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13,000 FOR FIRST
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Lindale Eagles end Panthers' playoff run with 61-53 win in Class 3A quarterfinals in Tyler.
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TEXAS REDISTRICTING

New maps likely save May primary

Democrats, GOP poised to split 4 new congressional seats

BY CHRIS TOMLINSON AND PAUL J. WEBER
Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO — Clearing the way for the twice-delayed Texas primaries to finally land in May, a federal court on Tuesday handed the state new vot-

ing maps for the 2012 elections that satisfied Republicans who flexed their majority but soured Democrats who wanted more seats.

The political repercussions rippled across the state almost instantly. Candidates dropped out of races, incumbents resigned themselves to difficult re-election bids and GOP leaders renewed hope that Texas may have a say in deciding the Republican presidential nominee after all.

A May 29 primary date is still not guaranteed. But barring any appeals by a coalition of minority rights groups that sued the state over the original Republican-drawn maps, the chances of the Texas primaries falling into June or later appeared to dim.

Democrats expressed frustration, but there were no immediate vows that the maps would be challenged. The contentious Texas redistricting clash has dragged on since the summer, reaching all the way to the U.S.

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TASTE

Organic foods pushed as way to heal body

A local organic foods advocate speaks from experience when she says such a diet can significantly improve a person's health. Page 1C



FIND IT ONLINE

Volunteers tackle latest Habitat home

A Habitat for Humanity blitz build Saturday in Longview helped a family's wish become closer to reality. See the photos at news-journal.com.

Today's weather

Chance of rain. High of 76.

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Tuesday's lottery

- Pick Three A.M. Cash Five
- 9-3-8 13-4-9-13
- Pick Three P.M. Mega Millions
- 2-1-5 6-15-29-39-51
- MB-36
- Megaplier: 3

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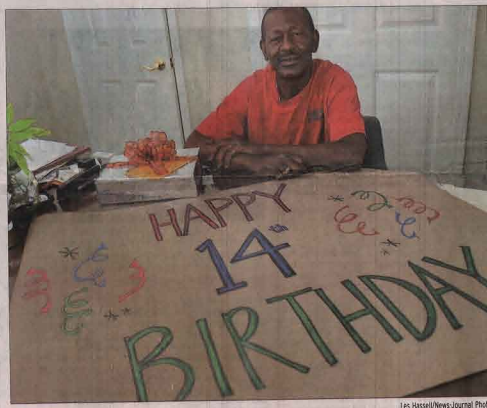
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The four-year glitch

Happy 14th? Longview man, 56, prepares to celebrate Leap Day birthday



(Joe Hazzell/News-Journal Photo)

Roscoe Moore will be 56 today, but it's his 14th birthday. Moore, of Longview, says he loves being the "Leap Day birthday guy" and has a cousin who also was born on Feb. 29.

"Being born on Leap Day is kind of my claim to fame. Other than my cousin, I've never met anybody else who shares my birthday. A lot of customers at the hardware store kind of know me as the Leap Day birthday guy."

Roscoe Moore

BY ANGELA WARD
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Roscoe Moore will be celebrating his 14th birthday today, but he's not eagerly anticipating getting his driver's license in a couple of years.

Moore, who was born in 1956, actually turns 56 today. However, because he was born on Feb. 29, it's only the 14th time he's celebrating his birthday on the day he was really born.

"I was about 9 or 10 before I realized there was something different about my birthday," Moore said. "I have a cousin who was born on the same day, so I had

somebody to share the oddness of it while I was growing up."

Moore said he usually celebrates his birthday on Feb. 28 and March 1.

"I just have a two-day party in most years," Moore said. "Then, once every four years, I get to have it on the real day."

Moore, who works full-time as maintenance supervisor for Tompat Partners and also has a part-time job at Homestown Hardware, said he'll be going out to dinner with his daughters tonight. His co-workers at Tompat also made him a sign

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Local couple aim to take Leap Day vows

BY GLENN EVANS
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KILGORE — Today is a good day for Candace Powell and Clettus Daus to get married — the Overton area couple has been leaping around after each other their whole relationship.

The first jumps were childhood visits Daus made from Cisco to Kilgore with his parents to see friends who had moved to the Pineywoods. Memories of those summer nights are lit by games of flashlight tag he and his siblings played with Kilgore children, including a "goody" girl he took a shine to.

"When I turned 16, we had moved to East Texas," Daus said. "(Powell) had ended up moving to Pennsylvania."

Two years later, though, a mutual school friend told Daus that Powell was back in Kilgore.

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Candace Powell and Clettus Daus met during childhood when his family would visit Kilgore from Cisco in West Texas. They plan to take Leap Day wedding vows today.
Glenn Evans/News-Journal Photo

HENDERSON

Women sought in bank robbery

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CLICK IT UP: Find this story online to see video images of the two suspects.

BY ROBYN CLARIDY
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HENDERSON — Authorities are searching for two women in connection with a Tuesday morning bank robbery that shut down a Henderson bank for several hours while officers investigated.

Citizen's National Bank in Henderson was robbed about 10 a.m., said Henderson police Detective Craig Sweeney, who said he did not know how much money was taken.

"The white female approached the bank teller, displayed a gun and demanded money," Sweeney said. "No one was hurt, and it went quick and easy. She didn't raise her voice

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GOP PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARIES

Romney picks up pair of wins

BY DAVID ESPO AND KASIE HUNT
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Mitt Romney scored a hard-won, home state triumph in Michigan and powered to victory in Arizona on Tuesday night, gaining a two-state primary sweep over Rick Santorum and precious momentum in the most turbulent Republican presidential race in a generation.

"We didn't win by a lot, but we won by enough," Romney told cheering supporters in Michigan. He also tweeted his delight — and

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Tuesday's results

MICHIGAN*	41%	38%
MITT ROMNEY	RICK SANTORUM	
ARIZONA**	48%	26%
MITT ROMNEY	RICK SANTORUM	

* 52 percent of precincts reporting
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