since Sept. 26, the owners decided they wanted to gain a better grasp on the business before making their presence in the community official.

"I'm really excited about it," owner Tom Fitzwilliam, 58, said about the opening. "I'm excited about seeing that 100-pound cinnamon roll come out of the oven."

As the timer dinged, the staff gathered to transition the pans from the oven to the table, carefully lifting the pans over two of their heads to keep the roll steady.

With some careful rearranging and several pitchers full of frosting, the golden ropes were ready to help usher the bakery into the community in a way Fitzwilliam saw fit.

"Who doesn't love a cinnamon roll?" he said. "Especially fresh, hot, out of the oven."



Jenna Farthing works the mixer as she and the staff of House of Bread prepare a giant cinnamon roll for the grand opening event Nov. 16. The staff started in the very early hours of the morning to bake all of the regular baked goods such as bread and breakfast items before they could start on special items for the grand opening.

ADVICE

Grandson's bullying behavior needs evaluation

Dear Abby: Our 7-year-old grandson has been a handful since he was able to walk. He has been sneaky and has told lies for as long as any of us can remember. He has been suspended from school more than 10 times for various things. He stole several hundred dollars from his mom's purse and took it to school so he would have money to buy snacks. He stays awake longer than everyone else in the house so he can take things and hide them in his closet.

He knows what he does is wrong, but it doesn't bother him. He is also abusive to his disabled sister. It is hard to imagine that a 7-year-old could give hate-filled looks that you don't even see from adults. I'm afraid at the rate he is going, he will seriously hurt someone or be hurt himself.

He also has a very big heart. That is why we don't understand what is going wrong in this little boy's head. Please help if you can.

Grandma of a Bully
in North Carolina



DEAR ABBY
JEANNE PHILLIPS

Dear Grandma: Your grandson's behavior may have something to do with the fact his disabled sibling needs more of his parents' attention, or he may have serious emotional problems. The boy needs to be evaluated by a mental health professional so his parents will understand what's driving his behavior, and it can be addressed. Please don't wait.

Dear Abby: I'm 17, and a few months ago, I made the mistake of taking and sending nude photographs to my boyfriend. An adult co-worker, "Jim," got the photographs without my knowledge or permission and showed them to my other co-workers, including managers. Jim threatened to continue showing the pictures around unless I did him a "favor."

Out of distress, I quit my job, not realizing that managers had seen the photographs. I now know they were aware of the situation but did nothing. How should I approach the situation? It would be very bad if my parents found out.

Facing the Consequences
in New Jersey

Dear Facing the Consequences: You now know why it's a bad idea to send nude pictures – because once they are out of your control, anything can be done with them. While this is embarrassing, you should absolutely tell your parents what happened because they may want to take this matter to their lawyer. Your former employers ignored sexual harassment, attempted coercion and blackmail. If it can be proven, they should pay the price for it.

Dear Abby: May I share a pet peeve of mine? I wish you'd raise the consciousness of people who write obituaries and fail to mention the musician who provides the music for the funerals and memorials. The musician often does more preparation for the services than the pallbearers. Why are their names omitted? I usually want to know who they are when I attend.

Wondering
in Georgia

Dear Wondering: I can think of a couple of reasons. The first is that some obituaries are actually taken from the eulogy, which may have been written prior to the death by someone in the family. If the obituary was written by an employee of a newspaper, the information may have been taken as part of a standard list of questions about the deceased and any survivors.

Frankly, I think it would be more suitable if the musician's name was included on the program. If it hasn't been included, there is nothing rude about telling the officiant or a family member how much you enjoyed the music and asking who provided it.

Write Dear Abby at DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.