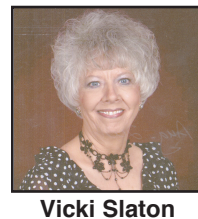




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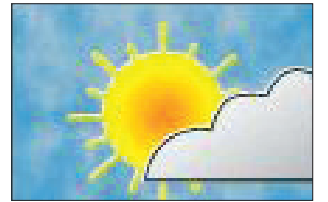


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Toy gun caper puts would-be robber in jail

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
Staff Writer

A Big Spring man remains in custody charged with aggravated robbery following a botched stick-up with a toy pistol, according to officials with the Big Spring Police Department.

Benjamin Moore, 28, of 1209 Pickens, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on charges of evading arrest or detention and aggravated robbery.

According to Sgt. Tony Everett, public information officer with the BSPD, the altercation began at a home in the 600 block of Caylor when Moore allegedly knocked on the door just before 4 a.m.

"I'm just glad he (Moore) didn't point the toy gun at the officers. Things could have turned out a lot worse, especially for him"



—Sgt. Tony Everett,
BSPD information officer

"There was a male and two females in the home at the time," said Everett. "The male answered the

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HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

U.S. Air Force Tech Sgt. Yolanda Hands presents a plaque to Bob Kerr, administrator of Lamun-Lusk-Sanchez Texas State Veterans Home, this morning. Twenty-five airmen from Dyess AFB visited the veterans home and took part in the ceremony, which included the presentation of two U.S. flags flown in Iraq and a plaque of appreciation for the residents of the veterans home for service to their country.

Angel Tree applications coming in slowly

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
Staff Writer

With the first week under their belts, officials with the local Salvation Army say applications for the annual Angel Tree Program have come in slowly but are expected to pick up next week. "We've only had 41 applications from families and 10 appli-

cations for seniors, so it's moving very slowly right now," said Capt. Terrie Cheshire. "However, things generally pick up the second week of applications, which begins Monday morning. A lot of people wait to the last minute for these things." Cheshire said the annual program, which provides Christmas

presents for area low income families and senior citizens, got a present of its own earlier this week. "When we take the applications, we have to run all the way to the back to make copies, and when you have people waiting that can really stretch things out," said Cheshire. "So we called around

to see if we could get a copier on loan." What they got, however, was something slightly more permanent. "Bill Spiller from American State Bank showed up with a copier and donated it," said Cheshire. "It was such a blessing for us."

According to Salvation Army Social Worker Paula Lafler, this is the time of year when activity around the local charity office really starts hopping. "This is really the start of the busy season for us," said Lafler. "We have the Angel Tree

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Crossroads area bands heading to regional contests

By **STEVE REAGAN**
Staff Writer

Strike up the bands. Area high school bands will put their best feet forward this weekend when they participate in University Interscholastic League Regional Marching Contest competition. Big Spring, Coahoma and Forsan all will compete in the Region 6 contest at Ratliff Stadium

in Odessa. BSHS' Steer Band members will be looking to continue its decade-long string of Division I ratings when they take the field at Ratliff. Director Rocky Harris' charges built momentum toward a good regional showing at the recent Tall



Harris

City Marching Contest in Midland, where they placed first in the Class 3A-4A category. Forsan also placed first in its category at the Midland Contest. "I thought they did very well at that contest," Harris said of the band. "Now, we have to try to get the routine even better for UIL." The Steer Band is taking a classical route to the contest this year, building its show around

Beethoven's Fifth Symphony. This marks a departure of sorts for a group that has historically performed shows featuring popular music, but it was a necessary step, Harris said. "It's how we are going to be competitive in Class 4A," Harris said. "It's a very intriguing show and it's very comparable with what the 4A band in the Dallas-Fort Worth area perform."

The Forsan High School band, under the direction of Jim Rhodes, will take the field at Ratliff at 9:45 a.m. Saturday. Forsan is coming its most successful year ever, when it clearly established itself as the best Class 1A band in the state. FHS capped the year with first-place finishes at both the state march-

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Garden City homecoming activities set tonight

By **STEVE REAGAN**
Staff Writer

GARDEN CITY — If at first you can't hold homecoming ... reschedule. Weeks after Garden City High School's homecoming activities were cancelled by a no-show opponent, the school holds pared-down ceremonies at halftime of tonight's game with Amarillo Holy Cross at

the high school football field. Only two activities are planned — the crowning of the homecoming queen and band sweetheart — officials said. GCHS originally scheduled homecoming for the week of Sept. 5, but had to postpone several activities when the Bearkats' opponent that week — El Paso Emmanuel Jesus Chapel — cancelled its ap-

pearance. Six weeks later, GCHS students and exes are expected to gather for a sort of "mini-homecoming" with only the homecoming queen and band sweetheart crownings on the schedule. No other activities are planned, officials said. The four senior girls nominated for homecoming queen are Sydney Halfmann, Melissa Hirt, Macy Schwartz

and Vicki Garza, while sophomore Kelsi Hicks and junior Andrea Oliveras are the finalists for band sweetheart. Both coronations will occur during halftime of the GCHS-Holy Cross game, scheduled to begin at 7:30 p.m. tonight. Contact Staff Writer Steve Reagan at 263-7331 ext. 234 or by e-mail at reporter@bigspringherald.com



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Romo practices, could play

By **STEPHEN HAWKINS**

AP Sports Writer

IRVING — Cowboys quarterback Tony Romo, who wants to play despite a broken pinkie on his throwing hand, practiced and threw passes to receivers Thursday.

Coach Wade Phillips didn't rule out the possibility of Romo playing Sunday at St. Louis even though he said the quarterback was limited in practice Thursday and that Brad Johnson took most of the snaps.

"He threw the ball pretty well," Phillips said. "Just throwing the ball isn't all they do. ... There's some other factors that we'll see as we go along here. We still have a

couple of more days."

Romo, with a protective splint on his heavily wrapped hand, threw lightly to all receivers during the early portion of practice that was open to reporters. Johnson, the 40-year-old backup whose last start was in 2006 for Minnesota, was working with the starters during drills.

Romo never handed off to running backs during the two-hour practice.

Phillips said he would probably know after practice Friday "what direction we want to go" as far as Romo playing. But he wasn't planning to make any announcement.

"I won't wait until Sunday (to decide),"

Phillips said. "I'm not telling anybody."

Cowboys owner Jerry Jones and Phillips talked to each other while Romo threw on the opposite side of the field at the start of practice.

Jones didn't talk to reporters at practice, but earlier Thursday at a news conference at the team's new stadium, was asked if Romo would play and responded, "It looks promising."

Romo was hurt on the first play of overtime in Sunday's 30-24 loss at Arizona. After the broken finger was diagnosed, Phillips said Romo was out and that

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Steer Spotlight

Senior RB/DB LaRay Woodard

By **JONATHAN HULL**

Sports Editor

It was the first play of the 2008 football season for the Big Spring Steers. Quarterback Matt Ritchey took the snap and threw it out in the flats to the right side to slot receiver LaRay Woodard.

Woodard had a few more plays designed just for him in the Steers' first two games. However, after that, he became strictly a defensive player, excelling from his spot at safety.

That changes tonight when the Steers travel to take on the Plainview Bulldogs at 7:30 p.m. No longer will Woodard be a forgotten weapon on the offensive side of the ball. Instead, the Big Spring senior will be featured in the Steers' arsenal.

"We were putting a lot of pressure on LaRay on defense and with all of our skill guys we had available, we felt like it was better for us if he just concentrated on defense," said Big Spring Head Coach Phillip Ritchey. "Now, with the injuries that we've got, we don't have a choice but to use him. I'm excited about it. I can't wait to see what he can do. He's excited, too. He's a great athlete and we need to use him."

"That's great for me. I feel that I can really help out the team with the ball in my hands," added Woodard. "I'm an offensive player at heart. I love having the ball and the chance to make plays."

Woodard will be the Steers starting running back tonight. He's now the third player to start at the position in as many games.

All-state tailback Monte Anderson was injured, along with three other players — Tyrone Clemons, Quentin Ausbie and Steven Henry — in a car accident the night before Big Spring's game against Frenship last week. Senior Zamir Linton filled in for Anderson vs. Frenship, but suffered a shoulder injury on the Steers' final offensive play of the contest — a 3-yard score for Linton.

In comes Woodard, who says the Steers will unite despite being decimated by injury.



Woodard

Die hard

Red Sox rally from 7 runs down to stay alive in ALCS

By **JIMMY GOLEN**

AP Sports Writer

BOSTON — Fenway Park fell silent, and the Boston Red Sox were on the verge of going down without a whimper.

Then baseball's comeback kings did it again.

Trailing by seven runs with seven outs left in their season, the Red Sox pulled off the biggest postseason rally since 1929. Boston staved off elimination in the AL championship series with an 8-7 victory over the Tampa Bay Rays on Thursday night when J.D. Drew singled home the winning run with two outs in the ninth.

"The first six innings we did nothing. They had their way with us every way possible," Red Sox manager Terry Francona said after a draining 4-hour, 8-minute thriller. "And then this place came unglued, and we've seen that before. But because of the situation we're in, it just — that was pretty magical."

The Red Sox, who twice this decade rallied from 3-1 deficits to win the pennant and then the World Series, have a chance to do it an unprecedented third time in five years when the series resumes in Tropicana Field. Josh Beckett is scheduled to face James Shields in Game 6 on Saturday night.



AP photo/Chris O'Meara

Tampa Bay Rays catcher Dioner Navarro stands at the plate as Boston Red Sox's Mark Kotsay slides in to score on a single by Coco Crisp in the eighth inning in Game 5 of the American League baseball championship series in Boston, Thursday. The Red Sox rallied from a 7-run deficit to win in extra innings, forcing at least a sixth game.

The cowbells will be clanging again for the home team. The tarps will come off the upper deck to accommodate the Rays' newly found fans. And the catwalks are definitely in play for another game.

The AL winner faces Philadelphia in the World Series starting Wednesday

night.

"There's a lot of fight in that dugout," Drew said. "And a lot of guys knew as soon as we got some runs on the board, we could get something going."

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Brigham Young won't be busting BCS

TCU throttles BYU, eliminating Cougars' chances of being bowl busters

By **STEPHEN HAWKINS**

AP Sports Writer

FORT WORTH — BYU will need a small miracle to reach the BCS. And maybe even just to win the Mountain West Conference.

With an ironic twist of revenge, and a smothering defense, TCU made sure of that.

Andy Dalton threw two touchdown passes in his return to the lineup, receiver Jeremy Kerley became a running threat and the Horned Frogs sacked Max Hall six times in a 32-7 victory Thursday night that snapped the ninth-ranked

Cougars' 16-game winning streak that was the longest in major college football.

"It just hurts. The BCS winning streak, when you get beat 30-something to seven, that stuff doesn't matter," BYU defensive lineman Jan Jorgensen said. "When you have high expectations like our team has and as hard as we worked to get better, it just feels horrible."

Sort of like how TCU felt two years ago when the Cougars were last visited Fort Worth, and ended the Frogs' 13-game winning streak that was then the nation's longest.

BYU (6-1, 2-1 Mountain West)

never had a chance this time. It wasn't even close, as TCU registered its biggest win ever over a Top Ten team.

"Nobody has been able to do that to BYU for a couple of years," TCU coach Gary Patterson said. "No way I could have seen it coming."

Even though TCU (7-1, 4-0) had been pointing to this game since January, when a BYU logo was placed on a blocking dummy in the team weight room.

The Frogs scored on their first three drives, twice after turnovers by Hall, for a 17-0 lead — scoring as many points in 16 minutes as BYU had

allowed its last 16 quarters. That four-game stretch for the Cougars included consecutive lopsided shutouts of UCLA and Wyoming.

"It's more disappointing than surprising," BYU coach Bronco Mendenhall said. "We knew they were a very good football team. But when you make mistakes like we made against a team like that, that simply is the result."

Hall, who had been sacked only twice over the first six games, was sacked four times before halftime. His fumble, when he was sacked for the

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Sports in brief

MLB League Championship Series schedule

Boston Red Sox vs. Tampa Bay Rays (ALCS)

- Game 1: Red Sox 2, Rays 0
- Game 2: Rays 9, Red Sox 8
- Game 3: Rays 9, Red Sox 1
- Game 4: Rays 13, Red Sox 4
- Game 5: Red Sox 8, Rays 7 (Rays lead 3-2)
- Game 6: Saturday at Tampa Bay, 3:37 p.m.
- Game 7: Sunday at Tampa Bay, 7:07 p.m. (if needed)

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

- Game 1: Phillies 3, Dodgers 2
- Game 2: Phillies 8, Dodgers 5
- Game 3: Dodgers 7, Phillies 2
- Game 4: Phillies 7, Dodgers 5
- Game 5: Phillies 5, Dodgers 1 (Phillies win 4-1)

Coach Diddle and Hawk women set for Hawk Buddies Program

Howard College women's basketball head coach Earl

Diddle, assistant coach Jamie Fisher and the Hawk women are announcing the start of the 2008-2009 Hawk Buddies Basketball Program for girls in kindergarten through eighth grade.

The first day of the program is Saturday, Nov. 8, from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

Cost is \$20 and includes a T-shirt, free admission for all family members to Hawks home games, two clinics with lectures on goals and basketball fundamentals, a pizza party with the Hawk women's team and a buddies night, including autographs and photos with the team.

For more information, call Earl Diddle at 264-5043 or Jamie Fisher at 264-5155.

Big Spring Chicano Golf Association hosting monthly tournament Sunday

The Big Spring Chicano Golf Association is hosting their monthly tournament Sunday at Comanche Trail Park.

Cost is \$17 per person and participants must be regis-

tered by 10 a.m. Sunday.

The tournament will be played in a 4-man scramble format.

For more information, contact Sammy Reyna at 267-5627.

October Washer Tourney scheduled for Oct. 25

A single-elimination two-man team washer tournament is scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 25, at La Vedula Club.

Cost is \$20 and teams must be registered by 1 p.m. on the day of the tourney.

If time permits, a single-elimination singles tourney will also be held after the completion of the team competition. Cost is \$10.

Contact Pano Rodriquez at 816-4223 or Mark Juarez (325) 277-8553 for more information.

Obituaries

James 'Kid' Leon Alexander



James "Kid" Leon Alexander, 55, of Big Spring died Wednesday, Oct. 15, 2008, at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock after a long illness. Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at West Highway 80 Church of Christ with Minister Clayburn Jackson officiating.

He was born June 2, 1953, in Sweetwater to Ariea Deloise Thomas Alexander and Jesse James Alexander. He grew up in Sweetwater and had worked at the gypsum plant. He had been a resident of Big Spring for the past 15 years and was a veteran of the U.S. Army.

He is survived by his wife of 32 years, Betty Ann Alexander of Sweetwater; six children; Eric, Christopher, Jason, Donnie, Jamie and Ariea Alexander; 16 grandchildren; three sisters, Alma White of Big Spring, Georgia McCurdy and husband Robert of Plano, and Matilda Ann Monroe and husband Farris of Abilene; and a host of nieces and nephews, other relatives, and many life long friends.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one nephew.

The family will be at 903 Father DeLaney St. Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersandsmith.com

James Phillip Hickman

James Phillip Hickman, age 75, former Big Spring resident, died Sunday, Oct. 12, 2008, at Medical Center Hospital. He was born Dec. 9, 1932 in Reagan. He was a retired chef.

He is survived by two sons, James Phillip Hickman Jr of Enfield, N.C. and Frank Hickman of Greeley, Colo.; two daughters, Maria Nelson of Grand Prairie and Elese LaKay Hickman of Waco; five step-daughters, Shirley Houston of Pueblo, Colo., Carolyn Houston of Clovis, N.M., Kathy Houston of Pueblo, Colo., Marilyn Scypion of Irving and Carla Gentry of Grand Prairie; a step-son, Sean Jackson of Duncanville; seven brothers, Frank Hickman Jr of Dallas, Norris Hickman of Marlin, Wilbert Hickman of Dallas, James Massingill of Dallas, Billy Massingill of Minneapolis, Minn., Richard Thurman of Dallas and George William of Houston; three sisters, Vera Hickman of Bellflower, Calif., and Gloria Trayler and Linda Williams, both of Dallas; 27 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be noon Saturday, Oct. 18, 2008, at Acres West Funeral Chapel in Odessa, officiated by Elder Jake Stuart. Arrangements are entrusted to Acres West Funeral Chapel.

Take Note

The jury summons from 118th District Court for Monday has been cancelled. Area residents receiving a summons for Monday do not have to report for jury selection.

American Legion Post 506 will hold a fish fry Saturday at 3203 W. Highway 80. Delivery is available from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. by calling 263-2084. Serving at the post will be held from noon to 3 p.m. Carryouts will be available. Plates are \$10 each.

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 information, 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.

A fund has been established at Big Spring Education Employees Federal Credit Union for Sheena Hill, who lost most of her possessions in a recent house fire. Mail donations to Big Spring Education Employees FCU, 1110 Benton, Big Spring 79720 or call 263-8393.

HATS (Hope After The Sadness), an American Cancer Society Resource Room is now available at First Methodist Church. This center provides information and valuable resources for those affected by cancer. This HATS ministry, established in memory of the late Rev. Dr. Shane Brue, maintains a room with free hats, wigs and head coverings available for check-out by those dealing with hair loss due to cancer treatment. Other services and resources are also available. Contact the "Hat Lady," Marci Lykken at 267-2915.

A medical expense account has been established at Cosden Federal Credit Union for Kody Jackson, who was recently diagnosed with lymphoma in his right knee. He has no medical insurance and must start chemotherapy and radiation treatment as soon as possible. Kody is the son of Susan and Johnny Jackson. For more information, contact Cosden FCU at 264-2600.

The Texas Department of State Health Services is conducting a community health survey. The information will be used to study barriers to health care and other public health issues. Your personal information will not be used, other than the comments portion of the survey. You will not be asked for your name. The survey is available online and takes about 15 minutes to complete. For the English survey, go to www.questionpro.com/akira/TakeSurvey?id=929625. For the survey in Spanish, go to www.questionpro.com/akira/TakeSurvey?id=929626.

Police blotter

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

- ROSALYN YOUNG, 38, of 2911 W. Highway 80, was arrested Wednesday on two local warrants.
- ANGIE BROOKS, 40, of 1712 E. 15th Street, was arrested Wednesday on a local capias warrant.
- ISAAC BARRIENTES, 17, of 1202 Austin, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of disorderly conduct – fighting.
- ANTHONY YANEZ, 17, of 1610 Cardinal, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of disorderly conduct – fighting.
- JOSHUA NOBLE, 22, of 3716 Hatch, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of possession of marijuana – two ounces or less.
- BERNARDO HILARIO, 20, of 1409 Bluebird, was arrested Thursday on a charge of possession of marijuana – less than five pounds.
- ZACHARY TERRY, 30, of 409 Dallas, was arrested Thursday on a charge of possession of marijuana – less than five pounds.
- TIMOTHY RIOS, 30, of 702 Lorilla, was arrested Thursday on a charge of possession of marijuana – less than five pounds.
- UNAUTHORIZED USE OF A MOTOR VEHICLE was reported in the 2300 block of Wasson.
- THEFT was reported:
 - in the 300 block of Gregg Street.
 - in the 1100 block of Lamesa.
- POSSESSION OF DRUG PARAPHERNALIA was reported in the 400 block of Fourth Street.
- EVADING ARREST/DETENTION was reported in the 600 block of Caylor.
- CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported:
 - in the 1100 block of Stanford.
 - in the 400 block of Fourth Street.
- ASSAULT BY CONTACT was reported in the 2000 block of Goliad.
- AGGRAVATED ROBBERY was reported in the 600 block of Caylor.
- AGGRAVATED ASSAULT WITH A DEADLY WEAPON was reported in the 600 block of Caylor.

Sheriff's report

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

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

- DAVID ARTHUR WITTEIN, 28, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on a charge of bondsman off bond for driving while license invalid.
- BENJAMIN EDWARD MOORE, 28, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on charges of evading arrest/detention and aggravated robbery.
- ANSELMO HILARIO JR., 24, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on charges of aggravated assault causing serious bodily injury and engaging in organized criminal activity.

Fire/EMS

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

- MEDICAL was reported in the 1100 block of Gregg Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1400 block of Virginia. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1300 block of Marijo. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 7300 block of N. Service Road. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAUMA was reported in the 3200 block of Parkway. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 3800 block of Piper Road. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1600 block of Robin. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1200 block of Frazier. One person was transported to SMMC.

Support Groups

FRIDAY

- AA open discussion meeting from noon until 1 p.m. at 605 Settles. Open Big Book study meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

SATURDAY

- 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.

SUNDAY






- Alcoholics Anonymous meets from 11 a.m. to noon at 615 Settles. Open meeting 5 p.m. until 6 p.m.

MONDAY

- Encourager's Support Group for all widows and widowers meets the first and third Monday of the month. For more information, call Nancy Hale at 398-5239.

- 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.

Your Local Weather

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Bulletin Board

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TODAY

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

SATURDAY

- Big Spring Shrine Club meets at 6:30 p.m. at Goliad and First streets for a meal with a meeting to follow.
- Eagles Lodge Dance at 8:30 p.m. at 703 W. Third.
- Big Spring Squares. Call 267-7043 or 263-6305 for more information.

MONDAY

- The Big Spring-Howard County Retired Teacher's Association meets in the Cactus Room at Howard College, 1001 Birdwell Lane. Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m.
- 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.
- Evening Lions Club meets at 6:45 p.m. at Dragon China Buffett.
- DAV and Auxiliary Chapter 47 meets at 6:30 p.m. at 610 Abrams St.
- Prospector's Club work night begins at 7 p.m. at 606 E. Third.

TUESDAY

- Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.
- Big Spring Band Boosters meets at 5:30 p.m. in the high school band hall. All band parents are invited to attend.
- Big Spring Art Association meets at 7 p.m. in the Howard County Library. All working artists and those interested in art are invited to attend.
- Order of the Eastern Star No. 67 meets at 7:30 p.m. at 221 Main.

WEDNESDAY

- Optimist Club meets at 7 a.m. in the Howard College Cactus Room.
- Free blood pressure screenings from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Salvation Army, 811 W. Fifth St., provided by InHome Care.
- Downtown Lions Club meets at noon at the Howard College Cactus Room.
- Duplicate Bridge Club meets at 1 p.m. in the Big Spring Country Club.
- Eagles Lodge Ladies Auxiliary meets at 7 p.m. in the Eagles Lodge, 703 W. Third.

Lottery

Results of the Texas Two Step drawing Thursday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 8-19-25-29. Bonus Ball: 11
Number matching four of four, plus Bonus Ball: 0.

The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Thursday by the Texas Lottery: 2-4-6-17-26.

The winning Daily 4 numbers drawn Thursday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 2-6-7-5. Sum It Up: 20.

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Thursday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 2-7-0. Sum it Up: 9.

Correction

The Oct. 16 edition of the Herald's Police Blotter contained a typographical error. The entry read: JOE HAYS, 2, of 1200 E. 15th Street, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of possession of a controlled substance in a drug free zone.

The entry should have read: JOE HAYS, 52, of 1200 E. 15th Street, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of possession of a controlled substance in a drug free zone.

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Orakpo a sack machine for No. 1 Texas

By JIM VERTUNO

AP Sports Writer

AUSTIN — At 6-foot-2, 280 pounds, Lamarr Houston is a big man with a big punch.

But even he knows enough not to mess with 'Rak.

"No way," he said. "Not with 'Rak.'"

That would be Texas teammate Brian Orakpo, the 6-4, 260-pound defensive end who is tied for

second nationally with eight sacks, and has been a dominant force in the Longhorns' rise to No. 1 and benches 515 pounds.

Orakpo and Houston spent much of last summer boxing in an Austin gym, using jabs, uppercuts, haymakers and defensive moves to improve hand-eye coordination and their ability to shed blockers.

"Boxing really helped," Orakpo

said. "When I first started I didn't know how hard boxing was. Street fighting and boxing are two different things."

But all of that work was spent on big and small punching bags. The two never considered stepping inside the ropes for a few rounds of live punches.

"Nope," Houston said. "Orakpo is a big, strong guy."

A fifth-year senior, Orakpo is

living up to the great expectations Texas (6-0, 2-0 Big 12) had for him last season.

"We thought last year he could be one of the best pass rushers we ever had," coach Mack Brown said. "Then he got hurt."

It was a high-low block — someone blocked him high while another guy chopped at his knees — in the first game against Arkansas State in 2007 that

knocked him out the next four games. He would finish with 5½ sacks last year but felt cheated out of what could have been a dominant year.

"That first game (out) was the first time I had sat in the crowd in so long. It was devastating," Orakpo said of the block he considers a cheap shot. "I'm a man on a mission. I want to make up for lost time."

ALCS

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Boston trailed 7-0 with two outs in the seventh, then rallied when Dustin Pedroia hit an RBI single and David Ortiz added a three-run homer against Grant Balfour.

Drew hit a two-run homer in the eighth, and Coco Crisp tied it with a two-out RBI single off Dan Wheeler.

The Red Sox have won eight consecutive ALCS games when facing elimination.

"It was pretty much the most amazing thing I've ever been a part of," Crisp said, "to be down 7-0 in an elimination game and be able to come back."

In the ninth, Kevin Youkilis reached on an infield single with two outs when he grounded to Evan Longoria and wound up at

second as the throw bounced in front of first baseman Carlos Pena and into the stands for an error.

Jason Bay was intentionally walked, and Drew lined a single to right off J.P. Howell over the outstretched glove of Gabe Gross and over the fence as Youkilis scored.

"Hopefully, there'll be time when we can sit back and think 'This is what got us over the hump,'" Francona said. "But we're still climbing."

No team has repeated as World Series champion since the New York Yankees won three straight from 1998-2000. That mark is still in jeopardy.

Others already are gone.

Pena tied an ALCS record by homering in his third straight game, then Longoria broke it five pitches later with his sixth postseason homer. Tampa Bay's 13 homers set an ALCS record,

breaking Boston's mark of 12 against the Yankees in 2003. B.J. Upton and Longoria became the first teammates in AL history with at least six homers apiece in the postseason.

Tampa Bay took the first two at Fenway by a combined 22-5, then Upton pounced on Daisuke Matsuzaka for a two-run homer on the game's ninth pitch. Carlos Pena and Longoria hit back-to-back homers for the second straight game, and Scott Kazmir held Boston to two hits over six innings, never allowing a runner past second base.

Then the Red Sox sprung to life.

A hero of Boston's 2004 and '07 titles, Ortiz had just one hit and no RBIs in the series heading into Game 5.

"There goes Papi and there goes Drew, I mean that can happen at any time," Rays manager Joe Maddon said. "We're just

going to have to go back home and get it going again. We played a great game. They just came back and beat us. That happens."

The seven-run deficit was the largest overcome in a postseason game since Game 4 of 1929 World Series, according to the Elias Sports Bureau. In that one, the Philadelphia Athletics trailed by eight before a 10-run seventh inning powered them past the Chicago Cubs 10-8.

The Red Sox fell behind the Yankees in the 2004 ALCS before becoming the first major league team to rally from a 3-0 postseason deficit. Once in the World Series, they swept the St. Louis Cardinals for their first title in 86 years.

Three seasons later, Boston trailed the Cleveland Indians 3-1 in the ALCS before winning three straight and sweeping Colorado in the Series for their

second title in four seasons.

"We all felt we couldn't let it end here, and we all believed we could come back," Matsuzaka said through a translator.

Akinori Iwamura led off the game with a single, then Upton homered onto the ledge atop the Green Monster to make it 2-0. Pena and Longoria went back-to-back in the third and it was 5-0. Manny Delcarmen walked two batters to start the seventh before closer Jonathan Papelbon, pressed into early service to save the season, gave up Upton's two-run double to make it 7-0.

Then came the Rays' big collapse.

"If you dwell on something like that and you get your mind in a negative mode," Maddon said, "nothing good is going to happen after that."

WOODARD

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"Our team is coming together with all that is happening to us," Woodard said. "It hurts us that that many players are out, but we'll show up to play. We're a cohesive group."

Woodard has opened the eyes

of several Division I FBS programs and currently has a full-ride scholarship offer from the University of North Texas on the table. However, he's waiting it out as other schools are also showing interest, including Kansas State University, Oklahoma State University and the University of Texas in El Paso.

Woodard says he was original-

ly leaning towards OSU, but has recently taken more of an interest in KSU. He says every school considering him has talked about utilizing him as either a defensive back or a wide receiver.

"I'm a versatile player. God has blessed me with great athleticism," Woodard said. "I'm just fast and I can catch the ball. Colleges are just looking for an

athlete."

As for tonight's matchup with Frenship, it's the same speed Woodard is proud of that has Ritchey excited about the senior's playmaking potential.

"Speed is LaRay's No. 1 weapon," said Ritchey. "Teams know he's a threat in the return game. As a defensive back, he can run down ball carriers who break lose and pick off passes. He's

done a great job tackling. He's been a big surprise in that regard. We felt he was going to be more of a threat in the passing game, but LaRay has been a luxury for us as he plays the run very well. We're going to get him more involved on offense in the last four games and get the ball in his hands. He's a big threat when he has it and I'm excited to see what he can do."

ROMO

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Johnson would take over Sunday at St. Louis. It was thought then that Romo could be out up to a month.

But Romo, after getting a phone call from New York Jets quarterback Brett Favre, told coaches Wednesday he would like to play. Romo didn't practice then, but threw on the side, including some passes to Jones and tight end Jason Witten.

"Yeah, he threw me several

balls, knocking them in there very good," Jones said.

Romo hasn't spoken in the locker room this week, and escaped quickly without answering questions the one time he was seen while reporters were present.

"He's been upbeat, he's been in meetings talking just like he was playing," Witten said before practice Thursday. "That's very encouraging because I'm sure he was devastated because he's never been hurt before. To see him out there throwing and trying to talk Wade into letting him play, that's encouraging for all

of us."

Phillips said Romo doesn't have to go through a full practice to play.

Jones acknowledged that one of the concerns of Romo playing is the risk of making the injury worse.

"The wrong kind of lick on it might make it more severe," Jones said. "But they've developed a way to protect it so that he can throw. It's so interesting in how he's explaining to me he's found out he can put the emphasis with the little finger on the (ring) finger and do what the little finger does."

The Cowboys owner expected Romo to be "very persuasive" in trying to convince Phillips that he can play.

The injury occurred when Romo was sacked and fumbled to start overtime against the Cardinals. But Romo stayed in the game and badly missed on his next two pass attempts before the punt was blocked and recovered for the winning touchdown.

Romo grew up in Wisconsin, where Favre starred for the Green Bay Packers. Favre has started 258 consecutive games. Romo, already a two-time Pro

Bowler, has been the Dallas starter 32 consecutive games since replacing ineffective Drew Bledsoe seven games into the 2006 season.

Witten, one of Romo's best friends, scoffed at the idea the quarterback is trying to come back to play as a way to emulate Favre.

"He's been through it a little bit now. ... I don't think he looks at it that way," Witten said. "He's mature enough and understands the challenges. He'll try to go if he can. If he can't, I think he's prepared to come back as quick as possible."

BUSTED

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first time, set up TCU's first touchdown and he threw an interception that led to another score.

Hall finished 22-of-42 for 274 yards with two interceptions, and scored the only BYU touchdown when he scrambled to convert a fourth-and-goal from the 2 late in the third quarter. He had thrown 20 TDs with four picks before facing the Frogs.

With the first Bowl Championship Series standings coming out Sunday, the only undefeated team left in the Mountain West is No. 14 Utah (7-0), whose eight-game winning streak is tied with No. 3 Penn State and No. 7 Texas Tech for the longest in the country.

The Utes obviously have the best chance to get into one of the major bowls since no BCS buster has ever lost in the regular season. But they still have to play TCU, which certainly can't be eliminated from that conversation since its only loss was at No. 4 Oklahoma.

"Our kids are going to be excited, I'm way excited," Patterson said, stopping to remind everyone that the Frogs' focus is on the conference title. "The bottom line is we have a lot of football to play."

Utah was the original BCS buster in 2004, then the fol-

lowing season came to TCU and had its 18-game winning streak snapped.

Dalton, who missed the last two games with a knee injury, threw a 25-yard touchdown to Jimmy Young on his first pass. He added a 12-yarder to Walter Bryant just before halftime, the receiver making a nifty grab and getting a foot down in the back corner of the end zone — a catch confirmed by replay — for a 23-0 lead.

Dalton finished 12-of-19 for 170 yards and Kerley ran nine times for 77 yards. Jerry Hughes had four sacks for TCU and forced two fumbles.

Austin Collie matched the MWC record with his fifth consecutive 100-yard receiving game (six catches for 116 yards) for the Cougars, who had also won 18 consecutive conference games, a streak that began with their 2006 victory at TCU.

On BYU's opening drive of the game, Daryl Washington dropped a possible interception near the 50 with a wide-open field to the end zone ahead of him. But two plays later, Hughes hit Hall from behind, stripping the ball and TCU recovered at the Cougars 40.

The Frogs quickly went for the end zone. Dalton threw a pass that wasn't caught because of a pass interference penalty, then hit Young on the next play.

Kerley scored on a 16-yard run, avoiding a BYU defender just past the line and then zigzagging through the middle of the field virtually untouched for a 14-0 lead, ending a 72-yard drive on which he also had 24-yard run.

"You want to come with a surprise against a team like this," Kerley said. "We were more explosive, caught them off guard."

TCU led 17-0 on Ross Evans' 21-yard field goal a play after an apparent interception was overturned by replay. That drive included a 21-yard run by Kerley.

Joseph Turner, who ran 19 times for 70 yards, scored on a 5-yard run at the end of the third quarter for the final touchdown.

Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Bidding Quiz

You are South, both sides vulnerable. The bidding has been:
West North East South
1♦ Pass Pass ?

What would you bid with each of the following five hands?

- ♠ 853 ♥ KJ72 ♦ AJ10 ♣ K96
- ♠ KQ9 ♥ QJ4 ♦ AQ6 ♣ K1072
- ♠ J87 ♥ KJ854 ♦ 3 ♣ KJ86
- ♠ J64 ♥ AK9 ♦ KQ9874 ♠ 10
- ♠ AJ8 ♥ AKQ86 ♦ 52 ♣ KQ7

1. **One notrump.** When the bidding is on the verge of dying at a low level, you are permitted to make bids you would ordinarily not make in any other position. Such bids in the so-called balancing seat often don't have their normal meaning.

The player in the balancing seat has an obligation not to sell out cheaply if there is a reasonable way to compete for the contract. If he does elect to compete, whatever action he takes must tentatively be regarded as suspect. The one-notrump bid in this sequence indicates about 11 to 14 points rather than the 15 to 18 you would be expected to hold if you bid one notrump directly over the opening bidder.

2. **Double.** If you were in second position, you would overcall with one notrump, but in the balancing seat you are much too strong for that

action. Partner would think you had a much flimsier hand, such as in the first problem. The way to show real opening notrump values in the balancing position is by doubling and then bidding notrump at your next turn to complete the description of your hand.

3. **One heart.** This isn't much of a hand, but it is better to bid than to pass. Partner probably has 10 or more points, which gives your side a shot at a partscore that would be lost if you threw in the sponge prematurely. Because you are in the balancing seat, partner should not become overly enthusiastic about your bid.

4. **Pass.** The opponents couldn't be in a worse spot, and it's not wise to help them out by competing. West will probably go down a trick or two, and you may wind up with a respectable plus. Besides, partner probably doesn't have much, since he's marked with diamond shortness and failed to bid over one diamond.

5. **Double.** Here you have values with which you would act in any position, and these can best be shown by doubling and then bidding hearts. An immediate jump to two hearts would suggest a strong hand interested only in hearts, but this hand may well play better in notrump or spades, if partner is so inclined.

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News briefs

Bush to give pep talk Friday to country racked by economic, financial problems

WASHINGTON (AP) — Wild gyrations on Wall Street, a loss of confidence in the U.S. banking system and worries the economy will be weak for some time are raising Americans' anxiety level.

Against this backdrop, President Bush on Friday was to give the nation a more detailed explanation of what the government is doing to battle the worst financial crisis in more than a half-century.

Despite a flurry of radical actions by the Bush administration and the Federal Reserve, banks in the United States and abroad are still wary of lending money to each other and to their customers. The credit clog is depriving the wheezing U.S. economy of oxygen.

Financial and credit problems have dragged on for more than a year and took a dangerous turn for the worse last month. All the fallout threatens to plunge the U.S. economy — as well as the world economy — into a painful recession.

White House officials said Bush didn't intend to put forward any new policy actions. The president was delivering his address at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce headquarters across from the White House.

Financial woes melt McCain's lead, allow Obama to compete for Fla.'s 27 electoral votes

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (AP) — Democrat Barack Obama poured millions of dollars into Florida over the summer but couldn't close in on John McCain's comfortable lead. The Republican didn't flinch, confident the state was trending toward the GOP eight years after it gave George W. Bush the White House.

Then the mortgage crisis hit, jolting the high-fareclosure state — and its presidential politics.

Now, the coveted state with 27 electoral votes is a tossup.

And, Republicans and Democrats alike say getting voters to the polls is the key.

"We're feeling urgent," said Obama deputy campaign manager Steve Hildebrand, who is now working out of Miami, signaling just how hard the campaign is competing. "We've got a lot to prove."

Experts say time-out rooms are used in excess for children with behavior disorders

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — After failing to finish a reading assignment, 8-year-old Isabel Loeffler was sent to the school's time-out room — a converted storage area under a staircase — where she was left alone for three hours.

The autistic Iowa girl wet herself before she was finally allowed to leave.

Appalled, her parents removed her from the school district and filed a lawsuit.

Some educators say time-out rooms are being used with increased frequency to discipline children with behavioral disorders. And the time outs are probably doing more harm than good, they add.

"It really is a form of abuse," said Ken Merrell, head of the Department for Special Education and Clinical Sciences at the University of Oregon. "It's going to do nothing to change the behavior. You're using it as an isolation booth."

Investigation turns to tower's lights, wreckage in Illinois medical copter crash that killed 4

AURORA, Ill. (AP) — An investigation into a medical helicopter crash that killed a desperately ill 1-year-old girl and three crew members will include whether a radio tower's lights were on when the aircraft clipped the structure's wire and went down in a suburban Chicago field, authorities said.

Investigators also have pieces of the helicopter, including a mangled yellow-and-white rotor, to determine what happened to the Air Angels helicopter that crashed minutes before midnight Wednesday.

The crash caused so much damage to the 734-foot tower that Aurora police advised about 1,000 people who live nearby to leave their homes until engineers believe it is safe.

The helicopter was flying about 50 feet lower than the top of the tower when it hit the wire, said National Transportation Safety Board investigator John Brannen.

"I can say that when I was out here last night after the accident that the lights on the tower were not lit,"

Brannen said Thursday. The NTSB was investigating whether the lights could have been knocked out during the incident, he said.

Proponents of Great Lakes cleanup efforts look to presidential candidates for funding plans

TRAVERSE CITY, Mich. (AP) — The Great Lakes are ailing, scientists warn, on the verge of ecological ruin from big-city sewage and invasive species. Presidential candidates John McCain and Barack Obama promise to support restoration and cleanup, yet the nation's financial crisis calls into question how those efforts will be funded.

Advocates for the lakes region are begging the next president to support a rescue plan expected to cost more than \$20 billion. They liken it to the Florida Everglades restoration that Congress approved eight years ago — and it, too, is struggling for lack of money.

"The current economic crisis is even more of a reason why both candidates should articulate comprehensive, detailed Great Lakes cleanup commitments," said Jeff Skelding, national campaign director for the Healing Our Waters-Great Lakes Coalition. "Investment in cleanup of the lakes is also an investment in a healthy regional economy."

The Great Lakes region includes crucial states in the presidential race: Ohio, Pennsylvania, Indiana, Minnesota and Wisconsin. The McCain and Obama campaigns agree that the Great Lakes need help but argue over the approach.

While campaigning for re-election in 2004, President Bush established an interagency task force that oversaw development of the Great Lakes Regional Collaboration Strategy. It called for upgrading wastewater and sewage treatment systems, stemming the exotic species tide, restoring wetlands and wildlife habitat and cleaning up toxic sediments. But the administration provided little money.

Thai prime minister says he will remain in office despite calls for his resignation

BANGKOK, Thailand (AP) — Thai Prime Minister Somchai Wongsawat said Friday he will stay in power despite growing calls for his resignation in the wake of a deadly confrontation between police and protesters last week.

Somchai's decision came amid a deepening political crisis that has nearly paralyzed the government and raised fears the army could seize power in its second coup in two years.

It also came a day after army chief Gen. Anupong Paochinda — flanked by the commanders of the other armed forces — said in a TV interview that Somchai should take responsibility for the violence and hinted he should step down. Anupong repeated, however, his vow not to stage a coup.

Somchai said the government cannot abandon its work and responsibility.

Somchai took office only last month but was immediately targeted by anti-government protesters for his relationship to his brother-in-law, deposed Prime Minister Thaksin Shinawatra.

A demonstration against his government turned into a violent confrontation between police and protesters last week that killed one demonstrator and injured hundreds of others, as well as dozens of police.

Oil jumps to above \$72 on expectations global recession fears may be overblown

SINGAPORE (AP) — Oil prices jumped above \$72 a barrel Friday in Asia from a 14-month low as investors bet fears that a severe global recession will devastate crude demand may be overblown.

Oil has fallen by about half since reaching a record \$147.27 on July 11.

"I think the market has been way oversold," said Gavin Wendt, head of mining and resources research at consultancy Fat Prophets in Sydney. "The sentiment has been dominated by fear and panic, and when people are scared, they just keep selling."

Light, sweet crude for November delivery was up \$2.80 to \$72.65 a barrel in electronic trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange by midafternoon in Singapore. The contract dropped overnight \$4.69 to settle at \$69.85, the lowest settlement price since Aug. 23, 2007.

Investors have been concerned that recent turmoil in the global financial system will trigger a worse than

expected slowdown in economic activity.

Ravenous armyworms on the march in Texas, devouring pastures and newly planted wheat

DALLAS (AP) — Texas farmers are once again battling armyworms and the voracious creatures are attacking fields and pastures in formidable numbers.

"There are probably more armyworms this year than in previous years," Allen Knutson, an entomologist with the Texas A&M University System, said Thursday.

The armyworm, which is actually the caterpillar or larva of the night-flying moth, do the most damage in the fall, when they're at their peak, nearly fully grown at about an inch-and-a-half long. They'll chomp on any plant, but prefer grasses, especially the lush and well-fertilized hay meadows and pastures in North, East and Central Texas.

"Unless the farmer is looking very closely, he won't realize he has a problem" until it's too late, Knutson said. "Almost overnight a field can be consumed by armyworms. A farmer drives by and says 'Oh my goodness, I've lost my crop.'"

The armyworm gets its name from its method of operation. The larvae occur in large army-like numbers and when they eat all the food in one area they "march" en masse, across roads and fence lines, to the next field for feeding, unseen in the darkness and cool of the night.

ARREST

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door and recognized the person knocking as an acquaintance. The suspect then pulled out a toy pistol and demanded the male victim's wallet and property. At that time, one of the two female subjects hid in a closet.



Moore

"The male victim recognized the gun as a toy and lunged at the suspect, who then pulled out a knife. Needless to say, the knife was real. The suspect then ordered the male and one of the females into the living room, demanding his wallet and property. The suspect hit the victim in the face and kicked him. At that time, the female subject in the closet called the police and officers were dispatched."

Everett said Moore was leaving the residence as police officers arrived on the scene.

"Moore was exiting the home as police officers were approaching. He ran for it, and actually made it to the 700 block of Owens before officers apprehended him," said Everett. "He had the victim's property in his pockets at the time

of his arrest, along with the toy gun."

The male victim suffered minor injuries in the robbery, according to Everett, and neither of the female subjects were harmed. Once Moore was caught by officers, he was taken into custody without incident or injury, he said.

And while no life-threatening injuries were sustained in the altercation, Everett said the incident could have taken a deadly turn.

"I'm just glad he (Moore) didn't point the toy gun at the officers," said Everett. "Things could have turned out a lot worse, especially for him."

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ANGEL

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program getting started, and we have all of the other programs we work on during Thanksgiving and Christmas coming up as well. So we certainly have to get a jump on things."

Lafler said she expects to wrap-up the application process next week.

"We'll be accepting applications through Friday, Oct. 24," said Lafler. "All they have to do is come by the office between 9 a.m. and noon, or 1 p.m. and 3 p.m."

The application process is simple, according to Lafler, and for some area children it could be the difference between waking up with gifts under the tree Christmas morning and waking up to nothing.

"They need to come in and bring a picture ID for all of the adults, Social Security cards for all of the household members living there, birth certificates for children 12 and under and proof of income," said Lafler. "That means check stubs from work, food stamps, AFDC, TANIF, HUD or any of those types of income. They need to bring those in with them,

because we do verify them. They also need to bring in a copy of all of their expenses, as well as a list of what their children might want for Christmas, including clothes sizes and shoe sizes.

"The picture ID has to be a state-issued ID, not the kind you can get at certain convenience stores. Also, they need to be sure to bring either the Social Security card itself, or a print out from the Social Security Office. It has to appear on something official, even DHS (Department of Health Services) records."

Once the names and gift

ideas are collected and put on the Angel Trees in the form of cards, area shoppers will have the opportunity to brighten a child's holiday by choosing one and purchasing items for them.

The trees will be erected in area stores and shops, according to Lafler.

For more information on the Angel Tree program, call 267-8239 or stop by their office, located at 811 W. Fifth St.

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BAND

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ing and concert competitions.

Because of the alternating format

at the state level, Forsan will not get a chance this year to defend either of its crowns. Also, BSHS will not have a chance to qualify for state competition, Harris said.

Other area high school bands to take the field Saturday include both

Coahoma and Stanton, which will perform in the Class 2A competition.

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OTHER VIEWS

Owning a home:
The money pit

Adjustable-rate mortgages and exotic borrowing schemes that were used to lure people into buying houses they couldn't afford aren't the only reason many homeowners have lost their homes.

High mortgages may be the main culprit for the high volume of foreclosures we're seeing. Those costs, however, have been exacerbated by other mounting expenses also associated with home ownership.

The bills to stay in a house have kept growing while people's salaries have seen little or no increase.

That situation has been outlined in a new report from the Center for Housing Policy, the research affiliate of the National Housing Conference. The study points out that between 1996 and 2006, every major category of homeowner expenses rose faster than people's incomes.

The list includes mortgage payments, up 46 percent; utilities, 43 percent; property taxes, 66 percent; homeowners insurance, 83 percent.

These housing expenses collectively increased 66 percent in the 10-year period. Compare that with the 36-percent increase in homeowner incomes over that same time, and you see another dimension to the nation's high foreclosure rate.

The portion of homeowners' income spent on housing expenses grew to 26 percent in 2006, compared with 21 percent in 1996. Real estate salespeople are quick to say a family can afford to spend 30 percent of its income on housing. But nearly a sixth of all households were spending half their income on a place to stay in 2006.

The costs of home ownership can be broken down further. In the utilities category, the Center for Housing Policy says the price of home heating oil increased 131 percent in the 10 years studied. The price of natural gas doubled during that period. Only electricity prices remained relatively stable.

With so many Americans opting for suburban living, you can't ignore transportation costs when calculating homeowner expenses. It's important that gasoline prices have nearly tripled in just the last six years, from about \$1.38 per gallon in 2002 to \$4.05 per gallon in 2008 — though prices have come down a bit lately.

The center makes some recommendations to reduce housing costs, among them building more energy-efficient structures and putting them closer to public transit. But it will take time for these ideas related to new construction to have any impact. In the meantime, families will struggle to afford their homes.

The outlook is not good for them. Wall Street hasn't responded to passage of the \$700 billion bailout, and it will take a while before its provisions to bolster the housing market are implemented. Consumers' confidence is shot, so they're not buying anything. Stores with stagnant inventories are laying people off.

And the beat goes on.

It's an economic crisis with roots in the price of a mortgage. But as the center's report shows, the costs of utility bills, property taxes and homeowners insurance have also made owning a house unaffordable for millions of Americans.

Developing policies to address those costs is as important as the bailout.

THE PHILADELPHIA INQUIRER

Despite setbacks, the perfect day

When Leanna and I came back to our car last Tuesday, we first thought we were on the wrong street. No, my car was no longer there and somehow that dawning revelation affected my internal organs. It was a sick feeling.

We only had one day in San Francisco and having my rent-a-car stolen was not what I had planned. When I turned to Leanna she smiled and said, "That's what God invented insurance for," and we both hugged each other. I had a real adventure on my hands to see how we would get back to Sacramento.

In another minute or two I remembered my journal and Bible were in that car. My smile changing as my big fat lip poked out in a pout.

"Our books," I groaned.

Convinced my grandkids will read my journals; the loss began to sink in. Millions no doubt would some day have flocked to my own wing at the Smithsonian in hopes to glimpse the personal Bible of Troy Brewer. This theft was totally unacceptable.

Enter Homer. The 360-pound African American homeless brother with five layers of clothes, dreadlocks like the Predator and a sign around his neck that reads, "A cigarette would help."

"You think your car been stolen? It was ... by the city." Homer started laughing and when he did he coughed up half a lung. His bright yellow teeth made me smile too because it was funny that he thought it was funny. So there we were, me laughing at him laughing at me. I saw the sign he pointed to with a worn out glove. It said no parking from 3-6. I had parked at the meter

sometime around 2:30 and now it was 3:40. My car had been impounded.

We chatted with Homer for awhile and had coffee together. He had squatted in Dallas, Austin and Fort worth for a time. He resides now near the piers.

After 2.3 miles and a \$20 ride with Amin the Ethiopian, we enter the environmentally friendly office of impounded cars. Amin was a neat guy and if you think about it, pray for him. He's here legally and trying his hardest to make things happen. 22 years old, full of promise and wanting to live the dream of an American. He said he had always wanted to see a rodeo.

I was seeing a side of San Francisco that's most folks don't. This was the park-in-a-no-parking-zone tour.

On the other side of bulletproof glass loaded with Obama stickers and something that said, "Send bread not bombs" sat Erica. Erica was the fifth daughter of Mexican immigrants. I learn things about people because my hillbilly accent triggers people to ask me where I'm from.

She had family just south of San Antonio. Around us people screamed and protested but it was all blurry. After a few minutes chit-chat she regrettably handed us a recycled piece of paper with a fine of \$244 printed on it.

We began laughing again, the way men would laugh after they came out of Vietnam. I said, "C'mon Erica, help us. Were nice, your nice and nice people help each other."

She wrote down an address and said if we hurried to the courthouse we could catch a judge before 5. We might get it dismissed.

We thanked her and went looking for our rented Mazda 6. There it was, with another ticket on the windshield for an additional \$70. What a wonderful racket this city has.

I scanned the eco-friendly processed paper for any sign of mercy. With none there, we were driving around looking for the courthouse.

A few minutes later we ran up the courthouse steps past two men going through a mock gay marriage and looking for the right office because the judge leaves at 5. The judge, who was Croatian, granted us the last hearing of the day. In a thick Eastern European accent he dismissed the \$70 ticket but didn't the other. He had however, once bought an authentic pair of cowboy boots at DFW airport.

Thirty minutes later, Leanna and I caught the last boat out for a sunset cruise on the bay.

The guy running the boat was named Paul and had been painting his pots for this months crab season. Paul had friends in Galveston that fish for shrimp. Paul was a neat guy.

My bride and me were on the back of the boat giggling about our whirlwind tour and about to go under the Golden Gate Bridge. We love this crazy journey. Paul picked up my iPhone and took a picture. The end of a perfect day.

You see, you can be mad over things gone wrong or you can have real justice in enjoying the ride anyway. I think sometimes God gives us victory through slaying the giants in our lives. I love being a giant killer but I think other times we have victory when the giants don't matter.

It turned out to be one of the most romantic and loving evenings of our 20-year marriage. Perfect weather, the sun going down into the ocean, a miracle moment.

I learned a long time ago, a move of God delayed is not a move of God denied. Sometimes the miraculous follows the ridiculous.

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Washington fixture with Texas roots

Several weeks after President Jimmy Carter lost his 1980 re-election battle, his campaign chairman, Bob Strauss, was looking ahead.

Over breakfast, the venerable Dallas lawyer-lobbyist praised how Ronald Reagan was conducting his transition and noted that he would attend a dinner with him later that week.

Asked why he was so hard to reach after Reagan routed his candidate, Strauss quipped, "The truth of the matter was I was in Las Vegas dead drunk with my wife, losing a lot of money and having a wonderful time."

That's the Bob Strauss who has been a Washington fixture for nearly four decades: funny, smart, sometimes profane, always ready to adapt to changing circumstances.

It explains why Strauss, who celebrates his 90th birthday this weekend, has been beloved by senior figures of both parties — and the press.

He's something of a disappearing breed in this increasingly partisan capital; his personal and political friendships span the two major parties and enabled him to hold senior positions under Carter, a Democrat, and George H.W. Bush, a Republican.

Though retired from active politics and in a wheelchair since breaking his hip years ago, he showed at lunch recently that he is keeping close tabs on the current campaign. He expects a big Demo-

cratic victory Nov. 4 and a nascent rebound for his party in Texas.

Bob Strauss first attained political prominence in Texas in the 1960s through his friendship with Gov. John Connally, but he was 50 when he got his first major national post: treasurer of a broke Democratic Party after the 1968 election.

In 1972, he was elected national chairman, backed by governors and congressional leaders eager to reverse a leftward swing that led to George McGovern's disastrous defeat.

Strauss modified the nominating process and gave a key role in the 1974 midterm elections to one of his gubernatorial backers, a little known Georgian named Jimmy Carter.

Carter used that platform to build a presidential bid. Later, Strauss acknowledged that he hadn't realized Carter's ambition when he picked him after a conversation with Atlanta lawyer Charles Kirbo, an old friend who was close to Carter.

His chairmanship also cemented a friendship with the transplanted Texan who was his Republican counterpart, the elder Bush. Three decades later, he found a place in his Dallas law firm for Bush's grandson, George P. Bush.

Aboard the Carter plane days before the election, he told me that, if the Democrats won, he hoped to be the president's special trade representative, a perfect job for someone with his skills and one that might later benefit his law firm, Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld.

When he got the job, he made sure that reporters who covered him were not beaten on the story.

Indeed, Strauss was a master at cultivating the press, from the political writers who covered his chairmanship to the foreign policy experts who followed him as Carter's Middle East negotiator.

For many years, he gave annual chili parties in his Watergate apartment for working reporters, big-name columnists and bureau chiefs.

During the Reagan years, Nancy Reagan consulted him, along with other so-called wise men, during the Iran-Contra scandal before forcing the ouster of Donald Regan as chief of staff.

His most surprising role came when the first President Bush named him ambassador to the Soviet Union amid the turmoil after its empire collapsed. He wanted an envoy he could trust.

Strauss was overseas when Bill Clinton beat Bush and never got close to the Clintons. Later, Al Gore, to his detriment, never sought Strauss' advice.

But the man who beat Gore recognized his stature in Washington. Soon after his election, George W. Bush invited Bob Strauss to the White House.

Strauss has been generally dismayed at what he has seen in the ensuing years and, entering his ninth decade on earth, is pleased that Democrats will benefit.

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Church News

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.

Paulette Lindsey is representing our church as commissioner to the 83rd Stated Meeting of Tres Rios Presbytery, at First Presbyterian Church, San Angelo, Friday 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. Saturday sessions will begin with breakfast at 8 a.m. and conclude with worship from 3-4 p.m. Several members of First Presbyterian, Coahoma are attending this conference.

The lectionary for the 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time is Exodus 33:12-23; Psalm 99; I Thessalonians 1:1-10; Matthew 22:15-22.

First United Methodist Church

Our senior pastor, the Rev. Sharon Wiese will preach at both services of worship Sunday, continuing the series of Life Rules. This week's emphasis will be on "Encourage." Services are at 8:30 a.m. and 10:50 a.m. with Sunday school classes for all ages at 9:45.

Living Christmas Tree rehearsals begin Monday at 6:30 p.m. Participants will meet each Monday and again from 9 a.m. to noon Saturdays. This will be the 30th year and we'd like to fill the tree to overflowing. If you like to sing and love Christmas music, you are cordially invited to join this special tradition. You do not have to be able to read music and we urge choir members from other churches as well as school choirs to be a part of the Living Christmas Tree experience.

United Blood Services will be at our church Sunday, Oct 26, with a drive for Edman McMurry.

Please prayerfully consider being a part of this very worthy cause. The blood mobile will be on site from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

G.I.G.(God Is Good) pre-teen group will meet at 1:45 p.m. at the church Oct 26 and travel to Midland to Fiddlesticks Farm for a trip through the cornfield maze and a hayride.

The College Coffee House Ministry continues its successful run at Spanky's each Tuesday evening beginning at 6:30. All college age are invited to come out and hang out with Brent Williams, youth director at First Methodist.

And mark your calendar for the Have-a-Weenie Festival Oct. 31 at the Heritage Museum Pavillion just across from the church.

We're First Methodist, where families grow in Christ.

East Side Baptist Church

Come join us for a special night of music and testimony at 7 p.m. Wednesday. We present the Moody Family. Along with their music, John, having returned from a ten-week trip to Iraq, will share testimony of our soldiers there.

We look forward to this program and hope you will join us. Also, we invite you to join us for our regular services each week. Sunday services are at 9:45 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. and then at 1:45 p.m. Wednesday we meet at 7 p.m.

The following are coming event: "The Anderson Family," Nov. 16; "The Toney Brothers," Dec. 4; "A Birthday Party for Jesus," Dec. 13 (children's program, call 267-1915 for details).

We provide a nursery for children younger than four-years old at all our services.

North Birdwell United Methodist Church

North Birdwell United Methodist Church will be having their annual Chicken Spaghetti Supper Saturday from 5:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children, five years through 12 years of age. Alton and Treva Hall are our "super chefs" and we thank our community in advance for their support.

Sunday morning worship service is held at 10:30 a.m. with Sunday school for all ages at 9:30 a.m. Co-pastor Jacque Mauch will bring the morning message with co-pastor Allen Welch bringing the night message at 5:30 a.m.

The adult Sunday school topic for discussion is "Transformed To Witness to the Community," taken from Acts 9:1-31. Guy Teague will be the discussion leader.

Angel Food delivery date for October will be Oct. 25 from 11:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m.

North Birdwell United Methodist Church is located at 2702 N. Birdwell and welcomes all who would be workers for Christ. For more information, call Madeline Boadle at 267-2203. If no one answers, please leave a message.

First Presbyterian Church, Big Spring

Bible study at 5:17 p.m., Youth Group from 6-8 p.m., and choir practice at 6 p.m. take place Wednesday.

Helen Glass is representing our congregation as commissioner at Friday's meeting of Tres Rios Presbytery in San Angelo. Mark Morgan and Bert and Joyce Bronaugh are also attending.

Following the presbytery meeting, Tres Rios Presbytery is sponsoring "New Wind/New Fire," an evangelism workshop on Friday and Saturday at First Presbyterian Church, San Angelo. You may obtain registration forms in the church office or register at the event. Registration is from 4:30-6 p.m., followed by dinner, opening worship, and a keynote speech by General Assembly's director of Evangelism and Church Growth, Eric Hoey. Saturday sessions begin after 8 a.m. breakfast and

conclude with the closing worship at 4 p.m. Activities for children and youth will be provided, as well as care for infants during the conference.

Sunday, the Service Committee will be collecting "Brown Bag Grocery" bags, distributed last Sunday, as a part of our efforts to alleviate hunger in our community. Anyone who did not receive a bag with the printed list of groceries needed may get one by seeing Pat Fleming or any member of the Service Committee.

The Session meets in the church library at 6 p.m. Monday.

The lectionary for the 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time is Exodus 33:12-23; Psalm 99; I Thessalonians 1:1-10; Matthew 22:15-22. The choir will offer "Behold the Tabernacle of God" by William Harris and "Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether" by Harold Friedell as part of the worship service. The Rev. Bronaugh will preach on the subject "What's Right?" from Matthew 22:21.

Alive in Christ Lutheran Church LCMS

Worship services are at 9 a.m. with Holy Communion at 2805 Lynn St. The Rev. Chester McCown will be our guest pastor for church and adult Bible class. at 10:15 a.m. Sunday school is at 10:15 a.m. for all age children.

Our first voter's meeting was held last Monday night with many important decisions being made. We decided to increase what we have been paying our guest pastors. We decided to give 10 percent of our general contributions for missions retroactive to the beginning of

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Pursuing your life

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Our attitude should be, "I'm going to leave this place better than it was before. I'm going to make a difference with my life." If you are going to live a life worth remembering, you must make good plans. You must have a big vision. Declutter your mind and make room there for the life you want to live. It must be conceived on the inside before you receive it on the outside.

God is always planting new seeds in our heart. He wants all of us to enlarge our vision and to know who we really are. He will never ask us to do or give something without equipping us for the job. However, most do not want to take the time or work hard enough or long enough to make the difference.

Our lives are a gift from God to love, enjoy, and to be shared with others. Don't live just for yourself; live to make a difference in others. Do what you can and trust God to do what you can't. When you give Him the reigns, your life will take on new

meaning. The true joy in living is in helping others. God created us after His likeness, and part of His likeness is in helping and sharing with others. God often puts us in places we would not choose to be, but He does so because He knows we can touch people that no one else can, thereby making a difference.

When God told Moses to stand before Pharaoh and tell him to release the Jewish people, the first thing Moses said was, "God I can't do that. I have a stuttering problem. I'm not a good speaker." But how did God reply? He said, "Moses, who made your tongue? Who made your voice? Now therefore, go, and I will be with your mouth and teach you what you shall say" (Exodus 4:11). God knew Moses was the man for the job and He was not going to let him off the hook.

You must realize that God has matched you with your world. He's given you the right tools to fulfill your destiny. There may be times you don't feel that you can go another step, but that's when you move out beyond your feelings and put your faith in God's ability.

Pursue your life. Get involved with who you are and make a difference in your family, your place of employment, your community, and your church. When things get tough, expect God to be there, and He will be. He said in His Word He would never leave us nor forsake us. Do you believe Him?

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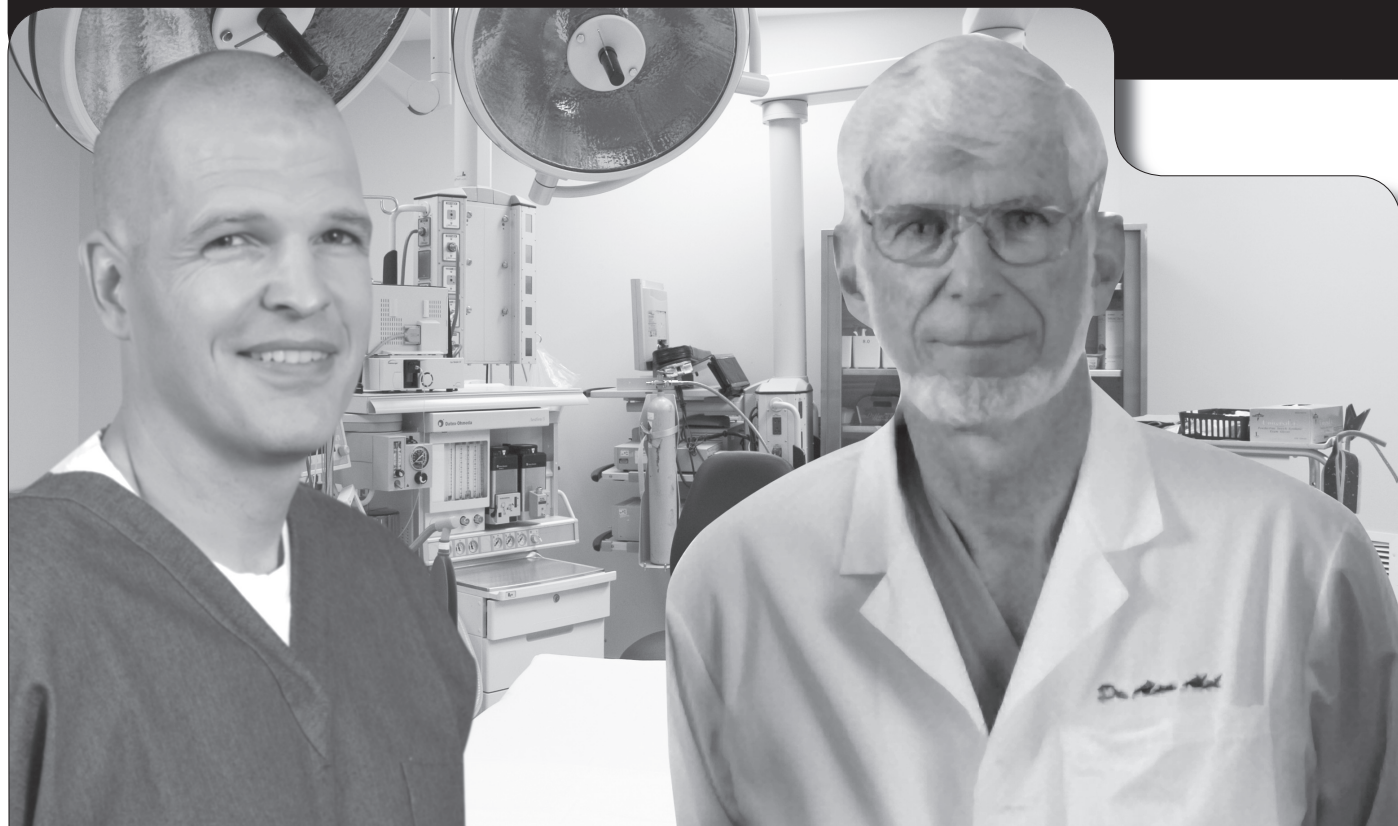
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PUBLIC NOTICE
Howard County will receive sealed bids until 10:00 A.M. on October 24, 2008 for the sale of a 1996 John Deere 624 G Loader with 3.5 yard bucket. Loader is available for inspection at the County Barn, 1011 N. San Antonio St., Big Spring, TX. Detailed specifications may be obtained by contacting Eddy Jameson, County Road Administrator at 432-264-2208. Bids will be presented to the Commissioners' Court at 10:00 A.M. on October 27, 2008 for their consideration. The Court reserves the right to reject any or all bids. #5931 October 9 & 17, 2008

Legals

GREAT DANE STORAGE
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 lien. 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, or by the space. All sales are subject to Texas State Sales Tax. Sale consists of household items from contents of the following tenants: Lisa Fryar, Tasha Gibson, Melissa Whited #5952 October 10 & 17, 2008

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.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT
Robert C. Wash Inc., Box 717 Forsan, TX 79733 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil and gas. The applicant proposes to inject fluid in the Queen & San Andres Formation, H.R. Clay -A- Lease, Well Numbers 9 & 27. The proposed injection wells are locate 3 miles East of Forsan, Texas in the Howard Glasscock Field, in Howard County, Texas. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 1640 to 2567 feet. LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas. Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512/463-6792). #5963 October 17, 2008

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS
Today's capricious Gemini moon provides the proper stimulation to get the ball of recently directed Mercury rolling. Conversations take interesting twists and turns. Passing thoughts catch our fancy. A clever spin really gets us thinking. The order of this day may not follow any predictable pattern, but it certainly is interesting!



HOLIDAY MATHIS

ARIES (March 21-April 19). People do funny things when they are nervous and some of these behaviors can be destructive. You do well to put those around you at ease. Get calm yourself so you can be a calming influence to others.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You are enraptured with the romance of nature. You can see pictures in clouds, decipher messages in the wind and understand the dance of falling leaves. Take the time to notice and your heart rejoices.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). There may be awkward moments and bouts of conversation in which nobody is really listening. These social dead zones make you appreciate tomorrow's interactions, which will really be "clicking."

CANCER (June 22-July 22). There's a reason a job keeps coming back to you no matter how often you try to pawn it off on someone else. This task belongs to you, absolutely. If you don't do it, nobody will.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Just because your troubles are few right now doesn't mean you should borrow anyone else's. Hurry -- get deeply involved in a creative project so you'll be too busy for distractions and drama that's not your own.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). There are some experiences you enjoy so thoroughly it would be a shame if you didn't reward yourself with them often. One experience in particular probably comes to mind -- you haven't indulged in a month!

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You'll be coming into contact with just the sort of interesting people you'd like to know better. You may not see how someone could fit into your life, but collect phone numbers and e-mail addresses anyway.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Your way of seeing relationship issues is completely unique. You might be able to see someone else's way to love better than your own. Verbalize your advice. It's probably the same advice that will work for you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Some of the choices you make about your life's plan are conscious, but many are not. It's a good thing, too -- your instincts know better than your intellect about finding happiness.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Your wild side makes an appearance on

the scene. Can a person live on the edge and still remain gainfully employed? You're intent on finding out as you whoop it up in one way or another.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Bring only good cheer to the world. Negative emotions like fear or jealousy could cause you to make decisions you won't like later. Make sure you're in a happy place before you do anything.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). A forceful attitude is ineffective. Your best power play is to admit that you're not all-powerful. Loved ones have a mind of their own. You're more influential when you let them express that mind and just listen.

WEEKEND LOVE FORECAST:

ARIES: Changing up where, how or with whom you choose to spend the weekend enlivens romance. **TAURUS:** You love with abandon, but first abandon regrets or old grudges. **GEMINI:** New romantic interests cleverly packaged in the form of people bearing gifts enter your life. **CANCER:** Certain relationships seem up in the air, but actually everyone's just adjusting their costume for the next act. **LEO:** Doing what you love for the sake of doing what you love attracts others to you. **VIRGO:** Don't worry -- the restlessness you feel is just a sign to fold one new element into the mix of your relationship. **LIBRA:** You're taking on the appearance and behavior of the people around you so spend time with your better twin flame. **SCORPIO:** You generously share a resource you have with others, and this magnanimousness pays off in loyalty. **SAGITTARIUS:** A partner's willingness to humor your romantic whim proves a delightful time for you both. **CAPRICORN:** Share those dreams you've been hiding out of fear or cautiousness with someone you love. **AQUARIUS:** Friendships nurture you now, especially those bringing happy news about the future. **PISCES:** Explore the nature of love together, through your faith or a spiritual practice.

COUPLE OF THE WEEKEND: Does love mirror art? Gemini appreciates what's modern, novel and eludes definition. While browsing, the twins could find a Rubenesque beauty, Taurus, contemplating the composition of a still life. The bull's earthy realism is attractive to Gemini. Yet for one to enhance the other, they must combine all their contrasting strengths -- like cleverness and sensibility. Voila, art!

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CHURCH

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our church. We discussed the problems we already have with running out of room for Sunday school classes. All boards gave their reports and told of their plans for the future.

On Wednesday, we met at the church for our second adult information class. This is a very informative Bible study and is great for all confirmed Lutherans as well as those who want an in-depth study of what we believe and where to find it in the Bible. It is not too late to start this class, so please join us next Wednesday at 7 p.m.

The Confirmation class for fifth through seventh grade was held from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Eighth grade and above will be included in the adult instruction class. There will be sitting available with games and movies and excellent caregivers for younger children for both the confirmation class and the adult class. Mr. Bobby Roever will teach the confirmation class.

Sunday from noon to 3

Thank God for mothers and buzzards

"Yuck!" I muttered, changing lanes to avoid the road kill splattered all over my lane of traffic and the ugly, black birds feasting on the raw mystery meat. At the sound of a car coming, the birds reluctantly flapped away one by one.

"Thank God for buzzards," I uttered under my breath, watching through my rear view mirror, as the family of scavengers reassembled around their feast. "They'll have that mess cleaned up in no time," I thought.

In his wisdom, God only created one other species with the same capacity for cleaning up messes as



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those nasty buzzards who circle around looking for a free meal. He called them "mothers." It takes a mother to change a messy diaper or clean up after a sick child without gagging or walking out on the job.

It takes a mother to wipe spaghetti sauce out of nostrils or dig

green peas out of ears.

It takes a mother to remove grass stains from laundry and scrub melted chocolate out of car seats. It

takes a mother to wash crayon marks off a wall or to scoop up a dozen broken eggs from a kitchen floor.

Sometimes all of us need a mother or a big, black bird to clean up the messes that we make, but thankfully, God has provided. In the Scripture, He has said: *Though you sins are as scarlet, They will be as white as snow; Though they are red like crimson, They will be like wool (Isaiah 1:18 NASB).*

Thank God for sending a Savior who can forgive sin and bleach out the stains of messed up lives, and thank God for mothers and buzzards.

p.m., the Lutheran Youth Fellowship will sponsor an October Sausage Festival. This is homemade German sausage with all the trimmings and excellent homemade desserts. Drinks will also be provided. The cost is \$5 per plate. All proceeds will be given to the LYF for their trip to "Glorybound" the day after Thanksgiving.

The LYF is selling T-shirts and polo shirts with the church name on them. Contact Richard and Bev Von Hassell to order your shirts.

The LYF will meet Oct. 25 at Alsbrook's home from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. The activity will be painting pumpkins, so bring a pumpkin and paint and have fun together. All teenagers are welcome.

Sunday's scripture reader will be George Von Hassell. This week's acolyte will be Analysis Rodriguez.

If you do not have a church home, please come and be welcome at ours!

Our thanks to everyone who helped or came to buy at our garage sale. Over \$1,225.00 was raised. This

will be given to the LYF if they need it after their other activities. Anything left over will be saved for special projects in this growing mission church.

Birdwell Lane
Baptist Church

Greetings to you and your family. Sunday worship is at 10:55 a.m. and 5 p.m. We are located at 1512 Birdwell Lane.

Children's Church is during 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.

Sunday night from 5-7 p.m. in the fellowship hall we will have a Mexican food fellowship.

Next week from noon Monday through noon Wednesday at Fort Davis, there will be an Old Camp Meeting and Senior Saint Camp. RV hookups are available.

Our Family Fall Festival will be Oct. 25 in the fellowship hall from 5-9 p.m. with various games, stew fellowship and a hayride.

For information on services, call 267-7157 or 267-8214.

St. Paul
Lutheran Church

St. Paul Lutheran Church at 810 Scurry invites one and all to worship with us at our 9 a.m. Sunday service led by Pastor Wayne Frost. Worship is followed by coffee and fellowship with adult, youth and children Sunday school classes beginning at 10:15 a.m. There is parking on both the Scurry and the Greg street entrances.

Small group Bible studies discussing Timothy, Psalms, Philippians and "Seduction of Extremes" meet weekly. If you would like to join any of these studies, contact the church office, 264-7163, for times and places.

Last Sunday's LWML gathering was praise-wor-

thy. To see all of the ladies in purple shirts brought home the message of their enthusiasm and commitment to workings of the church. Thank you, ladies, for all you do, much of which we so often take for granted.

Thank you also for all who helped make the Monday evening Africa program a community event. It was a joy to share.

If you would like to contribute to the October box for Operation On Going Support for our troops in Iraq, 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. While our troops may not be in the news as much as they once were, there are still many deployed to Iraq, away from their families and often in extreme circumstances. This is a small way to remind them that we care.

Holy Trinity
Catholic Church
Christian Initiation of
Adults

Non-Catholics who are interested in learning about the Catholic faith are encouraged to attend these informative and lively sessions. Catholics are invited, too. We also assist Catholic adults in need of Holy Eucharist, Confirmation or Marriage who wish to be in full communion with the church.

We meet at 10:30 a.m. following mass on Sunday at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in the building between the church and the school. For more information, call Elfie Tucker at 816-6247 or Richard Light at 466-9703.

Berea Baptist Church

Sunday, Berea Baptist will celebrate its 46th anniversary as a church with a worship service beginning at 10:30 a.m. The service will include testimonies, songs, a video presenta-

tion and a special recognition of the contribution that William R. (Bill) Banks and his family have made over the years.

Berea had its beginning in the home of Bill and Doris Banks in the fall of 1961. A group of people saw the need for a church in southwest Big Spring near the south entrance to Webb Air Force Base. Within the year, this group had acquired property at the current site (4204 Wasson Road). In the years ahead, they developed the mesquite pasture into the current facility of four buildings.

A luncheon catered by the Pittman men will follow at about 12:30 p.m. We especially want to encourage members, former members and friends to join us for this special day. If you have questions, or if you need transportation, please call the Berea office at 267-8438. If no one answers, leave a message, and we will return your call.

First Church
of the Nazarene

First Church of the Nazarene welcomes everyone to our exciting and spirit-filled services.

Sunday mornings, we have a "meet and greet" time with coffee and donuts in the commons at 9:30 a.m. 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.

Wednesday nights, 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 "Driven by Eternity," and Leonard Hadley's class meets in the commons with various scripture studies.

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

Children meet Wednesday night for Caravan which is our mid-week scouting ministry that teaches lessons that begin building towers of truth in our children's lives.

Sunday at 5 p.m. there will be the finger food fellowship and hymn sing led by Karen Fulton in the commons of the main sanctuary building.

New fellowship time begins Sunday, Nov. 2 at 6 p.m. for our Prime Timers Group which is for those 55 years of age and older. Burl and Barbara Cooley are leading this reorganized ministry that reaches out to the senior adults of the church. They will have finger foods and desserts and lots of good conversation and fun the first

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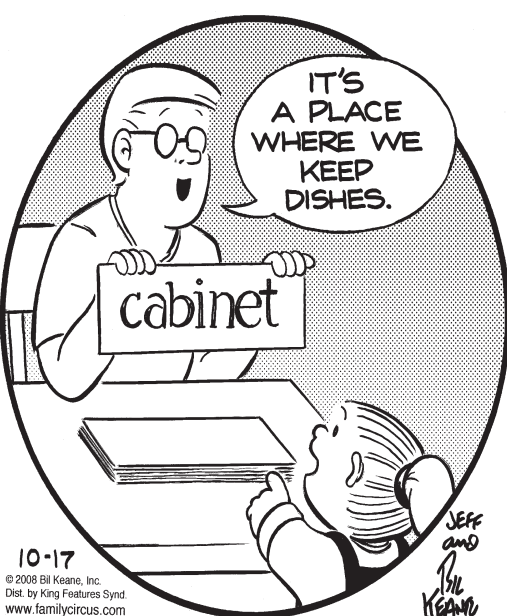
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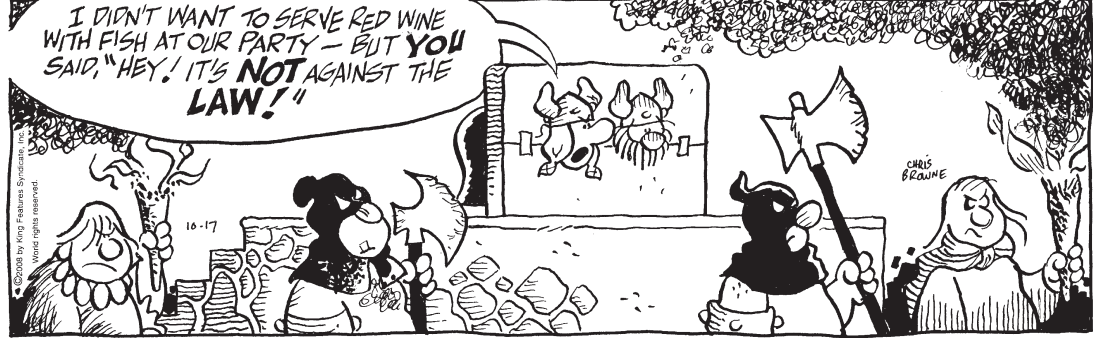
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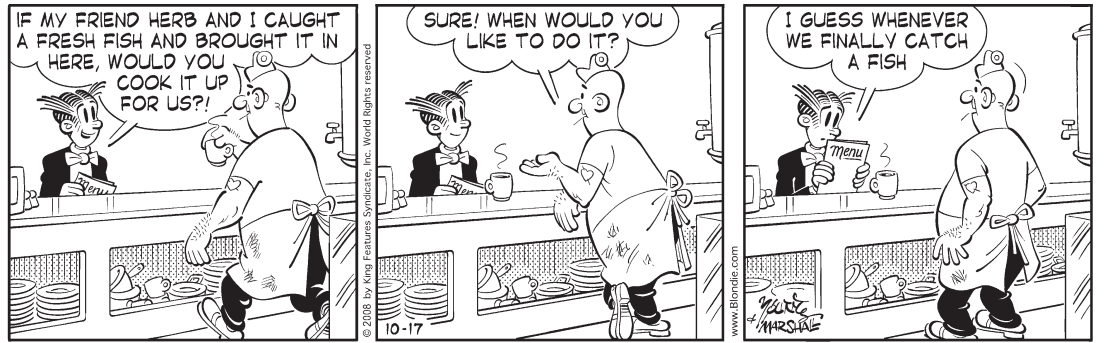


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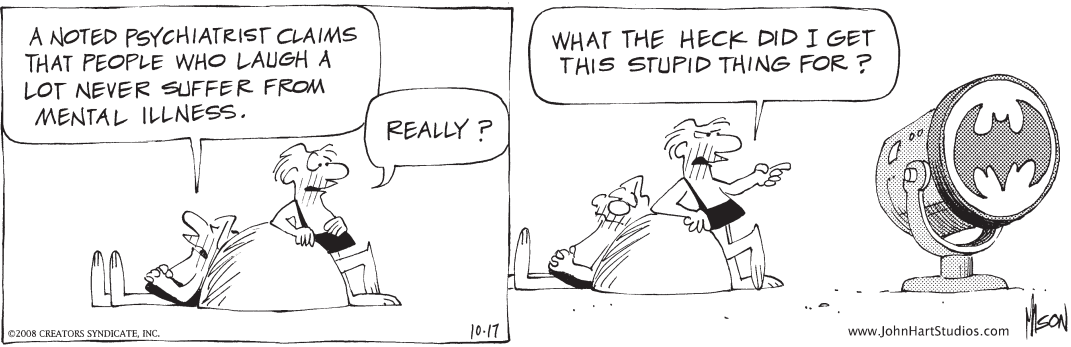
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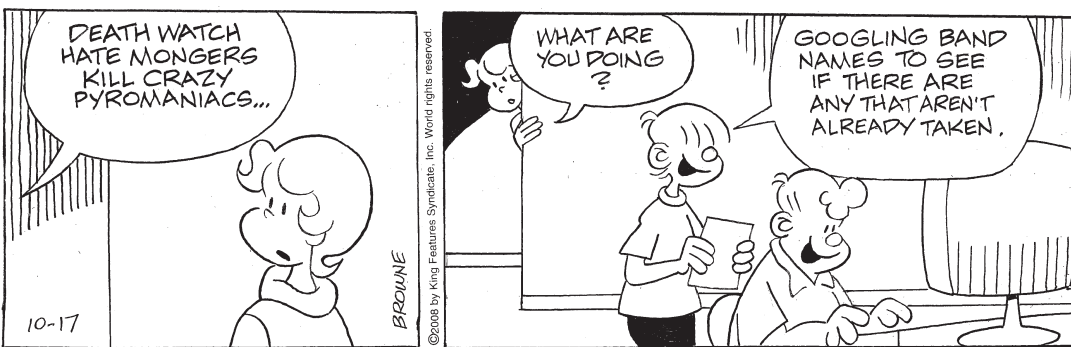
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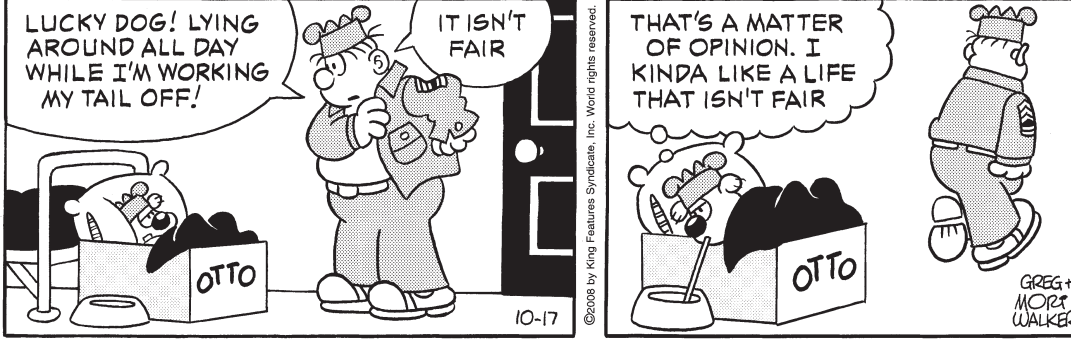
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This Date In History

Today is Friday, Oct. 17, the 291st day of 2008. There are 75 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 17, 1777, British forces under General John Burgoyne surrendered to American troops in Saratoga, N.Y., in a turning point of the Revolutionary War.

On this date:

In 1807, Britain declared it would continue to reclaim British-born sailors from American ships and ports regardless of whether they held U.S. citizenship.

In 1907, Guglielmo Marconi began offering limited commercial wireless telegraph service between Nova Scotia and Ireland.

In 1919, the Radio Corporation of America was chartered.

In 1931, mobster Al Capone was convicted of income tax evasion. (Sentenced to 11 years in prison, Capone was released in 1939.)

In 1933, Albert Einstein arrived in the United States as a refugee from Nazi Germany.

In 1941, the U.S. destroyer Kearny was torpedoed by a German submarine off the coast of

Iceland; 11 people died.

In 1958, the special "An Evening with Fred Astaire," the first major TV program produced on color videotape, aired on NBC.

In 1973, Arab oil-producing nations announced they would begin cutting back oil exports to Western nations and Japan; the result was a total embargo that lasted until March 1974.

In 1978, President Carter signed a bill restoring U.S. citizenship to Confederate President Jefferson Davis.

In 1989, an earthquake measuring 7.1 on the Richter scale struck Northern California, killing 63 people and causing \$6 billion in damage.

One year ago: President Bush, raising Beijing's ire, presented the Dalai Lama with the Congressional Gold Medal and urged Chinese leaders to welcome the monk to Beijing. Comedian Joey Bishop, the last of Sinatra's Rat Pack, died in Newport Beach, Calif., at age 89.

Singer Teresa Brewer died in New Rochelle, N.Y., at age 76.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Marsha Hunt is 91. Actress Beverly Garland is 82. Actress Julie Adams is 82. Country singer Earl Thomas Conley is 67. Singer Jim Seals (Seals & Crofts) is 66. Singer Gary Puckett is 66. Actor Michael McKean is 61. Actress Margot

Kidder is 60. Actor George Wendt is 60. Actor Sam Bottoms is 53. Astronaut Mae Jemison is 52. Country singer Alan Jackson is 50. Movie director Rob Marshall is 48. Animator Mike Judge is 46. Rock singer-musician Fred LeBlanc (Cowboy Mouth) is 45. Actor-comedian Norm Macdonald is 45. Singer Rene' Dif is 41. Reggae singer Ziggy Marley is 40. Singer Chris Kirkpatrick ('N Sync) is 37. Rapper Eminem is 36. Singer Wyclef Jean is 36. Actor Matthew Macfadyen is 34. Rock musician Sergio Andrade is 31.

Thought for Today: "The thinking of a genius does not proceed logically. It leaps with great ellipses. It pulls knowledge from God knows where." — Dorothy Thompson, American journalist (1894-1961).

Answer to previous puzzle

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| 1 Wide-mouthed fish | 64 Eggy dessert | 10 Back street |
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| 9 Sentry's duty | 66 Typical mall rat | 12 EMT skill |
| 14 Exam for some college srs. | 67 Egyptian symbols of life | 13 Riled (up) |
| 15 Colorado resort | 68 Desires | 21 Kitchenware inventor |
| 16 Get hitched on the run | 69 Drops a fly, perhaps | Tupper |
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| 18 Ben-Gurion Airport server | 1 Caviar accompaniment | 26 Crushing victory |
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| 30 Six-pointers | accompaniment | 35 Sutherland/Gould film of '74 |
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| 32 Letters for lunch | 8 Earthen vessel | |
| 36 L.A., but not Chicago | | |
| 39 Viennese twins? | | |
| 40 Creature comforts | | |
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Club news

Retired Teachers Association

The Big Spring/Howard County Retired Teachers Association will meet at Howard College's Cactus Room, Monday, Oct. 20 at 11:30 a.m. After a Dutch treat lunch, the group will conduct a business meeting and have a guest speaker.

The guest speaker is Eddy Spurgin of the Natural Resources Conservation Service.

The local RTA is open to anyone eligible for the Teacher Retirement System, and we invite any interested person to attend our meetings. We are not limited to teaching personnel, but all others who were employed by a school district. The meetings are short and

interesting.

Greater Big Spring Rotary Club

The Greater Big Spring Rotary Club will host its annual Tailgate Party, Friday, Oct. 24 at the Big Spring High School football game, from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the northern end of the west side parking lot of Memorial Stadium.

Members will be cooking and selling beef or chicken fajitas, which will include a cookie and a drink, for \$7. Tickets are available from any of the Greater Big Spring Rotary Club members, the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce or any Interact Big Spring High School student.

Proceeds from this event will help the Interact

Program at the High School.

The Greater Big Spring Rotary Club helps different entitles like this one throughout the year.

"In the past we have done Fajitas for Footwear where we helped put shoes on some of the local school children whose parents were just not able, high school after-prom parties, literacy programs and more. That is what Rotary is all about, service above self," said President Keith Graumann. "And, if you can't come out to eat with us, donations are greatly appreciated, too."

Daughters of the American Revolution

The Capt. Elisha Mack Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution

met Saturday, Oct. 11, 2008, at the Big Spring Country Club.

Members present were Lora Mae Pollard, Carole Lawson, Charlene Ragan, Sue Ann Damron, Hollis McCright, Neva Green, Sara Tipton, Mary Schuelke, Carol Scott and June Reid.

Rena Harris of Stanton was a guest and seven names — Kay Walker, Lucy Rickman, Katie Grigg, Lynn Grigg, Tabitha Worley, Brandy Dunn and Janice Ferguson — were presented as prospective members.

Sara Tipton decorated in a Fall theme with pumpkins and brightly colored leaves.

The program was given by Sue Ann Damron on the restoration of the historic DAR national

headquarters complex of buildings. Those buildings have been a prominent landmark in downtown Washington D.C. for more than 100 years.

Chapter bylaws, revised by Mary Schuelke, Damron and Sara Tipton were presented to the chapter and adopted.

After the business meeting, a door prize was drawn and June Reid won a patriotic picture frame.

In August, Damron, Schuelke, Lora Mae Pollard, Tipton and Carole Lawson attended the West Texas Regents Council in Midland. A program was given by State Organizing Secretary Kay Alston.

In September, Rent Mary Scheulke and Registrar Damron attended the Fall Forum in Austin. They attended a workshop on

genealogy and Damron gave a report on DAR Service for Veterans, a state-level committee she chairs.

While in Austin, they visited the Exas State Cemetery to look at the site where a monument will be erected by the state DAR society to honor revolutionary soldiers and patriots buried in Texas.

On Sept. 22, Scheulke, McCright and Bonnie Cushings attended the Constitution Day luncheon at the Midland Country Club. Former U.S. Solicitor General R. Ted Cruz spoke on defending Texas values before the U.S. Supreme Court.

For more information on the chapter or to inquire about membership, call Schuelke at 353-4337 or Damron at 393-5790.

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CHURCH

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Sunday evening of each month.

First Church of the Nazarene's ministry to Hispanics is led by the Rev. Felix and Marta Torres and meets for worship and Bible Study at 5:30 p.m. each Sunday in the fellowship hall. You are invited to this service that is in Spanish.

Sunday is Caravan Sunday. For the 10 a.m. service, the children will perform the duties of greeters and ushers, and present the flags and special music.

House of Hope

House of Hope Community Church Missionary Society, 200 W. 17th St. in Colorado City, would like to invite you to join us in our 4th Women's

Workshop.

The workshop will be held from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday. Coffee, juice and donuts will be served from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. Lunch will be served after the workshop.

The workshop theme is "Our Hope is Built on Nothing Less than Jesus' Blood and Righteousness."

If you need information or directions to the church, call Sandra Green at (432) 816-1703. Ladies, please join us; everyone is welcome.

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.

A deanery meeting will be held at 9 a.m. Saturday at Holy Trinity in Midland.

St. Andrews' Brotherhood will have their meeting and breakfast Saturday at 8 a.m.

The Confirmation.com class will meet at 9:30 a.m. Sunday.

A pumpkin decorating contest for all ages will be held this Sunday and Oct. 26. Bring your entries this Sunday and the next. The winner will be announced Oct. 26. Remember, this is a decorating contest. No carving or puncturing!

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

Chapel of Faith

As fall is now in full swing, maybe this is the time for you to make a commitment to God and attend church. As we are coming into the season that is all about the birth of Jesus, what better time to focus on God and His Son. The doors at Chapel of Faith are open to you each Sunday at 10:30 a.m. Pastor Joel Miller brings a message of hope and inspiration based on scripture. If you come a little early, you can enjoy a time of fellowship.

Chapel of Faith is not associated with any denomination. Our worship service is informational and is open to all who want to learn more about the Bible and God's love.

First Christian Church

What's up with kids these days? Worship this Sunday at First Christian Church will observe Children's Sabbath. Children's Sabbath is a yearly observance to promote awareness of children's needs and how to meet those needs as a church. Worship will feature Mariah McIntosh as liturgist, special vocal music by Elise Salazar, a presentation of the creation story by children, and a special message by Dr. Ken McIntosh based on Matthew 11:16-17.

We've expanded our Sunday school class offering to include a new age group for children. We continue to use the Workshop Rotation model. This unit the topic is Psalm 8. Sunday school begins at

9:45 a.m.

Looking ahead, we will once again be sponsoring our third annual Trunk or Treat event with our neighbor congregation St. Mary's Episcopal. This event will happen on Friday, Oct. 31, from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the parking lots at 10th and Goliad. Prizes will be given out for best decorated trunks. This event is intended for children who want to trick or treat in a safe, healthy environment.

In addition, we are hosting a Halloween bash for young people on Saturday, Nov. 1, from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m.

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 at 3 p.m. at Mt. Bethel. The Community Mass Choir will join the sanctuary choir in this event. Minister Kim Byrd of Strong Hands Ministries in Dallas, former sanctuary choir member, will be guest soloist.

Mt. Bethel is located at 630 Sgt. Paredes 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.

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