

# Sports

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## IN BRIEF

### Area high school sports calendar

Here's a look at the area high school varsity sports' calendar:

**FRIDAY**  
Big Spring football at Sweetwater, 7:30 p.m.  
Forsan football vs. Irion Co., 7:30 p.m.  
Coahoma football at Merkel, 7:30 p.m.  
Stanton football at Anson, 7:30 p.m.  
Garden City football vs. Lorenzo, 7:30 p.m.  
Grady football vs. Water Valley, 7:30 p.m.  
Sands football at Klondike, 7:30 p.m.

**SATURDAY**  
Big Spring volleyball vs. Estacado, 2 p.m.

Big Spring cross country at Lubbock Invitational

Big Spring swimming vs. Abilene High & Abilene Cooper Double Duel at YMCA

Big Spring tennis vs. Lake View, 10 a.m.

**TUESDAY**  
Big Spring volleyball vs. Lake View, 7:30 p.m.  
Big Spring tennis vs. Sweetwater, 4 p.m.

### Big Spring tennis boosters meeting

The Big Spring High School Tennis Boosters will hold their monthly meeting at 6 p.m. Monday in the Athletic Training Center.

All parents of junior high and high school tennis players are encouraged to attend.

For more information, Call Jeri Farmer at 816-4059.

### Ragball tourney to benefit Relay for Life

The Lady Steers Softball Field will play host to a ragball tournament benefiting the Relay for Life Saturday and Sunday.

Teams must be made up of five girls and five boys. Cost is \$10 a person.

Registration starts at 9 a.m. on Friday. The first game will be played at 10 a.m.

For more information, call Angel at 264-4108.

### Quarterback Club meeting Monday

The Big Spring Quarterback Club is meeting Monday at 7 p.m. in the Athletic Training Center.

All parents of Big Spring football players from junior high to varsity are encouraged to attend and help support the Steers' football program.

### Disc golf tourney set for Saturday

The 15th Ever DiscOver Big Spring Disc Golf Tournament has been set for Saturday at Comanche Trail Park.

Registration is from 8 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. before the tournament. It is limited to the first 90 players and two rounds of 18 holes will be played.

Fees vary from \$15 to \$45 depending on division.

Contact Greg Brooks at (432) 528-5076.

## HC rodeo athletes populate leader boards

By ERIC RODEWALD

Special to the Herald

The Howard College Rodeo team has a handful of athletes ranked in the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association's Southwest Region following the first rodeo of the season that was held in Portales, N.M., last weekend.

This weekend Howard is competing at the Weatherford College Rodeo through Saturday evening's short-round performance.

In the bull riding, Howard's

Cody Samora of Cortez, Colo., is second with 110 points, 45 points behind regional leader Cody Gardner of Vernon College.

Howard had success in the team roping as evident in the regional standings with header Ryan Finch of Cottondale, Fla., and heeler Chance Hampton of Riverton, Wyo., teaming up for 80 points at ENMU's Rodeo for fourth place in the region. Another Howard pair, header Clay Norell of Delta, Colo., and heeler Adam Sawyer of Basset, Neb., are sitting fifth with 65 points earned this season. The

Southwest Region leaders are header Cody Tew of Weatherford College and heeler Robert Robertson of Tarleton State University with 170 points.

As a team, the Howard men are in 11th place with 65 points. Tarleton State University leads the men's point standings with 535 points. On the women's side, Howard is tied with Texas Tech University for third with 165 points trailing only regional leader Weatherford College which has 355 points and second place Vernon College with 225 points.

Howard has two young ladies ranked in the breakaway roping with Kelly Hanley of Littleton, Colo., in third place with 85 points and Megan Schrock of Rock Springs, Wyo., in fourth place with 80 points. Weatherford's Arena Robertson is first with 175 points and Vernon's Amanda Miller is currently second with 115 points.

For the entire Southwest Region standings visit the official site of the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association at www.collegerodeo.com.

## Steers spotlight: Slash athlete Clayson Bates

By JONATHAN HULL

Sports Editor

It was the fourth quarter of last week's Big Spring Steers' football game against Abilene Wylie. The Steers were already down 61-14 and were also running out of running backs.

Starting tailback Monte Anderson left the game after the first half due to a sprained ankle that tightened up on him in the locker room at halftime. Backup Justin Amaro didn't even suit up for the game due to a sprained knee and third-string back Martin Yanez was suffering from a hip injury.

Head Coach Mike Ritchey looked around his sidelines asking himself who could play a few snaps at running back. Then he saw his answer — third-string quarterback Clayson Bates.

Bates gained more than 20 yards late in the game. His willingness to make himself a more versatile player gives the Steers a genuine slash athlete who can play a variety of positions.

"Clayson officially qualified as a utility player last week against Wylie," Ritchey said. "We needed a running back after the first two were hurt and I told Clayson that he should know the plays because he plays quarterback. Without any hesitation, he went out there and did a good job."

Bates' performance at the position impressed the coaching staff and has led them to thinking about other ways to get him on the field.

"He ran the ball well and we wouldn't hesitate to put him on the field and let him backup Monte," Ritchey said. "Clayson is a good kid, who decided he wanted to play football his senior year. He just wants to contribute to the team and he's a joy to be around. He contributes on special teams and at cornerback as well. He's willing to jump in and give us a quality athlete where



Herald photo/Ken Hollandsworth  
**Big Spring's Clayson Bates (6) attempts to run by a Wichita Falls Hirschi Huskies' defender during a scrimmage played Aug. 18 at Abilene's Shotwell Stadium. Bates is the team's third-string quarterback, but also cracked the running back ranks last week against Abilene Wylie due to a slew of injuries, giving the Steers a slash athlete.**

ever we need him."

Bates, a senior, didn't play football last season after having played from junior high up until his sophomore year. However, the coaching change in the off-season gave him the urge to put the black and gold back on for his senior year.

"Coach Ritchey is a good guy and a good coach," Bates said. "I

liked him as principal so I figured I'd like him just as much as a coach. I just wanted to play again in my senior year."

Bates says there's a big difference in the amount of teamwork that is occurring on the field this season as opposed to last season.

"Everybody had to earn a spot. We have a team and we're all close," he said. "Winning games

is a lot of fun, but working as a team is more important.

"It's different now," Bates continued. "The team isn't about the coaches. Coach Ritchey puts the focus on what we can do and how to make us better rather than worrying about his personal accomplishments."

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## Injured McCoy and loss to K-State doomed Texas last season

The Associated Press

AUSTIN — It was a play that will live in Texas infamy.

On a quarterback sneak, Colt McCoy pushed and stretched over the goal line for a touchdown when — crack! — his head snapped back in a helmet-to-helmet collision with a Kansas State defender.

Excruciating pain tore through his neck, into his shoulder and down his right arm. McCoy was done after the opening drive, heading to the bench with a pinched nerve in his neck and taking the Longhorns' 2006 season with him.

A television camera caught a shot of McCoy yelling in pain on the bench. Texas went on to lose 45-42.

"The pain was bad, but there was no way that you could just fight through the pain," McCoy said as No. 7 Texas (4-0) prepares to meet Kansas State (2-1) Saturday in the Big 12 opener for both teams.

"It took away all (my) strength. It took away everything. Holding a

football was hard," he said.

The injury battered McCoy and ultimately crushed Texas' season. The Longhorns had been rolling through an eight-game winning streak that had them in the thick of the national title chase.

When McCoy left the field, the entire team never really recovered. K-State jumped in for the kill with gadget plays and quarterback Josh Freeman's passing for three touchdowns and running for another in the upset.

The Wildcats ended Texas' 21-game winning streak in the Big 12. When it was over, thousands of purple-clad fans stormed the field to celebrate coach Ron Prince's biggest win.

Things only got worse for Texas.

McCoy tried to come back two weeks later against Texas A&M but it was too soon. His strength had not returned and he threw three interceptions in a 12-7 loss that knocked

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MCT photo/Gary W. Green/Oriando Sentinel  
**University of Central Florida wide receiver Kamar Aiken (81) hails in a pass in the end zone over Texas cornerback Brandon Foster (28) Sept. 15 at the new Bright House Networks Stadium in Orlando. The Longhorns open conference play against Kansas State Saturday. Last season, Kansas State eliminated the Longhorns from national title contention.**



## Obituaries

## Minnie Clanton Bonner

Minnie Clanton Bonner, 90, of The Woodlands, formerly of Big Spring, died Sept. 25, 2007, at her residence. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 29, 2007, at the Nalley-Pickle and Welch Rosewood Chapel in Big Spring, with Rev. M. D. "Doc" Methvin, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 7 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

Minnie Murray was born April 6, 1917, in Coryell County. She was the seventh child of John M. and Callie Ann Murray. At age six, the family moved from Coryell County by horse and wagon to Dawson County, where Minnie attended the first grade of school. The following year they moved to Borden County, where she attended the Vealmoor School.

Minnie was married to Ernest Clanton Jan. 19, 1935. To this union was born five children.

They resided on a farm in Howard County five miles south of her parents for 34 years. After Ernest's death in 1968, Minnie bought a home and moved into Big Spring. She enjoyed trips and lunch with friends.

While living on the farm, the welcome mat was always out to family and friends. Minnie was a wonderful cook. She enjoyed baking cakes and nearly always had an extra one in the freezer waiting for company to stop by.

On May 7, 1971, Minnie married Seaborn F. Bonner. She moved to Dumas, where Seaborn was employed by Phillips Petroleum Company. Seaborn retired in 1975 and they moved to Kerrville. They enjoyed living in the Hill Country where Seaborn enjoyed fishing and Minnie spent lots of time on genealogy. They enjoyed several trips and cruises together.

Seaborn passed away in 1986. Minnie kept active with several trips and lots of friends and family stopping by to visit.

In 1996, Minnie's health declined, so she needed to be near her family. She entered a retirement home in the Houston area to be near Thelma, her daughter, who has done an excellent job overseeing her care.

She is preceded in death by all her brothers and sisters.

Survivors include Doris and Steve Welsh of Georgetown, Thelma Neff of Spring, Eugene and Carolyn Clanton of Cisco, Jo and Gene Powell of Brookeland, Dwaine Clanton of Elm Mott, Norman and Susan Bonner of Palestine, and Glenn and Cris Bonner of Ponca City, Okla. She will be missed by her grandchildren, great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle and Welch Funeral Home and Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences can be made at: [www.npwelch.com](http://www.npwelch.com)

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## Weather

Tonight...Partly cloudy with isolated showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the mid 60s. Southeast winds 10 to 20 mph. Chance of precipitation 20 percent.

Saturday...Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 80s. Southeast winds 10 to 20 mph.

Saturday night...Partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 60s. Southeast winds 10 to 20 mph.

Sunday...Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and Thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 80s. South winds around 10 mph.

Sunday night...Partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 60s.

Monday...Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and Thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 80s.

Monday night...Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the mid 60s.

Tuesday...Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and Thunderstorms. Highs in the mid 80s.

Tuesday night...Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 60s.

Wednesday...Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 80s.

## June Marie White

June Marie White 77, of San Angelo passed away Wednesday, Sept. 26, 2007, at the Heart Hospital in Austin.

She was born July 15, 1930, in San Antonio. She serviced in ministry with her husband for 44 years in Snyder, Coahoma, Phillips, Big Spring and El Paso, and at the time of her death at Quail Valley Baptist Church in San Angelo.

Members of the churches her husband pastored would jokingly say they could get another pastor but not another June. She loved the Lord and loved people.

She is survived by her husband of 57 years, Guy White; two sons and their wives, Guy A. White Jr. and Arlene of Coahoma and Danny Earl White and Susan of Dallas; four grandchildren and their spouses, Matthew White and Laura of Lubbock, David White and Lindy of Abilene, Linde Reed and Haven of Amarillo, and Karen Lea Deavdorff and Jason of Roanoke; three great-grandchildren, Grant and Madok Reed and Jackson Deavdorff; a brother, George Dugosh; and a sister, Sandra Grona.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Earl and Edith Charpentier.

Visitation will be Friday from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. at Johnsons Funeral Home. Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Saturday at Immanuel Baptist Church with interment in Lawnhaven Memorial Gardens with James Mitchell, pastor at Immanuel Baptist Church and Dr. Bill Thorn officiating.

Pallbearers will be her grandsons and nephews David White, Haven Reed, Jason Deardorff, George Dugosh Jr., Earl Ray Dugosh, Norbert Grona and Robert Grona.

The family requests memorials to Sagecrest Greenhouse Project, 902 N. Main, San Angelo 76903.

*Paid obituary*

## Bobby Bobo

Bobby Bobo, 70, of Big Spring, died Thursday, Sept. 27, 2007, at Midland Memorial Hospital in Midland. Services are pending at Myers and Smith Funeral Home.

## Lottery

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Thursday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 5-2-4.

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AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Thursday by the Texas Lottery: 10-11-25-35-37.

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AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Texas Two Step numbers drawn Thursday by the Texas Lottery: 3-24-26-31. Bonus Ball: 3.

## Police blotter

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

- **ANDY LEE FLORES**, 37, of 203 N.E. Eighth Street, was arrested Thursday on a charge of driving while intoxicated - third or more offense.

- **JOHN M. RAMIREZ JR.**, 40, of 2513 Chanute, was arrested Thursday on charges of burglary of a building and a parole revocation.

- **JENNIFER VELASQUEZ**, 33, of 4114 Parkway, was arrested Thursday on capias warrants.

- **JAMEY SCOTT JOHNSON**, 44, of 2517 Chanute, was arrested Thursday on a charge of public intoxication.

- **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported in the 600 block of Caylor.

- **BURGLARY OF A BUILDING** was reported:

- in the 1600 block of Fourth Street.

- in the 1000 block of 11th Place.

- **ASSAULT CLASS C/FAMILY VIOLENCE** was reported in the 2600 block of Gregg Street.

- **ASSAULT BY THREAT** was reported in the 600 block of Gregg Street.

## Sheriff's report

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

Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 55 inmates at the time of this report.

- **JUAN LUIS MEDINA**, 36, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on a bench warrant.

- **CODY CHEYENNE FEASTER**, 19, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of possession of marijuana - two ounces or less.

- **AMY RENEE HOLLEMAN**, 17, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of theft.

- **MEAGAN SHAY HEFFINGTON**, 17, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of theft.

- **ERIC DON JUAREZ**, 26, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on charges of bondsman off bond for theft, bondsman off bond for criminal mischief, theft, theft by check and engaging in criminal activity.

- **JOEL ANTHONY VILLASCA**, 17, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of aggravated assault causing serious bodily injury.

## Fire/EMS

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

- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported in the area of FM 461 in Forsan. Three people were transported to SMMC.

- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 400 block of E. Third Street. Service refused.

- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 1800 block of N. Highway 87. One person was transported to SMMC.

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# Aggies tone out negative chatter with Big 12 opener looming

The Associated Press

COLLEGE STATION — Texas A&M's players aren't as lucky as coach Dennis Franchione, who says he's oblivious to criticism of the team because he's usually secluded in his office.

The Aggies are the ones who have to walk around campus and hear it from students and fans.

"It's in tough times when everybody doubts you, everybody hates you and curses your name," said quarterback Stephen McGee. "Your character gets revealed in tough times. Hopefully, we'll be able to respond to that in a good manner."

The Aggies (3-1) open the Big 12 season against Baylor (3-1) on Saturday. They took two days off after last week's nightmarish loss in Miami, then worked on fundamentals at practice Sunday.

The preparation for the

Bears started Monday as the players tried to tune out the negativity on radio shows and message boards.

"That's the way life is, and if you choose to come to a school like A&M, you know you're going to have to deal with that," McGee said. "You can let it eat you up or you can go out there and face these tough times and realize, 'I've got to be a man. I've got responsibilities to do,' and go out there and lead and encourage your team like you always have been."

While Franchione is taking most of the heat, McGee has gotten some of the blame for the Aggies' still-sputtering pass offense, which ranks 110th nationally at 147 yards per game.

McGee says he still believes in Franchione and offensive coordinator Les Koenning — and says taking to heart recom-

mendations from fans won't do him or the team any good.

"The minute we start listening to that stuff and believing what they have to say, we're going to be in a lot of trouble," he said. "That's not going to help us beat Baylor at all, listening to what some negative guy that sits up in Section 81 has to say about our team. And if it's not going to help us beat the Bears, what's the point of listening to it?"

**BYRNE RESPONDS:** The 34-17 loss to Miami restarted cries for Dennis Franchione's firing, but athletic director Bill Byrne said he won't change his process for evaluating coaches.

"I've heard plenty about how our coaches are evaluated," Byrne said on his weekly posting on the A&M Web site. "In fact, some want me to fire everyone right now. That's not the best way to conduct business. My process remains the same — we never discuss a coach's evaluation until the season is over, regardless of the sport."

Byrne said he's heard grumbling fans vow that they'll never attend another home game. He pleaded for them to keep the faith.

"I hope that was just the frustration speaking, because we have eight more tough conference games left," he said. "Baylor is coming to town this Saturday, and they'd like nothing more than to come to Kyle Field and outscore the Aggies. They don't very often, but they think we are vulnerable — and without you, we are."

**MINCING WORDS:** On top of the team's poor performance, Dennis Franchione bothered the A&M fan base by referring to the Miami game as the end of the Aggies' "exhibition season."

He clarified what he meant this week, saying he was just emphasizing how much more important he considers Big 12 games.

"That was a joking remark about nonconference. That was all," he said. "I've done that for about five years, I think."



MCT photo/C.W. Griffin/Miami Herald

Texas A&M wide receiver (4) Jamie McCoy and running back (26) Keondra Smith tackle Miami wide receiver Sam Shields (83) during the first half at the Orange Bowl in Miami on Thursday. The Aggies open conference play against Baylor Saturday.

## BATES

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When Ritchey told Bates he was going into the game, he knew it was going to be in the backfield. He was surprised, however, to learn it would be at tailback instead of quarterback.

"I was kind of shocked," Bates said. "At first when coach told me to warm up, I thought he meant at quarterback. I started throwing the ball. Then he told me I was going in at running back. It was different at first. But after that first hit, it wasn't nearly as bad."

"I just want to play football. I don't care what position it is," he continued. "I'll line up at guard if I have to. I can cut a defensive lineman if I need to."

This week, Bates has

received more reps at running back than quarterback. However, he doesn't have a preference just as long as he can be in a position to lead.

"I like playing both positions. I can be a team leader at either position," Bates explained. "A team leader can lead with his emotions and I like to be a leader."

Whichever position Bates might play against Sweetwater, he's forecasting a victory celebration at the end of the game.

"We're going to win this week," Bates said confidently. "We're starting to click. I'm willing to go out on a line and guarantee that we're going to win."

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Texas out of the Big 12 title game.

"It seems the life went out of our team when Colt got hurt," coach Mack Brown said. "It was disappointing."

It also proved just how valuable this baby-faced kid had become.

It motivated McCoy to get bigger and stronger and better able to take the punishments in the trenches.

"It's a long season and it's tough," McCoy said. "The more you can withstand, the better your team is going to be."

McCoy has been inconsistent in the first four games this season. He's thrown seven touchdowns but already has five interceptions after throwing only four picks in the first 11 games last year.

When he passed for 333 yards and three TDs against Rice last week, Brown said he saw the "Colt of old."

"That was Colt's best game by far," Brown said. "He was relaxed and he made the throws he needed to make and he scrambled."

McCoy was a freshman along for the ride last season. He's the established team leader now and admits he's been trying — to a fault — to be perfect.

"I had been trying to put us in the perfect play. I had been trying to make every play and I don't have to do that," he said. "I have great playmakers around me."

Freeman was nearly perfect against Texas last season but hasn't been able to produce anything close to that performance since then.

Since beating Texas, he's thrown two touchdowns and seven interceptions.

"Last year, I was a young quarterback and at times a stupid quarterback," Freeman told the Austin American-Statesman this week. "This year I feel like I have a lot more balance

in the pocket. I feel like I can make all the throws. My game is nowhere where it needs to be, but it's improving."

Texas players expect to see Freeman at his best on Saturday.

"He's a really gifted athlete," linebacker Scott Derry said. "He played really great (last year) and kind of had a coming out party against us."

Texas lost a lot with that defeat at Kansas State last season, but Texas players say they won't be looking back.

"This isn't a revenge game," Longhorns senior offensive tackle Tony Hills said. "What happened in the past, happened in the past."

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**GARAGE SALE:** 3803 Connally, Saturday 8-? Too much to list.

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**Garage Sales**

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**BY HOLIDAY MATHIS** Physical energy is only a fraction of your energy equation. The balance of your wellbeing is found in harnessing your emotional energy, availability for joy and zest for life. This is good news for Mars, which is entering Cancer today. Finishing old business, dumping negative attitudes and eating healthfully increase emotional energy.



HOLIDAY MATHIS

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). Relationships improve markedly because of one small change in the way you handle your shared resources. When all is well in your personal life, you feel you can take on the world. **TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). The financial situation you're looking at now is directly related to decisions you made two years ago. And two years from now, you'll be happy about the financial situation you made today. **GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). You strengthen your chi force by seeing yourself as powerful, capable and creative. As long as you're at it, it couldn't hurt to see yourself as thin and rich, as well. **CANCER** (June 22-July 22). Relating to people may be challenging for you. Playing with animals, however, will be beneficial. In their own way, they encourage you to be demonstrative without making emotional demands of you. **LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). Pleasure is your energizer. And what really gives you pleasure now is sleep! Curl up like a kitten and do nothing this evening. Life will restore, recharge and reset itself as you dream away. **VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Normally, you like to sprinkle some fun in with your discipline. But right now, you'll be infinitely more productive when you take the opposite approach and sprinkle discipline in with your fun. **LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You live in a world of possibility. You see three times as many options as other people do, so it takes you longer to decide which choice to pursue. Don't let anyone rush you. **SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You can't stand to witness the pain or even discomfort of others. And today, you're in luck -- you can prevent your loved one from experiencing the world as a harsh place. **SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You have a unique talent and an unusual way of expressing it. If you still don't know what that is and how you show it, the stars are perfectly aligned for you to explore and figure it out. **CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You're resisting a change even though you know it's absolutely necessary. Life will work better once you're on the other side of this transition. Keep trusting and going forward. **AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Is your loved one two steps ahead of what you are thinking? Or is your loved one not within a mile of what you're thinking? Either way, you're not sharing the same thinking space again until tomorrow. **PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). You are in a position to preserve a tradition or piece of knowledge. Others are counting on you to be thorough. Your reward is that people with equal integrity are drawn to you. If you would like to write to Holiday Mathis, please go to www.creators.com and click on "Write the Author" on the Holiday Mathis page, or you may send her a postcard in the mail. To find out more about Holiday Mathis and read her past columns, visit the Creators Syndicate Web page at www.creators.com. © 2007 CREATORS SYNDICATE, INC.

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### INDICTED

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erratic driving.

“Telchik placed both females in the back seat of the unmarked unit, which has no screen or cage between the front and back seats,” said Everett. “While he began securing the suspects’ vehicle, Atkinson was able to get her hands from behind her back to the front with handcuffs on and climbed into the driver’s seat of the police unit.

“As Telchik saw her and

moved toward the unit, Atkinson applied no brakes and struck him with the vehicle. He went onto the hood, hitting the windshield, and off the passenger side of the vehicle.”

Everett said Telchik then called for backup, and when officers caught up to Atkinson and Hernandez, they had crashed the unmarked car into the guard rail on the N. Service Road of FM 700 at Nolan.

Telchik was treated for severe contusions and abrasions at the Scenic Mountain Medical Center

emergency room.

If convicted on the second-degree felony, Atkinson faces two to 20 years in prison and a fine not to exceed \$10,000. If convicted of the state jail felony, she faces 180 days to two years in prison, with a similar fine.

Also indicted Thursday were:

- George M. Bernhardt, 59, 1809 Middle St., possession of controlled substance (first-degree felony/enhanced).

- Franklin Kyle Casey, 46, 1704 W. Fourth, driving while intoxicated (third-degree felony).

- Tony Mojica Castellano, 34, 1312 Wood, possession of controlled substance (state jail felony).

- Robert Lee Evans, 26, 903 Sgt. Paredez, possession of controlled substance (second-degree felony/enhanced).

- Ronnie Lewis Farris, 30, Odessa, possession of controlled substance (state jail felony).

- Anselmo Hilario Jr., 22, 700 Abrams, possession of a controlled substance (third-degree felony).

- Ned Randal Hildebrand, 34, 110 Holly,

possession of a controlled substance (state jail felony).

- Michael Mendoza, 39, 901 N. Gregg, possession of a controlled substance (state jail felony).

- Paul Eugene Merrell, 54, 1105 Stanford, driving while intoxicated (second-degree felony/enhanced).

- Guerro Olivas Jr., 24, 801 Willia, possession of a controlled substance (state jail felony).

- Michah Levi Pearson, 21, 3304 W. Highway 80 No. 3, forgery (state jail felony).

- Luis Adolfo Pena, 28, 411 S. Aylesford, posses-

sion of a controlled substance (second-degree felony).

- Paul Ervin Pope, 47, 1209 Mulberry, driving while intoxicated (third-degree felony).

- Johnny Smithwick, 42, 707 Aylesford, tampering with a government record (third-degree felony).

- Darin Sean Tucker, 48, 16600 N. FM 1584, driving while intoxicated (second-degree felony/enhanced).

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### GARDENERS

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“to pique the interest of people who attend and let them see what different plants grow in Howard County.” The group hopes to attract others who have a love of horticulture, a willingness to learn, and a desire to help others learn more about the plant world.

During fair week, the Master Gardeners have taken part in the Ag in the Classroom program to introduce school children to various aspects of agriculture in Howard County. They have a diorama of the replanting being done around the courthouse, information about plants that grow in our area, and about composting.

Members go through an orientation in January, offered every other year; and attend 50 hours of classroom instruction on such subjects as lawn care, soils, water, insects and plant nutrition. Local teachers provide some of the instruction; extension

personnel and academicians come in to give classes as well. Sometimes members are sent to classes then return and teach their fellow members.

After taking classes three hours a week from January to May, members are considered interns. They then complete 50 hours of volunteer service in a horticulture-related area within the first year to become a bona fide master gardener. Monika Robinson, currently an intern, finds it stimulating to “get to know people rooted in the community who want to make it a better place and learn how to do that.”

Shirley Ryle, webmaster for the local organization, encourages everyone to visit their website at www.howardcountymastergardeners.org to learn more about what they do and what they have to offer. The up-to-date site provides photos of current and former “Yard of the Month” winners and work Howard County MG has done at the Heart of the City Park and the



Wally Franklin and Monika Robinson, left to right, man the Master Gardeners booth with organization president Katie Grigg at the Howard County Fair.

Highway 80 and I-20 entrances to the city. Along with the replanting around the courthouse, those are current work projects of the group. They also work at the city compost site regularly.

Howard County Master Gardeners, headed by Katie Grigg, president, and a full slate of officers, meet monthly to plan projects and discuss topics of interest. A Junior Master Gardener program has

been in operation, but is inactive at the moment.

These plant lovers welcome everyone from “green thumbs” to “black hand” gardeners. Joyce Hollingsworth shared her secret of having a green

thumb. “Don’t ever tell anybody how many plants you’ve killed,” she confided. She encourages gardeners to just keep planting and come by and visit them at the fair.

Nancy Koger photo

### EVAC

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minor inconvenience for carnival attendees, Air Evac membership coordinator Lynette Harman said she hopes local residents get a better understanding of what her company does.

“We brought the helicopter over so those attending the fair could see what it’s all about. We want them to understand that we basically have an emergency room in the air,” said Harman. “Every helicopter that

takes off with a patient has a paramedic, a registered nurse, and of course our pilot, to take care of them. We also have some advanced life saving we employ to get them the full benefit of our services before we get them to the hospital.”

Harman said Air Evac recently opened a Big Spring base of operations at the McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark, and beginning next week, will have a life-flight capable chopper on standby 24-hours a day.

“Our helicopter is still in Sweetwater until Oct. 1, which is our moving

day,” said Harman. “Our base and everything else has already been erected out at the airpark, so Oct. 1 they will cart the helicopter over here, along with all of our belongings, and that’s where we’ll be from now on.

“Our company has owned the base in Sweetwater since about 2005,” she added. “We also have a helicopter at Hendrick Hospital in Abilene, which we moved in from Stamford. So, when we did that, we ended up with a situation where the two bases were on top of each other. By moving it out a little fur-

ther west we’re able to provide coverage to a larger area, and some of the citizens who are a little further west who weren’t getting good and appropriate air care.”

While most flights that end up in the eye of the media are scene flights from accidents, Harman said transfers make up the largest portion of her company’s business.

“Somewhere between 60 and 75 percent of our business is hospital transfers,” said Harman. “We do a lot of our transfers from the smaller hospitals, and we try to work with the local hospitals,

EMS groups, volunteer fire fighters — they are really our lifeblood. If there’s an accident and they need a scene flight, we want to be able to respond to that and get a person to care within the golden hour they have. That increases their chances of survival tremendously.”

Harman, who is no stranger to the Crossroads area, said the chance to man a booth at the Howard County Fair has been a fun experience.

“I really enjoy it,” she said with a smile. “I real-

ly think it’s great for the community. I’m a Mitchell County resident, as are five of the people who work for our company at our base, and Debra Wallace, who is our Big Spring program director, is a Big Spring native. So we really enjoy being here. I’m getting to see people I may have known or may not have known, and I think the fair is just fantastic.”

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### CONTEST

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Children age birth through 5 years are eligible. Each child should be attired in a denim garment of at least 50 percent cotton.

There is an entry fee of \$10 to cover the cost of promotion, judges and prizes.

The contest gets under way at 10:30 a.m. Saturday under the show tent at the county fairgrounds.

Trophies will be awarded in each of the seven age groups: 0-6 months, 7-12 months, 12-23 months, and 2, 3,

4 and 5 years.

Entry forms are available at the Howard County Cooperative Extension Office in the basement of the Howard County Courthouse. All entry forms must be completed and returned to the Extension Office before 5 p.m. today.

### HAYRIDES

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treat.

“If they decide to take the 4:30 p.m. hayride and stick around for a little while afterward, they can see the sunset from atop the mountain,” said Alton. “Watching the sun set from there is almost like being on the coast and watching it set over the ocean because we have such a panoramic vista.

“There’s also a playground and if folks want to pack their supper, that’s a really nice family thing to do at the park during the evening.”

Alton said there’s plenty of other activities for area residents to take advantage of before or after the hayrides.

“We also have a nature trail, which is about a two-third mile walk,” said

Alton. “It’s on a bit of a slope, but even kindergarten students and first graders can make it. It’s a good way to wear them down at the end of the day as well.”

The only charge for the event will be the normal entrance fee for the park — \$2 for adults with children 12 and under and state park passholders free — money and attendance that’s desperately needed at the Big Spring park, according to Alton.

“We’re just charging normal entry into the park,” said Alton. “With the state park system possibly facing a tremendous budgetary shortfall, every little bit is really going to help.”

“With so many parks having been taken out of the state system and turned over to private parties and city and county governments, attendance is key. Not just

financial numbers, but the number of people actually visiting our site is critical. So we’re really hoping people will come out and spend some time outdoors with the family and help out the park. It’s an important investment for everyone.”

For more information on Harvest Saturday or the Big Spring State Park, contact Alton at 263-4931.

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-FIRST AMENDMENT

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## OUR VIEWS

# We salute:

*Each week, the Herald salutes individuals and groups from our community and area who have been recognized for special achievements or accomplishments.*

*We recognize these special people for working to help make our region a better place to live, work and play*

*This week we salute:*

- Everyone who turned out for the Alzheimer's Association Walk to Remember last weekend. More than 200 participated. Great job, folks!

- Those who attended the POW/MIA ceremony sponsored by the Vietnam Veterans of America. The message was clear: We must never abandon our servicemen and women in foreign countries.

- SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf and everyone who participated in Deaf Awareness Week and "opening ceremonies" at the local campus.

- Big Spring native Lt. Col. Steve Hughes, awarded the Bronze Star with Valor. We are very proud of you, sir, and the men and women from Howard County, Texas, and across this nation who serve to protect us and our freedom.

- Howard County Fair organizers — and there are many — who have put together what is promising to be a great fair. Don't forget, it continues through Saturday night at the fairbarns. We also salute everyone who has or will enter the various contests, whether it be baked goods, Kountry Kids or tractor pulls. We hope you have a great time.

- Herald carrier Sonny Crocker, who is retiring this weekend after a gazillion years (well, almost) of delivering the news to Howard County residents. Have a great retirement, Sonny. You definitely will be missed.

*Is there an individual or organization in our community that you feel should be saluted? If so, please send us their name and why you think they should be recognized. We must have your name and telephone number and you must provide it in writing.*

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## A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

*When we live with heavenly dreams, we are traveling down the right road, Lord.*

Amen

# A few thoughts on 'The Book'

In 1986 I completely dedicated my life to Christ. I was so blown away that God would want anything to do with a guy like me that I signed up for the full ride. I dedicated my life's work to furthering the Gospel, advancing the Kingdom and generally trying to be useful somehow. Consequently, I became a Bible thumper.

Now I wasn't always like that. There was a day when the Bible looked more like a Chinese tech manual than anything actually worth reading. Stephen King had taught me how to read giant novels. I've been blessed with a good reading aptitude so I didn't think reading the bible would be any problem. It wasn't that easy.

### Carrying My Security Bible

Volunteering for an outreach ministry in Dallas, a friend suggested that reading the Bible could "save my life." I had no idea what he was talking about. Less than a week later I went to a James Roberson convention in downtown Dallas and survived an attempted robbery in the parking lot by slamming my King James up side the head of the perpetrator. I was only 19. Sitting in the nosebleed section of the Dallas Convention Center I looked at my bible and thought, "This thing really CAN save your life."

I started taking it with me everywhere I went. I struggled through the "thee's" and "thou's." I learned to focus on the red letters. I began to comb through the Commentary and Biblical history books. Slowly, the light began to come on.

It's not the black ink on the

white pages. Its not the actual book itself but rather what the book testifies of. I am amazed at what happens when "the book" gets into the hands of the average Joe.

This book combined with the power of the Holy Spirit, changes lives, families, lifestyles, society, nations and entire generations.

### There Goes The Neighborhood

The Bible transformed the entire world when the early Christians startled the pagan world of Rome by their unselfish love and caring for the poor, the sick and the hopeless. The Romans didn't know what to do with this bunch, so they tried to snuff them out.

Despite the overwhelming wealth of the Roman Empire, historians have not found one single example that these societies had a single hospital, housing for the poor, orphanage or old folks home. There were not even universities for the masses. This great example of worldly civilization didn't give a rip about the betterment of others until people with the book showed up.

The Egyptian empire, the Babylonian empire and the Syrian empire were the same way. Nations never had any of these things until the Bible got into the hands of common people.

The Greeks and the Spartans prided themselves on the being the "light of advancing wisdom and higher thought." These same people threw infants off of cliffs for having birthmarks.

The idea of taking on the cause of the betterment of ordinary people didn't show up until the idea of equality showed up. The value of life and the cause of the helpless are Biblical principles. The dark ages and the atrocities of that time didn't end until the common European had access the Bible in his common language.

Hundreds of thousands died during the 1500s so the average Joe could get his hands on the book.

### Say Uncle

One person that stood up for his faith and conscience during that terrible time was my ancestral Uncle, Robert Farrar. We recently discovered that his family was an important part of the modern Brewer bunch. He was a bishop of St David's and Protestant martyr that was burned at the stake in London in 1555. He wanted people to have access to what was written about in the book.

Ironically, somebody was quoting the Bible while they set him on fire. I know that some of the meanest people on earth have thumped their bibles while living hate-filled lives. I also know this; people that study the Bible either allow it to change them and they become world changers, or they remain the same and use the Bible to somehow support their evil agenda.

### Loving the Author

This tells me that the book is not enough. There have been and still are today, people that love that book but do not love the Lord the book is testifying of. There are people that love to study the track but do not care a bit about the foot that actually made the track.

The Bible is awesome because Jesus is awesome. As soon as we get away from that, we get into big trouble.

*"I believe the Bible is the best gift God has ever given man. All the good from the Savior of the world, is communicated through the book."*

Abraham Lincoln

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# Past time to sit down with Iran

The drumbeat for American action against Iran has steadily grown over the past year. The latest call to arms came during congressional testimony on the situation in Iraq by Gen. David Petraeus and Ambassador Ryan Crocker, both of whom reported that Iran is interfering in the internal affairs of Iraq and making the situation there worse.

Iran's alleged meddling in Iraq, combined with its reluctance to reveal openly the details of its nuclear program, has created a sense of unease about Tehran's intentions. As one of the strongest powers in the Middle East, Iran's actions will play a large role in the future of the region. If the United States is to have any hope of helping to establish peace in the greater Middle East, it must immediately initiate robust and direct negotiations with Iran.

Washington and Tehran have been estranged diplomatically for over 50 years. Bad blood still exists from the 1953 CIA overthrow of Iran's first democratic elected government, and from the 1979 Islamic revolution in Iran, when dozens of innocent Americans were taken hostage. Our regional interests have rarely intersected in any significant fashion, with one notable exception being the Al Qaida terrorist threat after 9/11.

Some hawkish policymakers in the United States have called for a military attack against Iran, arguing that pinpoint aerial strikes would disable Iran's growing nuclear program in one swift maneuver and send a message

that any suspected nuclear weapons activity or meddling in Iraq will not be tolerated. History, however, has shown how ineffective such tactics would be. Repeated military interventions by major Western powers in the Middle East have yet to produce even a semblance of long-term stability. Instead, these interventions have bred fear and resentment of the West throughout the Muslim world.

Any attack against Iran would be viewed as unprovoked aggression and, short of a full-scale ground invasion, would do little to permanently stop Iran's nuclear progress. A full-scale invasion of Iran, however, is a logistical impossibility given the already overextended state of American military forces, who are juggling simultaneous deployments to Iraq and Afghanistan. Pro-American moderate Iranians would turn against the United States in response to an attack on their homeland.

Tensions between Iraq and Iran have been recently intensifying. Kurds in the far northeastern corner of Iraq have endured several weeks of rocket and artillery attacks reportedly emanating from Iran. The besieged Kurds and Iraqi officials have demanded that Iran cease the attacks, but Iranian officials have denied the accusations and claim that they have only been attacking Kurdish guerrillas who are making raids into Iranian territory. So far, these border attacks have burned acres of orchards, killed livestock, destroyed homes, and driven about 2,500 Kurds from their villages. Given the protracted violence of the Iraq-Iran War of the 1980s — a conflict in which the United States ironically supported Saddam Hussein's Iraq — this latest round of violence is dredging

up some very bad memories in northeastern Iraq.

When questioned by Congress on September 10 and 11, Ambassador Crocker stated that recent attempts by the United States to negotiate directly with Iran have made little progress. But the Bush administration seems to be using its inability to participate in fruitful negotiations with Iran — which are, not surprisingly, proving difficult to conjure out of thin air following 30 years of mutual hostility — to justify its policy of refusing to reach out to Iraq's neighbors to help stabilize the situation in that war-torn country.

Negotiations can only succeed when they are part of a fuller strategic process, not simply tacked on as a fig leaf to shield the Bush administration from criticism of its overly militaristic approach in the Middle East. In order for diplomacy to be effective, the United States must invest the full weight of its resources and know-how. So far, the United States has only applied sanctions, worked through United Nations resolutions, and allowed the Europeans to take the lead in discussions with the Iranians.

While these are all sound supplementary strategies, they do not substitute for what is desperately needed: direct talks between Iran and the United States. If the United States neglects its international leadership responsibilities and the Bush administration continues its current adversarial policy towards Iran, we should not expect any improvement in the current situation and things may get much worse.

*Eli Lewine is a researcher at the Center for Arms Control and Non-Proliferation in Washington, D.C.*

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# Airsho '07 to feature 'all-military' theme

By **THOMAS JENKINS**  
Staff Writer

The skies over Midland International Airport will be teaming with activity this weekend, as the Fina Commemorative Air Force Airsho gets ready to once again take to the air.

The show — set for Saturday and Sunday — will mark the 50th year of the annual event with an all-military spectacle, according to Kay Crites, director of public relations for the CAF.

“The Commemorative Air Force and Alon USA will honor those brave men and women who have answered our nation’s call to duty during the upcoming Airsho,” said Crites. “Once again, all World War II veterans will be invited to Airsho as the CAF’s special guests, with a free ticket to Airsho and a hospitality tent located on the grounds. Each veteran may be accompanied by one guest.

“This year, in honor of the CAF’s 50th anniversary, Airsho will be an all-military, all-warbird show, with the addition of the Fina Extra 300L. Jan Collmer will kick off Airsho each day, providing a breathtaking display of aerobatics in the



This F-18 Hornet prepares for take off during the 2006 FINA-CAF Airsho. This year’s Airsho will feature an all-military, all-warbird line up.

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Fina Extra 300L. His aerial ballet never fails to thrill Airsho crowds. A snap roll on takeoff causes watchers to gasp, as it appears that he has lost control. After that, he puts his 20-plus years of experience to work, performing awe-inspiring maneuvers such as torque rolls and tail slides.”

Touted as the nation’s largest collection of flying, classic warbirds, Airsho gives visitors the rare opportunity to get close to some of the world’s rarest airplanes.

“We’ll have the world’s

only flyable B-29 Superfortress and the SB2C Helldiver,” said Crites. “Other inspiring aircraft taking to the skies will include the B-17 Flying Fortress, FM-2 Wildcat, P-63 King Cobra, P-39 Airacobra, FG1D Corsair, P-51 Mustang, SBD Dauntless and many more.

“Aerial dogfights fill the skies and simulated bomb explosions rock the ground as the CAF’s collection of classic warbirds reenact some of the most famous aviation battles of World War II.”

Crites said an expanded Vietnam-era segment will include three newly-restored helicopters owned by CAF member and Midland resident Greg Baiano, joined by an O-2A Super Skymaster, O-1 Birdog, OV-10 Bronco, OV-1 Mowhawk, a T-28 Trojan as used by the South Vietnamese air force, an A-1 Skyraider, AC-47 Spooky gunship and an A-26 Invader light bomber used for night-time bombing of infiltration routes used by Communist forces.

The featured act will be

the Trojan Horsemen — a team of six T-28 aircraft performing precision aerobatics, according to Crites.

“The routine is a patriotic tribute to the United States Armed Forces, with music and narration and includes a stirring Missing Man formation pass,” she said. “The T-28 is a large, crowd-pleasing fast and loud Warbird with a 1,425 horsepower radial engine, and the Trojan Horsemen are the only T-28 demo team in the country. The planes have smoke systems and

sport authentic Air Force and Navy paint schemes to compliment the patriotic theme.”

Also performing a tribute to the Armed Forces will be Clyde Zellars in his 64-year-old SNJ-Texan, according to CAF officials. Zellars spends about a fourth of his performance upside down or sideways, as he performs the same maneuvers that the Navy, Army Air Corps and Air Force pilots used for advanced training in World War II.

As has become tradition, Airsho will pair up some of World War II’s legendary aircraft with today’s most versatile jets in the Air Force Heritage Flight and Navy Legacy Flight, as well.

The flight schedule for both days is expected to take place between noon and 4 p.m.

Advance tickets are \$16 for adults and \$4 for children ages 6-12 years, with children under 6 years free. Tickets at the gate will be \$18 for adults and \$6 for children ages 6-12 years.

For more information on the show, visit [www.airsho.org](http://www.airsho.org) online or call 432-563-1000.

Contact Staff Writer Thomas Jenkins at 263-7331 ext. 232.

## Class of '57 plans reunion

The Big Spring High School graduating class of 1957 will hold its 50th reunion Oct. 5-6. Festivities will begin with a golf tournament set for 8 a.m. at the Big Spring Country Club Friday, Oct. 5, and a get-together the same night at the Whitten Inn conference room following the Steers’ football game. The reunion will continue Saturday, Oct. 6, with a gathering at The Wagon Wheel at noon and continue at 6 p.m. at La Verdera Club. For more information, contact Don Anderson at 281-851-8873.

## Museum to host luncheon

Lou Ann Dean, a freelance writer for Texas Highways magazine, is working on a book to be titled “The Fifty Best Small Art Towns in Texas.”

The Heritage Museum and the Big Spring Convention & Visitor’s Bureau are encouraging local artists to be part of this new project.

A luncheon and opportunity for Dean to interview artists for the book will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Oct. 9 at the Heritage Museum.

RSVP by calling 267-8255.

## Shriners schedule cook-off

The Big Spring Shrine Club Suez Fire Brigade Chili Cook-Off will be held Saturday, Oct. 13, at 101 S. Goliah.

Cooks registration will be at 9 a.m. with judging to begin at noon. There will be cash prizes for first through third place.

Entry fees are \$25. Public sampling of the chili will be \$6.

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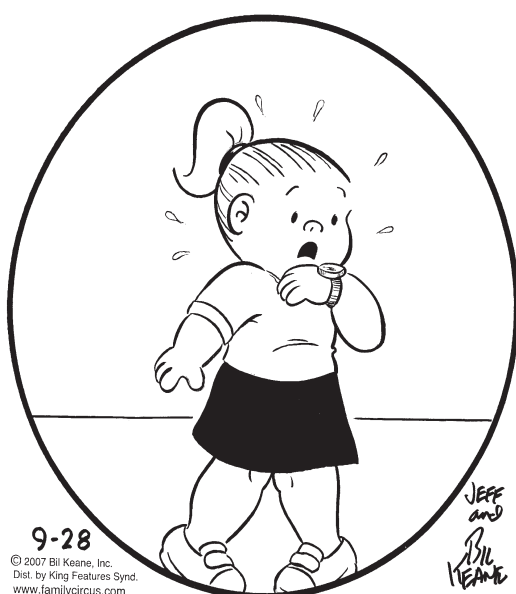
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6:PM :30	News (CC) Entertainment	Jeopardy! Wheel-Fortune	Yo Amo a Juan	The Simpsons Two-Half Men	News Entertainment	Dame Chocolate	News Be a Millionaire	Raymond Raymond	John Hagee	News-Lehrer Survivorman	Survivorman (CC)	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.	(DVS)	Live (CC) Hell Date	Han. Montana Zack & Cody	NASCAR Now Football Live	MLB Baseball: Teams to Be	Bionic Woman (CC)	
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9:PM :30	20/20 (CC)	20/20 (CC)	Historias Para Contar	TMZ (CC) Raymond	NUMB3RS (CC)	Amor Mio	Amor Mio	Amor Mio	Amor Mio	Expose Fort Niagara	Survivorman (CC)	Movie: Indecent Act	Law & Order (CC) (DVS)	Law & Order (CC) (DVS)	Phineas-Ferb	Florida (CC)	Baseball Tonight (CC)	Stargate Atlantis (CC)		
10:PM :30	News (CC) Nightline	News Nightline	Primer Impacto Noticiero Univ.	Two-Half Men Raymond	News Late Show-	Noticias Titulares y Mas	News Tonight Show	Sex and-City Sex and-City	J.R. Church How Can I	Charlie Rose (CC)	Survivorman (CC)	Proposal	Whacked Out Whacked Out	Law & Order (CC) (DVS)	Take the Cake Han. Montana	The Contender	SportsCenter (CC)	Flash Gordon (CC)		
11:PM :30	The Insider Jimmy Kimmel	Final Score Jimmy Kimmel	La Hora de la Risa	My Wife-Kids 70s Show	Letterman Late Late	12 Corazones ¡Al Rojo Vivo!	Late Night- Conan O'Brien	10:55 Movie: The Perfect	Global Force In-Crosshairs	Tavis Smiley Tavis Smiley	Survivorman (CC)	Movie: House	MXC Whacked Out	Movie: Along Came a Spider (CC)	Hell Date Comicview	Replacements Kim Possible	NASCAR Now 2007 World	Baseball NFL Live	Stargate Atlantis (CC)	
12:AM :30	Live (CC) News (CC)	Live (CC) Extra (CC)	Salome (SS)	Reno 911! George Lopez	Show The Insider	Programa	Conan O'Brien News	Score (CC)	Camie Davis CCM Ministries	Sign Off	Survivorman (CC)	Game Head MANswers	Game Head MANswers	Rap City (CC)	Emperor New American Drgn	Series of Poker 2007 World	SportsCenter (CC)	Doctor Who (CC)		

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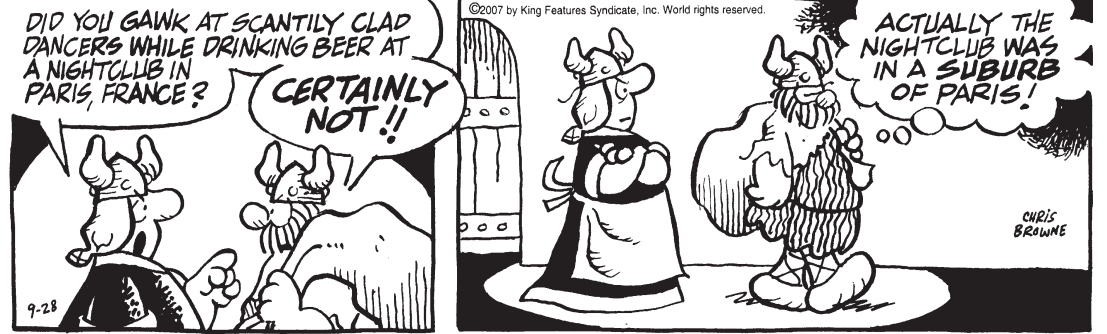
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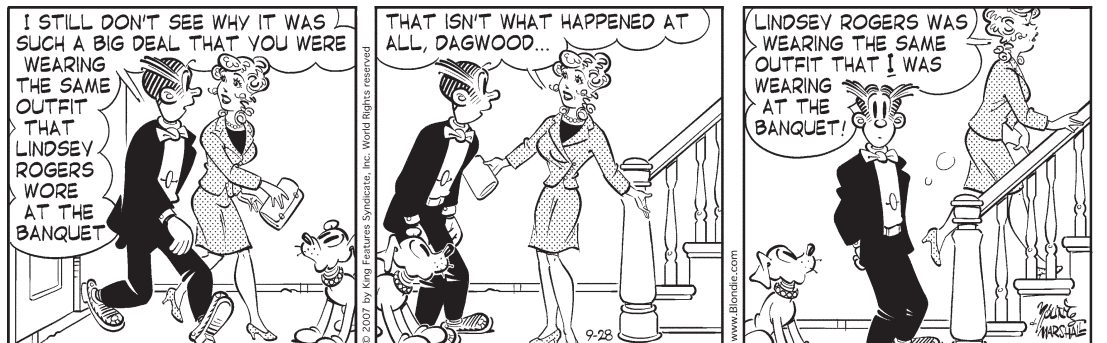


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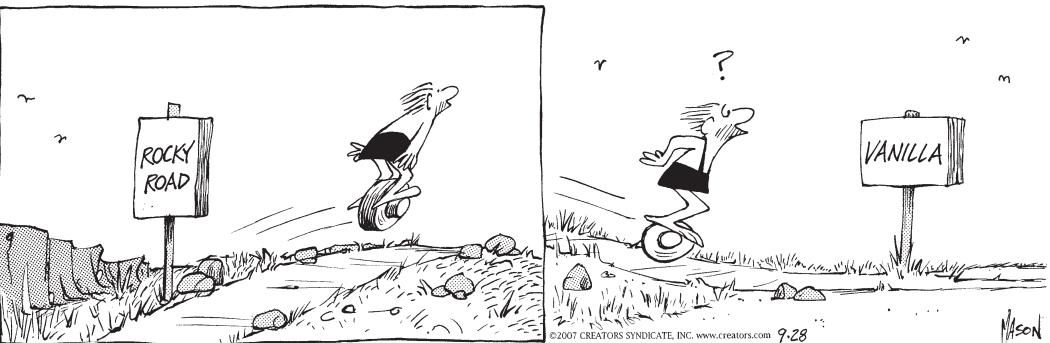
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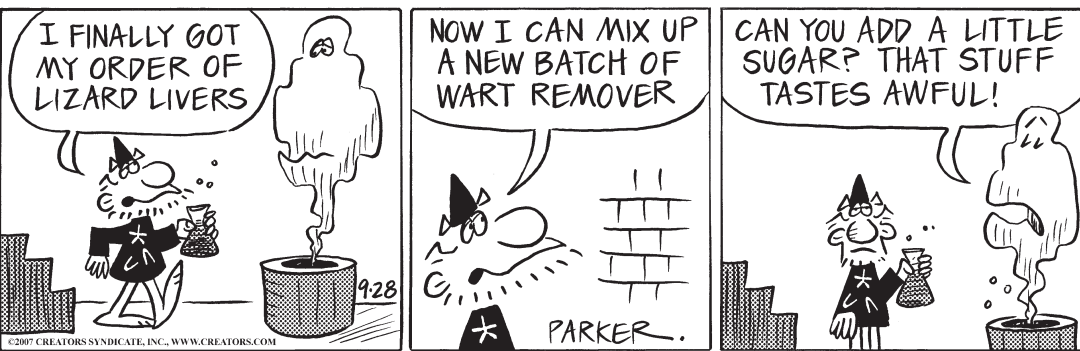
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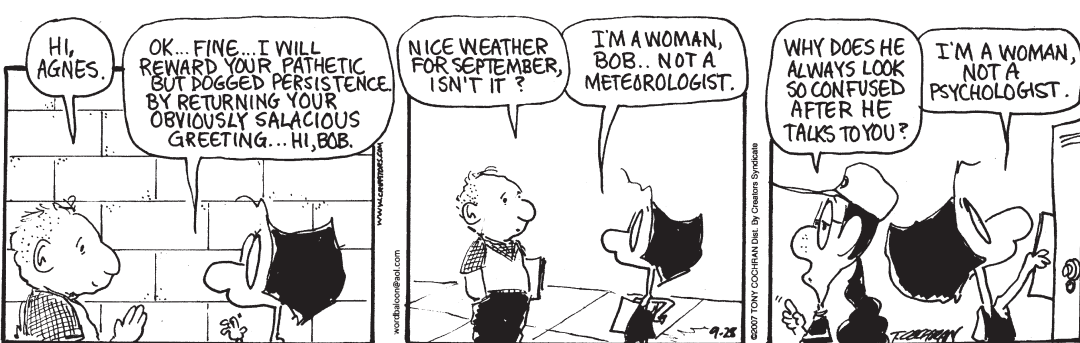
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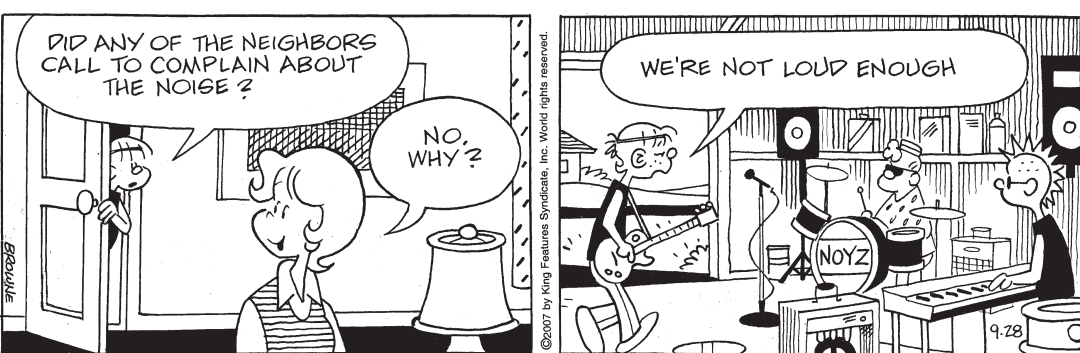
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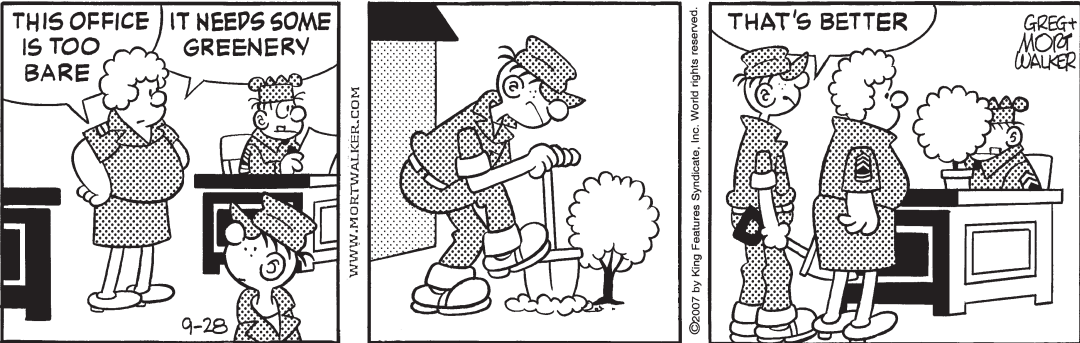
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This Date In History

Today is Friday, Sept. 28, the 271st day of 2007. There are 94 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Sept. 28, 1066, William the Conqueror invaded England to claim the English throne.

On this date: In 1542, Portuguese navigator Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo arrived at present-day San Diego.

In 1781, American forces in the Revolutionary War, backed by a French fleet, began their siege of Yorktown, Va.

In 1787, Congress voted to send the just-completed Constitution of the United States to state legislatures for their approval.

In 1850, flogging was abolished as a form of punishment in the U.S. Navy.

In 1924, two U.S. Army planes landed in Seattle, Wash., having completed the

first round-the-world flight in 175 days.

In 1939, during World War II, Germany and the Soviet Union agreed on a plan to partition Poland.

In 1967, Walter E. Washington was sworn in as the first mayor-commissioner of the District of Columbia (he'd been appointed by President Lyndon B. Johnson).

In 1974, first lady Betty Ford underwent a mastectomy at Bethesda Naval Medical Center in Maryland, following discovery of a cancerous lump in her breast.

In 1987, U.S. Rep. Patricia Schroeder, D-Colo., announced in Denver that she would not run for the Democratic presidential nomination.

In 1991, jazz great Miles Davis died in Santa Monica, Calif., at age 65.

Today's Birthdays: Actor William Windom is 84. Actor Arnold Stang is 82. Blues singer Koko Taylor is 79. Actress Brigitte Bardot is 73. Singer Ben E. King is 69. Actor Joel Higgins is 64. Singer Helen Shapiro is 61.

Actor Jeffrey Jones is 61. Movie writer-director-actor John Sayles is 57. Actress Sylvia Kristel is 55. Rock musician George Lynch is 53. Zydeco singer-musician C.J. Chenier is 50. Actress-comedian Janeane Garofalo is 43. Country singer Matt King is 41. Actress Mira Sorvino is 40. TV personality Moon Zappa is 40. Rhythm-and-blues singer Sean Levert (Levert) is 39. Actress-model Carre Otis is 39. Actress Naomi Watts is 39. Country musician Chuck Crawford is 34. Country singer Mandy Barnett is 32. Rapper Young Jeezy is 30. Actress Hilary Duff is 20.

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| <b>ACROSS</b>                | <b>DOWN</b>                   | <b>DOWN</b>               | <b>DOWN</b>      |
| 1 Legal-rights org.          | 1 Female opera villain, often | 11 False                  | 12 Putting place |
| 5 Sentry's cry               | 2 Bloke                       | 12 Putting place          |                  |
| 9 Sudden feeling of distress | 3 The Caspian, e.g.           | 13 Capital of Tibet       |                  |
| 13 Capital of Tibet          | 4 Manual consulter            | 15 Stick in the fridge    |                  |
| 15 Stick in the fridge       | 5 Realty listings             | 16 Frankenstein's aide    |                  |
| 16 Frankenstein's aide       | 6 Maugham title drink         | 17 Interpret as           |                  |
| 17 Interpret as              | 7 Be in charge                | 19 Slalom obstacle        |                  |
| 19 Slalom obstacle           | 8 Time signal                 | 20 Run                    |                  |
| 20 Run                       | 9 Filthy place                | 21 Can't stand            |                  |
| 21 Can't stand               | 10 Encore, literally          | 23 Speak like a Castilian |                  |
| 23 Speak like a Castilian    | 11 False                      | 25 Mortise filler         |                  |
| 25 Mortise filler            | 12 Putting place              | 26 Victor's booty         |                  |
| 26 Victor's booty            |                               | 30 Scouting work          |                  |
| 30 Scouting work             |                               | 33 Nautical starter       |                  |
| 33 Nautical starter          |                               | 34 Sub detector           |                  |
| 34 Sub detector              |                               | 35 He's on first          |                  |
| 35 He's on first             |                               | 38 Nightclub performer    |                  |
| 38 Nightclub performer       |                               | 42 Former pullet          |                  |
| 42 Former pullet             |                               | 43 Sign of spring         |                  |
| 43 Sign of spring            |                               | 44 Cold capital           |                  |
| 44 Cold capital              |                               | 45 Furniture set          |                  |
| 45 Furniture set             |                               | 46 Darth Vader, to Luke   |                  |
| 46 Darth Vader, to Luke      |                               | 48 Lustrous black         |                  |
| 48 Lustrous black            |                               | 51 Love song, at times    |                  |
| 51 Love song, at times       |                               | 53 Friend in crime        |                  |
| 53 Friend in crime           |                               | 56 In the family          |                  |
| 56 In the family             |                               | 61 Uncovered wagon        |                  |
| 61 Uncovered wagon           |                               | 62 Dessert order          |                  |
| 62 Dessert order             |                               | 64 In (existing)          |                  |
| 64 In (existing)             |                               | 65 Holy Land line         |                  |
| 65 Holy Land line            |                               | 66 Burn a bit             |                  |
| 66 Burn a bit                |                               | 67 Future specialist      |                  |
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# Church News

## First Christian Church

Excitement is building as members prepare to celebrate the 125th Anniversary of First Christian Church on Oct. 13-14.

Started in 1882, First Christian is the oldest congregation in Big Spring. It moved into its present location adjacent to Birdwell Park in 1950.

Festivities begin with a picnic Saturday, Oct. 13, from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. in a large tent that will be put up between the park and the church.

Entertainment will feature the Kinsmen, along with our own church members, Marla and Bob Rainwater. From 8 p.m. until 11 p.m., a newly formed band called "Fraying Misery" will take the stage to entertain young people.

A special worship Sunday morning to celebrate this milestone anniversary will start at 10:30 a.m. Former pastors and "Timothys" will lead various parts of the worship. The oldest returning pastor will be the Rev. Clyde Nichols, who will preside at the communion table. Other pastors who will be part of the service include the Rev. Robin Hoover, the Rev. Bill Smythe, the Rev. Gary Groves, the Rev. David Thomas and the Rev. Tony Salisbury. Featured preacher for the celebration will be Dr. Newell Williams, moderator of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) and president of Brite Divinity School at Texas Christian University.

The celebration will be capped by a fellowship luncheon immediately after worship. Reservations are required, so please call the church if you would like to attend the luncheon.

Speaking of contacting the church, First Christian now has a new set of telephone numbers, as well as e-mail address. To contact the church, call either 517-4812 or 517-4822; you can e-mail the church at fcbs125@yahoo.com.

## St. Mary's Episcopal Church

Everyone is invited to attend worship services at St. Mary's this Sunday. Holy Communion is celebrated at 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Christian education for all ages starts at 9:30 a.m.

St. Mary's will have their annual Blessing of the Animals program at 5:30 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 6. Everyone in the community is invited to bring their pets to the church service but please make sure they are properly secured on leashes or in cages.

For more information about St. Mary's, call 267-8201 or visit [www.stmarysbs.org](http://www.stmarysbs.org). St. Mary's is located at 1001 South Goliad.

## College Baptist Church

In the past weeks, Bro. Ken McMeans has preached a series of sermons leading CBC members to prepare for and participate in the coming Area Wide Crusade Oct. 7-11. Special prayer services were held this week and are scheduled for next week.

The Three G's canceled their regular meeting Oct. 11 because the date was in conflict with the crusade.

A number of CBC members will be attending the Church Leadership Conference in Odessa on Saturday. College Baptist has an active ministry of visiting church members who are homebound. Known as the Tape and Flower Ministry, participants visit those in rest home and those who are confined at home. They bring fresh flowers from Sunday service and tapes of the worship services. Betty Finely is in charge of the program.

## Grace Fellowship Church

Grace Fellowship Church, formerly College Park Church of God, will be having a celebration on how good God is and the fact we are now debt free. He answered our prayers. We will be having a pot luck supper at 5 p.m. in the fellowship hall Sunday. Everyone is invited to come and rejoice with us as we give thanks. Pastors Michael and Samantha Case are thrilled to say they stayed with it and saw something they worked hard for accomplished along with the faithful members.

We would also like to invite you to a "War on the Floor" service the last Saturday of every month starting this Saturday night at 6 p.m. This is a casual dress, high-energy worship service. Mark Barber will be leading the

praise and worship. He will be accompanied by other local talent. Pastor Michael Chase will be preaching a message titled "God's War on Terror."

We are located at 603 Tulane. Call 267-8593 for more information.

## First Assembly of God

Jack Stone will be presenting a music concert his Sunday morning at 10:45 a.m. at First Assembly of God, located at Fourth and Lancaster.

Jack is a wonderful vocalist, singing Southern Gospel at its best. Jack has made television appearances on Primetime Christian Broadcasting in Midland. He has also appeared on TBS in Albuquerque, N.M.; Oklahoma City, Okla.; Harlingen; and in Phoenix, Ariz. He has been a guest on the "Hallelujah, Amen" television show in Nashville, Tenn.

He has recorded six albums and recently released a single nationwide titled: "Jesus is enough" that is currently No. 16 in the nation.

You are invited to be a part of this great musical celebration. Jack will bless you as he presents the gospel in song.

## Living Hope Church

Please accept our cheerful invitation to worship our Lord Jesus Christ. We will be looking forward to seeing you. Our new facility will be available and we look forward to giving thanks to our Lord Jesus Christ for all the blessings that he has given us.

Let us know if we can provide transportation or assistance in any way. We can be reached at 816-3733 or 264-0620. Please accept our gracious invitation and honor us with all your family and friends. Our service will be held at 11 a.m. this Sunday. This service will be presented by Pastor Roy Roberson. Our location is 1208 Fraser St. We look forward to being blessed with your faith and presence.

## Friends of Unity

Friends are excited about seven days of prayer for the seven continents. Beginning this

Sunday with prayer for Africa, Monday for North America, Tuesday for South America, Wednesday for Antarctica, Thursday for Europe, Friday for Asia and Saturday for Australia. Everyone is invited to join wherever they are, whenever they feel led. Friends believe in the power of concerted prayer on the part of all people of Faith.

## East Side Baptist Church

Come join us for "Friends and Family Weekend," Oct. 6-7, a time set aside to honor those close to us, as well as make new friends.

Saturday, Oct. 6, we will host a gospel concert featuring our dear friends, The Robby Wright Family, at 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 7, we will hear the Wrights again at 9:45 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. and a message from God's word. There will be a break for some good fellowship and then another service with some more great music, a time of honoring our guest and testimonies from friends and family.

We welcome each one who comes to join us in celebration of our lord and savior.

Note: The Toney Brothers are coming again this year. Watch for details.

Come worship with us. Nursery provided for four years old and younger.

## Spring Creek Fellowship

We are so blessed to have a God who loves us so much that he gives us second chances when we mess up and then turn to him for the help that we need!

Pastor Dennis Teeters continues his sermon series on God's second chances this Sunday with a message titled "John Mark's Second Chance," found in Acts 15:36-40.

Sunday morning begins at 9:30 a.m. with Sunday school connection with classes for all ages. Worship begins at 10:30 and is a special time of praising God in music, fellowship, prayer and the preaching of God's Word. Stan Hanes leads our time of music and worship.

Sunday evenings are a "happening place" at Spring Creek.

AWANA's, a time of Bible study and memorization of Bible verses, for children through sixth grade, begins at 5 p.m. We've been having lots of fun learning from the word, having recreation and snacks. It would be a great place for your kids to come!

Also at 5 p.m., there is a Bible study for women titled, "Discerning the Voice of God," by Priscilla Shirer and taught by Susie Teeters. The youth have youth choir and the men are having a time of Bible study with our pastor.

Sunday evening worship begins at 6 p.m. as Brother Dennis opens God's Word for us and looks at "Prayer's Perplexity."

Wednesday evening at 5:30, come out to Spring Creek for a homemade supper that is provided by different groups of women for our church family. This is free and is a great time of fellowship followed by Bible study for adults.

The teenage crowd has an exciting time of worship and Bible study with our student pastor, Chris Tucker and the children are having a great time in activities just for them. Adult choir practice begins at 7 p.m.

We are blessed to have a wonderful staff of men to lead us and work side by side with us in this growing church. We would love for you to come and grow with us!

You can get to the church by going down I-20, east of Salem exit. Turn left under the highway and left at the service road. Spring Creek Fellowship is on the right just before the on ramp to the highway. We'll be looking for you.

## First Presbyterian Church

Presbyterian Women met for their regular monthly study in the church library at 2 p.m.

Tuesday.

Wednesday evening Bible study, a study and discussion of the Sunday lectionary, is at 5:17 p.m. in the library. The Youth group meets from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the youth room. The choir will have its regular 6 p.m. practice in the sanctuary.

Craig Meyers of San Angelo will preach for us again Sunday. We appreciate his willingness to fill the pulpit while we are without a regularly-installed pastor. The "Noisy Offering," which goes toward alleviating hunger, will be received during the worship service. Following worship will be a called congregation meeting to approve the nominating committee for elders.

The service committee reminds members that Sunday is the deadline for bringing their filled grocery bags for the Brown Bag Project, another attempt to follow Jesus' admonition to "feed my sheep."

During the 11 a.m. worship service, the choir will be joined by local musician Jose Gonzalez on the trumpet. He will be featured in the anthem "Shout for Joy" by Allen Pote, based on Psalm 98. "I Want to Jesus to Walk with Me," a traditional spiritual in an arrangement by Larry Shackley, is the choir's other anthem.

Lectionary for the day is Jeremiah 32:1-3a,6-15; Psalm 91:1-6,14-16; I Timothy 6:6-19; Luke 16:19-31.

## First United Methodist Church

As we bid farewell to September, the schedule at First United Methodist Church goes into full swing. In addition to our regular services of worship which are at 8:50 a.m. and 10:50 a.m. on Sundays and noon on Wednesdays, there is much more.

This coming week will be a whirlwind of activity as the congregation gets

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# Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

## Test Your Defensive Play

You are East, defending against One Notrump played by South. The bidding has been:

South West North East

1♣ Pass 1♥ Pass

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Your partner leads the two of diamonds, and South takes your queen with the ace. What is declarer's most likely distribution, and what is your plan of defense?

### NORTH

♠ J 8 4

♥ Q 10 9 8 3

♦ 7 5 4

♣ K 6

### EAST

♠ Q 10 5

♥ A J 2

♦ Q 9 6 3

♣ 8 7 4

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Let's first try to work out South's distribution. To begin with, you consider the suit your partner led. Since there is no reason to think West chose an irregular lead, you assume the deuce was his fourth-best diamond. This means that South started with precisely two diamonds.

Next let's turn to the suit declarer bid — clubs. He can't very well have six of them, since he would almost

surely have rebid his clubs rather than bid one notrump. It is therefore reasonable to assume that South started with four or five clubs in addition to his two diamonds.

Now, taking the bidding one step further, let's examine South's one-trump rebid, which denied four spades as well as four-card heart support. Since South thus can't have four cards in either major, his distribution must be exactly 3-3-2-5.

The quality of declarer's suits is also subject to partial analysis. He is unlikely to have three hearts to the king because he might have raised North to two hearts with K-x-x and a doubleton diamond. South is therefore likely to have a hand similar to one of these two:

♠ A K 7

♥ 6 5 4

♦ A 10

♣ Q J 10 9 2

♠ A 9 2

♥ 6 5 4

♦ A 10

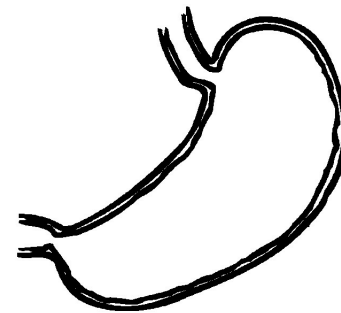
♣ A J 9 5 2

So, though we're still only at trick one, it seems probable that West will shortly win a club trick and play three rounds of diamonds, leaving you on lead with the nine. At that point, you plan to lead a low heart to partner's king and win the next two hearts with the A-J to put the contract down one.

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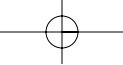
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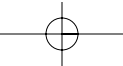
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# Club News

## Beta Kappa Chapter

The Beta Kappa Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma will meet Monday in the Howard County Library Community Room. The meeting will begin at 6 p.m. The program will be: Breast Cancer Awareness — A Passion for Prevention. All members are encouraged to attend.

## Permian Historical Society

On Saturday, Oct. 6, the members of the Permian Historical Society will meet at Stanton's Community Center for their fall meeting. The meeting starts at 9 a.m. with registration and coffee, followed by the program at 10 a.m.

Among the presenting subjects of historical interest of the Permian Basin are Mary Purdi Brown (Stanton) and John Kennady (Grady) on the early schools in Martin County.

Other presentations are scheduled by Edna Collett on "History of the Iraan Museum;" Peggy Sue Dossey Garner, "Flares from King Mountain," "A

Memoir of the Dossey Family in McCamey;" and Steve Shaw, "Geology, History and Water Resources in the Concho River Basin and Edwards Plateau."

Following the program there will be a lunch catered by Kim and Lester Baker. The Convent, the Cornell House and the Martin County Historical Museum will be opened for tours following lunch.

The Permian Historical Society was organized in 1958 as the Texas Permian Historical Society and is a nonprofit educational group dedicated to the preservation of the history of the Permian Basin.

Those Society meets twice each year, with the fall meeting being rotated to various cities in the Permian Basin. The spring meeting, next year on April 26, will be held at the Petroleum Museum in Midland.

The meeting is open to the public and there is no admission charge; however, if you elect to attend the lunch, there is a fee (\$10). You are urged to register for lunch by contacting Peggy Kelton in

McCamey (432) 652-8738 or e-mail PeggyKelton@hughes.net).

## Coahoma Masonic Lodge

Coahoma Lodge will meet Tuesday. The District Deputy Grand Master will be making his official visit. All members are encouraged to attend and all Master Masons are welcome. Dinner will be at 7 p.m., followed by the meeting at 7:30 p.m. See you there.

## Area retired teachers encouraged about possible 13th check

Aubrey Cherry, state president of the Retired Teachers Association, gave members of the Big Spring/Howard County Retired Teachers Association and update about pending legislation, including a possible 13th check for retirees during the local group's Sept. 17 meeting.

According to Cherry, for retired school personnel to receive an extra check, the Teacher Retirement System must be actuarially sound. Although TRS has

more than a billion dollars in the fund, there must be a 31-year payout ability for all currently employed persons. Active personnel and the state contribute to the fund. If necessary for actuarial soundness, contributions by the state and active personnel could be increased from the current 6.4 percent rate to 6.58 percent. If the TRS fund is actuarially sound, retirees probably will receive an extra check in early 2008.

Another priority for retirees is healthcare. Premiums and co-pays for this year will remain the same, with out-of-pocket expenses reduced from \$5,000 to \$3,000.

TRS is moving slowly toward diversified investments over a five-year period. These alternative funds are thought to be safer investments.

The annuity for support personnel is much too low, and TRTA and TRS would like very much to see this need addressed. It will probably be discussed in the 2008-09 legislature.

The local RTA was encouraged to be proac-

tive about legislation and areas of concern to retirees. We should seek institution of a cost-of-living adjustment as well as increase in annuity.

The next RTA meeting will be at 11:30 a.m. Oct. 17 in the Howard College Cactus Room. All interested persons are invited.

## District XVIII Texas Retired Teachers meet

A delegation of retired teachers from Big Spring met with RTA units from Midland, Odessa, Andrews, Monahans, Lamesa, Crane and Colorado City on Tuesday, Sept. 25, at the Grande Fundome Hotel in Odessa.

Each unit reported on activities and goals.

Maridell Fryar, secretary-treasurer of the Texas Retired Teachers Association, spoke about "Building Connections" during this year when the legislature is not in session. She encouraged us to become better acquainted with our representatives, to promote awareness of opportunities for RTA members to serve their communities,

and to mentor educators nearing retirement about benefits. Finally, she urged retirees to help educate active teachers about the purpose of increases in their contributions to the Teacher Retirement System.

Representatives from the Teacher Retirement System and Texas Retired Teacher Associations presented detailed information about legislation and benefit changes.

District XVIII members meet twice yearly for updating and training. Meetings are extremely informative, and all retired school personnel are invited to attend.

Representatives from the Teacher Retirement System and Texas Retired Teachers Association gave detailed updates on status of the TRS, legislation important to retirees and member benefits.

TRTA units meet twice yearly. They share information and exchange ideas. During this year when the legislature is not in session we will have opportunities to develop legislative plans and goals.

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ready for our annual Lord's Acre. This event has something for everyone. The Family Fest is free and features activities for all ages. The bake sale speaks well of our church cooks and is titled "Mission Delicious." Then there's Grannies Attic and a silent auction all before noon. Lunch time is a wonderful steak dinner; tickets are already on sale. After noon, the big event is our "Talents and Treasures" live auction. You are invited to take part in all these events which make possible the Lord's work.

And, if thinking about the Lord's Acre isn't exciting enough, how about shifting gears to the Living Christmas Tree? Yes, it is time to start preparing for that beautiful Christmas tradition. If you like to sing, here's your chance. Call Jim Wright at 267-6394. Remember this is not a Methodist tree; this is for all the community — choir members of other churches and folks who just like to sing are encouraged to join this annual performance.

The Children's Choir will meet for rehearsal at 4 p.m. Sunday. Miz Stacy will be your fun-director for ages 4 thru 6th grade.

Again we extend our thanks to all those who have expressed love and concern for our Pastor Shane Brue and his family. Please continue to hold them in your hearts and prayers.

First United Methodist Church buildings are located at Fourth and Scurry in the heart of downtown Big Spring. We welcome you with Open Doors, Open Minds and Open Hearts.

## First Baptist Church, Big Spring

This month has been "Mary Hill Davis Offering" month at First Baptist Church where the money given supports our state missions. Our children have been saving their pennies, nickels, dimes, quarters and dollars to give to the mission effort, and we are so proud of them. The total amount that they gave is \$399.95. An anonymous donor gave a nickel to kick it up to \$400. Way to go, First Baptist kids!

Our Transition Team has been trained, and the committees from within this team have been formed to move this church into the future. We are thankful for these 25 people for giving their time to help define the ministries of our church.

This Sunday's schedule begins with Sunday school at 9:30 a.m., followed by the morning worship at 10:50 a.m. The Rev. Ken Coffee's sermon for Sunday morning is "Jesus And The Outcast" and "Relating To Imperfect People" at the evening worship. Children who are preschoolers through sixth grade are invited to come to the chapel at 6 p.m. for "Worship KidStyle." Don't forget your Bibles!

After the evening worship this Sunday night, we'll have our Fifth Sunday Night Fellowship. There will be a time of fellowship, games, food and fun. Come and join us.

Wednesday evenings include a meal and activities for all ages. Call the church at 267-8223 for more information.

In closing, First Baptist Church would like Dr. Shane Brue and his congregation at First United Methodist to know that you are in our prayers.

## St. Paul Lutheran Church

Our worship services are at 9 a.m.; Sunday school and adult Bible classes are at 10:15 a.m. There will be a congregational pot luck supper at 6:30 p.m.

Voters Assembly is Wednesday, Oct. 3, at 6:30 p.m. The executive board meets Oct. 1 at 6:30 p.m.

New Bible study Sunday at Barbara Brumley's at 5:30 p.m. Topic will be The Sermon on the Mount.

It's Shoebox Missions time. We'll pack Oct. 18. Bring your donations of toys, toothbrushes, toothpaste, soaps, any small items that will pack in shoeboxes except liquids, war toys, chocolate candy, etc. Remember to send new, not recycled items.

Operation On Going Support for September care package items are powdered Gator Aid, AA and AAA batteries and instant oatmeal in fun flavors. Donations for shipping and AT&T phone

cards are most welcome.

St. Paul Lutheran Church is located at 810 Scurry.

## Spring Tabernacle

Spring Tabernacle will hold an October Camp Meeting Oct. 12-14 at the church, 1209 Wright St. Services will be 7 p.m. Friday and 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Noon meals will be provided and a light meal will be held following the evening services.

The "refreshing" will include Terry Miller from Canada, Rick Yaskiewicz from North Carolina and Andy Snoko from Colorado.

We are expecting great things and invite you to be a part of it.

## Birdwell Lane Baptist Church

Blessings to you and your family. If you do not currently have a church home we encourage you to visit us at 1512 Birdwell Lane. Sunday worship is at 10:55 a.m. and 5 p.m. Children's Church is during the morning service.

For a ride to church call 264-9924 or 267-7157. Midweek services are at 7 p.m. Wednesday. The

youth will have visitation Saturday from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. For further information, call 267-7157 or 267-8214.

## Baptist Temple Church

Baptist Temple Church invites you to join us for worship at 11 a.m. Sunday. After the service, feel welcome to enjoy a pot luck luncheon with us. After the meal we will meet in the sanctuary for a Fifth Sunday Sing.

If you have a musical (or even a not-so-musical) talent, you would like to share, or if you would just like to listen to others perform, you are sure to enjoy the day at Baptist Temple Church. There will be no evening worship service this Sunday.

Our children and youth are currently working on a Christmas program, "Christmas at Bethlehem Gulch." We will perform this program for the church audience Sunday, Dec. 9. All youth and children between the ages of 6 and 18 who would like to be a part of this program are encouraged to practice with us at 7 p.m. Wednesdays.

Come worship with us at 400 E. 11th Place. Our

service times are Sunday school at 9:45 a.m., morning worship at 11 a.m. and evening worship at 6 p.m. Wednesday nights at 7 p.m. we have prayer meeting for the adults and activities for the youth and children. A nursery is available during all services.

Everyone is welcome at Baptist Temple. Call 267-8287 for more information.

## Salem Baptist Church

Salem Baptist Church welcomes you this coming Sunday for Sunday school at 10 a.m., morning worship and Children's church at 11 a.m. and evening service at 6 p.m. Nursery service is available for all Sunday services. Wednesday evening prayer meeting is held at Parkplace at 6 p.m.

There will be a Fifth Sunday Sing on Sunday beginning at 6 p.m. Join us for an evening of praise music. A fellowship meal will follow the program.

Salem is pastored by Bro. Monroe Teeters and is located at the corner of Salem Road and Old Colorado City Highway. For further information, call 394-4655.

cakes will be served for dessert. Ticket prices are \$7 for adults and \$5 for children.

Beginning at 2 p.m., sandwiches will be available for purchase at the concession stand.

Uncooked sausage will be sold for \$4.50 per pound beginning at 10:30 a.m. in the Sausage Haus.

All sorts of entertainment booths will be open and a number of items will be auctioned.

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