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*VAMC gets new director

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

The Big Spring VA Medical Center will soon have a new director.

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Susan Bowers, director of Veterans Integrated Service Network 18, announced that Daniel Marsh has been appointed director of the West Texas VA Health Care System, which includes the local medical center and its outlying service area.



Marsh

ceeds Michael Bell, who resigned as WT-VAHCS director in February. Dr. Chris Bacorn has acting been

director of the medical center since that time.

His appointment is ef-

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Big Spring Fire Department Lt. Steve Bedell lets young Jack Hamby try his helmet on for size during the firefighters' visit to Tot Stop Day Care Center on Main Street Thursday morning.

Exemplary! TEA changes rating

at Elbow Elementary

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

FORSAN — Texas Education Agency officials announced this week they are changing the accountability rating for Elbow Elementary from Recognized to Exemplary.

The Exemplary rating —

the highest given by TEA – is the first for Elbow Elementary since 2002; the campus has been rated as Recognized (the second highest rating available) since that time. It is the only Howard County

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AP Photo/Richard Drew

Specialist Justin Bohan holds his head as he works at his post on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange, Thursday. Stocks plunged in the final minutes of trading, sending the Dow Jones industrials down more than 675 points, or more than 7 percent, to their lowest level in five years.

Snowballing sell-off spreads worldwide

By TIM PARADIS and **MARTIN CRUTSINGER**

AP Business Writers

NEW YORK — Stock prices in Asia and Europe careened lower Friday, extending a stampede of selling that began in on Wall Street a day earlier. deepening a global financial crisis that has defied all efforts to stop it.

This week's coordinated interest rate cuts by the world's central banks to thaw frozen credit markets and boost investor confidence have fallen flat as markets remain gripped by fears about the scale and depth of the likely global recession.

Wall Street headed lower Friday with the Dow Jones industrials dropping 600 points in early trading. President Bush was expected to make a statement on the financial crisis Friday morning.

The Wall Street Journal reported that government officials are considering temporarily guaranteeing all U.S. bank deposits and billions of dollars of bank debt, in addition to possibly buying stakes in individual banks. The New York Times also said officials are reviewing a British proposal that also includes repayment guarantees for certain types of loans.

Administration officials told The Associated Press that

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Trade Days returns to Stanton this weekend

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

STANTON — It's time to trade — or more to the point, to sell and buy — in the city of Stanton, as the Old Sorehead Trade Days gets ready for its last run this year.

Old Sorehead Trade Days will begin at 9 a.m. Saturday and continue until 7 p.m., and resume Sunday from noon until 5 p.m.

With vendors coming from all over the region, the trade days — held three times each year — will have something for everyone in the family, according to spokesman Bud Lindsey.

"Scattered around the town, a visitor may find just about anything from trash to rare collectibles," said Lindsey. "We'll have antiques for sale in the Antiques on Main store and throughout the trade

days — Coca-Cola collectibles, Humble Oil and Sinclair Oil signs, wagon wheels — if you can dream of it, it's most likely at Old Sorehead Trade Days."

For those unfamiliar with the streets of Stanton, trade days volunteers will be on duty to help direct visitors to the different areas, including parking areas for the handicapped and overflow parking. Golf carts will be available to help get shoppers to and from See **STANTON**, Page 3A

their vehicles.

According to Lindsey, one of the largest draws for the event is the food. This trade days will feature two food court areas for visitors to check out. The first will be located by the single traffic light near First National Bank and Stanton Drug, with a second area near the Stanton Community Cen-



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Four Steers injured in wreck

By JONATHAN HULL

Sports Editor

Injuries happen in football, but it's the

Phillies take

Game 1, 3-2

PHILADELPHIA — Pat Burrell and

Utley and Burrell homered off tiring

Derek Lowe in the sixth inning to back a

strong performance by Cole Hamels, and

the Philadelphia Phillies were a winner

in their return to the NL championship

series, beating the Los Angeles Dodgers

"They have been pitching us tough, try-

ing to not let us do too much damage,"

Utley said. "That's the game plan for a lot

of teams, but we have eight guys, some-

Ramirez put the Dodgers ahead with a

long RBI double in the first, just missing a

two-run homer. But the Phillies' big bats

answered in the sixth, when Burrell hit a

go-ahead solo homer after Utley's two-run

Game 2 is Friday in Philadelphia, with

The Phillies played their first NLCS

game since clinching the pennant in Game 6 against Atlanta at old Veterans Stadium on Oct. 13, 1993. They're seeking their sec-

ond World Series title (first was in 1980) in

When Burrell lined a 3-1 pitch into the

left-field stands for a 3-2 lead, the sellout

"It was definitely intense out there,"

Utley said. "It gave us that little extra

Phillies right-hander Brett Myers facing

Dodgers righty Chad Billingsley.

the franchise's 126-year history.

crowd of 45,839 went into a frenzy.

times nine, that can swing the bats."

Chase Utley cleared the wall with room to spare. Manny Ramirez's drive fell just

short and stayed in the park.

ones that occur off the field that can really shock a team.

Four Big Spring High School varsity football players were involved in a one-vehicle accident in the 1300 block of Baylor Blvd. at approximately p.m. Thursday night.

Juniors Monte Anderson and Steven

By ROB MAADDI

AP Sports Writer

3-2 Thursday night.

drive tied it.



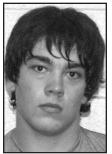
Anderson

Quentin Ausbie all suffered injuries from the accident.

They were transported to Scenic Mountain

Medical Center, where they were treated and subsequently released.

According to Big Spring Head Coach Phillip Ritchey, all four suffered slight to severe concussions and will be not be available for the Steers' first district game of the season at 7:30 p.m. tonight against



Henry

Henry and seniors Tyrone Clemons and Frenship's Tigers. All of them were expected to start.

> "We still have a game to play tonight and we'll just have to replace these guys. It's

going to force several of our players to play offense and defense," Ritchey said. "We're just thankful these guys are alive. I saw the wreck. That car is smashed."

Ritchey said Anderson also received a deep abrasion on his forearm

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Steer spotlight

Senior receiver Sidney Parker Jr.

By JONATHAN HULL

Sports Editor

Anyone who has spent time even remotely close to the Big Spring Steers knows one thing about senior wide receiver Sidney Parker

He likes to talk. A lot.

That's one of the reasons he's one of the team's captains.

"I see myself as a vocal leader," Parker said. "I like to talk a lot. I just try to encourage the guys and get them going.'

Being vocal doesn't always make one the

most popular guy on the team, though. However, Parker says he can deal with it. "These guys are my brothers,"

he said. "I've been playing with

Parker Jr.

them for a long time. I'm used to them getting upset and I just don't take it personally. They know when to be serious and when to have fun." Parker is in the midst of his third season as a member of the varsity

ing yards in those previous two seasons and is currently leading again in 2008. One thing Parker can't claim, though, is to be a member of a team that has beaten Frenship.

However, he's not alone. Big Spring

has topped Frenship just one time

team. He's led Big Spring in receiv-

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Frenship Tigers Big Spring Steers

When: 7:30 p.m. tonight Where: Memorial Stadium Radio: KBYG 1400AM, KBST.com, KBST 1490AM, KBEST 95.7 FM

AP photo/Gene J. Puskar

Los Angeles Dodgers outfielder Manny Ramirez reacts after lining out to third during eighth inning baseball action in Game 1 of the National League Championship Series against the Philadelphia Phillies Thursday in Philadelphia. The Phillies won 3-2 to take a 1-0 series lead.

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Adrenalin."

Slice's loss could deal longterm damage

hen Seth Petruzelli knocked out mixed martial arts (MMA) sensation Kimbo Slice — in 14 seconds with 4.5 million people watching, no less — it was obvious

Slice's career as an overrated, overpaid brawler could, and probably would come to a screeching halt.

However, what may not have been immediately evident to anyone other than the hardcore MMA community was the damage the fight, a last minute card change that replaced martial



THOMAS **JENKINS**

arts legend Ken Shamrock with a mostly unknown Petruzelli, could have on the MMA sport as a whole.

OK, so upsets are nothing new. Ever since seeing Buster Douglas put Mike Tyson on his keister, I've had a keen sense for the unbelievable.

But the upset between Petruzelli and Slice could be a nail in the coffin of EliteXC, which has been one of the fastest growing sports promotions in this reporter's memory.

Following the fight, in an interview with a Florida radio show, Petruzelli said his original plan going into the fight had been to get Slice to the mat and exploit his weak wrestling and submission skills. Sounds like a smart plan to me, especially if you've seen Slice, who

outweighed his less experienced counterpart by about 30 pounds, fight in the past.

Of course, that's a far cry from how the fight went down, as Petruzelli opted to stay on his feet and headhunt with Slice, a move I have to admit had me immediately readying a mental body bag for the young man. That's Slice's game, his bread and butter, and regardless how people feel about him now, it's something he's very, very good at.

So, why did Petruzelli alter his plan? "The promoters kind of hinted to me, and they gave me the money to stand and trade with him," he said in the interview. "They didn't want me to take him down, let's just put it that way. It

was worth my while to try to stand up

and punch with him."

Is it just me, or does that sound like a fixed fight?

OK, let's give EliteXC the benefit of the doubt, at least for a few more paragraphs. However, even if you try to slather Petruzelli's comment with butter, it's hard to squeeze it by without looking at other strangeness surrounding the fight.

EliteXC's executive Jared Shaw, who immediately denied any fight fixing when Petruzelli's comments hit the air, charged the ring, screaming that Slice had been hit illegally. I don't mean he stepped to the side of the ring and quietly pointed something out. I mean the

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Sports in brief

MLB League Championship Series schedule

Boston Red Sox vs. Tampa Bay Rays (ALCS) Game 1: Friday at Tampa Bay, 7:37 p.m.

Game 2: Saturday at Tampa Bay, 7:07 p.m.

Game 3: Monday at Boston, 3:37 p.m.

Game 4: Tuesday at Boston, 7:07 p.m. Game 5: Thursday at Boston, 7:07 p.m. (if needed)

Game 6: Oct. 18 at Tampa Bay, 3:37 p.m. (if needed)

Game 7: Oct. 19 at Tampa Bay, 7:07 p.m. (if needed)

L.A. Dodgers vs. Philadelphia Phillies (NLCS)

Game 1: Phillies 3, Dodgers 2 (Phillies lead 1-0)

Game 2: Friday at Philadelphia, 3:35 p.m.

Game 3: Sunday at Los Angeles, 7:22 p.m.

Game 4: Monday at Los Angeles, 7:22 p.m. Game 5: Wednesday at Los Angeles, 7:22 p.m. (if need-

Game 6: Oct. 17 at Philadelphia, 7:22 p.m. (if needed)

Game 7: Oct. 18 at Philadelphia, 7:22 p.m. (if needed)

Fundraising ragball tourney set for Saturday in Coahoma

The West Texas Dust Storm — a Howard County 14 & under girls traveling softball team — is hosting a ragball tournament Saturday at the Coahoma Community

Entry fee is \$10 per person with a five-game minimum guarantee. All proceeds go to buy uniforms and equipment as well as pay tournament fees for the team.

Sign-ups begin at 8 a.m. Saturday with games starting at 9 a.m. Call 268-3669 or 517-0073 for more information.

Lady Steer Booster Club meeting at ATC Monday

The Big Spring Lady Steer Booster club will hold a enter a team.

meeting at 5:45 p.m. Monday at the Athletic Training

Regular meetings will be held every second Monday of

For more information, call Carrie Fox at 816-9687 or Brenda Claxton at 816-9806.

BSCC hosting over-80 scramble this weekend

The Big Spring Country Club has scheduled an over-80 scramble where the combined ages of the two-person team must be 80 or higher.

Entry fee is \$60 per player plus golf cart fee, however, private carts are welcome. The event is scheduled for Saturday and Sunday with a 1 p.m. shotgun start both days, and it benefits the Big Spring Shrine Club.

Call the pro shop at 267-5354 for more information or to

Obituaries

Clark Franklin Sundy Clark Franklin Sundy passed away



Thursday, Oct. 9, 2008. He was born March 10, 1924, to Mac and Susie Sundy in Flompton, Ala. The family moved to the Big Spring area while he was small. He attended school in Knott, then went on to serve in the U.S. Army in the medical field in Europe

and France. After the war, he attended Texas Tech University in Lubbock, earning a degree as an electrical engineer. Clark worked for Texas Electric Service Company for

35 years prior to retirement. He married Johnnie Lou Tannehill in 1953. The couple had three beautiful children together, Charles, Carolyn and

He was preceded in death by his parents; son, Charles; brothers, Albert, Jimmy and Monroe; and sister, Ida Bell

Clark is survived by his loving wife of 55 years, Johnnie Lou; daughter, Carolyn Franklin and husband Dennis and their son, Robert; daughter, Betty Thibeau and husband Tom; step-grandchildren, Jason Thibeau and wife Melissa and their two girls; Devon Warren and husband Tim and their two boys; brother, Allen Sundy; and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services have been scheduled for 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 11, 2008, at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel. Interment will take place at 1 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 12, 2008, at Shady Grove Cemetery in Burnet.

Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home, 801 Andrews Highway, Midland 79701. To place online condolences please visit www.mem.com.

Paid obituary



Maurine Talley Driver, 89, of Big

Maurine Talley Driver, 89, of Big Spring, died Thursday, Oct. 9, 2008, in a local nursing home. Graveside funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 11, 2008, at the Peace Chapel at Trinity Memorial Park with the Rev. Dr. Kenneth Patrick, officiating.

> The family will receive friends from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday at the funeral

> She was born Oct. 26, 1918, in Palo

Pinto and married E. P. Driver Dec. 26, 1942, in Big Spring. He preceded her in death Oct. 25,

Talley graduated from the University School of Nursing in Galveston in 1940 and attended the University of Texas. She came to Big Spring in 1940 and worked at Hall and Bennett Hospital. A member of First United Methodist Church, she was a member of the Philetha Sunday School Class and a life member of United Methodist Womens Society. She loved her church. She taught Sunday School and enjoyed working with the children. She was a member of the Womens Forum, and did volunteer work with the County Health Unit with crippled children, the Westside Center and the State

Talley loved nature, the outdoors, the beautiful sunrises and sunsets in West Texas, gardening and wildlife; but most of all, she loved her family and friends. She loved people and always showed concern for them and their everyday lives.

Survivors include her son and daughter-in-law, Skipper and Wanda Driver of Big Spring; her grandson, Dane Driver and wife, Jennifer of Garden City; her great-granddaughter, Jordan Talley Driver of Garden City; a sister-in-law, Edith Talley of Leesburg, Va.; two nieces, Mauneula and Roland Herrmann of Chicago, and Drs. Corrina and Steve Schrankel of Leesburg, Va.; and two great-nieces, Stephanie Schrankel and Catherine Schrankel.

She was also preceded in death by her mother and father, Ethel and Virgil Talley, and one brother, James Watson Talley.

The family suggests memorials be made to First United Methodist Church, P.O. Drawer 1229, Big Spring 79721-1229 or to the Heritage Museum, 510 Scurry, Big

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences can be made at: www.npwelch.com

Paid obituary

Donna Murphy

Donna Murphy, 76, of Big Spring died Thursday, Oct. 9, 2008, at her residence. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Dorothy Moates

Dorothy Moates, 91, of Big Spring died Thursday, Oct. 9, 2008, at Parkview Nursing and Rehabilitation Center. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Support Groups

• Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. Open podium/speakers meeting 615 Settles 8 p.m. until 9 p.m. Open birthday night, no smoking meeting the last Saturday of each month at 8 p.m.







See Our Purina Lineup

Howard County Feed & Supply

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

arrested Wednesday on charges of possession of marijuana and six local capias warrants.

arrested Wednesday on a charge of minor in consumption of an alcoholic beverage.

Wednesday on two local warrants.

arrested Wednesday on a charge of possession of a con-

Wednesday on a charge of public intoxication.

• KRISTEN LEWIS, 24, of 800.5 Nolan, was arrested Wednesday on a local warrant.

• JOSE RIVERA, 20, of 2401 Morrison, was arrested

• LIONSO JIMENEZ, 29, of 3910 Highway 350, was arrested Thursday on a charge of possession of a controlled substance.

stance and possession of marijuana.

LESS was reported in the 300 block of Gregg Street.

was reported in the 300 block of Gregg Street. • BURGLARY OF A HABITATION - ASSAULT was

reported:

in the 1700 block of Purdue.

Sheriff's report

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

Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 53 inmates at the time of this report.

 ALICIA ANN ROBINSON, 32, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on a charge of forgery of a financial instru-

county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of possession of a controlled substance.

• BRENDA NICOLE ROBLEDO, 21, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on a judgment/sentence for

HCSO on a charge of driving while intoxicated - second offense.

The Big Spring Fire Department and Emergency

Street. One person was transported to SMMC.

MEDICAL was reported in the 500 block of Birdwell

Lane. One person was transported to SMMC.

• MEDICAL was reported in the 200 block of

Washington. One person was transported to SMMC. • MEDICAL was reported in the 1500 block of Old

• MEDICAL was reported in the 1900 block of E. 25th

• TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported in the 1300 block of Baylor. Three people were transported to SMMC.

section of Colorado City Highway and Highway 350. One

Police blotter

• CHRISTINA DIAZ, 25, of 610 N.W. Eighth Street, was

• LANCE LAND, 19, of 908 W. Fourth Street, was

· ANITA GARCIA, 42, of 1208 Wood, was arrested

• CURTIS FLEWELLEN, 62, of 538 Westover Road, was

• ROY BIDDLE, 48, of 5203 Sterling, was arrested

Thursday on six local warrants.

• MIGUEL ARENIVAS, 19, of 2603 Ent, was arrested Thursday on charges of possession of a controlled sub-

• DANIEL JOSUE ROSAS, 26, of 706.5 E. 13th Street, was arrested Thursday on two local warrants.

• POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA - TWO OUNCES OR • POSSESSION OF A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE

in the 900 block of Runnels.

• ASSAULT CLASS C/FAMILY VIOLENCE was reported in the 2700 block of Central.

• ASSAULT BY CONTACT was reported in the 800 block of Owens.

• CURTIS R. FLEWELLEN, 62, was transferred to the

• TONY BINGHAM, 26, was arrested Thursday by the

Fire/EMS

Medical Services reported the following activity:

• MEDICAL was reported in the 1500 block of E. Sixth

• MEDICAL was reported in the 1700 block of E. Highway 350. One person was transported to SMMC.

Colorado City Highway. One person was transported to

Street. One person was transported to SMMC.

• TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported near the interperson was transported to SMMC.

Take Note

• A benefit for the family of the late Crazy Charlie will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Eagles Lodge, 703 W. Third St. A barbecue dinner, auction and opportunities to win prizes will be available. The event is sponsored by the Cossacks and American Legion.

• The Permian Basin Foundation has awarded West Texas Opportunities Inc. \$130,000 through the Texas Resources for Iraq Afghanistan Deployment fund. WTO will assist current and former military personnel serving in Iraq or Afghanistan and their families. Funding will serve Howard, Martin, Andrews, Borden, Dawson, Ector, Fisher, Gaines, Glasscock, Midland, Mitchell, Nolan, Scurry and Upton counties. For more informa-

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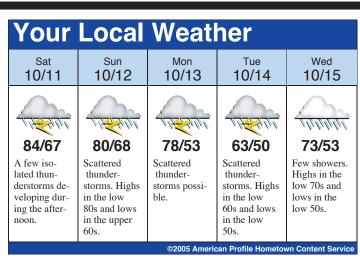
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• Dance at the Senior Center, 1901 Simler, from 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.

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. at the First Christian Church at 10th and Goliad for weigh-in. The meeting begins at 5:30 p.m. Call 213-1342 or 263-6819.

• Big Spring Band Boosters meet at 5:30 p.m. in the Big Spring High School band hall.

· Coahoma Lions Club meets at 6 p.m. in the Coahoma Community Center at 306 North Ave.

• The Concerned Citizens Council meets at 7 p.m. at the Howard County Library. For more information, · 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 • The Christian Motorcyclists Association meets at

7:30 p.m. at the Dragon Restaurant, 1300 S. Gregg. Everyone is welcome. Call 263-3869 for more information.

• Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon in the

Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane. • The American Cancer Society meets at noon at the Home Hospice office for lunch and its monthly meeting. For more information, call Sherry Hodnett at 264-

Lottery

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Thursday night: Winning numbers drawn: 31-1-32-11-8 Number matching five of five: 1. Winning tickets sold in: Houston.

Results of the Texas Two Step drawing Thursday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 21-32-23-10. Bonus Ball: 2 Number matching four of four, plus Bonus Ball: 1 Winning tickets sold in: Edna.

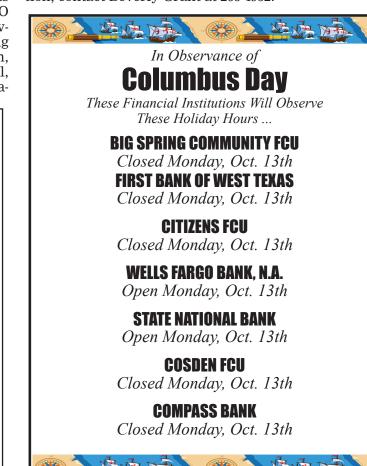
by the Texas Lottery, in order: 7-9-1-9. Sum It Up: 26.

The winning Daily 4 numbers drawn Thursday night

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Thursday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 5-0-6. Sum it Up: 11.

tion, contact Diana Martinez or Debbie Wilson at 110 Johnson in Big Spring or call (432) 267-9536.

· Scenic Mountain Medical Center's Relay for Life team is selling cookbooks to raise funds for the American Cancer Society. The cookbooks can be purchased at the PBX operator's booth for \$10 apiece. For more information, contact Beverly Grant at 268-4952.



Families missing out on free, low-cost meals at school

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

Many families whose students qualify for free or reduced-priced lunches at Big Spring Independent School District have have not vet filled out the necessary paperwork to receive the benefit, officials said.

During their monthly meeting Thursday, BSISD trustees learned that the parents of 488 students who qualify for free or reducedprice meals have yet to fill out an application for the program.

Food Service Director Judy Grant said the pro-

gram is good for both the in the free or reduced-price student, family and school district — the student gets a nutritional meal for free or at a reasonable cost and the district gets increased federal aid to supplement the program.

The federal program reimburses schools for providing free or low-cost meals to students of low income families. Benefits are calculated based on family income and total family members.

Despite the shortfall in applications, however, a record number of BSISD students are participating meal program, Grant said.

As of Sept. 30, there were 2,256 students receiving free meals and 337 paying reduced prices for their lunches, Grant said, an increase of almost 260 from the same time in 2007.

"It probably has a lot to do with the economy," Grant said. "Plus, the guidelines have changed since last year — a lot more people qualify for the program."

Grant also talked to trustees about another food service program initiative — Lunch Money Now which allows for parents

to pay online for their children's school meals.

In a little more than a year of operation, the program has not been as roaring a success as school officials would like, Grant said, noting that only 8.5 percent of BSISD parents utilize the program.

"This is a really good tool," Grant said. "I'd really like more people to take advantage of it."

Parents can access the program online at the BSISD Web site www. bsisd.esc.18.net and deposit money to go toward their children's meals. Grant said parents typically deposit between \$25 and \$40 at a time.

Another advantage, Grant said, is that the transaction takes only 30 to process, meaning that parents can deposit money that morning for their children's lunches.

"It just makes things easier for everyone," she said. "Aside from the benefits for parents and children, it also makes things easier for school cashiers, because they have less money to handle."

In other business, trustees approved:

Overall, the district retains its Recognized rat-

ing, which also is the rank-

ing applied to the second-

Osborn,

son was understandably

pleased with the change in

"It doesn't really change

a whole lot, because we

know the teachers and stu-

John-

had been granted."

ary campus.

Like

ranking.

 Bids for student letter iackets.

· Campus Law Enforcement agreement with the

city of Big Spring. • Budget transfer for an

instructional officer. · A lease agreement with Xerox Corp. for copy machines.

• The hiring of Christy Flores (high school special education teacher) and John C. Schwarze (junior high choir director).

Contact Staff Writer Steve Reagan at 263-7331 ext. 234 or by e-mail at reporter@ bigspringherald.com

dents at Elbow are doing a

wonderful job," Johnson

said. "But they've been

so close (to an Exemplary

rating) the past few years

that to see them get that

recognition from the state

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public school campus to

To achieve a rating of Exemplary, a campus must have at least 90 percent of its students in all racial ries must pass all portions of the Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills (TAKS) test.

"I'm just thrilled. I may have to retire, now," joked Elbow Principal Steve Osborn. "Seriously, I'm thrilled ... because our teachers are so dedicated, plus a lot of the credit has to go to our kids and their parents. I've always said

that our secret out here is that the parents, the staff and the kids all have high expectations of success."

When preliminary TEA ratings were announced in August, Elbow and Forsan ISD officials learned that one student's score on the science portion of the TAKS test had been mistabulated, FISD Superintendent Randy Johnson

said. "We had all the scores to be rated Exemplary except for that one student's test score," Johnson said. "When we found out that (the test had been graded wrong) ... we only had about two hours to put together an appeal before the deadline (Aug. 15). Fortunately, we found out Tuesday that the appeal

our veterans." He has been involved with several programs that have modernized health care operations and bookkeeping procedures, including implementing the Computerized Patient Record System, now referred to as the Electronic Health Record, and establishing the Bar Code Medication

Administration's national program office, the statement noted.

Marsh, a U.S. Air Force veteran, received bachelor's degree from Northeastern State University in Oklahoma and his master's degree with a specialization in health care administration from Maryville University.

American College Health Care Executives.

is very exciting."

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Marsh began his VA ca-

Rock. Ark.. VAMC and has progressed through positions as chief financial officer, regional finance manager and medical center director at Hot Springs,

In all, he served in nine medical centers before accepting a position in the VA Central Office in 1995. Since 2006, he has been acting director for business operations at the Washington D.C. central office.

"We're proud to announce Mr. Marsh's appointment," Bower said in a statement. "He has a wealth of experience in every aspect of veteran's health administration and is committed to providing excellent health care to

A stream of selling forced

exchanges in Austria,

Russia and Indonesia to

suspend trading, and the

rout in Australian mar-

kets caused traders to call

"Overall it's the fact that

despite the huge firefight-

ing efforts of central banks

worldwide we still haven't

seen any thawing of inter-

bank lending that is go-

ing to be causing the most

concern now," said Matt

Buckled, a dealer at CMC

The late burst of selling

Thursday on Wall Street

sent the Dow Jones in-

dustrials down to 8,579,

crashing through the 9,000

level for the first time in

five years and wiping out

\$872 billion of investment

As bad as the day was,

even worse was the cu-

mulative effect of a his-

toric run of declines: The

Dow suffered a triple-digit

loss for the sixth day in a

row, a first, and the aver-

age dropped for the sev-

enth day in a row, a losing

streak not seen since 2002.

"Right now the market is

just panicked," said David

Whys, chief economist at

value.

Markets in London.

it "Black Friday."

in Paris.

eters losing 7.3 percent Standard & Poor's in New York. "Nobody wants to in London, 7.7 percent in Germany and 7.5 percent take on any risk. Every-

> body just wants to get their money and put it under the mattress." Thursday's sell-off on Wall Street took place one

> year to the day after the Dow closed at its record high of 14,164. Since that day, frozen credit, record foreclosures, cascading job losses and outright fear have seized the market and sapped 39 percent of its value.

> Paper losses for the year add up to an staggering \$8.3 trillion, according to preliminary figures measured by the Dow Jones Wiltshire 5000 Composite Index, which tracks 5,000 U.S.-based companies representing almost all stocks traded in America.

> It was the second straight day that Wall Street was rocked by a final-hour selloff, but this one was particularly shocking.

Most of the day was relatively calm, and the trading floor was quieter than usual because of the Jewish holiday of Yom Kippur. Wall Street awoke to news the federal government was brandishing a new weapon against the financial crisis — considering seeking an equity stake in major U.S. banks in order to stabilize them.

But that step appeared to be as ineffectual as the others Washington has rolled out in recent weeks, including a \$700 billion bailout of the financial industry, a coordinated interest rate cut by central banks around the world and direct lending by the Federal Reserve to private companies to provide them with short-term cash.

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Thursday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

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the official said.

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"Many visitors come to the trade days just to sample the dishes the food vendors have to offer," said Lindsey. "All kinds of food funnel cakes, turkey legs, roasted corn, seafood and Mexican food. There are all kinds of soft drinks and bottled waters in the food court areas."

ing to take in the entire affair may want to plan on spending quite a bit of time in Stanton.

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fective Nov. 23 and he is expected to arrive in Big Spring by Dec. 1, officials

reer in 1973 as an accountant trainee at the Little

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several financial rescue

plans are being reviewed,

but no announcements are

likely before finance min-

isters from the seven big-

gest industrial nations

The \$700 billion federal

bailout legislation enacted

on Oct. 3 cleared the way

for the government insur-

ance limit for bank deposits to be temporarily raised

from \$100,000 to \$250,000 in

cases where bank or sav-

ings and loans fail. That

guarantee covered \$5.2

trillion of deposits, but

another \$1.8 trillion is not

presently covered, accord-

ing to the Wall Street Jour-

But a Treasury Depart-

ment official, who spoke

on condition of anonymity

because of the sensitive na-

ture of market conditions,

said covering all deposits

is not now being consid-

ered. "We raised the limit

one week ago and have no

plans to remove the limit,'

A spokesman for the Fed-

eral Deposit Insurance

Corp., however, didn't ap-

pear to rule out the pos-

Friday

sibility that such a plan might be considered.

The Treasury had earlier requested from Congress authority for the FDIC to change deposit insurance limits to respond to disruptions in the banking system, in addition to the increase to \$250,000 that was part of the bailout legislation, FDIC spokesman Andrew Gray noted in a

statement. "We believe that we have significant latitude, in consultation with Congress, under the systemic risk exception — which carries the threshold of approval of the Federal Reserve and Treasury Secretary in consultation with the president — to protect depositors and adopt other measures to support the banking system," Gray said.

Thursday's anniversary of the U.S. stock market peak turned into one of the worst days in Wall Street history, with the Dow Jones industrials loosing a breathtaking 679 points,

or 7.3 percent. Asian markets followed Wall Street's cue, as key market gauges dropped 9.6 percent in Japan, 8 percent in India and 7.2 percent in Hong Kong. European stocks slumped by midday with key market barom-

are available. Curly fries,

Lindsey said those want-

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OTHER VIEWS

Finding truth in the latest Simpson case

eople have been too concerned with the economy and an election that could put a black man in the White House to pay as much attention to O.J. Simpson's robbery conviction as they did his murder trial and acquittal 13 years ago.

In 1995, the nation was clearly divided. Most whites seemed convinced that Simpson had murdered his wife, Nicole, but most blacks seemed to conclude that, guilty or not, Simpson's prosecution was racially biased.

Blacks took into consideration reports that police had tampered with the evidence and saw in Simpson's murder trial the plight of thousands of other suspects whose convictions or sentencing had been affected by racist attitudes.

Even today, the divide over the Simpson murder case remains, though most people don't talk about it. But with his conviction late Friday, quite a few have conceded openly that they feel he is finally getting his just rewards.

In fact, that such sentiment still exists is being presented as grounds for a mistrial by Simpson's lawyers. They claim his jury was tainted because several jurors admitted after the trial that they had always believed he got away with murder.

In some respects, this Las Vegas jury had as hard a time finding the truth as did the Los Angeles panel that found Simpson not guilty of murder in 1995. Eyewitnesses to the robbery were unreliable, several having made plea bargains to avoid the long sentence that may await Simpson. But the jury said it had all the evidence it needed in covertly made tapes of the robbery.

Almost everyone seems to agree that Simpson was guilty of stupidity in trying to recover items he said had been stolen from him and somehow obtained by a sports memorabilia broker. Simpson didn't go to police to recover his property. That might risk having to turn over items of value to his late wife's estate, as required in the wrongful-death civil judgment issued against him after he was acquitted of murder.

So the former pro football star asked some characters out of a California version of a Damon Runyon novel to help him. They confronted the broker, guns were brandished, items taken, arrests later made.

Ownership of the memorabilia taken wasn't really resolved. But the charge of armed robbery also included a cap, sunglasses and cell phone taken by his cohorts. There was also a kidnapping charge, because the victims were held involuntarily in a room during the robbery.

No one was hurt during the stickup, and initial reports of the incident sounded comical. But there's nothing funny about being threatened with a gun. And it won't be funny to Simpson if he is sentenced to life in prison, a distinct possibility. Nor will it be funny, if he receives such a sentence, that it will be questioned as being the result of racism.

Were America's criminal-justice system free of racism, such an allegation by Simpson might seem ludicrous. But the reality is that our nation hasn't reached that goal. Not yet can it be said that there's no bias in law enforcement and the courts.

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Show of force, for the longterm

here was a day when a fight was only a fight. It wasn't an act of terrorism or a violent manifestation of suppressed feminine feelings. It was merely a couple of knuckleheads throwing down

because boys used to do that sometimes.

The days of an honorable scrap have gone the way of disco. The used to be common place, meet-meafter-school event, including a hand shake afterwards is as likely to happen as the Ayatollah embracing Israel.



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Today if a fight breaks out you can count on a mob or a gun. Should a young man miraculously survive, he might be mandated to spend years in therapy chasing his inner child. If the mob involves girls like it so often does today, and if they put it on You Tube, the young man will certainly need therapy. The possibility of his grandchildren watching a bunch of shemales beat him up is a legacy most don't want to pass down.

Should it happen at school, he'll get hauled off to Git-Mo and never seen again.

In my day, a fight wasn't that big of a deal.

Fast Times

My mind goes back to the terrible eighth-grade bully. This kid was spending his third year in the eighth grade and was the intellectual equivalent of Girls Gone Wild. He was a foot taller than all the rest of us and to me seemed unbeatable. After several months of being his piñata, my history teacher and two coaches took me aside. They closed the door and announced this was a clandestine meeting. It was years before I learned the word meant secret.

They said they were tired of seeing me get beat up by this Neanderthal. I had to fight back.

My coach said I should hit him in the nose and surprise him. That day after school the bully found me and sure enough coach was watching the whole thing. To the bully's surprise I hit him right in the nose. To my surprise, up until that moment he had only been playing with me. The beating that followed is a classic in the annals of Joshua Middle School.

Coach broke it up but not before he got his terrible point across to me over and over again. I would feel his point for days to come.

Soon another clandestine meeting but this one with slaps on my back and encouragement. Why did you stop? Why didn't you keep hitting him? That was great! Troy, you had

I wondered if they saw the same fight I had just been in. "You told me wrong!" I said through tears. One of the coaches looked at another and then my history teacher said, "You're right. Don't hit him in the nose, next time run up and hit him in the back of the head with a stick or a pipe or something.'

That's when I knew these guys were crazy. I also knew there would be meeting after meeting until I had defeated this brute.

Things have changed since the late seventies.

I don't want to go into details but the bottom line is by the end of the year I was holding my own and the middle school monster was finally thrown out.

I didn't just grow in stature; I grew in confidence through every terrible battle. No longer afraid of being beat up, the bully didn't want to mess with me. My resistance discouraged him.

Fast Forward

Eighth grade was a long time ago for me but I carry something with me today from that season of my life. It's about being a warrior. Not that I am one. If I got in a fight today I would have to win in the first five seconds because around the sixth, I'm having an asthma

attack.

I learned you don't become a warrior through one victorious battle; sometimes you become a warrior through a long succession of defeats. It's all about getting back up and going after victory again and again. If you do that, you discourage the enemy.

Victory grows with momentum. It's expediential. The Bible calls that faithfulness and faithfulness is all about persistence.

Now as a Christian and 28 years later I don't fight class bullies any more. I've got a full time knockdown-drag-out going on between my own two ears. I battle darkness with light, lies with truth and overcome evil with God's goodness. I'm not worried about going to Heaven since Christ fought that battle for me. Basically, I'm all about Heaven invading this earth. If God can do that in me then He can do that through me.

Hold Fast

You might have a history of messy ugliness, but God offers progression though every battle until that enemy is finally off of your radar. I love being a Christian. God doesn't measure success through every immediate implication but rather through the ultimate outcome.

I lost most of my battles to the middle school monster but ultimately won the war. Sometimes your greatest show of force is to remain in the fight. As a Christian I adopt the attitude that its' OK to have lost certain battles in light of the ultimate outcome.

Your persistence and faithfulness to stay in the good fight of faith discourages the discourager. You're not messed up; you are simply on your way to being a warrior. James 4:7

Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from

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Hello, Mexico? We need advice

resident Bush is spending much of his time these days consulting with European leaders on how to solve the global financial crisis. But he should get some advice from

Mexico and other Latin American countries that bounced back from economic disasters.

Well-placed international economists say the United States could learn some lessons from Mexico's 1994 financial crisis, which shook world



OPPENHEIMER markets and resulted in a massive U.S. and International Monetary Fund bailout.

Claudio Loser, who was chief of the International Monetary Fund's Latin American department during the Mexican crisis and is now a private consultant in Washington, wrote in the Latin America Advisor newsletter earlier this week that a 2005 IMF report on Latin America's banking crises underscores how history repeats itself.

If — for fun's sake — you replace the word "Mexico" and "1994" for "the United States" and "2008" in that report, the similarities are striking.

"The wave of bank failures in Mexico in December 1994 followed a period of financial liberalization and rapidly expanding bank credit in the absence of proper bank regulation and supervision," the IMF report said at the time. 'When the poor quality of Mexican banks' loan portfolios became evident, currency, stock and real estate prices fell sharply, reducing overall values and imposing large losses on

To halt Mexico's financial bleeding, then-U.S. President Bill Clinton and the IMF rescued the Mexican economy with a \$38 billion bailout plan, or about 10 percent of Mexico's gross domestic product at the time. This was not too different, in terms of its proportion to the national economy, from the recent \$700 billion U.S. congressional rescue plan plus other U.S. government economic stimulus packages, Loser says.

Once the U.S.-IMF money was disbursed, Mexico improved the supervision of the financial sector with tough new regulations. That resulted in several banks collapsing, and others merging — much like is happening in the United States today.

While Mexico's bank rescue was tainted by corruption charges, Mexico recovered and paid off its debts to the United States and the IMF in early 1997, two years ahead of time, with a net profit to the U.S. Treasury. So what could we learn from Mexico's bailout, I asked Loser.

"The main lesson is that financial bailouts and new regulations are not enough if you don't adopt an austerity plan and cut public spending to put your house in order," Loser said. "Mexico did it, and the United States will have to

Loser cautions that while cutting U.S. spending or raising taxes immediately could worsen the current economic downturn, Washington will have to start doing it in the near future. Among other things, the United States will have to look into cutting tax holidays for big corporations, reducing entitlement programs and raising

My opinion: I agree. Washington

needs to take the same medicine it prescribed to Latin American countries during their respective financial crises, and adopt an austerity plan with government spending cuts. (I would start with farm subsidies, which hurt everybody but a few rich farmers.) Barring an IMF-styled austerity package, the current bailout will not stop the panic in the U.S. and world markets.

What troubled me while watching Tuesday night's presidential debate is that Sens. Barack Obama and John McCain kept making grandiose promises as if nothing had changed in recent weeks, and as if the world were not going through its worst economic crisis since 1929.

Does McCain really think that he will be able to give families a \$5,000 tax credit to cover healthcare costs in the new economic environment? Does Obama really think that he can ensure health coverage for 45 million uninsured Americans in

the post-Lehman Brothers era? They are kidding themselves, and the rest of us. Their third presidential debate should be canceled, and replaced with a polygraph test in which Obama and McCain would have to answer whether they sincerely believe that they can meet their respective economic promises. They would probably fail it.

In the meantime, they should start thinking of a long-term austerity plan, and get on the phone with Mexico for tips on how to carry it

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Church News



Friends by Grace will perform at Berea Baptist Church Sunday morning.

Berea Baptist Church

Sunday, Friends by Grace will present a concert of gospel music during the Sunday morning service at Berea Baptist Church. Please join us for a great morning of music and worship.

This group is composed of lead/tenor singer Lonnie Royal with Randy and Judy Melton. The Meltons live in Dallas and attend Hillcrest Baptist Church in Cedar Hill. Four Days Late is one of their signature songs.

Berea Baptist Church is located at 4204 Wasson Road in Big Spring. Our Sunday morning Bible Study begins at 9:45. Our worship service is at 11 a.m. For more information or for transportation, please call the Berea office at 267-8438. If no one answers, please leave a message and we will return your call.

The Church of Jesus Christ LDS

The Family History Center (genealogy library) at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1803 Wasson Road, has been closed recently due to construction. For an appointment, please call 263-6710, leaving your name and telephone number, and someone will return your call. Thank you for your patience during our construction phase.

First Presbyterian Church, Coahoma

The friendly folks at First Presbyterian Church, Coahoma invite anyone to come and worship with us. We meet at 11 a.m. Sunday to share the scriptures, sing, pray and worship, led by Commissioned Lay Pastor Tom Koger.

The Session elected Paulette Lindsey to serve as commissioner to the 83rd Stated Meeting of Tres Rios Presbytery, to convene at First Presbyterian Church, San Angelo, Friday, Oct. 17, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The presbytery meeting will be followed by the conference/workshop "New Wind, New Fire," which will also take place at First Presbyterian, San Angelo. Registration will begin at 4:30 p.m., followed by dinner and opening worship and keynote address by Eric Hoey, director of Evangelism and Church Growth for the PCUSA General Assembly. Sat-

urday sessions will begin with breakfast at 8 a.m. and conclude with worship from 3-4 p.m. Care for infants and activities for children and youth will be provided. Those who have not previously registered may do so on arrival Friday.

The lectionary for the 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time is Exodus 32:1-14; Psalm 106:1-6,19-23; Philippians 4:1-9; Matthew 22:1-14.

Birdwell Lane Baptist Church

Sunday worship is at 10:55 a.m. and 5 p.m. We invite you to come worship with us in word, truth and song. We are located at 1512 Birdwell Lane. Our Children's Church is during the Sunday morning worship for ages 3-12. A nursery is provided. There is Sunday school at 10 a.m. for Pre-K age 3-4, kindergarten age 5-6, juniors age 7-9, preteen age 10-12, teens 13-19 and adults. For a ride, call 264-9924 or 267-7157.

The ladies will be leaving the church Friday afternoon (today) for a Ladies Retreat at Calvary Heights Baptist Church

in Springtown Saturday from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. For information call 267-8214 or 267-7157.

First United Methodist Church

Senior pastor Rev. Sharon Wiese will bring the message "Encourage One Another" from Hebrews

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By now, members and visitors should have received a copy of our newly formatted and printed newsletter. Be looking for improvements and more changes in the coming weeks.

The G.I.G.(God Is Good) group will meet in Youth hall from 5 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. Sunday and on Oct. 26 they will meet at the church at 1:45 p.m. before going to Midland to Fiddlesticks Farm for a hayride and trip through the cornfield maze.

Children's Sunday school classes are reminded of their October memory verse, "I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing." Genesis 12:2.

We're growing and expanding at First Methodist which has made necessary some closet and storage cleaning which will result in a garage sale Oct. 25. There may be some real treasures hidden away in that block of buildings. If you have left dishes in Garrett Hall since way back when, it's time to get them; the leftovers go in the garage sale.

United Methodist Women will meet Oct. 14 in the church library for the second session in the new study series "I Believe In Jesus." All women are welcome.

Rehearsals for the 30th presentation of the Living Christmas Tree begin Monday, Oct. 24. You are invited to join in this beautiful tradition which is our church's gift to the community. We remind you that this is not just a Methodist choir; it is made up of many singers from various churches and walks of life. We would love for you to join this production titled "Tell Me the Story."

It's busy here at Fourth and Scurry and you are welcome to join us; we're First Methodist, where families grow in Christ.

Mt. Bethel Baptist Church News

The Mt. Bethel church family invites everyone to an afternoon of praise and worship in song as the Sanctuary choir presents its annual musical. The musical will be Sunday, Oct. 19, at 3 p.m. at Mt. Bethel. The Community Mass Choir will join the sanctuary choir in this event.

Mt. Bethel is located at 630 Sgt. Paredez St. (N.W. Fourth). The Rev. William Vaughn Jr. is pastor.

We invite you to worship and fellowship with us for Sunday school at 9 a.m., worship service at 10:15 a.m., Bible study at 4 p.m. each Sunday and Women's Missionary Society each Monday at 6 p.m. Youth ministry meets each Wednesday at 6 p.m.

Chapel of Faith

The congregation of Chapel of Faith invites you to attend Sunday worship services each week at 10:30 a.m. If you come a little early, you can join in a time of fellowship. Each week, Pastor Joel Miller presents a message taken from scriptures to provide insight into the Bible and how it relates to our lives today.

We extend our thanks to all who participated in the stew supper. It was a wonderful gathering of friends, old and new, who enjoyed visiting and eating. We are looking forward to our next community supper in the spring.

Chapel of Faith is located on the corner of E. 14th and Goliad. We are an independent, interdenominational church.

College Baptist Church

Sunday has been designated as Staff Appreciation Day. A potluck luncheon will be served immediately following the morning worship service.

A blood drive has been scheduled the same day in the CBC Activity Building from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Call the church office, 267-7429, for more information or to schedule an appointment.

The men of the church will participate in a workday Saturday. They will meet for breakfast at 8 a.m. in the church fellowship hall.

Ron and Janette Westbrook provided the program when the Three G's met Thursday, Oct. 9.

The next meeting of Serendipity is scheduled for Oct. 20. And don't forget High Attendance Day will be Oct. 26.

St. Mary's Episcopal Church

Everyone is invited to attend worship service at St. Mary's this Sunday. Holy Communion will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. Sunday school for all ages begins at 9:30 a.m. We will not have an 8 a.m. service this Sunday.

A special barbecue lunch to kick off the stewardship drive for 2009 will be held after church services this Sunday. Hot dogs, hamburgers and fixings will be provided. Please bring a side dish, salad or desert. This day promises to be fun for all, so come casual and enjoy.

St. Mary's Vestry Meeting is at 6 p.m. Monday in the church library.

A Deanery Meeting will be held at 9 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 18 at Holy Trinity in Midland.

St. Andrews' Brother-hood will have their meeting and breakfast at 8 a.m. Saturday.

For more information about St. Mary's Episcopal Church, call 267-8201. St. Mary's is located at 1001 South Goliad.

North Birdwell Lane United Methodist Church

The Sunday morning worship time is 10:30 with Sunday School for all ages beginning at 9:30 a.m. Copastor Allen Welch will lead the morning service with co-pastor Jacque Mauch leading the night service at 5 p.m.

The Adult Sunday school class will be discussing "Expansion of the Community," taken from Acts 6 and Acts 8. The discussion will be led by Ben Boadle

will be led by Ben Boadle. Angel Food orders will be taken Friday from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. at the church. Orders will also be taken at the Big Spring Mall Saturday from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. The delivery date is Oct. 25 from 11:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. We appreciate the many volunteers who come to help in this community service. Thanks to Southwest Tool for their special help.

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for our annual Chicken Spaghetti Dinner to be held Oct. 18 from 5:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. Our special cooks are Alton and Treva Hall. This is a fund-raiser to help meet the needs of the church.

North Birdwell United Methodist Church is a mission-minded church and welcomes all. The church is located at 2702 N. Birdwell. For more information, call 267-2203. Please leave a message if no one answers.

St. Paul Lutheran Church

St. Paul Lutheran Church invites everyone to Sunday services at 9 a.m. at 810 Scurry. We are led in worship by Pastor Wayne Frost. This Sunday we will be celebrating LWML with its members participating in the service. Adult, youth, and children's Sunday school classes follow at 10:15 a.m.

Small group Bible studies discussing Timothy, Psalms, Philippians and "Seduction of Extremes" meet during the week. Anyone interested in being involved may contact the church office at 264-7163 for times and places.

Monday evening, Oct. 13, Nancy Michaelis will be presenting a program on her recent trip to southern Africa. There will be refreshments and fellowship at 6 p.m. and the program

will begin at 6:30 p.m. Our congregation is putting this together as a gift to the community, so we invite you to join us for an evening of learning more about this part of the world through pictures, artifacts and Nancy's stories of her journey.

For the October box for Operation On Going Support, we are collecting instant hot drink mixes in individual packages, fruit roll-ups, vitamin C chewable or drops, and donations for the AT&T phone card fund. We definitely appreciate any help for the calling cards. We are now purchasing 25 AT&T Military Exchange cards that give the soldiers 300 global prepaid minutes each at a total cost of \$450. This is truly a worthwhile gift, allowing our troops more phone time to stay in closer contact with friends and family than our previous cards. Anyone who wants to contribute can bring the items or money by the church office Monday through Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. or when you join us for church.

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Parents on call

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your



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children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord" (Ephesians 6:4). This scripture summarizes God's instructions to parents in three basic commands: Love, Discipline and Teach.

This simple outline of a parent's responsibility is patterned after God Himself. Since God projects His own image upon man, we therefore share His fatherhood. All earthly parenthood derives from Him and He deals with us, His earthly children, according to this three-fold pattern.

A parent's main responsibility is to love their children and to make sure the children know it. We cannot simply assume they know; they need to hear it from both parents regularly. Creating comfort and happiness in the home from an early age bonds the children to the family. A child who is not surrounded by pleasures in the home will not associate pleasure with the home later in life. Parents should make a sincere effort to create a home that is the center of the child's happiness and, therefore, of pleasant memories.

Happiness in the home is not a bargainbasement commodity. Family happiness only comes with much hard work and preparation. There are no shortcuts to achieving happiness in our families. It involves total commitment from each person. By training your children very early in life, and modeling this practice before them, they will grow into adults with these values.

You may be surprised to know that your investment in your family actually begins the moment the wedding ceremony is over. A couple begins their life together, building the foundation, making it strong and firm. Then when children arrive, they come into a home that already has its foundation in place. When there is no foundation, a couple cannot expect to achieve long lasting happiness. This is the number one reason the divorce rate is at an all-time high, and it is the children who pay the supreme price for the parent's negligence.

Marriage should begin with a common faith and a united church home. Family prayer is the number one weapon we have against the enemy, so regular church attendance must be a top priority. With the pressures and stresses couples face today, a good active church is a tower of strength for the family. In God's plan, the home the couple establishes is God's home. Their marriage is His marriage, the children are His children, and the family is His family. So if God is truly Lord in your home, then your family, marriage and even the way your home is decorated will be influenced by an attitude of Christ-likeness. In reality, it could be said that "it is a family that lives together with Jesus Christ."

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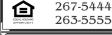
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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BID Lee George Construction, Inc.

Construction Manager-at-Risk, will receive bids for the Phase I Science Building Addition and Administration Bldg A & E Wing Renovations as part of the Bond Program for Howard College. The Project shall include the following scope of work:

Bid Item No. 1: Science Building Addition - A 7,000 gross square foot Science Building addition inclusive of new Chemistry and Microbiology Lab Classrooms with new bench lab equipment, storage, office and student study spaces connected to the existing Science Building. The scope also includes all associated utility upgrades, site work and landscaping in support of the addition.

Bid Item No. 2: Administration Building A Wing - Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC) systems and efficient lighting upgrades to a 4,950 gross square foot existing facility. The scope also includes interior finishes modernization in select areas of the existing facility inclusive of 1,275 square foot of new office renovation.

Bid Item No. 3: Administration Building E Wing - Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC) systems and efficient lighting upgrades to a 5,050 gross square foot existing facility. The scope also includes interior finishes modernization in select areas of the existing facility.

Additive Alternate No. 1: Parking Lot - The possible addition of a new parking lot adjacent to the new Science Building Addition adding accessible parking. A pre bid walk through will be held

on October 29, 2008 at 10:00am. Bidders are strongly encouraged to attend. Bidders will meet in the Tumbleweed Room in the Student Center of Howard College, 1001 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring, TX 79720. Bids (prepared according to the Instructions to Bidders) will be received by Lee George via delivery, fax, e-mail, or mail at the office of Lee George Construction Inc., 1400 W. 4th, Big Spring, TX 79720 (P.O. Box 3298, Big Spring, TX 79721), Fax: 432-263-3460 or Phone: 432-263-2416, e-mail:

leegeorge@crcom.net until 2:00 P.M. local time, November 12, 2008. Bids will be opened privately by the Construction Manager and Howard College representatives. All bids shall be made public after the award of the contract or within seven days after the date of final selection of bids, whichever is later. Any Bid received after the time and date specified will not be considered. No bidder may withdraw a bid within 60 days after the actual date of the opening.

#5954 October 10 & 17, 2008.

Legals

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE Pursuant to Chapter 59, Texas Property Code, Variety Self Storage which is located at 511 North Benton, Big Spring, TX 79720 will hold a public auction of property being sold to satisfy a landlord's lien. Sale will be at 2:00 P.M. on October 26, 2008, at 511 North Benton, Big Spring, TX. 79720. Property will be sold to highest bidder for cash. Deposit for removal and cleanup may be temporarily required. Seller reserves right to not accept any bid and to withdraw property from sale. Property in space mav be each item-by-item, in batches, or by the space. Property being sold includes contents in spaces of following tenants, with brief description of contents in each space. Viola Galindo Castenda, Unit #57,

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#5923 October 3 & 10, 2008

Pursuant to Chapter 59, Texas Property Code, Great Dane Storage which is located at 1510 West 4th Street, Big Spring, TX 79720 will hold a public auction of property being sold to satisfy landlord's Sale will be at held 10:30 A.M. on Friday, October 24, 2008 at Great Dane Storage. Property will be sold to the highest bidder for cash. Seller reserves the right to not accept any bid and to withdraw property from sale. Property may be sold item by item or in batches,

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contents of the following tenants:

Tomorrow's Horoscope

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS The moon transitions from Aquarius into emotionally ebullient Pisces today, setting the mood for the weekend. We're winding down, but we end up on a high note. It's as if we've made the rounds, socialized with all the friendly faces, yet at party's end the company of a warm, kind, sympathetic companion leaves a lasting impression.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You are animated and delightful to be around. Those who haven't heard from you in a long time will be missing you, and you will be able to feel their thoughts about you. Tonight offers the chance to reconnect.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). There are jobs to be done, friendships to be forged. However, it's not necessary for you to be so vigilant now -- you'll only seem overeager. Stay open and helpful without offer-

ing up too much. free-spirited 22). You'll get a window

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You are persistent and patient and this is what shines through as you tackle that mountain of work. Others might procrastinate, but you dive in realizing that this all happens one step at a time.

into the lives of others who are so different from you. You realize how lucky you are to have had the education you did. The choices vou're able to make now never would be otherwise. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Make a declaration of independence. You are, after

all, uniquely strong in certain ways and you're finding out just which ones. Soon after you declare your autonomy, you'll discover how much you really need others. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). A disruption to your plans

CANCER (June 22-July

is a lucky happening. It may take you several weeks to discover exactly why your life is made better, but you'll eventually look back with fond nostalgia for this period of time.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Your guidance is so gentle, so subtle, that the people you influence do not even know they are being led. You gently nudge people into the right groove and everything follows smoothly from there.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You have an overactive sense of responsibility now. You may feel indebted to someone, but really you're not obligated to do anything other than be grateful for the help you once received from this

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You're in the right place at the right time to help the poor soul who is floundering to catch his balance. You're too cool to draw attention to your kind act. The discreet assistance you offer will not be forgotten.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Creatively, you're really out on a limb. You're treading territory that is scarcely, though not entirely, uncharted. The people who can truly appreciate what you're doing are few and far between, but you'll find them.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). There are people you love who come from different worlds that might never intersect except through you. Plan an event that will bring together a few of your favorite friends. A romantic connection may come of it. PISCES (Feb. 19-March

20). You're in research mode. Talking with experts, reading and discovering is a crucial part of a project. Having a broader vision will allow you to succeed big in notso-obvious ways. WEEKEND LOVE FORE-

CAST: ARIES: The people who accept you come as you are offer you a sort of spiritual refuge. TAURUS: A moment of silent acknowledgement between you engenders common ground. GEMINI: A too lax approach in love doesn't serve you. Instead, direct your energy toward spiritual goals you share. CAN-CER: You long for the foreign and the familiar at once, and discover these qualities in someone who merges the two. LEO: The aura of romance and inseparability you two emanate

causes others to see you as glamorous couple. VIRGO: You help someone who needs rescuing without getting too attached to the outcome of their situation. LIBRA: The most romantic pursuit you can share is relaxation. Commit to a rejuvenating weekend. SCORPIO: Your creative spirit is nurtured and celebrated in the company of other creative **SAGITTARIUS:** types. Turn your home into a romantic haven this weekend. CAPRICORN: Give your fantastic imagination permission to play out on the stage of romance. AQUARIUS: If someone doesn't like your terms, remain confident in the value of what you have to offer. PISCES: You're no longer willing to accept playing the role another wants you to play.

Legals

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF **APPLICATION AND INTENT TO OBTAIN AIR QUALITY STANDARD PERMIT REGISTRATION** PROPOSED AIR QUALITY

REGISTRATION NO. 77603L007 APPLICATION Laredo Paving Inc., has applied to the Texas Commison Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for an Air Quality Standard Registration 77603L007, which would authorize construction of a Concrete Batch Plant located 1 mile west of U.S. Highway 87 and 1/2 mile north of Leatherwood Road Big Spring The pro-Howard County, Texas. posed facility will emit the following air contaminants: particulate matter including (but not limited to) aggregate, cement, road dust and particulate matter less than 10 microns in diameter.

This application was submitted to the TCEQ on October 3, 2008. The application is available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ central office, the TCEQ Midland regional office, and the County Clerk's office, 300 Main Street, Big Spring, Howard County, Texas. The facility's compliance file, if any exists, is available for public review in the Midland regional office of the TCEQ.

The TCEQ executive director has determined the application is administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the application.

COMMENT/PUBLIC MEETING You may submit public comments, a request for a public meeting, or request a contested case hearing to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. The TCEQ will consider all public comments in developing a final decision on the application. The deadline to submit public comments is 15 days after newspaper notice is published.

The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or ask questions about the application. A public meeting about the application will be held if the executive director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested

case hearing. If only comments are received on the application, the response to comments, along with notice of the executive director's action on the application, will be mailed to everyone who submitted comments or is on the mailing list for this applica-

If a hearing request is timely filed, the executive director will complete the technical review, issue a preliminary decision on the application, and a Notice of the Application and Preliminary Decision will be published and mailed to those who are on the mailing list for this application. That notice will contain the final deadline for submitting public comments.

After the final deadline for public comments following any required Notice of Application and Preliminary Decision, the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. If any comments are received, the response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application, will then be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or who is on a mailing list for this application. OPPORTUNITY FOR A CON-

TESTED CASE HEARING You may request a contested case hearing. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in state district court. Unless a written request for a contested case hearing is filed within 15 days from this notice, the executive director may approve the application. If no hearing request is received within this 15-day period, no further opportunity for hearing will be provided. A contested case hearing will only be granted based on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission will only grant a hearing on those issues raised during the public comment period and not withdrawn. A person who may be affected by emissions of air contami-

nants from the facility is entitled to request a hearing. To request a hearing, a person must actually reside in a permanent residence within 440 yards of the proposed plant. If requesting a contested case hearing, you must submit the following: your name (or for a group or association, an official representative), mailing address, daytime phone number, and fax number, if any; (2) applicant's name and Registration Number; statement "[I/we] request a contested case hearing;" (4) a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the application and air emissions from the facility in a way not common to the general public; (5) the location and distance of your property relative to the facility; and (6) a description of how you use the property which may be impacted by the facility. If the request is made by a group or association, the one or more members who have standing to request a hearing, and the interests which the group or association seek to protect, must also be identified. Requests for a contested case hearing must be submitted in writing within 15 days following this notice to the Office of the Chief Clerk, at the

address below. If a hearing request is timely filed, additional notice will be provided. Following the close of all applicable comment and request periods, the executive director will forward the application and any requests for contested case hearing to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting. If a hearing is granted, the subject of a hearing will be limited to disputed issues of fact relating to relevant and material air quality concerns raised during the comment period. Issues such as property values, noise, traffic safety, and zoning are outside of the Commission's jurisdiction to address in this proceeding.

MAILING LIST In addition to sub-

mitting public comments, you may ask to be placed on a mailing list to receive future public notices for this specific application mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk by sending a written request to the TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. INFORMATION Written

comments or requests for a public meeting or contested case hearing should be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the Office of Public Assistance, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040. Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040. General information regarding the TCEQ can be found at www.tceq.state.tx.us. Further information may also be obtained from Laredo Paving, Inc., P.O. Box 1029, Big Spring, Texas 79721-1029 or by calling Mr. Lane McMillan, Permit Officer (432)267-1693. Issuance Date: October 7, 2008

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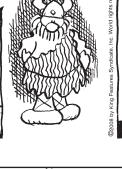
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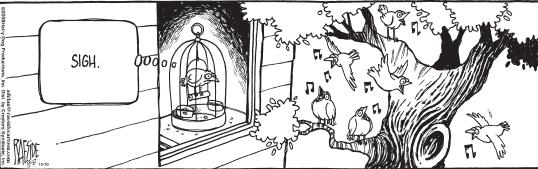


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This Date In History

Today is Friday, Oct. 10, the 284th day of 2008. There are 82 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On Oct. 10, 1845, the U.S. Naval Academy was established in Annapolis, Md.

On this date:

In 1758, French fur trader, early St. Louis settler and "father of Oklahoma" Jean Pierre Chouteau was born in New Orleans. In 1813, composer Giuseppe

Verdi was born in Le Roncole, Italy. In 1908, the Chicago Cubs won

Game 1 of the World Series with a 10-6 victory over the Detroit Tigers at Bennett Park. In 1911, revolutionaries under

Sun Yat-sen launched their overthrow of China's Manchu dynas-In 1935, George Gershwin's

opera "Porgy and Bess" opened on Broadway. In 1938, Germany completed its annexation of Czechoslovakia's

Sudetenland. In 1958, the private-eye series

Peggy Whitson, an American who became the first woman to command the orbital outpost. German

Gerhard Ertl won the 2007 Nobel Prize in chemistry. Today's Birthdays: Playwright Harold Pinter is 78. Former Illinois Sen. Adlai Stevenson III is 78.

Actor Peter Coyote is 67. Entertainer Ben Vereen is 62 Singer John Prine is 62. Actor Charles Dance is 62. Rock singermusician Cyril Neville (The Jessica Harper is 59. Singermusician Midge Ure is 55. Rock singer David Lee Roth is 54. Country singer Tanya Tucker is 50. Actress Julia Sweeney is 49. Actor Bradley Whitford is 49. Musician Martin Kemp is 47. Rock musician Jim Glennie (James) is 45. Actress Rebecca Pidgeon is 43. Rock musician Mike Malinin (Goo

Neville Brothers) is 60. Actress

back Brett Favre is 39. Actress Wendi McLendon-Covey is 39. Actor Mario Lopez is 35. Actress Jodi Lyn O'Keefe is 30. Singer Mya is 29. Singer Cherie is 24. Actress Aimee Teegarden is 19. Thought for Today: "There are

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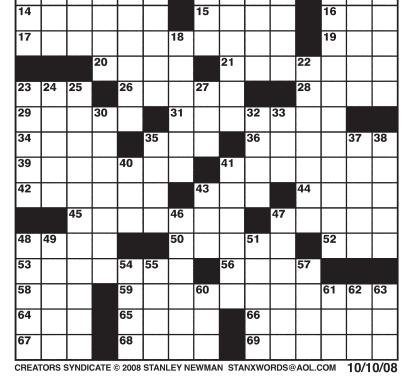
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 - site **62** Haitian's water
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CHURCH

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Sunday mornings, we have a meet and greet time with coffee and donuts in the commons at 9:30 am. Worship service begins at 10 a.m. with a mixture of contemporary and traditional music sure to uplift your soul. This is followed by a scripture-based message from our pastor.

Wednesdays, all adults are invited to join us at 6:30 p.m. for your choice of one of three interactive Bible Studies in the Sanctuary Building. Kim Shafer is presenting "How to Know when You Are Heading in the Right Direction: Discovering God's Will' by Andy Stanley. Pastor Brown is presenting ministry through various DVD presentations beginning with John Bevere's "Destined by Eternity," and Leonard Hadlev's class meets in the commons with various scripture studies.

The youth are invited to "Youth Explosion!" with pizza and fellowship, praise and worship, and Biblical messages addressing "hot topics" in the gym upstairs in the Salt Shaker.

Children meet Wednesday night for Caravan, our scouting ministry that teaches lessons to begin building towers of truth in our children's lives.

Children are participating in Discipleship Junction on Sunday mornings and meet in the fellowship hall

Dare-To-Care Outreach Ministry will be Sunday, Oct. 19 at 2 p.m.

Alive in Christ Lutheran Church

Worship service is at 9 a.m. with Sunday school beginning at 10:30 a.m. The

church is located at 2805 Lynn Drive. The phone number is 267-2594. Please call after work hours.

This Sunday is Pastor Appreciation Sunday. We wish to honor all our guest pastors who have either served or are wiling to serve us as a new mission congregation.

All these pastors are retired and are willing to help us when they are available. The pastors who have aided us so far are: the Rev. Alan Abel of Big Spring, the Rev. Robert Boyce of Abilene, the Rev. Carroll Kohl of Big Spring and the Rev. Chester Mc-Cown of Miles. All of these pastors are excellent speakers and are devoted to the Lord in bringing us sermons based on the Law and Gospel.

This Sunday, after Sunday school, we will celebrate with all four (if they are available) by having a potluck dinner with them and their families. Join us for worship, Sunday school and lunch afterwards.

Monday, we will have a voter's meeting to make plans for the future of Alive in Christ Lutheran Church and we will have the opportunity to sign the charter for our new church. Join us at 7 p.m. at the church for this important and exciting meeting. Come for "all things are ready!"

This past Wednesday, we were blessed to view the movie "Luther." This movie is based on the Reformation from which all Protestant churches have their roots. Bobby Rover, who is teaching the preconfirmands, decided to show this movie to his class and was gracious to invite the congregation and the public. A free-will offering was taken for the Lutheran Youth fellowship to aid them in attending "Glory Bound' over

Thanksgiving weekend.

Next Wednesday, we will resume the adult instruction class. All eighth-grade and above high school students are invited to this class along with all adults. If you ever had questions, this is your opportunity to ask. This will be a 10-week course and will be completed before Christmas unless we decide to have more than one class per week. There were more than 30 at last week's introductory class. It is not too late to get in on the first lesson.

Mark your calendars for Oct. 19. We will have an October Fest with homemade German sausage and all the trimmings.

First Baptist Church

Our children have been saving their pennies, dimes, nickels, etc. and bringing the money with them Sunday to give in support of the Mary Hill Davis offering emphasis. The money collected by Southern Baptists with this offering across the state goes to support missions in Texas. Our children gave \$59.60. Way to go, kids!!

Jodi Mims, our childhood director, Lori Morgan, our preschool director, and Tracy Boeker, the director of our Mother's Day Out, will leave Sunday to attend a National Childhood Conference in Orlando, Fla. We pray for them while they are gone and pray that this conference will be a great experience for them.

If you need a place to eat next Sunday (Oct. 19), our Royal Ambassadors will be serving lunch after church for your "generous" donation, followed by a dessert auction. Steve Osborn, our resident auctioneer, will be in charge. It's gonna be

It's all about the half-time show

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"How can you have more than one division of six-man football?" my friend asked

football?"my friend asked his wife. "Aren't all sixman football districts the same size? That's why they play six-man football."

What my friend doesn't realize is that it's all about the half-time show. If the whole football team goes back to the locker room at half-time, they are probably from a big six-man district.

However, if the football players whose jerseys are still clean at the end of the second quarter grab a trombone or a trumpet and join the band for the half-time performance, that's a pretty good indication of a smaller six-man district.

The ages of the musicians may also be an indication of the size of the school. In a large six-man district, it's actually possible to have a high-school band made up of all high-school students, but in a little six-man district, it takes all the students from sixth grade up to fill the ranks of a marching band. It's all about utilizing every resource and making every student count.

The situation is the same in small churches. Anyone who has ever served in a small church knows that sometimes the quarterback has to double as the tuba player, and the piano player may be 12 instead of 21. Somehow though, the Lord's work always gets done. It's all about utilizing every resource and making every church member count.

Jesus said: 'For where two or three are gathered together in My name, there

gathered together in My name, there
I am in their midst.' (Matthew 18:20
NASB)
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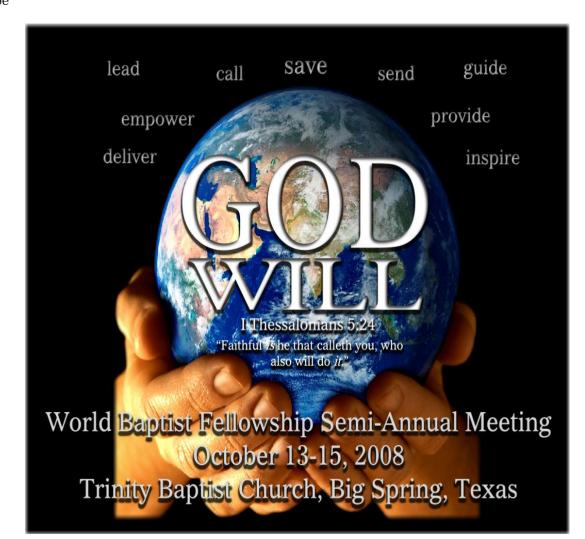


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