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# BSISD funding options limited

*Trustees begin long process of balancing needs against revenue sources*

By **BILL MCCLELLAN**  
News Editor

Trustees with the Big Spring public school system began the arduous task of addressing the district's aging facilities Thursday — a task that is sure to be long and no doubt frus-



Dawson

trating. "The fact is, there's just not enough money to get all the things done that need to be done," said Superintendent Michael Downes.

He wasn't telling trustees anything that wasn't before them in black and white. Comparing a list of citizens facilities committee recommendations to scenarios depicting bonding capacity painted a fairly bleak picture. "It's going to come down to

more meetings, more discussions and more input," said Alan Partee, board president. Trustees were able to settle on a starting point, but only a rough one. Tabbed "Scenario 5" under bonding proposals, it would generate \$33,900,000, a 33-cent tax hit and a payout of 20

years. The obvious problem — and the reason trustees are calling it a starting point — is that the cost of a new elementary built to educate 1,400 students is estimated at \$33.7 million. Two See **FUNDING**, Page 3A

## Festival!

**Music, food on tap for DRA event Saturday**

By **THOMAS JENKINS**  
Staff Writer

Area residents looking for a way to get the autumn season under way will have a chance to kick up their heels Saturday, as the Downtown Revitalization Association presents its Fall Festival.



According to Allan Johnson, president of the DRA, the festival was something of a last-minute idea.

"We sort of Johnson threw this thing together at the last minute, but it's coming together nicely," said Johnson. "We have three vendors lined up that are going to be selling all kinds of festival foods, from funnel cakes to brisquet and burritos. It's going to be a lot of fun for everyone."

And while the food is always a well-received attraction, Johnson said the entertainment will be the real jewel of the festival.

"Georgia Cracker, a band that features a lot of

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HERALD photo/Jonathan Hull

**Big Spring's Zach Dawson races to a second-place finish at the Class 4A, Region I cross country meet held at Mae Simmons Park in Lubbock last Saturday. Dawson and his Steer teammates won regionals and will attempt to defend their state crown Saturday at Old Settlers Park in Round Rock. See story, Page 1B.**

## Trustees give OK to grouting work at BSJH

*Opt for additional work to avoid future problems*

By **BILL MCCLELLAN**  
News Editor

Bite the bullet, or in this case, the grout. That was the informal decision Big Spring Independent School District trustees made Thursday.

Addressing a junior high building which has suffered from foundation problems since it was opened for the 1998-1999 school year, trustees agreed to spend another \$264,000 on grouting services to hopefully put the problem behind them.

Further settling has taken place at the northeast corner of the building, making shoring up of that area a problem that must be addressed. Rimkus Consulting Group reported to the board that Haywood Baker would perform compaction grouting at a cost of \$69,000.

However, to help ensure no future slippage occurs, it has been recommended a larger area be worked, for another \$195,000.

"One thing to be considered, is they (Haywood Baker) charge \$15,000 just to set up equipment at the site, without doing anything. So if we just have them do the base work and they have to come back, it will be an additional \$15,000," Michael Downes, BSISD superintendent.

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Downes

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### BUT DID HE SCORE?

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — A teenager flew a small airplane low over a high school football game and dropped a football into the end zone as a prank, said authorities who are now charging him with misdemeanors.

Brian Morris, 17, was in court Thursday to face two charges: dangerous flying and dropping objects at a sporting event.

"These are very uncommon. They are not normal charges," said Huntersville police spokesman Capt. Michael Kee.

The football was signed by Hopewell High School faculty and students, and school officials are investigating how many people knew about Morris' plans.

### LIGHTING THE STAR

Make plans now for the 14th annual lighting of the star on Gail Mountain at 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 23, in Gail.

The courthouse will be open at 5 p.m. serving refreshments. Mrs. and Mrs. Santa Claus will arrive by horse drawn sleigh at 5:30 p.m.

Horse drawn buggy and sleigh rides will be available throughout the evening and the museum will be open for viewing and reminiscing.

Those who would like may also drop off Toys for Tots to benefit Buckner's Children's Home. Also accepted will be new pajamas socks and personal hygiene products for toddlers through 18.

### DEAR SANTA EXHIBIT

Ho, ho, ho. Children and adults are invited to the Heritage Museum Saturday for the unveiling of Dear Santa, a Christmas holidays exhibit.

Santa and Mrs. Claus will be at the museum from 10 a.m. until noon, and there will be an opportunity for parents to have photos of the children taken with the couple.

Joining the exhibit this year will be the Christmas Tree Forest, featuring trees decorated by various groups in the community.

For more information on Saturday's reception, contact the museum at 267-8255.

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# Sports

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## IN BRIEF

### Youth B-ball league sign-ups have started at YMCA

Registration for the Big Spring Youth Basketball League for boys and girls are taking place at the YMCA through Nov. 17. Divisions of play include separate boys and girls teams in grades 1-2, 3-4 and 5-6.

Outlying communities may form their own teams, but must have a mix of players from each grade in each division.

Games are played on Saturdays beginning Dec. 8. Practices start the week of Nov. 26. A coaches meeting is scheduled for 2 p.m. Nov. 18 at the YMCA. Teams will be formed at this meeting. Players are not required to attend.

Registration fee is \$45 with an \$8 credit for those who will use the same game jersey as last season.

Call the YMCA at 267-8234 for more details.

### Individuals needed to referee area basketball games

Individuals are needed to referee area subvarsity basketball games for the 2007-08 season.

Anyone interested should call Adam Rodriguez at 517-0300.

### Quarterback Club selling Steer playoff T-shirts until Sunday

The Big Spring Quarterback Club is selling Big Spring Steers 2007 playoff T-shirts through Sunday.

Short sleeve shirts cost \$15 and long sleeve shirts are \$19.

Call Denise Carillo at 816-1685 to make a purchase.

### Howard College announces Hawk Buddies Program

The Howard College Women's Basketball team is tipping off its season with the Hawk Buddies Basketball Program for girls in kindergarten through eighth grade.

It starts Saturday, Nov. 17 at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum with a basketball clinic from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Each Hawk Buddy will receive an opportunity to learn how to play the game from Howard players and coaches for a fee of \$20. A T-shirt will be given to each participant that will also serve as a free family season pass when worn to Howard College home games.

A second clinic is scheduled for Jan. 12 to be followed by a pizza-party with the women's basketball team.

Each Hawk Buddy will be recognized at halftime of the Hawks home game Jan. 21.

For more information, contact Assistant Coach Eric Rodewald at 816-4327.

# Steers Spotlight: Jaime Salgado

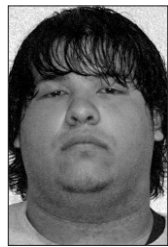
By JONATHAN HULL

Herald Sports Editor

There are plays that define a football team's season.

One of those plays for the Big Spring Steers was a goalline stand against Plainview's Bulldogs Oct. 13.

The Bulldogs had the ball on the Big Spring 1, but were stuffed twice by the interior of the Steers' defensive line made up of Xavian Young



Salgado

and Jaime Salgado. The play was a turning point for the Steers as it helped Big Spring secure its first victory of the season.

Now the Steers are 2-1 in district play and have clinched a postseason berth. Head Coach Mike Ritchey looks back at that play as a key moment of the season.

"That play was huge," Ritchey said. "We don't beat Plainview without that play and we might not have the confidence and momentum we have right now heading into the last week of the season."

Salgado, a senior, played a key part in that play, stuffing Plainview's offensive line and not giving up any movement. His presence, along with Young's, allowed middle linebacker Cade Hollandsworth to force a fumble, keeping Plainview from adding any points to the scoreboard.

"I was just trying to get low and not let them move me out," Salgado said. "I just wanted to penetrate as much as I could and stop them."

Not giving any ground on the defensive line is something that Salgado specializes in, according

to Ritchey.

"Jaime gives us a lot of size up front. He's a stalwart. He's terribly hard to move," Ritchey said. "He takes up two blockers at a time and gives our linebackers some lanes to make plays in."

Salgado didn't play his junior year, but decided to don black and gold again after Ritchey took over the head coaching position.

"I wanted to come back and play for Coach Ritchey," Salgado said. "A lot of the guys on the team wanted me to come back,

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# Steers prepped to defend state crown

By JONATHAN HULL

Herald Sports Editor

Most feel winning a second state title can be harder than winning the first simply because of the pressure and expectations placed on that team to repeat its success.

Big Spring High School cross country coach Randy Britton doesn't agree with that assessment, though, as his team attempts to win back-to-back state titles Saturday at Old Settlers Park in Round Rock.

"There's no pressure on us. I've been saying that since the start of the season," Britton said. "The pressure is on everyone else to compete with us. We've won our title and we know we can win it again. Other teams have to worry about how to beat us."

The Steers clinched the opportunity to defend their state crown last Saturday at the Class 4A, Region I cross country meet held at Mae Simmons Park in Lubbock. Big Spring runners claimed two of the top three finishes as the team ran away from the competition.

"I was worried heading into the meet. I was worried last year too, though," Britton said after the Steers' victory. "I'm never overconfident about our chances. I know that we have the talent to win every meet we compete in. It's the mental part. You can never be sure how much a 16 or 17 year old kid takes in. We were greatly prepared mentally, though. Turned out, we ran one of our best races as a team."

"We can be better than the team we had last year," he continued. "We're probably more talented this season. It's just the mental part of things that has escaped us at times. Winning the regional title is harder than the state title, though, because the field will be more saturated with more great runners at state."

The Steers' cross country squad owns the only team state title won in any sport in the his-

tory of Big Spring High School. There are hopes another first will occur at this year's state meet as senior Zach Dawson has the ability to win an individual state championship.

However, Dawson failed to defend his Region I title last week. Britton feels Dawson will still be one of the favorites to win state.

"Zach is a great competitor. He seems to perform his best when the stakes are high," Britton said. "There are only a couple runners in the state that will give him a run. If he runs like he's capable, then there's no doubt he's the favorite."

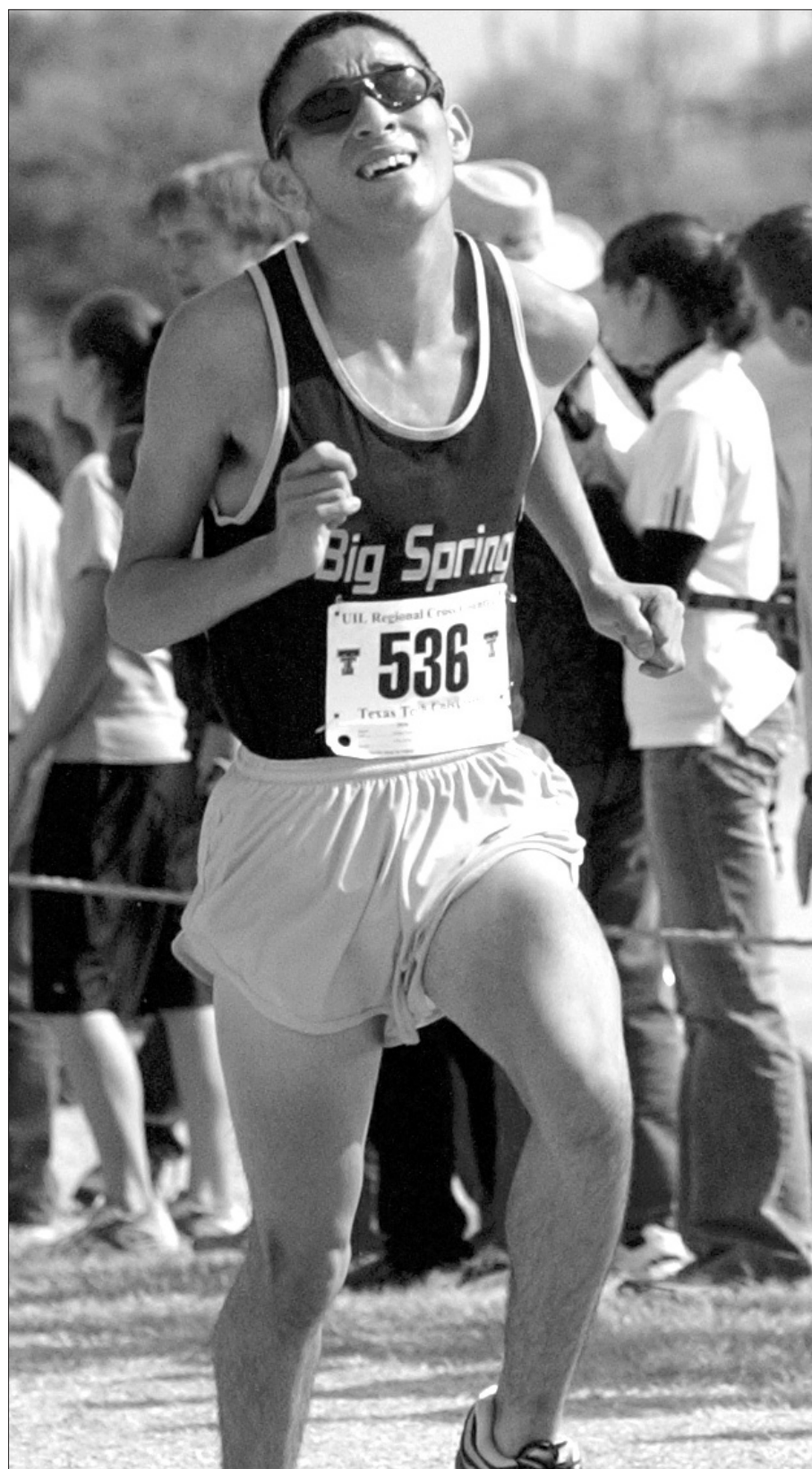
Dawson's performance has consistently been tops for the team this season. However, junior Jordan Valle has nipped at his heels for most of the season. Valle claimed third at the Region I meet.

"Jordan worked harder than anyone did to get ready for this season," Britton said. "He wants to run with Zach so badly. It drives him. It's unfortunate that Zach is too strong for him, though. I just hope that Jordan doesn't burn himself out by trying to keep up with Zach. He needs to be realistic about where he can place and finish. It's not that he's a bad runner and that he shouldn't try to compete with Zach. I don't want him to give up because he can't keep up with him."

"With the two dominant runners we have, I would be disappointed if we don't finish high," he continued. "Zach and Jordan always place high and give us strong starts. It's about what our third, fourth and fifth runners do. They'll determine if we win state or not."

That means Jessie Sanchez, Kade Parker and Shane Allen are the key components for the Steers to successfully defend their state title.

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HERALD photo/Jonathan Hull

Big Spring's Jordan Valle races to the finish line in the Class 4A, Region I cross country meet. Valle finished third individually at regionals and is a key figure in the Steers' quest to defend their state title.

# Grady upsets Rankin, 50-46, clinches postseason berth

By JONATHAN HULL

Herald Sports Editor

LENORAH — Win or go home.

Grady's Wildcats decided to win, upsetting the Rankin Red Devils, 50-46, and clinching a playoff spot and a share of six-man football's District I, Division I. The win essentially eliminates Garden City from postseason contention by means of a points system.

"This is such a great accomplishment," Grady Head Coach Joe Helms said. "To just be able to compete in this district says a lot about a football team. This is the most competitive district in the state. We're very excited to make the playoffs."

Rankin took at 46-44 lead with 1:55 left in regulation, courtesy of a Garret Avalos touchdown pass to Chase Epley, who made a fingertip grab in the back of end zone.

Grady started the ensuing drive at its own 30. A 27-yard pass from Dylan Cox to Justin Tubb set up the Wildcats with a first and goal at the 15. Two plays later, Cox found the 6-5 Tubb

from 10 yards out with just 27 seconds left.

Down 50-46, Rankin had one last chance, returning the ensuing kickoff at its own 23 with 20 seconds left. Avalos connected with Epley again for a 13-yard gain, taking 10 seconds off the clock.

On the game's final play, Rankin ran a triple reverse pass with Epley throwing the ball, but Justin Tubb stuck with his man down the field and snagged a one-handed interception to end the game.

"This is an emotional win for us," said Helms. "We battled hard with them and beat a great football team. I'm very excited for these kids. They never quit, even when they were down early in the game. They stuck with it, made adjustments and pulled out the win."

The game was a back and forth battle from the second quarter until the end of the game. Rankin held a 14-point lead at the end of the first quarter, but the Wildcats scored on the first play

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HERALD photo/Bruce Schooler

Grady's Leighton Fields hauls in a catch in the Wildcats' 50-46 victory over the Rankin Red Devils Thursday night at Tunnell Field in Lenorah.



# Obituaries

## Tommie Billingsley



Tommie Billingsley, 79, of Big Spring died Thursday, Nov. 8, 2007, at her residence. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Monday, Nov. 12, 2007, at Myers & Smith Chapel with the Rev. Joel Miller officiating. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park.

She was born Sept. 10, 1933, in Brooksmith to Thelma and Thomas Smith. She married James Lee Billingsley on June 8, 1951, in Ackerly. He preceded her in death Nov. 12, 2004. She lived most of her life in Martin, Dawson and Howard counties. She was a member of the Church of Christ and was a homemaker.

She is survived by one daughter, Jaynie Gamble and her husband, Michel, of Colorado City; two sons, Jay Billingsley and his wife, Terrie, of Big Spring and Michael Billingsley and his wife, Sandra, of Boerne; one brother, James Smith and his wife, Wanda, of Farmington, N.M.; one sister, Genie Miller and her husband, Joel, of Big Spring; five grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by one daughter, Dianne Billingsley.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at [www.myersandsmith.com](http://www.myersandsmith.com)

## Alex Valencia



Alex Valencia, 49, of Big Spring died Thursday, Nov. 8, 2007, in Midland. Funeral mass will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 10, 2007, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church with the Rev. James Plagens, pastor of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, officiating. Burial will be at Mt. Olive Memorial Park. Vigil services will be at 7 p.m. Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel. He was born Feb. 7, 1958, in Brownfield. He was a retired electrician. He was a lifetime resident of Big Spring and was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

He is survived by one daughter, Alicia Valencia of Big Spring; three sons, B.J. Perez and Brandon Valencia, both of Big Spring, and A.J. Valencia of Austin; his mother, Bernarda "Nanda" Valencia of Big Spring; six brothers, Ray Valencia Sr., Joe Valencia, Oscar Valencia, Steven Valencia and Ernest "Neto" Valencia, all of Big Spring, and Sabino Valencia Jr. of Lubbock; and seven sisters, Nellie Flores of Phoenix, Ariz., Lupe Yanez of Lamesa, Antonia Lara of San Antonio, Irene Garfias of Houston, Mary Elma Saldavar of Midland, Mary Elva Talamantez of Odessa and Alice Badillo of Arlington.

He was preceded in death by his father, Sabino Valencia Sr.; one daughter, Crystal Valencia; and three brothers, Robert S. Valencia, Arthur S. Valencia and Adam H. Valencia.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at [www.myersandsmith.com](http://www.myersandsmith.com)

## Jerry Woods

Jerry Woods, 67, of Loraine, died Thursday morning, Nov. 8, 2007, in an Abilene hospital. Services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 10, 2007, in the Crockett & Smiley Church of Christ in Loraine with James Adams and Warren Taylor officiating. Burial will follow in the Loraine Cemetery under the direction of Kiker-Seale Funeral Home.

He was born Oct. 22, 1940, in Loraine to Claude and Faye Carpenter Woods. He was a master builder in the construction field and was a member of the Crockett & Smiley Church of Christ.

He is survived by two daughters, Becky Harper and husband, Bob, of Fort Worth and Leah Woods of Lubbock; three brothers, Wesley Woods of Loraine, Laddie Woods of Monroe, La., and James Woods of McKinney; five grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

# Take Note

• The City of Big Spring will close all offices, including the landfill and compost, Monday, in observance of Veterans Day. There will be no sanitation pickup. Emergency services will continue as normal.

• Pediatric flu vaccinations for children ages 6 months to 35 months are now available at the Texas Department of State Health Services clinic in College Park Shopping Center. Cost is \$10, although no one will be turned away for inability to pay. For more information, call 263-9775.

• Vendors are needed for the Christmas Bazaar at Canterbury South for Saturday, Dec. 1. Hours for the bazaar are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Contact Prissy Stanley at 263-1238 or leave a message.

• St. Mary's and friends of St. Mary's are holding a lap blanket drive to place approximately 400 lap blankets in the hands of every nursing home patient in Big Spring. Blankets can be taken to the church office, 1001 Goliad, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. Monday through Friday or call Connie Fowler at 267-2713.

A beginning crochet class is being held at 6 p.m. Wednesday in the church's Parish Hall.

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# Police blotter

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

- **ESTEVAN VALENCIA**, 26, of 1110 13th Street, was arrested Thursday on a charge of public intoxication.
- **ANGELA MCMULLEN**, 33, of 405 E. 10th Street, was arrested Thursday on 13 local warrants.
- **DENISE DEANDA**, 33, of 604 Abrams, was arrested Thursday on a local warrant and a charge of theft.
- **MARK LINDEM**, 29, of 2506 Kelly Circle, was arrested Friday on a charge of failure to identify as a fugitive from justice - giving false information.
- **TIMOTHY RIOS**, 29, of 1309 Utah, was arrested Friday on a charge of disorderly conduct - language.
- **DAVID RODRIGUEZ**, 39, of 2605 W. Highway 80, was arrested Friday on a charge of public intoxication.
- **THEFT** was reported in the 200 block of Marcy.
- **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported in the 3600 block of Dixon.
- **ASSAULT BY CONTACT** was reported in the 1500 block of Third Street.

# Sheriff's report

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

- Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 62 inmates at the time of this report.
- **ANGEL EDIEVERTO TORRES**, 23, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on a charge of theft by check.
  - **RICARDO CASTILLO**, 28, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on charges of evading arrest/detention with a vehicle and unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.
  - **MICHAEL STEWART DEAX**, 30, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on charges of bondsman off bond for driving while license invalid and possession of marijuana - two ounces or less.
  - **JAMES EVERETT ROBERTS**, 38, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on charges of theft (two counts).
  - **RONALD LOUIS FARRIS**, 31, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on judgment/sentence for possession of marijuana - two ounces or less and unlawfully carrying a weapon.
  - **GUERRERO OLIVAS JR.**, 25, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of theft by check.

# Fire/EMS

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

- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported near the intersection of Martin Luther King Blvd. and FM 700. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 3200 block of Parkway. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 500 block of Jeffrey Road. Service refused.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 1500 block of Chickasaw. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **TRAUMA** was reported in the 1500 block of Mesa. Service refused.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 1400 block of E. Sixth Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 1300 block of Birdwell Lane. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **STRUCTURE FIRE** was reported in the 600 block of Abrams.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 300 block of N.W. Eighth Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 900 block of Abrams. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **TRAUMA** was reported in the 1700 block of Harvard. Service refused.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 5700 block of Cedar. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **TRAUMA** was reported in the 1800 block of N. Highway 87. One person was transported to SMMC.

# Weather

Tonight...Mostly clear. Lows around 50. Southeast winds around 10 mph in the evening becoming light and variable.

Saturday...Mostly sunny. Highs in the lower 80s. South winds 10 to 15 mph.

Saturday night...Partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 50s. South winds 10 to 15 mph.

Veterans day...Mostly cloudy. Highs in the upper 70s. South winds 10 to 20 mph.

Sunday night...Mostly cloudy. Lows in the mid 50s.

Monday...Partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 70s.

Monday night...Mostly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows around 50.

Tuesday...Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Cooler. Highs in the lower 60s.

Tuesday night...Partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 40s.

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# Bulletin Board

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**TODAY**  
• Dance at the Senior Center to Monroe Casey and the Prowlers, 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.

**SATURDAY**  
• Eagles Lodge Dance at 8:30 p.m. at 703 W. Third.

**MONDAY**  
• Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) No. 21 meets at 5 p.m. in the Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center, 306 W. Third for weigh-in. The meeting begins at 5:30 p.m. Call 1-800-392-8677 or 263-0391 or 263-1758.  
• Big Spring Band Boosters meet at 5:30 p.m. in the Big Spring High School band hall.

• Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) No. TX 1756 meets in the First Christian Church of Big Spring, 911 Goliad. A different program is offered every week. Enter through the south side door off 10th Street. Call 213-1342 for more information. Weigh-in starts at 5 p.m.; meetings begin at 5:30 p.m.

• Coahoma Lions Club meets at 6 p.m. in the Coahoma Community Center at 306 North Ave.  
• The Christian Motorcyclists Association meets at 7 p.m. at TravelCenters of America truck stop.

• The Concerned Citizens Council meets at 7 p.m. at the Dorothy Lamb meeting room in the Howard County Library. For more information, call 264-6116.

• Archeology Society for Howard and Borden counties meets at 7 p.m. in the Howard County Library Community Room in the basement. Call 270-2615 for more information.

• Prospector's Club work night begins at 7 p.m. at 606 E. Third.

• Big Spring Society of the Order of Beacieants meets at 6:30 p.m. for a meal with meeting that begins at 7:30 p.m. at 221 Main.

• Big Spring Commandry meets at 7:30 p.m. at 221 Main.

**TUESDAY**  
• Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

# Lottery

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Thursday night:  
Winning numbers drawn: 4-7-14-20-30  
Number matching five of five: 1.  
Prize: \$25,264.  
Winning ticket sold in: Houston.

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Winning ticket sold in: Houston.

Results of the Texas Two Step drawing Thursday night:  
Winning numbers drawn: 3-31-32-35. Bonus Ball: 6.  
Number matching four of four, plus Bonus Ball: 1.  
Winning ticket sold in: Dallas.  
Prize: \$200,000.

The winning Daily 4 numbers drawn Thursday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 2-9-0-4. Sum It Up: 15.

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Thursday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 3-7-5

# Correction

The cutline information accompanying a photo of Thursday morning's wreck at the intersection of FM 700 and Martin Luther King Blvd. incorrectly identified the vehicles direction of travel. The pickup was traveling west on FM 700, while the sedan was traveling east on the same roadway.

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of the second to narrow that margin to six.

Grady took its first lead of the game with 2:59 left in the first half, courtesy of an 11-yard touchdown pass from Cox to Lane Shands. Shands set up the score earlier after he picked off Rankin's Juan Hernandez at midfield. However, the Red Devils took a 26-22 lead into half-time.

Neither team took more than a one-score advantage throughout the second half as the two squads exchanged the lead seven times in the final half. One halftime adjustment that did make a difference was Helms' decision to have the Wildcats run most of their offense from a tight set rather than a spread set.

"Honestly, we just wanted to keep the ball out of their hands," Helms explained. "They were making a lot of big plays so we wanted to control the clock. There were several times I felt like we scored too fast. I felt like if we had the ball last then we could win this game, but I didn't want to leave them with enough time to score."

For the Red Devils (9-1, 3-1), this is their first loss of the season. They came into the game ranked fourth in the six-man

Division I polls. Their loss also confuses the playoff seeding a little more within the district. Forty-six is the fewest amount of points Rankin has scored in a full game this season.

With Garden City and Fort Davis playing each other tonight, Rankin will be pulling for Garden City since a Bearkats victory gives them the No. 1 playoff seed. However, if Fort Davis upends Garden City, then Grady would claim the top seed. Regardless of the outcome of tonight's game, though, the Wildcats and Red Devils have clinched the district's two playoff spots.

This is Grady's first trip to the playoffs since 2005, when they were knocked out in the first round by Grandfalls-Royalty, 81-32.

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Mavs finally hold off Warriors, 120-115

By GREG BEACHAM

AP Sports Writer

OAKLAND — When the NBA's best regular season team beats a winless opponent in November, it's normally not hailed as a huge achievement.

Nothing is normal about the Dallas Mavericks' tortured relationship with the Golden State Warriors, however.

Dirk Nowitzki, Jerry Stackhouse and the Mavericks moved their biggest mental block a few inches Thursday night, fleeing Oakland with a 120-115 victory that provided a bit of hollow revenge for their historic playoff failure last spring.

Oracle Arena has been a barrel of monkeys in recent years for the Mavericks, who made the

worst kind of playoff history in their last visits. Eighth-seeded Golden State beat Dallas three times in Oakland last spring, when the Mavs became the first No. 1 seed to lose a seven-game first-round series.

Dallas also had lost five straight regular season games against Golden State, and the Mavs seemed headed for even more trouble when Baron Davis lined up a straightaway 3-point shot to tie the latest meeting.

Davis, who tormented the Mavericks with incredible postseason play last spring, scored 15 of his 37 points in the fourth quarter — but his final shot was just short.

"We gave Baron a look like that, and it looked like he was going to get

it," said Dirk Nowitzki, whose MVP season ended with a playoff meltdown against Stephen Jackson's defense.

Nowitzki scored eight of his 22 points in the fourth quarter, and Josh Howard had 24 before fouling out. The Mavericks needed strong efforts from every veteran to hang on against an 0-5 Golden State team with 10 players in uniform — but any win over the Warriors a relief.

"If we lose, maybe it's a big deal," said Stackhouse, who hit a key 3-pointer with 37 seconds left. "If we win, I don't know if it's that much of a big deal."

Kelenna Azubuike had 27 points and a career-high 11 rebounds for the Warriors.

After Golden State

pulled within one point in the final minute, Stackhouse hit a 3-pointer from the sideline to put the Mavs up 117-113. Davis cut the lead to two points, but Brandon Bass — who wasn't around for last season's defeat — grabbed an offensive rebound amid four Warriors with 8 seconds left.

Stackhouse made just one free throw, giving Golden State a final shot to tie it. But Davis' 3-pointer was short, and Devin Harris hit two free throws to finish with 21 points.

While the Mavs spoke of the win's cathartic aspects, the Warriors have bigger problems — their 0-5 start and another night of dismal free throw shooting (16-for-30).

SALGADO

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too. It's been nice to be back. I'm getting to know my teammates again. We're like family."

Salgado's biggest challenge in returning to the

field was to get back into playing shape.

"Jaime came in out of shape and frankly just a little overweight," Ritchey said. "He's dropped about 30 pounds, though. He's worked hard to get where he is."

"I had to start lifting weights again," added

Salgado. "I've actually gotten a lot strong since I've come back. It was hard, though. I had to really push myself at first."

Salgado and his teammates attempt to wrap up the No. 1 seed in Division II of the Class 4A Texas state football playoffs

when they travel to San Angelo to play the Lake View Chiefs at 7:30 p.m. tonight.

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Also competing for Big Spring on an individual basis is Esther Tobar.

Tobar finished third at the Region I meet, earning her shot at competing for an individual state title.

Other runners from the Crossroads region com-

peting in Round Rock for an individual championship are Coahoma's Josh Jones, Stanton's Albert Lozano and Grady's Eva Dyck and Roy Rodriguez.

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**HOLIDAY MATHIS**

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). The kindness of strangers is not something you rely on regularly. But you do rely on it from time to time, and you are seldom let down. Libra and Aquarius are particularly responsive to your needs.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). An emotional release clears the way. Whatever previously impeded your home life from being totally peaceful will now be brought into the open and dealt with quickly.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). Avoid being practical to a fault. Instead of robotically following through on plans, execute your day's chores with radiant style! The water signs — Cancer, Scorpio and Pisces — inspire you.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). This is a sensational day, literally. It's one "wow" and "zowie" after another. The best surprises are the ones that come because people

**Tomorrow's Horoscope**

are trying to express themselves truthfully to you.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). Just when you thought you could relax, the bell rings, signaling that your break is over. Take comfort in the fact that your work is deeply appreciated by your dear ones — and they'll tell you so, too.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Some people's choices you just don't understand. Still, you have to live with them. It takes all of the compassion you can muster in order to communicate clearly with these people, but do. There's something valuable at stake.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Your problems are few right now, so long as you don't adopt ones that rightfully belong to someone else. No matter how you'd like to unburden a loved one from personal troubles, sooner or later, this person will have to deal.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You get ahead by thinking ahead — especially when it's clear that others aren't. You could hit the jackpot by putting a fantastic idea to practical use. What seems complicated to others becomes clear to you.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Your advice is so stellar now that anyone who doesn't take it is a fool! But what would you advise yourself to do? And the million-dollar question is: Are you brave enough to follow your instruction?

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Your wide range

of interests makes you a fascinating person to be with. A project may not look like you envisioned it would, but it's probably better for its uniqueness.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Just as a sunbeam focused through a magnifying glass can start a fire, when you're focused on good, goodness multiplies and takes over. Your positive outlook causes things to light up in your life.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). You're waiting for the right moment to strike a deal or make a grand effort. Hold off for a few days. Until then, distract yourself with beautiful things: artwork, music and friendship.

**WEEKEND LOVE FORECAST:** **ARIES:** Maybe you can't yet read one another's thoughts, but a subtle heart transmission fills out the picture. **TAURUS:** When confused by your partner's secretive or mysterious behavior, speak now or let it go.

**GEMINI:** Reward your recent lifestyle overhaul with hot tickets and a hot date to the social event of the season. **CANCER:** You feel more at home with love than you've felt in months. Follow your passion, and indulge your whimsy. **LEO:** New social opportunities surround you and stimulate a personal take on things. **VIRGO:** Love will disillusion you. But in that newfound clarity, you gain the joyful, fresh way of looking at the world anew. **LIBRA:** You articulate with grace and express with integrity. A special someone is

captured by your intelligent beauty. **SCORPIO:** You rarely think of yourself as a savior, but when you help someone who needs it, that person does.

**SAGITTARIUS:** You're learning that sometimes keeping a secret is better than telling someone a truth he or she is not ready to hear. Aim to please. **CAPRICORN:** On the arm of a partner who adores you, love is your favorite and best accessory. **AQUARIUS:** You encounter someone strangely beautiful and familiar. **PISCES:** A new romance pumps up the volume and intensity.

**COUPLE OF THE WEEKEND:** Opposites attract this weekend. People who seem dissimilar in many regards find that they still have much in common. Taurus and Scorpio see the world from extremely different places. Still, their loyalties run deep as they share one another's attachment to life's earthy treats. With Scorpio's honesty and Taurus's peace, the power of love tames the stubbornly opposed hearts.

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**Annie's Mailbox®: Advice for those in need**

Dear Annie: "Clint" and I have been married for 25 years and have two teenage children. We have been together since I was 14. He is a very supportive husband and father, and we all love him dearly.

Clint has always been the life of the party. People never know what to expect when they invite him out. His joking can range from throwing small particles of food at someone to taking off his clothes. Sometimes his remarks can be insulting. We have lost old friends because of his actions.

Everyone knows Clint loves the attention, and he definitely finds himself entertaining. But his jokes are old, and I have asked him to grow up and act his age. Recently, we were in a restaurant and he threw water out of a bottle at my girlfriend. He sprayed her along with other people in the restaurant. They were not impressed. Clint left the restaurant not realizing he had offended my girlfriend, but she told me she's had enough.

Clint and I are happy



**KATHY MITCHELL  
MARCY SUGAR**

when we are alone, but when we are out, he is a very immature man. We get into heated arguments when we leave gatherings. He is in such denial that he finds nothing wrong with what he does.

I know Clint reads your column faithfully. Please tell him how to conduct himself in the company of others. — The Joker's Wife

Dear Joker's Wife: Clint is behaving like a parody of a drunken frat boy, and if you are losing friends, it means he has no self-discipline. Some of these episodes sound like poor impulse control or even the manic side of bipolar disorder. Instead of fighting with him, speak calmly and explain that his behavior is costing both of you a great deal and if he is unable to stop, he needs to be evaluated by a medical professional. Clint, if you're reading this, knock it off or get some help.

Dear Annie: I recently got a new job and I love it, but my co-workers are making it miserable to be at work. They are always gossiping about everyone and trying to find others' mistakes. With even the smallest error, they send out an e-mail telling everyone about it and copy our boss.

There is another new person working here who feels as I do, but we don't

know what to do. We both try to find positive things to say, but the others constantly throw negative things out there. We cannot go to our boss because she has a negative attitude also. Maybe that is where they get it.

We have to work together as a team, but it is very hard. Do you have any suggestions? — Louisville, Ky.

Dear Louisville: If the boss projects a negative attitude, it can pervade the entire workplace. You can try speaking to her, without accusing her or anyone else of this behavior, and explain that this interferes with your ability to do a good job and enjoy your work. If that doesn't help, you and your friend can maintain your own island of optimism within your office, but that's about it. And if you find yourself copying your co-workers, you ought to look for another job.

Dear Annie: When I read "Joanna's" letter about her husband saying hurtful things at her expense under the guise of being a joke, it reminded me of how I handled my husband when he started doing those things.

We were at some friends' house playing board games, and when I did something he didn't like, he would say, "That was a stupid thing to do." I warned him not to say things like that in front of our friends and family, but he continued, so the next time, I responded, "Well, everyone here knows I'm not very smart because look who I married." Everyone laughed and he never did it again. — Problem Solved

Dear Problem Solved: Touche!

Dear Annie: My youngest daughter, "Eve," is 15 and recently

started her sophomore year in high school. Lately, she has not been herself. She used to be a vibrant, social girl who would often spend days hanging out with friends. She smiled and laughed often.

Recently, she has become reclusive. I rarely see her smile or laugh. She comes home from school, does homework and spends the rest of the night in her room staring at the ceiling.

I'm very worried about my daughter and don't know what to do. Eve won't talk to anyone in the family, and she has been turning down invitations to go out with her friends. She is like a stranger in my house. Please help me. — Worried in Memphis

Dear Memphis: There could be any number of things going on, but you are smart to pay attention to something that many parents brush off as typical teenage behavior. Here are a few things to look for: Is Eve being bullied or harassed at school by other students? By boys? By teachers? Is she struggling with academics? Has she been rejected by a romantic interest? Might she be having a problem with her sexual identity? Is she taking drugs or using alcohol? Is she depressed?

First, Eve should have a thorough medical checkup because often the problem is physiological. If that isn't the case, open up a dialogue, calmly and lovingly, and listen with an open mind. You also should make an appointment with the school counselor. Eve may act as if she resents your interference, but she will be relieved to know someone cares enough to get involved and throw her a lifeline.

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# BIG SPRING HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT COUNCIL



The Big Spring High School Student Council recently sponsored a Trick or Treat For The Humane Society fundraiser at the high school. In addition to raising \$272, BSHS students collected more than 2,300 pounds of food and other supplies for the animal shelter. Shown with the supplies are, from left, Student Council officers Porscha White, Chelsea Franco, Kady Knox, Lance Gross, Joey Rios and Cade Hollandsworth.

## FUNDING

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new smaller elementaries, another recommendation by the committee, would carry a price tag of around \$53.3 million.

Still needed are major renovations to the high school — a new roof estimated at \$3 million and science labs estimated at \$5.5 million. Forget a new \$63 million high school.

"Jay," said Trustee Mike Dawson, referring his attention to Jay

Edwards, engineer for Parkhill, Smith and Cooper, "could we put another coating on the high school roof (instead of replacing it)?"

"Yes, you can put another polymer coating on it and get another five or six years out of it. It's not a long-term fix, though," Edwards responded.

It's considerations like that one — a potential savings of a little more than \$2 million — that trustees will be facing for months to come.

Ideally, the district needs a new high school

and one or more mega elementaries. The citizens committee recommended closing Anderson, Bauer and Washington elementaries under a one-new elementary proposal, and adding Marcy to the closure list if two new elementaries were to be constructed.

The problems are many, but almost all of them are related to age and overcrowding. Most of the district's facilities are more than 50 years old and constructed as "neighborhood" schools, some smaller than others.

Trustees seemed to agree on several points Thursday — the need for science labs and roof repair at the high school, and the construction of one elementary school.

Any other particulars are up for debate at this point. Dawson spoke in favor of "trying to get as many years out of our elementaries as we have Bauer." He opted, at least preliminarily, for constructing a gymnasium at each existing campus which remains open, so "everyone gets something new."

Others questioned whether the public would support a plan that sends some students to older elementaries and others to a brand new facility.

"Whatever we do, I don't want somebody to come back and be able to say we were shortsighted," said Trustee Phil Fuqueron. "What decisions we make need to be for the long term."

Trustees will be meeting

again ... and again ... and again.

## GROUT

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dent told the board.

Downes told trustees that the only movement that has occurred in the past four years has taken place at the northeast corner.

"So this (the additional \$195,000) is not because of movement, but because of potential movement?" asked Trustee Mike Dawson.

"Yes," said Downes, who added, "I really think this will firm it up."

Trustees unanimously

agreed with the superintendent, who noted funds were already in the budget for the work.

Downes said the work will be done during the summer months.

While the board was hoping to shore up one potential problem, it was looking to possibly get rid of another. After an hour-long executive session, trustees reconvened in open session to allow the administration to put the Runnels campus — the old junior high school — up for sale.

In other business, the board made moves to work with the Gunsight

Mountain Wind Energy project. It agreed to retain Underwood Law Firm for legal work, Perryman Group to perform an economic study and Region 16 and Randy McDowell to conduct state funding adjustments.

What it all means is eventual tax dollars for the district. The 147-turbine project, the majority of which will lie within BSISD's boundaries, will be constructed in 2008. Once on the tax rolls, Invenery will pay full taxes on the property for two years, then the district will cap the property valuation of the project at

\$30 million until 2018, at which time the company will once again pay taxes on the full valuation. An added bonus to the agreement is that Invenery will pay the district 40 cents on every tax dollar it saves above that \$30 million mark.

Among other business, trustees also approved resignations of Maria Garcia, a junior high English teacher, and Susan Hutchinson, a high school English teacher. And, they OK'd the hiring of Edetha Joy Burnsed as English teacher at the high school.

## FESTIVAL

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local talent, including Calvin and Cody Carnes, is going to perform," said Johnson. "We're really excited about hearing them. They perform everything from country swing to country rock, and they will have several local musicians joining

them as special guests."

Among the guest musicians expected to perform with Georgia Cracker are Guy Will Zant and Vince Hatfield, according to Johnson.

"It's a chance for everyone to come out and enjoy some good, local music," said Johnson. "There will be room to dance, as well, so it may very well turn into a street dance."

Johnson said vendors are expected to begin offering their tasty treats beginning at 4 p.m., with the concert expected to get under way at 7 p.m.

For more information, contact Johnson at 267-6278.

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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:

- The Big Spring High School and Howard College drama departments' production of "Camelot." Great job. If you missed it, it will be held again at 7 p.m. tonight and Tuesday night and a special 2 p.m. matinee Sunday, all at the high school auditorium.

- Sandra Bloom, Howard County elections administrator, and her staff on receiving a certificate of appreciation from Texas Secretary of State Phil Wilson.

- The Forsan High School band on winning the Class 1A state marching championship earlier this week in San Antonio. What a great program Jim Rhodes has put together. Exceptional, everyone!

- Everyone who took the time to cast a ballot in the jail bond and state constitutional amendments election Tuesday.

- And of course, all our veterans. Veterans Day is officially Sunday though some entities will observe it as a holiday Monday. We hope you were able to attend this morning's tribute at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum, put on by the Big Spring VA Medical Center and others.

- Congratulations, too, to Jack Hancock, Hangar 25 Air Museum's Veteran of the Month for November. Don't forget, a reception will be held in his honor at 6 p.m. Monday at the museum and you are invited.

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

You, Lord are our power and our path to a more enjoyable life.

Amen

# The will to live; Maxine's madness

Have you seen the cartoon character Maxine? She's the Hallmark cartoon caricature of a cranky old lady that holds a coffee cup proclaiming, "I love my bad attitude." She suffers hot flashes and lives on Crabby Lane in a little trailer with pink flamingos. She always wears bunny slippers, a bathrobe and a pair of sunglasses.



TROY BREWER

My grandmother collects Maxine paraphernalia. Like many of her peers, Nana believes Maxine to be her personal prophet and irritable voice of one crying out in the wilderness.

Maxine answers the phone by saying things like, "I'm busy right now. Can I ignore you later?" She lays on her worn out couch as she says, "If each day is a gift, I'd like to know where to return Mondays." She has a website for you to send complaints. Its www.Like-I-Care.com

There's no end to Maxine's musings and complaints. She prides herself in telling it like it is and as she sees it.

Just recently I got a funny e-mail that stated Maxine's living will. A living will is the instructions you leave in the event you are totally incapacitated. Here's what she said....

"I, MAXINE, being of sound mind and body, do not wish to be kept alive indefinitely by artificial means. Under no circumstances should my fate be put in the hands of pinhead politicians who couldn't pass ninth-grade biology if their lives depended on it, or lawyers/ doctors interested in simply running up the bills. If a reasonable amount of time passes and I fail to ask for at least one of the following:

- A Glass of wine.
- Chocolate.
- Chicken fried steak and cream gravy.
- Chocolate.
- Mexican food.
- French fries.
- Chocolate.
- Pizza.
- Chocolate.
- Ice cream.
- A cup of tea or coffee.
- Chocolate.
- Sex.
- And finally, chocolate.

It should be presumed that I won't ever get better. When such a determination is reached, I hereby instruct my appointed person and attending physicians to pull the plug, reel in the tubes, let the 'fat lady sing' . . . and call it a day!"

### Life and the Pursuit Of

Lots of people have pulled the plug on their dreams and settled down into a life of apathy.

The will to live is not just about wanting to survive. There are peo-

ple all around us in a healthy body who don't have the will to live past where they are.

The Brewer herby encourages you to be a dreamer, so sip on this.

Some Christians know the story about Lots wife and how her look back got her killed. But what most people don't realize is it is just as deadly to stay where you are as it is to look back. Life has something better to offer you. Get up and get after it.

God does not make the distinction between sacred and secular. He is the God of "better" and "all" things. In Mark 9:23 Jesus said, "If you can believe, all things are possible to him who believes."

So it is absolutely ok with God for you to dream big dreams that don't have anything to do with traditional church. It makes God just as happy when you accomplish a goal for your family, like an awesome vacation for instance, as it does when a guy like me builds a food bank warehouse to feed the poor.

Dream a big dream and do something cool. Move off of Crabby Lane and refuse to pull the plug on hoping for better things.

Psalms 37:4 "Delight yourself in the LORD and he will give you the desires of your heart."

The Rev. Troy Brewer welcomes your comments. E-mail him at FFTB@OpenDoorMinistries.org.



OSAMA FOR EVERYONE

# You're poor? But we're a rich nation

The economic news sounds swell: the stock market is exploding, productivity is booming, employment is up, welfare is down and exports are growing with the cheaper dollar. Plainly God is in Her heaven. OK, a lot of people are losing their homes, but only the foolish ones who overmortgaged. Dummies!



WILLIAM A. COLLINS

Clearly, this scenario is America's conventional wisdom, as promoted by government and media alike. Connecticut's governor, for example, always offers some cheery quote along with the monthly labor statistics. Just now it seems that employment under her leadership is almost back where it was in 2000. Wow!

Of course, dismal news exists as well, but no one thrills at being the bearer of bad tidings. Take productivity. The Associated Press loves to remind us that it is productivity growth that makes possible the payment of higher wages. But somehow space constraints never seem to allow them to report that employers gave up that higher wages stuff decades ago. Now they keep all that juicy new profit margin for themselves.

Or let's contemplate the current mortgage meltdown. The stock market has recovered with flying colors, even if those who were

foreclosed haven't. Oh well, collateral damage happens. But keep in mind that even today's sobbing homeowners are still in the top two-thirds of American prosperity. The bottom third continues to rent, not able to buy a home in the first place. They're easy to overlook because as non-investors, weak consumers and casualties of the political process, renters don't warrant much attention in the media.

Then there are all those new jobs that the president loves to tout. But about half of them are "service" work, which is to say, ill paid. That's not widely reported in the economic news either. The business community prefers that we imagine this expanding new employment connotes white collars in the office-dominated states and blue collars in manufacturing states. Too often, unfortunately, it connotes no collars in every state.

What so many of those new jobs actually represent is Latino immigrants, with or without portfolio, working as lawn cutters, office cleaners, sales clerks, bus boys, "security" guards, painters, hotel maids, delivery drivers, waiters and all those other tasks where language is not a serious barrier.

These jobs pay poorly and lack benefits, though in fact, they are not always performed by immigrants. Many such workers are native born and used to be better off before all that productivity improvement, outsourcing and union busting. Now they've had to

swallow pride and penury.

Thus, astonishingly, in the midst of all our national glitz, there is this mess of untidy poverty. Disparity between rich and poor is growing, health coverage is shrinking, the middle class is eroding and, unbelievably, housing analysts are now measuring the number of families who disastously spend half their income on rent. That's 2.1 million nationally, plus another 2.4 million homeowners in the same fix.

When I was young, paying even a third of your income for rent was a recipe for disaster. Half is unthinkable.

Advocates for the poor understandably seek improvements: Higher welfare benefits, more subsidized housing, enhanced food stamps, higher wages — the usual litany. But the greatest of these is wages.

Our nation really puts its back into keeping them down. We invite in the cheapest goods from abroad, suppress the minimum wage, bust unions and cheerfully bankrupt families over lack of health insurance.

To help us fathom all this perversity, TV could really use a Labor Report to go along with the Business Report. But who would sponsor it?

Columnist William A. Collins is a former state representative and a former mayor of Norwalk, Conn.

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# Club News

## Tops 21

Gay Smith was the guest speaker at Tops No. 21 Monday meeting. The title of Smith's talk was "Fluid and Fiber." Ms. Smith retired after more than 50 years in food service, with

the last 16 years at the state hospital.

The club met at Dora Roberts with Alex Sechelski presiding. The meeting opened with a prayer by Olnee Menges. The Tops and Kops pledges were recited. Carol led the welcom-

ing song.

Duffy Yancey gave a reading "Footprints in the Sand." Menges' reading was "That's My Story," while Carol Smith gave a reading "Trick or Treat."

Hughetta Roberts had the roll

call. There was one Turlie, and Smith was the best loser.

The meeting adjourned with the closing song.

## The Mighty Oaks Club

The Mighty Oaks Club will

meet at 11 a.m. Nov. 20, at Furr's Cafeteria. This organization is for senior women who are interested in meeting the spiritual, social and physical needs of senior adults. The meal is dutch treat.

# State Briefs

## Counselor gets 27 years for assaulting patients

EDINBURG (AP) — A South Texas mental health counselor has been sentenced to 27 years in prison for sexually assaulting four of his patients.

Sigifredo Flores, 51, of Progreso Lakes, was convicted on 11 counts of sexual assault and two counts of sexual contact, all second-degree felonies. The victims, two adults and two children, testified that they had been abused over a period of almost nine years.

A Hidalgo County jury on Thursday also levied a fine of \$125,000.

Defense lawyer Al Alvarez said he will appeal the decision and request a new trial.

The Texas Department of Family and Protective Services learned of the case in 2005 after allegations surfaced indicating that Flores was sexually abusing patients. Flores was arrested in August 2006.

Flores has also been indicted on a charge of theft over \$20,000 for allegedly billing Medicaid for treatment he didn't provide. A status hearing in that case is scheduled for Tuesday.

## Several hurt in Houston escalator accident

HOUSTON (AP) — Several people required medical attention after an escalator accident in Houston involving about 30 riders.

Investigators will try to determine why an escalator at the George R. Brown Convention Center sped up -- then suddenly stopped.

Authorities say teachers had been attending an education conference at the convention center Thursday night when the accident happened.

Fire Department Captain Donnie Archibald says "everybody just rolled down to the bottom" when the escalator stopped.

At least six people were taken away on stretchers. Emergency personnel say the injuries appeared to be minor.

The escalator was shut down after the accident.

## Discovery astronauts return to Texas after historic mission

HOUSTON (AP) — After a 15-day mission that included a number of firsts, notations for history books and a dangerous unplanned spacewalk, the seven astronaut-crew of the space shuttle Discovery were greeted by a cheering crowd of family, friends and co-workers Thursday at Houston's Ellington Field.

"It's just wonderful to be here, finally, face to face with you again," said Commander Pamela Melroy, who provided the mission with one of its historical

accomplishments.

When the shuttle landed in Florida Wednesday after its first coast-to-coast re-entry since the Columbia disaster five years ago, Melroy became the second woman to land a space shuttle. The flight coincided with the first female-led space station crew.

## Guard shortage forces TYC to move inmates from boot camp

AUSTIN (AP) — The Texas Youth Commission has moved dozens of juvenile inmates from the Sheffield Boot Camp in West Texas because of a shortage of guards, officials said.

Commission records show that 77 inmates were being held at the lockup on Tuesday, down from 95 last week and 128 in the spring.

Officials said the military-style boot camp in Iraan, about 225 miles northwest of San Antonio, now has 32 correctional officers on duty, about a third of the 92 authorized positions.

"We've had some (juvenile correctional officer) resignations and, in order to maintain proper staffing ratios, yes, we're going to have to move some of the kids," Youth Commission spokesman Jim Hurley said.

The facility lost 12 guards to resignation in September and October, and 11 others are on extended medical leave, officials said. Hurley said three guards resigned in the past two weeks. There are 49 guard jobs open.

## Sex assault victim wins civil suit against Houston mall

HOUSTON (AP) — A woman who was abducted at the Galleria and sexually assaulted has won a civil lawsuit against the mall and its security firm.

A Harris County jury on Thursday awarded the woman more than \$3 million in damages stemming from the 2003 attack in a parking garage at the luxury shopping center.

The victim, who worked at the mall, sued the Galleria's parent company, HG Shopping Center, L.P., and its security provider, IPC International Corp.

The suit accused the shopping center and the security company of not warning employees that a predator had attacked other women in the mall's parking garages that summer.

"It's a wake-up call to the Galleria that you need to enhance your security," said the woman's attorney, David Matthews. "When you know there's a pattern of crime in the parking garages you must warn employees and customers."

Joe Garnett, an attorney for IPC, said the firm is considering its options, including an appeal. HG's attorney could not be reached for comment.

Juan Reyes Solis, 24, was convicted last year of aggravated sexual assault and sentenced to 80 years in prison for the attack on the woman.

## DeLay says Clinton will win unless GOP gets its act together

OXFORD, England (AP) — Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton will capture the presidency in 2008 unless the Republican Party can rise to meet the challenge, former House Majority Leader Tom DeLay said Thursday.

DeLay, once a pillar of the Republican establishment and still a fierce Clinton opponent, said the New York senator had the intelligence and organization to beat her Democratic rivals — and her Republican opponents.

"Don't kid yourself. She will be the next nominee, and if Republicans don't get their act together — and it is pitiful — she will be the next president," he told a crowd of Britons and Americans at the Oxford Union, a 184-year-old debating society.

DeLay, a Texan who resigned from Congress in 2006 amid legal and ethical problems, was in Oxford to debate the merits of a Democratic victory in 2008.

## Man gets life prison term for killing El Paso landlord

EL PASO (AP) — Life in prison has been ordered for a man convicted in the 2006 shooting death of his landlord.

A jury on Thursday convicted Francisco Gonzalez, 49, of murder in the June 2006 slaying of 57-year-old Celia Rico.

A confession read in court indicated Gonzalez told investigators he had a dispute with the woman involving prize money he won from a casino.

Her body turned up the following month in a canal near Anthony.

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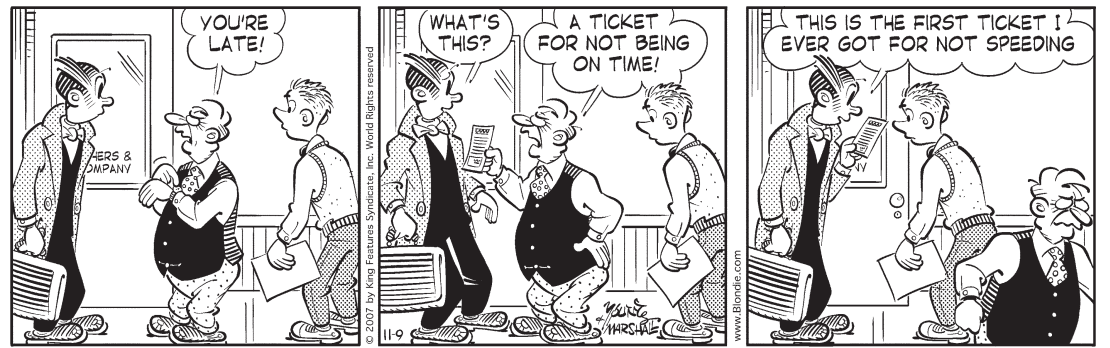


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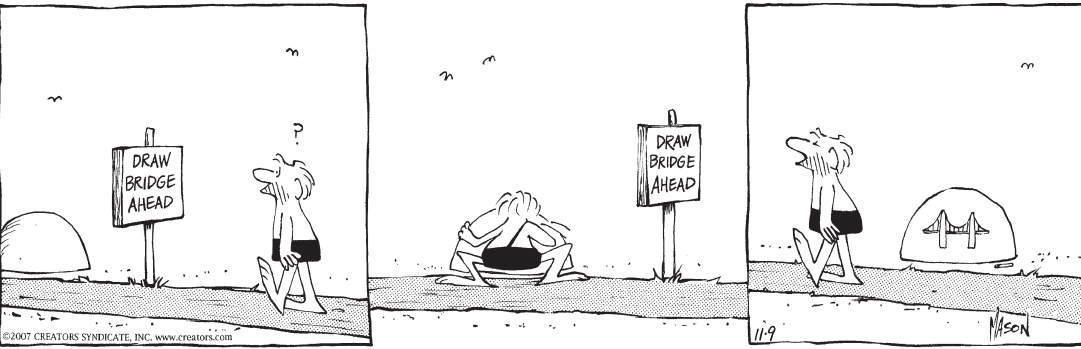
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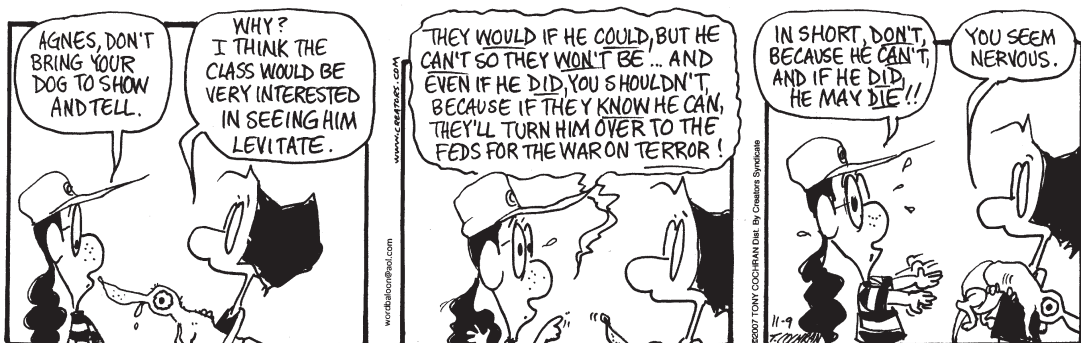
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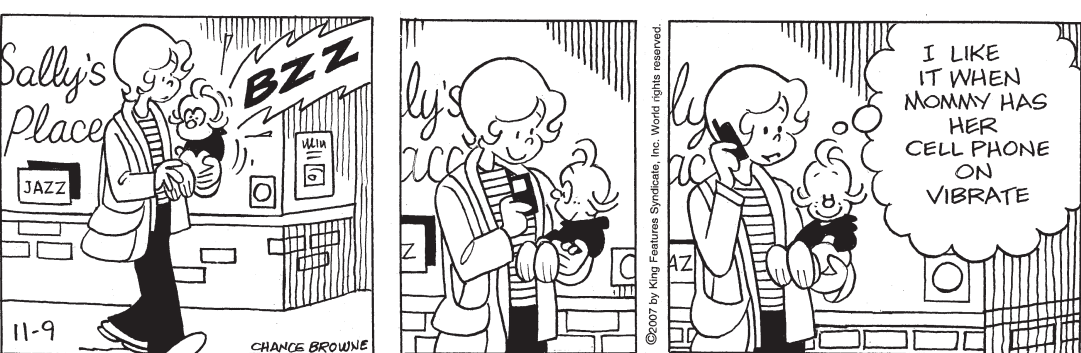
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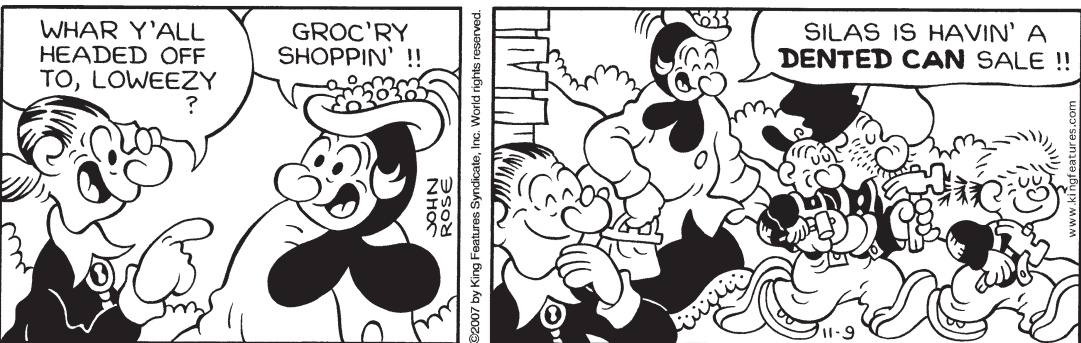
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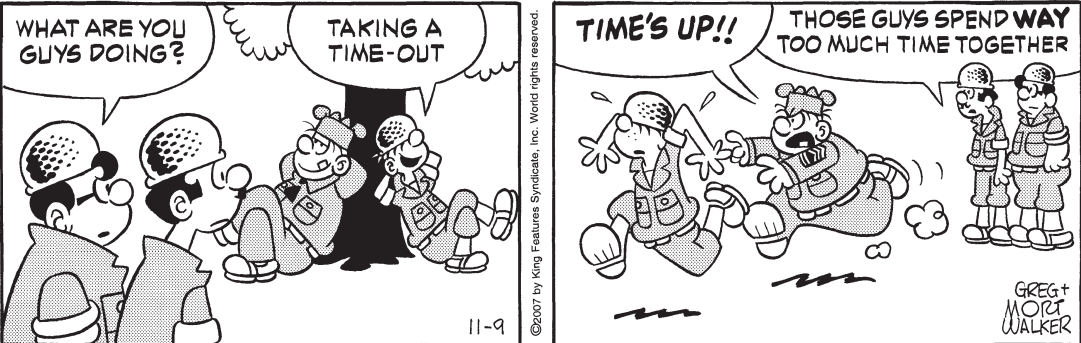
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This Date In History

Today is Friday, Nov. 9, the 313th day of 2007. There are 52 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Nov. 9, 1965, the great Northeast blackout happened as a series of power failures lasting up to 13-12 hours left 30 million people in seven states and part of Canada without electricity.

In 1872, fire destroyed nearly 800 buildings in Boston.

In 1918, it was announced that Germany's Kaiser Wilhelm II would abdicate. He then fled to the Netherlands.

In 1935, United Mine Workers president John L. Lewis and other labor leaders formed the Committee for Industrial Organization (later Congress of Industrial Organizations).

In 1938, Nazis looted and burned synagogues as well

as Jewish-owned stores and houses in Germany and Austria in what became known as "Kristallnacht."

In 1963, twin disasters struck Japan as some 450 miners were killed in a coal-dust explosion, and about 160 people died in a train crash.

In 1967, a Saturn V rocket carrying an unmanned Apollo spacecraft blasted off from Cape Kennedy on a successful test flight.

In 1976, the U.N. General Assembly approved resolutions condemning apartheid in South Africa, including one characterizing the white-ruled government as "illegitimate."

In 1986, Israel revealed it was holding Mordechai Vanunu, a former nuclear technician who had vanished after providing information to a British newspaper about Israel's nuclear weapons program. (Vanunu was convicted of treason and served 18 years in prison.)

In 1989, communist East Germany threw open its borders, allowing citizens to travel freely to the West;

joyous Germans danced atop the Berlin Wall.

Today's Birthdays: Sportscaster Charlie Jones is 77. Baseball executive Whitey Herzog is 76. Former Sen. Bob Graham, D-Fla., is 71. Singer Mary Travers is 71. Actor Charlie Robinson ("Night Court") is 62. Movie director Bille August is 59. Actor Robert David Hall ("CSI") is 59. Actor Lou Ferrigno is 55. Gospel singer Donnie McClurkin is 48. Rock musician Dee Plakas (L7) is 47. Rapper Pepa (Salt-N-Pepa) is 38. Rapper Scarface (Geto Boys) is 38. Blues singer Susan Tedeschi is 37. Actor Eric Dane is 35.

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Answer to previous puzzle

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Newsday Crossword

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| <b>ACROSS</b>                 | <b>DOWN</b>              |                                    |
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| 10 Location                   | 3 Imperial attire of old | 42 Rice beverage                   |
| 14 Resting upon               | 4 Leisure hours          | 46 Article in <i>Der Spiegel</i>   |
| 15 Leave wanting more         | 5 Trusty horse           | 48 Edith Head's Oscar collection   |
| 16 Use hip boots              | 6 Brief                  | 49 General at Antietam             |
| 17 Ravi Shankar offering      | 7 Break from work        | 50 Invalidate                      |
| 18 "Rubber Duckie" singer     | 8 Hong Kong's location   | 51 Of birth                        |
| 19 White House worker         | 9 Marquess, e.g.         | 53 Strike callers                  |
| 20 Beagle passenger           |                          | 54 Colts or Broncos                |
| 23 Large sea duck             |                          | 55 Pigeon's erstwhile kin          |
| 24 Where to get <i>Lost</i> ? |                          | 56 Deeply moves                    |
| 26 Fringe groups              |                          | 57 <i>A Beautiful Mind</i> subject |
| 29 Jima                       |                          | 58 Popeye's pal                    |
| 31 Dolly's cry                |                          | 59 Sign of summer                  |
| 33 Hybrid fruit               |                          |                                    |
| 34 "Dream Lover" singer       |                          |                                    |
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| 39 New York city              |                          |                                    |
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| 44 Erie-to-Philadelphia dir.  |                          |                                    |
| 45 Start of MGM's motto       |                          |                                    |
| 46 Antiknock fuel             |                          |                                    |
| 47 Rough journey              |                          |                                    |
| 49 Excessive excitement       |                          |                                    |
| 52 Forrest Gump's friend      |                          |                                    |
| 58 Jackie's couturier         |                          |                                    |
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| 62 "Sure!"                    |                          |                                    |

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# Church News

## Friends of Unity

In honor of Armistice Day Sunday, Friends of Unity will observe three minutes of silence at noon.

## First Christian Church

If you have been thinking about visiting First Christian Church, this coming Sunday would be a good time to come see us!

First Christian's annual Thanksgiving feast will take place immediately after church in the Fellowship Hall. It is a pot-luck dinner. There is no charge for the meal. We would be thankful if you just stopped by to join us.

Sunday school is at 9:30 a.m. and worship begins promptly at 10:50 a.m. This Sunday's worship will include special music by the Rainwaters and Molly Walker. Dr. McIntosh's message, SFHF, based on 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17, will explore living a life of faith in the face of the many doomsday scenarios predicted by scientists and prophecies.

Also Sunday, as other congregations have done, we will be collecting a special offering for the

family of the Rev. Shane Brue, pastor of First United Methodist Church.

Regarding youth, watch for announcements about a special event called FFITL Wednesday, Nov. 21, immediately after school lets out. All middle school and high school teens are invited to First Christian for an afternoon of fun. Be sure to wear your grubbier clothes.

## College Baptist Church

Serendipity will meet Monday in the Fellowship Hall. Mission project is collecting food for Thanksgiving baskets. All ladies of the community are invited to attend. Call the church office to arrange for child care.

"Praise Incorporated" will be in concert at College Baptist Saturday, Nov. 17, at 7 p.m. There is no admission charge to this concert, but a love offering will be taken. Everyone in the community is invited to attend.

Plans are under way for the Annual Churchwide Thanksgiving Dinner Tuesday, Nov. 20, at 6:30 p.m.

Men of the church held a workday Saturday, Nov.

3, to assist with painting and other tasks needed to complete additional rooms at the Hospitality House.

## First Presbyterian Church

The Working Women's Bible Study group met at 6 p.m. in the church parlor on Thursday, Nov. 8. Presbyterian Women's group will meet at 2 p.m. in the library Tuesday, Nov. 27. Both groups are studying "Above and Beyond, Hearing God's Call in Jonah and Ruth" by Carol M. Bechtel.

Last week was a busy week for the church. The Youth Connections group held a "Trunk or Treat" party for little trick-or-treaters in the parking lot. They were grateful for help from adults for supplying candy and their car trunks.

Friday we, along with

First Presbyterian, Coahoma, hosted the 80th stated meeting of Tres Rios Presbytery. Thanks go to the Coahoma women for breakfast snacks and to the Big Spring women for the lunch, to Janet Payne and the Service Committee, to Marj Carpenter and the Worship Committee, to Mike Mitchell and the choir for the music, and to our church secretary for the programs.

For those who missed the worship and communion service, it is worthwhile to attend a presbytery worship to hear the entire congregation sing!

The Service Committee thanks everyone who donated to the blood drive Sunday afternoon. Appreciation is due to that committee for providing lunch to those giving the gift of life.

Bible Study is at 5:17

p.m. Wednesday in the library. Youth Connections meets from 6-8 p.m. Wednesdays and the choir practices from 6 to 7 p.m.

Sunday is Veterans' Day, a time to remember all those who have served our country. Our guest preacher will be the Rev. Bert Bronaugh, retired pastor from Ballinger. The liturgist for November is Mike Robinson. Ushers for the month are Sue Carter, Louise Hitch, Lynn Glass and Helen Glass. Those responsible for Take Ten fellowship time are Lisa Harwood, Katie Grimes, Pat Fleming and Kay Kennemur.

Music for Sunday worship will include the anthems "Fairest Lord Jesus," arranged by Elizabeth Campbell and "The Lord Is My Light and My Salvation" by Robert J. Powell, based on

Psalm 27:1, 4-6.

Lectionary for the day is Haggai 1:5b-2:9; Psalm 145:1-21 or Psalm 98; 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17; Luke 20:27-38.

Please keep in mind that Sunday, Nov. 18, we will be celebrating the 116th anniversary of our church with preaching by Dennis Haralson, commissioned lay pastor from Seminole; "A Moment for History" by Marj Carpenter; special music by the Lone Star Brass from Midland; and anthems by our choir. Everyone is invited to come and celebrate with us.

## First United Methodist Church

Sunday, we will observe Laity Sunday at both services of worship featuring members of our church

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**Contract Bridge**

By Steve Becker

**Test Your Play**

1. You are declarer with the West hand at Four Hearts. North leads the A-K-Q of diamonds, South following suit. How would you play the hand?

West: ♠AK8, ♥AKQ105, ♦J4, ♣Q93  
East: ♠6432, ♥96, ♦952, ♣AKJ10

2. This is a double-dummy problem, which means you are permitted to look at all four hands in trying to find the solution. You are declarer with the South hand at Five Clubs, and West leads the jack of diamonds. How would you play the hand?

NORTH: ♠K6532, ♥1097, ♦A6, ♣543  
WEST: ♠QJ97, ♥K62, ♦J10974, ♣6  
EAST: ♠A104, ♥J854, ♦Q853, ♣K2  
SOUTH: ♠8, ♥AQ3, ♦K2, ♣AQJ10987

1. Ruff the diamond and lead the ten of hearts! This unusual play gives you your best chance to make the contract. If you were to play the A-K-Q of trumps instead, hoping to find the suit divided 3-3 or to catch the doubleton jack, the contract would be in jeopardy if either opponent started with the J-x-x-x of trumps.

By leading the ten of hearts at trick four, you maintain control of trumps to the fullest extent possible. The opponent who wins with the jack cannot profitably return a diamond, since you would ruff it with dummy's nine. And if he leads anything else, you can then draw trumps with the A-K-Q and make the contract except in the unlikely event that the trumps are divided 5-1 or 6-0.

2. The only problem, of course, is to overcome the shortage of entries to dummy. To resolve this issue, win the diamond with the king and return the queen of hearts!

West wins but is helpless. Let's say he returns a diamond. You win in dummy and lead the ten of hearts. If East covers with the jack, you win with the ace, lead a heart to dummy's nine and take the trump finesse. If East does not cover the ten of hearts, you remain in dummy and take the trump finesse that much sooner. In either case, you wind up with 11 tricks.

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**In This Season Of Hope**

22nd annual **HERALD** Community Christmas Parade

5:30 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 1

Parade theme: "Peace On Earth"

Entry deadline — Noon, Friday, Nov. 16

The parade will begin promptly at 5:30 p.m. and head north on Gregg Street toward downtown, arriving in time for the downtown Christmas celebration.

**\$100 Herald's Best of Show Award:** for best interpretation of theme.  
**\$75 Mayor's Trophy:** for best use of lighting.  
**\$50 Grand Marshall's Award:** for best costuming.

First-place plaques will be awarded in the following categories:  
1. Individual or family 2. Civic group, school or church  
3. Commercial 4. Industrial

In addition, certificates of commendation will be awarded to the second- and third-place entries in each of those categories. Also, a special award will be presented to the best sheriff's posse, riding club or other mounted entry.

**PARADE RULES**

- The parade's official Santa Claus will be provided by the Herald. **No other Santa Claus will be permitted in the parade.**
- Floats should not exceed 65 feet in length, 8 feet in width and 14 feet in height.
- Antique vehicles will be the only undecorated vehicles permitted without special permission from Parade Committee.
- Vehicles of a strictly commercial nature will not be permitted.
- Parade entries not in line by the start of the parade will be placed at the end of the parade and will not be eligible for awards.
- For safety, do not throw candy from your float. Small children run up under the tires. Please have someone walking beside your float if you want to throw candy.

**2007 Christmas Parade Entry Form**

Name of organization: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of contact person: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone number: \_\_\_\_\_

You will receive by return mail, your float number and a map showing where to go to line up.

**New Categories**

Individual/Family  Civic/church/school  
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QUESTIONS? CALL (432) 263-7331, Ask for Elizabeth Flores or Rick Nunez

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**CHURCH**

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speaking on programs, hopes, dreams and plans for the future at First Methodist.

Featured speakers will include Jan Foresyth, Shelly Smith, Delbert Donelson, Debbie van Pelt and Murray Murphy.

Services of worship are held each Sunday at 8:30 a.m. and 10:50 a.m. with Sunday school classes for all ages at 9:45. Mid week worship is held at noon Wednesday with Bible study and lunch in Garrett Hall.

At noon Sunday the youth will be serving a traditional Thanksgiving dinner with turkey, dressing and all the trimmings. This is their primary fund-raiser and an annual event that brings our congregation together for very special fellowship. Plan to attend; its a real treat.

Our new youth director, Brent Williams, has arrived on the scene just in time to get well acquainted with the church kitchen. We are very pleased to welcome Brent and his family to Big Spring from their home in Graham and are looking forward to wonderful additions to our youth program. Be sure to stop by and meet Brent; you're going like him.

Project Light classes are held four times each week, concentrating on teaching English as a second language. Meeting times are at 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday and 1 p.m. Tuesday. For more information, contact Agustin at 267-6394.

Choir rehearsals for The Living Christmas Tree continue Saturdays and Mondays. There's still time to join in singing the beautiful familiar songs of Christmas.

Our congregation and the pastor's family thank

each and everyone for your gifts and concerns for Shane. We ask that you continue to pray for strength, faith and courage for this special family.

If you are looking for a church home you have a special invitation to join us at First United Methodist. Our buildings are located at Fourth and Scurry streets in the heart of downtown Big Spring.

**Birdwell Lane Baptist Church**

Blessings to you and your family. If you do not have a Church home we invite you to visit us at 1512 Birdwell Lane. Sunday worship services are 10:55 a.m. and 5 p.m. Childrens Church is during Sunday morning service. For a ride to church, call 264-9924 or 267-7157.

November is our International Missions Month. All during the month missionaries will be with us. This Sunday will be our International Missions and Thanksgiving dinner. During Sunday morning services our speaker will be Dr. Martin Wilkins, dean at Trinity Valley Baptist College in Kennedale. Earlier in his ministry he was a missionary to Germany. Our evening speaker will be Dr. Gene Krieg, with Macadonian Street Ministry.

The ladies will be meeting in the fellowship hall from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday and decorating for our International Missions and Thanksgiving dinner.

Saturday, the youth will be decorating our Christmas float entry. They are also selling tickets to help one of our youth go to Europe this summer with the People To People Program for three weeks.

Wednesday, Cory Ricker, missionary to the blind in Peru, will be

with us giving his presentation.

For further information call 267-7157 or 267-8214.

**Spring Tabernacle**

11 Chron. 7-14. Have drugs and alcohol or any other addictions plagued your family or friends? Let's come together in unity and one accord and believe and pray that God will hear and heal our land.

As the saying goes, "Believe and receive or doubt and do without."

Spring Tabernacle Ministries, 1209 Wright, will open our church every Friday from 4 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. for city wide prayer meetings.

**St. Mary's Episcopal Church**

Everyone is invited to attend worship services at St. Mary's this Sunday. Holy communion will be celebrated at 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Sunday school for all ages begins at 9:30 a.m.

St. Mary's will host a holiday luncheon for our church ladies and their friends Saturday at 11 a.m. in the parish hall. Bring your favorite salad to share. Drinks, crackers and other condiments will be provided by the church. After lunch, there will be a fun style show and a holiday presentation about making holiday wreaths by Q.T. Coats from Timeless Design.

St. Mary's Vestry will meet Monday at 6 p.m. in the library.

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

**Spring Creek Fellowship**

It hardly seems possible, but Spring Creek Fellowship is one year old! God has blessed our church so wonderfully in the last year. Wednesday

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by noon Wednesday

night will be a special time of food, fun and fellowship as we praise God for all of His blessings. We will meet for a special supper at Kokopellis to celebrate starting at 5:45 p.m. Come join us for this special time. God has blessed us in so many ways and we rejoice in His provision of land that will be a new campus for SCF in the future. Be watching for the sign that will soon be on FM 700.

This Sunday will be a great one as it always is. Our pastor, Dennis Teeters, continues the sermon series on grace with "Grace Escape,"

based on Ephesians 2:10. Sundays begin with donuts and coffee at 9 a.m. and Sunday school at 9:30 a.m. with groups for all ages. Sunday evening begins at 5 p.m. with Bible studies for men and women, youth choir for the teens and AWANAs for children 3 and up. Worship begins at 6 p.m. with a great time and praise led by worship pastor Stan Hanes and a sermon by our pastor.

We would love to connect with you and your family. You can get to SCF by going down I-20 east to the Salem exit. Turn left under the over-

pass and left on the service road. Spring Creek is on the right just before the on ramp. Call us at 714-4584 or visit our Web site at [springcreekfellowship.org](http://springcreekfellowship.org).

**Free concert Nov. 17**

A few groups around town and church families have arranged for Dennis Jernigan to hold a free concert at 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 17, at the municipal auditorium.

If you aren't familiar with his work, here is his Web site address: <http://www.dennisjernigan.com>

He will also be signing CDs at The Master's Touch from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 4, and will sing during the 10 a.m. service at First Church of the Nazarene, Sunday, Nov. 18.

It's surely to be a blessing to anyone who attends.

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