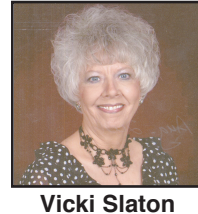




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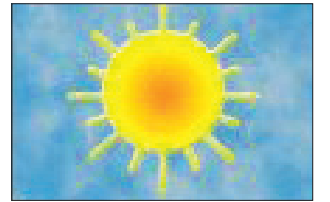


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## Alon tax dispute settled

By **THOMAS JENKINS**  
Staff Writer

The legal battle between the Howard County Appraisal District and Alon USA — owner of the Big Spring Refinery — is over, as both have agreed on a settlement totaling \$490 million in taxable values for the past three years.

The petrochemical company has agreed to pay taxes on val-



*"I'm sure the officials with Alon USA are glad this is over, and I know I'm glad it's over. I felt like the values should have been higher, and I'm sure they felt like they should have been lower."*

—Brett McKibben, chief appraiser

ues of \$130 million for 2006, \$185 million for 2007 and \$175 million for 2008. The property was ap-

praised by the district at \$320 million in 2007 and \$275 million in 2008.

According to Brett McKibben, chief appraiser for the district, the numbers are lower than he wanted to see. "Am I disappointed? Yes, I am," said McKibben. "I felt like the values should have been a lot higher. However, I'm glad to see this come to a conclusion, and if we hadn't gone to court like we did, I doubt we would have gotten this far."

"I'm sure the officials with Alon USA are glad this is over, and I know I'm glad it's over. I felt like the values should have been higher, and I'm sure they felt like they should have been lower."

McKibben said the judge presiding in the case, 118<sup>th</sup> District Court Judge Robert H. Moore

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## A sigh of relief

### Schools happy suit is resolved

By **STEVE REAGAN**  
Staff Writer

School entities impacted by the Big Spring Refinery-county tax appraisal district settlement are figuratively breathing a sigh of relief today.

Big Spring Independent School District and Howard College officials expressed relief that the years-long dispute between the Alon refinery and appraisal district was finally settled and immediately began making plans on how to best spend their



Waggoner

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**Howard County Judge Mark Barr discusses the commissioners' plans for more than \$1 million in back-taxes from Alon USA — the owner of the Big Spring Refinery — during a press conference this morning.**

## Influx should boost county reserve fund

By **THOMAS JENKINS**  
Staff Writer

Howard County commissioners have something to smile about this week, as the settlement of the tax dispute between Alon USA and the Howard County Appraisal District should mean an influx of more than \$1 million for county coffers.

The settlement, which spans three tax years — 2006 through 2008 — is expected to net the county \$1.088 million in back taxes, and another \$857,675 for this year's tax bill, accord-

*"Living with the unknown is a tough thing, and that's exactly what we've been doing."*

—County Judge Mark Barr

ing to County Tax Collector Kathy Sayles.

County Judge Mark Barr said the commissioners court hasn't made any final decisions on the future of the funds, but would

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## Sales tax receipts up 20 percent for Big Spring

By **BILL McCLELLAN**  
News Editor

Sales tax payments to Big Spring increased by more than 20 percent this month, compared to October of 2007, according to the State Comptroller's Office in Austin.

Big Spring received \$491,730.72 this month, up 20.38 percent when compared to the \$408,472.45 received in October of last year. Through 10 months this year, Big Spring has taken in \$5,039,179.70,

up 12.76 percent compared to last year.

Coahoma received \$8,864.67 this month, up 12.59 percent when compared to the 7,872.81 taken in for October 2007. For the year, Coahoma has received \$94,656.50, down 12.63 percent.

Forsan took in 10,467.91 for October, up 50.17 percent when compared to the \$6,970.63 the community received during the same month a year ago. For all of 2008, Forsan has accumulated \$71,745.54, up 0.3 percent.

Ackerly received \$6,512.42 this month compared to \$5,348.59 a year ago, an increase of 21.75 percent. For the year, Ackerly has received \$62,607.20, up 30.93 percent.

Sales tax receipts were up 4.09 percent for Abilene, which received \$2,796,831.16 this month, compared to \$2,686,793.87 a year ago. For 2008, the Key City has received \$28,869,073.84, up 3.42 percent.

Andrews received \$391,453.88 this month, up 46.26 percent

compared to the \$267,641.40 taken in during October 2007. For the year, Andrews has received \$3,208,329.61, up 18.87 percent.

San Angelo witnessed receipts increase by 5.76 percent, comparing October 2008 figures of \$1,587,439.93 to October 2007 figures of \$1,500,848.71. For the year, the city has received \$16,327,282.63, up 5.03 percent.

Receipts were up 13.33 percent in Midland, comparing the \$3,093,763.14 taken in this month to the \$2,729,823.60 received

in October 2007. For the year, the Tall City has accumulated \$31,850,404.85, up 13.81 percent.

Odessa enjoyed a 12.79 percent increase in sales tax receipts from the state this month, comparing October 2008 totals of \$2,033,757.37 to October 2007 totals of \$1,803,096.38. For the year, Odessa has received \$20,412,844.66, up 11.76 percent.

Up State Hwy. 350, Snyder received \$223,009.21 this month, a

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## Barbecue cook-off to benefit veterans

Herald Staff Report

Veterans and friends of veterans, it's time to unite. Quickly!

Eagles Lodge 3188 and the American Legion Post 506 are sponsoring a barbecue cook-off to benefit veterans, but time is running short. The

cook-off will be held this Saturday at the Eagles Lodge, 703 W. Third St. Registration begins at 8 a.m.

Categories are chicken, ribs, brisket and jackpot beans. The fee for individual meat categories is \$15 per entry or \$40 for all three. Plaques will be presented to the first three

winners in each category.

Entry fee for jackpot beans is \$10 in a winner-take-all format.

Judging will be held at noon for chicken, 1 p.m. for ribs and 2 p.m. for brisket.

Barbecue plate lunches will be available at 1 p.m. and will include all the trimmings for

\$10.

Briskets for the meal have been donated by Fuller Foods of Colorado City.

All interested cooks are invited to showcase their barbecuing skills.

For more information, contact Bobby Cordova at (432) 935-0410.



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# Simply the best

## Steers cross country claims sixth straight 4-4A title

### Herald Staff Report

LUBBOCK — Big Spring High School's cross country team won three district titles Thursday at Mae Simmons Park in Lubbock. Not bad for one day's work.

Jordan Valle and Catherine Leubner each claimed an individual title in their respective divisions. However, the most important and impressive championship was a team title won by the Steers.

Big Spring's Top 5 runners each finished in the Top 10, earning a score of 22 to win a sixth consecutive District 4-4A

title.

Valle paced the entire field, finishing the 3-mile course in 15:29.44. Teammate Kade Parker was more than 30 seconds behind him, but the rest of the field was more than 1:20 behind Parker as he was the second individual to cross the finish line.

The Steers made it a clean sweep on the medals as Shane Allen raced across the line in third. Sammy Segundo nabbed sixth and Daniel Segundo finished 10th. As a team, the Steers finished 21 points ahead of Lake View, which had four ath-

letes in the Top 10, meaning Big Spring and Lake View accounted for nine of the first 10 finishers. The other athlete in the mix was Jay Brown of Frenship, who was the first runner not from Big Spring to cross the finish line in fourth.

Leubner dominated the Girls Division, finishing the 2-mile course in 12:03.99 — more than 45 seconds ahead of second-place Rebecca Swenson of Abilene Cooper.

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# Steer spotlight

## Senior corner Kaegan Hunt

### By JONATHAN HULL

Sports Editor

In football, coaches often scheme their offenses to pick on opposing defenders who appear ill-equipped.

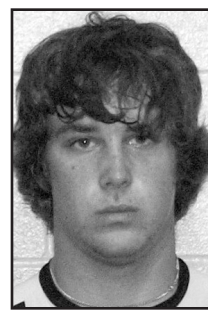
Such is the case for Big Spring Steers cornerback Kaegan Hunt. However, Big Spring Head Coach Phillip Ritchey doesn't mind offenses trying to attack Hunt.

"Kaegan is greatly improved since starting at the position last season," said Ritchey. "I know people look at him on film and believe they can pick on him. I don't remember a time this year he's been beat deep. He takes on receivers taller than him, but just does a great job playing with good technique. He's just a good, hard player."

So what's Hunt's secret?

"I just work and stay at it," Hunt said. "I don't give up on plays and just keep trying to learn different trades that can help me in coverage."

"They think they can outjump and stuff like that," he added, "but (defensive backs) coach (Nick) Roberson has taught me some things to even the playing field. Those guys might go up and catch the ball in the air,



Hunt

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## Hawks wrap up fall rodeo season in good standing

### Herald Staff Report

Ryan Viva of Chattanooga, Tenn., led the Howard College men's rodeo team at this past week's rodeo at Texas Tech. Viva was a 4.6 in the first round, qualifying him for another short round appearance. Viva posted a time of 5.2 seconds in the short round to win second in that go and finish third in the average. Viva holds the No. 1 spot among Southwest Region steer wrestlers.

Also from the men's team, J.W. Townsend of Aztec, N.M., and Codee Reynolds qualified in the team roping event with a 7.5 second time in the first round. Things did not go as well in the short round, though, and the team had to use three loops to stop the clock and hold on to sixth in the round and the average.

Hawks rough stock representative Kyle Andrews of Valley, Ala. made his way into the short round with a 75-point bull ride in the first round to split fourth in that go. A no score in the short round left Andrews with a fourth place finish.

Wacey Cody of San Angelo qualified into the short round of competition of the bareback riding with a 65-point effort. Wacey could not hang on for the eight-second whistle in the short round.

Kady Knox of Big Spring was the clos-



Courtesy photo

Howard College's Ryan Viva wrestles a steer to the ground in rodeo action from Texas Tech Saturday. Viva finished second in the event, but is ranked No. 1 in the 2008-2009 Southwest standings.

est Hawk Lady to qualify to the short round, but suffered a broken barrier in the breakaway roping.

Texas Tech was the final stop for the

Soutwest Region fall schedule. The Hawks have several members holding down top honors heading into the spring semester.

**Big Spring Steers at San Angelo Lake View Chiefs**

**When:** 7:30 p.m. tonight  
**Where:** San Angelo Stadium  
**Radio:** KBYG 1400AM, KBEST 95.7FM, KBST 1490AM, KBST.com., 88.1FM in San Angelo.

# Contest winner now kicking for sixth-ranked Tech

### By BETSY BLANEY

Associated Press Writer

LUBBOCK — The first time Matt Williams was called on to kick at Jones AT&T Stadium, he ran onto the field from the student section in shorts and a T-shirt.

Six weeks later he'll be out there wearing the black-and-red home uniform of No. 6 Texas Tech, possibly kicking to beat top-ranked Texas in a game that will move the winner a step closer to playing for a national championship.

Williams probably wasn't thinking about such a scenario when he signed up for a field goal contest while strolling into

the stadium to watch Texas Tech play Massachusetts in September. When his name was picked, the sophomore hopped onto the artificial turf and, using a kickoff tee, easily hit a 30-yarder between quarters.

The fans went wild, and Mike Leach noticed. Leave it to the pirate-loving, Churchill-reading Texas Tech coach to send a staff member into the stands looking for a kicker. Two days later, Williams was on the team.

"For all I know he had flip-flops on, but he went down there and popped the thing in front of everybody," Leach said. "What got our attention is he didn't take any extra steps and it went

straight up."

That was nothing compared to his debut in a game. Williams was 9-of-9 on extra points in Texas Tech's 63-21 rout of then-No. 19 Kansas last weekend. Leach said none of those compare to the contest kick, which came when the Red Raiders (8-0) had already missed two extra points in three games.

"It's not like he warmed up," Leach said. "He wasn't up there in the stands with some little kicking net and a remedial shoe and all that stuff."

Leach, who wouldn't let Williams talk to reporters this week, hasn't ruled out using him for field goals.

Williams' high school coach, Mike Sneed, is surprised Leach hasn't already decided to expand Williams' role.

"Whenever they said he was going to be the extra-point kicker I said, 'Well, they'll start out with that but he'll be kicking the field goals and kickoffs at some point,'" said Sneed, who coached Williams at Weatherford in the Dallas-Fort Worth area before moving to a Houston school.

Sneed recalls two key field goals by Williams in a win over rival Mineral Wells in 2005, including a 49-yarder that tied the game.

"I think it would have been a 59-yard field goal," Sneed said.

"He was always a very, very solid kicker and a lot of it, I think, was his soccer background."

Residents of Weatherford, a city of 25,000, are riveted by the story line but not surprised. Williams was a standout in soccer and football and sometimes played wide receiver for Sneed.

"We're all just talking about how amazing the story is," said Philip O'Neal, athletic director for Weatherford schools. "It's the chatter around town."

Williams walked on at Division II Tarleton State but never kicked in a game before moving

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## Sports in brief

### Chicano Golf Association hosting final tourney of year

Big Spring Chicano Golf Association is hosting its final golf tournament of the year Saturday, Nov. 8, at Comanche Trail Golf Course.

It's a 4-man scramble format and the C.G.A. will assign teams.

Fee is \$17 with tee times starting at 8:30 a.m. Deadline to sign up is 6 p.m. Friday, Nov. 7.

Sign up at the pro shop or call 264-2366 and ask for Linda. A dinner will be served after the tournament for players only.

### Three hole-in-ones by local golfers

Three more hole-in-ones have been made by local golfers at the Comanche Trail Golf Course.

On Sept. 19, Jerry Roach aced the third hole, using a 5-iron to clear 174 yards for his third hole-in-one in his lifetime. Witnesses were Ron Booth and Howard Gabbard.

Susie Hernandez aced the 123-yard 11 hole Saturday

with a 7-iron. It was Hernandez's second hole-in-one and was witnessed by SuAnn Seay.

Gret Garrett hit his first hole-in-one Tuesday, using a 7-iron to ace the 145-yard 11th hole. Witnesses were Sam Woods and Sam Nevils.

### Texas Shootout comes to Moss Creek Ranch

The Texas Shootout is a Tournament Hunter Bird Dog Challenge event being hosted by Moss Creek Ranch Saturday and Sunday.

This is a major event, offering an autobid into the Nationals with an opportunity to qualify for the World Championships.

There are different levels of competition for pointing and flushing dogs.

For more information on Bird Dog Challenge, visit [www.nbdca.com](http://www.nbdca.com).

### Steers basketball boosters meeting Monday at ATC

The Big Spring Steers Basketball Booster Club is plan-

ning to meet at 8 p.m. each Monday for the next two weeks at the Athletic Training Center. All parents of boys basketball players for the junior high or high school are invited to attend.

Call Sam Segundo at 268-3025 with any questions.

### 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.

## Obituaries

### Robert Lynn Corbell

Colorado City — Mr. Robert Lynn Corbell, 87, of Colorado City, died Monday, Oct. 27, 2008, in an Abilene hospital. A memorial service will be at 4 p.m. Saturday in the Kiker-Seale Chapel with the Rev. Monte Wike officiating. Kiker-Seale Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

Mr. Corbell was born July 15, 1922 in Vernon to Robert and Jane Green Corbell and had been a resident of Mitchell County since 1994. He married Verla Akins in 1957 in Big Spring. She preceded him in death Sept. 11, 2007. He was a retired construction foreman for Benchmark Development. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy and a member of the Church of Christ.

He is survived by two sons, Billy Brown of Dallas and Tim Corbell of Branson Mo.; two daughters, Janice Woods of Bastrop and Lynette Puglisi of Phoenix, Ariz.; 14 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends at the ranch.

## Take Note

• Big Spring High School Junior Class will meet at 6:15 p.m. Monday in the athletic training center. For more information, call Denise Carrillo at 816-1685.

• Coahoma Elementary PTA will be hosting a Flu Shot Clinic from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Nov. 6. The cost of the shots are \$30; nasal mist is also \$30. Anyone can register and pay online in advance at <https://www.flubusters.net/ClinicList.aspx>. Also, the elementary teachers are holding a Star Party that same night. The West Texas Astronomers will also be there, weather permitting.

• Confidential memory screenings are being offered by Accolade Home Care as part of National Memory Screening Day, a national initiative of the Alzheimer's Foundation of America (AFA). They will be held from 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Nov. 18 at Room 214 at Scenic Mountain Medical Center, 1601 W. 11<sup>th</sup> Place. For information, call Accolade Home Care in Big Spring at 264-1164.

• The Eagles Lodge will offer chelos burritos from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 8, for \$8 per plate (includes drink and dessert). Takeouts will be available.

• Big Spring High School sweatshirts and hoodies are available by calling Denise Carrillo at 816-1685. Sweatshirts are \$20 each; hoodies are \$25.

• 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.

• Mobile Meals needs volunteers to deliver meals Monday through Friday between 9 a.m. and 10 a.m. The organization delivers approximately 70 meals each day and needs drivers to donate just one hour per week. Mobile Meals also needs back-up volunteers to fill in when regular drivers can't make it. For more information, contact Macaria Cantu at 263-4016.

• Road to Recovery, sponsored by the American Cancer Society, seeks volunteers to drive cancer patients to treatment in Midland. This requires just a few hours commitment each month. To volunteer, or to request a ride for treatment, call Nancy Koger at 267-7809.

• The purpose of life is a life of purpose. Join Nurses' Hospice of Big Spring volunteer program and become an "Angel" or "Teen Angel" in someone's life today. Come by 1008 E. Third St. or call (432) 517-4073 to register.

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## Police blotter

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

- HASANA OVERTON, 51, of 1203 Stanford, was arrested Thursday on a charge of hindering officers.
- CHRISTIAN GORDON, 26, of 2911 W. Highway 80, was arrested Thursday on a charge of possession of a controlled substance.
- PIERRE GORDON, 18, of 806 Ohio, was arrested Thursday on a charge of possession of a controlled substance.
- DIJUAN AUSBIE, 20, of 801 E. 18<sup>th</sup> Street, was arrested Thursday on a charge of possession of a controlled substance.
- JAMES PARKER, 28, of 2501 Langley, was arrested Thursday on a charge of possession of a controlled substance.
- QUINCEY HENRY, 19, of Midland, was arrested Thursday on a charge of possession of a controlled substance.
- CHARLES LANDRY, 17, of 610 S. Goliad, was arrested Thursday on a charge of possession of a controlled substance.
- POSSESSION OF DRUG PARAPHERNALIA was reported in the 800 block of Settles.
- POSSESSION OF A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE IN A DRUG FREE ZONE was reported in the 700 block of Pine.
- BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE was reported: in the 300 block of Tulane. in the 2400 block of Alabama.
- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 600 block of Runnels.
- BURGLARY OF A BUILDING was reported in the 700 block of 17<sup>th</sup> Street.
- ASSAULT CLASS C/FAMILY VIOLENCE was reported in the 1300 block of Sycamore.
- ASSAULT BY CONTACT was reported in the 200 block of Marcy.
- AGGRAVATED ROBBERY was reported in the 500 block of Lamesa.

## Sheriff's report

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

- Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 57 inmates at the time of this report.
- ENRIQUE HERNANDEZ HINOJOS, 47, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of assault causing bodily injury – family violence.
  - ELADIO HILAR MORENO-VALADEZ, 39, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of resisting arrest, search or transportation.
  - ROBERT ALDRIDGE, 24, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on charges of burglary (four counts) and violation of parole.
  - ERNESTO RAYMUNDO GOMEZ, 46, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of violation of child support.
  - LONNIE RAY GRAY JR., 28, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on charges of bondsman off bond for criminal trespass, bail jumping – failure to appear and a motion to revoke probation for possession of a controlled substance.

## Fire/EMS

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

- TRAUMA was reported in the 1400 block of Apron. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1900 block of Nolan. Service refused.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1700 block of Lancaster. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported in the 800 block of FM 700. Two people were transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1700 block of Highway 350. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 400 block of N.W. Third Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAUMA was reported in the 1000 block of W. Sixth Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 2600 block of Gregg Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported near the intersection of 18<sup>th</sup> Street and Gregg. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 500 block of W. 17<sup>th</sup> Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1200 block of Johnson. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAUMA was reported in the 200 block of W. Marcy. Two people were transported to SMMC.
- TRAUMA was reported in the 2300 block of Grace. One person was transported to SMMC.

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## Bulletin Board

If you have items for the Bulletin board, contact the Herald news room at 263-7331 or email editor@bigspringherald.com

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

**MONDAY**  
• Keep Big Spring Beautiful meets at noon in the Cactus Room at Howard College.  
• District Committee Lone Star of Big Spring meets at noon at 610 Scurry.  
• Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) No. 21 begins at 5 p.m. with weight-in 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 Buffet.  
• Howard County ARC meets at 806 E. Third in the Bingo Hall. Call 264-0674 for more information.  
• The Big Spring Cruisers club meeting at 7 p.m. in the Texas RV Park meeting room.  
• Prospector's Club work night begins at 7 p.m. at 606 E. Third.  
• Big Spring Chapter No. 178 meets at 7:30 p.m. at 221 Main.

**TUESDAY**  
• Coahoma Senior Citizen luncheon is set for 11 a.m. in the Coahoma Community Center.  
• Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.  
• Alzheimer's Association, the Greater West Texas Chapter meets at 2 p.m. in the Howard County Library conference room, 500 S. Main.  
• VFW Post 2013 meets at 7 p.m. in the VFW Hall, 500 Driver Road.  
• Gospel Singing in the Kentwood Activity Center at 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome.  
• The Howard County Sheriff's Posse meets at 7 p.m. at the Sheriff's Posse building on the Andrews Highway. For more information, call Bert Sheppard at 263-4483 or Rose Armstead at 263-2769.  
• 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, 1001 Birdwell Lane.  
• 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, 1001 Birdwell Lane.  
• Duplicate Bridge Club meets at 1 p.m. in the Big Spring Country Club.  
• Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie meets at 7 p.m. in the Eagles Lodge at 703 W. Third.

## Lottery

Results of the Texas Two Step drawing Thursday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 14-18-19-33. Bonus Ball: 14.

Number matching four of four, plus Bonus Ball: 0.

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Thursday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 6-25-32-35-36.

Number matching five of five: 0.

The winning Daily 4 numbers drawn Thursday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 9-9-2-8. Sum It Up: 28.

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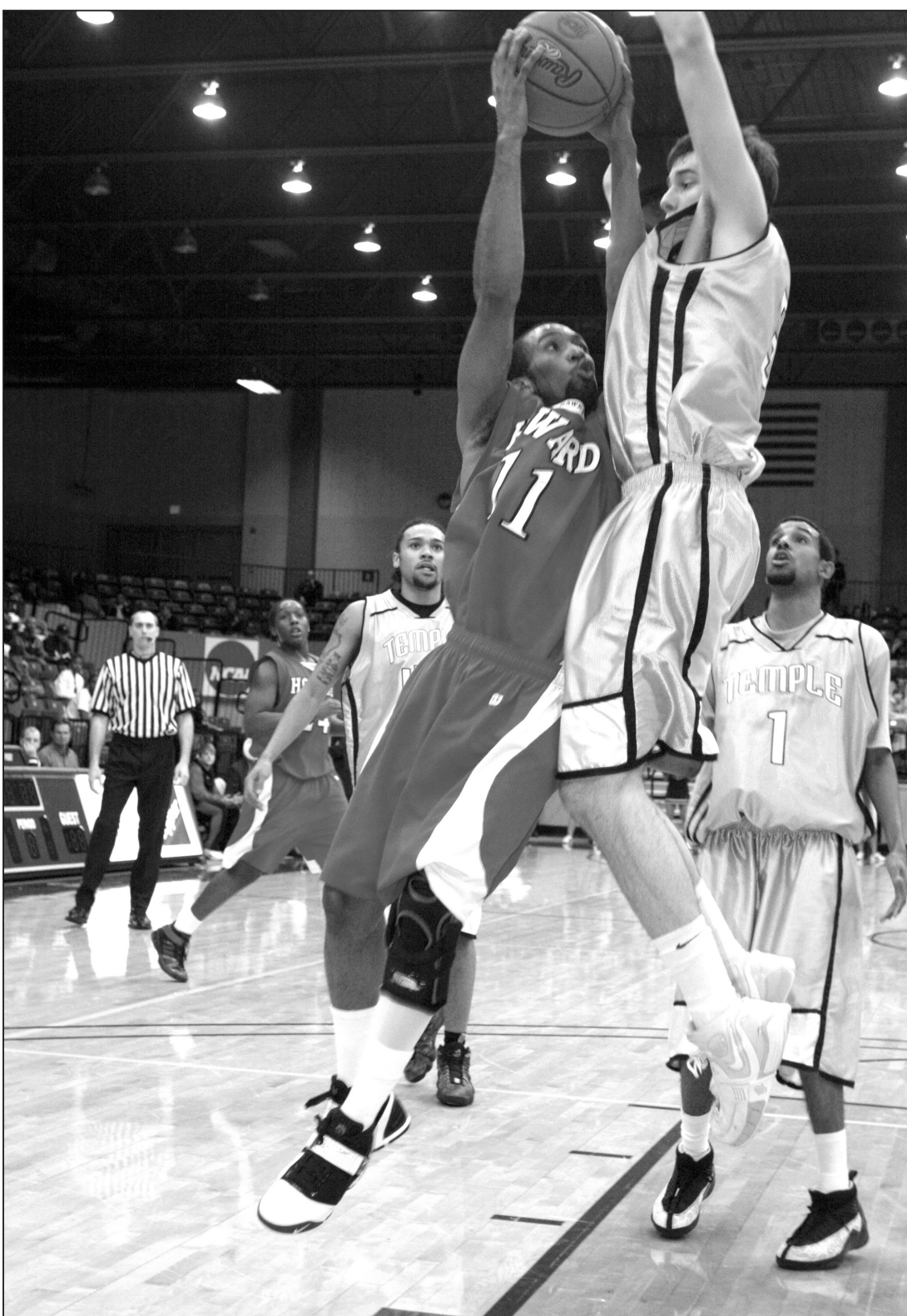
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# HOWARD COLLEGE BASKETBALL PREVIEW



HERALD photo/Mitch Green

Howard College guard Devon Baker draws a foul as he drives to the basket against Temple College in the first round of the Region V Tournament played at Mary Hardin-Baylor University in Belton March 6. Baker is one of three returning players the Hawks have from last year's regional finalist squad.

## Hawks trying to replace top scorers

By JONATHAN HULL

Sports Editor

How does a basketball team replace 75 percent of its offensive production?

The Howard College Hawks are about to find out. The Hawks open the 2008-2009 season at 6 p.m. tonight in a tournament at Western Texas College in Snyder, facing Chihuahua University.

The biggest challenge for the Hawks this season is replacing the scoring production of the departed Sean Watson and Corey Allmond from a team that played in the finals of the Region V Tournament.

"I don't believe we can ever replace players like Sean and Corey," admitted Howard Head Coach Mark Adams. "They were probably the best scorers we've had since I've been here. We do return three starters, though, and have some new players coming in should be able to help immediately."

Returning starters from last season's regional finalist squad are point guard Denzel Barnes, shooting guard Devon Baker and post Markeys Deans. Adams believes the trio will be able to pick up a great deal of the scoring lost from last season.

"Devon is a very good shooter and Denzel is just a tough player and a capable leader," said Adams. "Denzel has been playing extremely well in the pre-season. He was an honorable mention All-Conference selection despite missing several games with a broken hand."

"Markeys is one of the most versatile scorers in the conference," he continued. "He can score facing or facing away from the basket. He's also a good offensive rebounder and I'm excited about the way he's been playing leading into the season. I think he will be one of the leading scorers in the league."

As for Barnes, Adams said it won't be his contributions offensively making the

biggest difference for the Hawks.

"Denzel really sets the tone on defense," noted Adams. "That's where his biggest contribution will be for this team. He does a good job of setting us up and he's a solid on-ball defender. That's where most of his value is."

There was supposed to be a fourth returning sophomore on this season's squad, but a knee injury knocked out 6-11 center Cheick Kone. Kone, who is from Africa, will now miss the entire season after having surgery.

"We're going to redshirt Cheick, but he's a tough loss for us," said Adams. "I have never coached a player that has improved more over one season. He is really going to be a great player. The biggest problem is trying to find a freshman who can step in and pick up the slack we're losing rebounding the ball."

Adams hopes freshman Nikola Mandic of Serbia can relieve some of the rebounding stress.

As for other freshmen expected to contribute immediately, Adams and his staff recruited two players with sharpshooting abilities.

Adams calls Ricardo Zanini a fantastic 3-point shooter, while left-handed Dante Menter of Brooklyn, N.Y., has also impressed the Hawks' head man with his jump shot.

Howard will need all the help it can get in one of the nation's most competitive conferences.

The Western Junior College Athletic Conference has produced the past two NJCAA national champions. Last season, South Plains — led by former Howard coach Steve Green — won the national title, while Midland College claimed the championship two years ago.

In a preseason poll voted on by the conference's coaches, Howard is ranked

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## Impressive turnaround

### HC women building off recent success

By JONATHAN HULL

Sports Editor

Two seasons ago when Howard College women's basketball Head Coach Earl Diddle arrived in Big Spring, he inherited a team with five players. Diddle and his assistant coach Eric Rodewald recruited a softball player and had their manager also play so they had some subs.

That squad was 9-9 when Diddle entered his first Western Junior College Athletic Conference season.

The Hawks wouldn't win another game, going 0-12 in conference play.

It's been a long, hard road, but the turnaround of what was one of the nation's strongest JUCO basketball programs in the 1990s finally occurred last season as Diddle led the Hawks to a 25-7 record. They finished fourth in the conference and made their first appearance in the Region V Tournament since 2001.

Diddle is hoping for a repeat performance in the 2008-2009 season.

"Our primary goal is to be the best we can be all season. However, our ultimate goal is to make regionals," said Diddle. "It's not going to be easy. South Plains and Midland are 1-2 in the league and

Odessa is vastly improved. Our league is the toughest in the nation."

The Hawks fell in the semifinals of the regional tournament to South Plains, 69-62. Missing from last year's squad is a majority of the Hawks' scoring.

Candace Lambert was the Hawks' most consistent scoring threat last season. Meanwhile, Kandace Griffin is the all-time leader in made 3-pointers in Howard history. Aqueelah Watkins was the Hawks' best post presence. Monica Jones led Howard in rebounding and was among the team's leading scorers.

Also leaving the team early was point guard Jotosha McDonald, who decided to forego her sophomore season and just concentrate on her grades.

The only players returning from last season's squad are forward Rachel Dryver, post DeAndra Thomas and guard Danielle Cota.

"Our strength is quickness and athletic ability, but size could be a concern," noted Diddle. "We have to focus on being better rebounders. I'm happy with the team, but a majority of them are new, so we're still trying to identify roles."

"Obviously Rachel is going to have to be more



HERALD photo/Jonathan Hull

Howard College forward Rachel Dryver dribbles in basketball action against Odessa College at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum Dec. 3, 2007. The Hawks qualified for the Region V Tournament last season for the first time since 2001. Dryver and three other starters from that squad return for the 2008-2009 season, hoping to build off last season's success.

aggressive on offense," he continued. "We have some strong scorers joining the team this year, though."

Diddle is hoping Miesha Blackshear, who was red-shirted last season, will be able to use her skills as a shooter effectively. He is also excited about the potential Chassidy Cole has as a scorer.

"We're not going to have the 3-point shooting we did last year," Diddle admitted, "but I feel we have some very strong scorers in Miesha and Chassidy. We need to win with

defense, though. That was our strong point last season and it should translate well into this year as well."

One of the bigger challenges for Diddle this off-season was replacing Rodewald, who had been his assistant since arriving at Howard. Rodewald took the head coaching job at Frank Phillips College in Borger, which is also in the WJCAC, this off-season.

Replacing him is Jamie Fisher and Diddle feels he made a good choice.

"Eric was here from Day 1 and did a great job for me on the floor with game management," Diddle said. "Hopefully, Jamie can pick up for him. I think it helps the two of them are good friends."

The Hawks start their season at 4 p.m. Saturday, hosting a junior varsity squad from Lubbock Christian University. Diddle believes Howard has the right formula to push into the Region V Tournament again this season.

The conference's coach-

es share those feelings. They voted Howard No. 4 in a preseason poll, behind Midland College, Odessa College and South Plains College.

"This is a great league and you have to ready to play every night," said Diddle. "We showed we could play with them last year and we've done a good job recruiting girls who fit our system. I think we added some good scoring and we'll be a good defensive team. I'm excited about our potential."

**ALON**

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III has signed off on the deal, making it official.

"It's worth noting Alon waived the attorney fees," said McKibben. "Because the amount arrived at was lower, they could have easily stuck the appraisal district with their attorney fees, which would come to about \$200,000 for each year contested. That's \$600,000 they could have asked for."

The appraisal district and Alon USA have been locked in legal battle since August, with the petrochemical company alleging its tax valuations for the three years were unfairly inflated.

Moore ruled the 2007 market value of the refinery, as of Jan. 1, 2007, was \$218 million, falling between the appraisal district's valuation of \$320 million and Alon's claims of \$152 million.

With all three disputed years settled, many local officials are already turning their sights toward the 2009 valuation, something McKibben said will be business as usual for his office.

"I certainly hope we won't have to go to court in 2009," said McKibben. "However, I'm going to continue to do my job based on market value,

whether it's the refinery or the cheapest lot in town. The judge's ruling of \$218 million certainly seems to set an upper limit, but I'm required by law to value the property according to market value."

According to County Tax Collector Kathy Sayles, the tax bill for Alon will be in the millions of dollars.

"Based on the taxes being paid by Friday, the 2006 tax bill will come to \$1.869 million," said Sayles. "The 2007 bill will be \$2.569 million and the 2008 bill will be slightly more than \$3 million."

Sayles said the 2006 taxes includes \$421,722 for Howard County, \$1.239 million for Big Spring Independent School District and \$208,496 for Howard College. The 2007 taxes include \$666,438 for the county, \$1.508 million for Big Spring ISD and \$394,892 for Howard College.

The 2008 bill for Alon includes \$857,675 for Howard County, \$1.791 million for Big Spring ISD — plus an additional \$117,000 for taxes that were abated by the county and not the school district — and \$444,628 for Howard College.

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HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody  
The young women of First Bank of West Texas on Scurry Street were definitely giving out treats today in the form of M&M candies. Each person dressed in a different color of the famous candy. Pictured are, left to right, back row, Casey Baker, Sherrean Jones, Jaci Herrera and Erica Guzman, and front row, Sonya Gonzales, Deana Hawkins and Elba Peña.

**SCHOOLS**

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respective shares of the settlement.

BSISD will receive the largest share of the settlement — slightly more than \$4 million overall — but a lot of that money will be headed to state education officials.

When Alon first filed suit, BSISD reached an agreement with the Texas Education Agency in which the local district would be largely unaffected by reduced tax revenue.

"Basically, they held us harmless," said Sandra Waggoner, chief financial officer for the school district. "They based state funding to us based on (estimated) tax valuations." That agreement made up for any tax revenue shortfall because of the Alon dispute, she added.

Now that the settlement has been reached, BSISD and TEA have to reach a settlement of their own.

"We're going to have to give back some of that settlement," Waggoner said. "Right now, we're estimating that \$2 million will be given back to the state —

and that's rough numbers. TEA will make the final determination."

Also, the \$2 million is based just on 2006 and 2007 numbers.

Regardless, the settlement will have little effect on the school district.

"We budgeted (during the dispute) on lower numbers anyway, so this won't effect our budget in any way," Waggoner said. "But it is a relief that (the dispute) is over and we know where we are going forward. It will make budgeting for next year a lot easier."

Any money received will

go toward either debt service or into the general operating budget, Waggoner said.

Howard College is scheduled to receive a little more than \$1 million for the three-year disputed period, officials announced.

"This is a very positive thing for us," said Terry Hansen, executive vice president for the college. "We've had to take money for technology upgrades out of the budget in the past few years. With the settlement, now we'll be able to upgrade our computers and other technology on the campus. We

had a contingency plan in place if the settlement hadn't been reached ... but we're pleased the refinery and appraisal district have reached a settlement."

Hansen said that money received to cover the disputed 2006 and 2007 valuations — approximately \$600,000 — will be earmarked toward modernizing the college's computer and Internet technology. New personal computers would be earmarked for student use.

He added that 2008 monies will be added to the current operating budget.

How fast the college

**Austin woman accused of throwing 4-year-old into path of oncoming vehicle**

AUSTIN (AP) — A woman has been charged with child endangerment, a state jail felony, for beating her 4-year-old daughter before throwing her into the path of an oncoming vehicle, police said.

The driver of the brown Suburban braked and did not strike the child.

Aurelia Gallardo, 24, could face up to 20 years if convicted. Bail was set at \$25,000.

Lt. Dana Brockington with the Austin Police Department told The Associated Press early Friday he did not know whether Gallardo had an attorney.

When the incident happened Tuesday, Gallardo and her three children were waiting for a city bus.

A witness at the bus stop told police he saw Gallardo lift her daughter by the arm so forcefully that he thought the girl's arm "was going to dislocate out of the socket." The witness told police that Gallardo then violently threw the girl into the street and pulled her by her hair before throwing her into a parked vehicle, according to an arrest affidavit.

The witness said Gallardo told her daughter, "You are dead to me" and "You are a slut."

**COUNTY**

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like to see it used to build the local government's reserve funds.

"It takes approximately \$900,000 a month to keep the county operating," said Barr. "We've been basically running on no reserves for a while now. I've talked to the commissioners, and we all agree this \$1.1 million in back taxes should be put into that reserve fund. That would give us almost two months of reserve funds to work with."

As for the 2008 tax rate — which commissioners agreed to set at approximately 5 cents above the rollback rate in order to cover the expected fiscal loss due to the tax dispute — Barr said Thursday's announcement is too little, too late.

"There's no way for us to go back and change the tax rate. It's set and we can't go back," said Barr. "All we can hope to do is give the taxpayers a break on their property taxes in the coming years. That's something the commissioners and I are striving to do at this point."

Barr said it's no secret taxpayers have been baring the brunt of the funding miscues caused by the tax dispute, a problem he hopes to see corrected in the coming years.

"Property taxes in Howard County are too high," said Barr, referring to the .5362 cents per \$100 valuation commissioners approved last month. "I'd like to see them come down in the lower 40s. I really feel like we would have a tax rate around 40 to 41 cents right now if we hadn't had the problems with Alon USA, and that's a pretty

good rate compared to some of the surrounding counties.

"If something doesn't rip, rattle or tear, I feel like we'll be able to stick with the effective tax rate (estimated at .4134 cents per \$100 valuation this tax year) in the coming year. That's what the commissioner's court is striving for."

When asked if the finalization of the tax case came as a relief, Barr laughed.

"I'm very glad to see this come to a close," said Barr with a laugh. "Living with the unknown is a tough

thing, and that's exactly what we've been doing."

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13.18 percent increase compared to the \$197,036.46 taken in for October 2007. For the year, the Scurry County seat has received \$2,308,428, up 21.46 per-

cent. And north along U.S. Hwy. 87, Lamesa received \$95,605.33, up 10.84 percent when compared to the \$86,247.80 received last October. For the year, the Dawson County seat has polled \$1,050,409.98, up 12.67 percent.

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Garden City's girls (left) and Forsan boys (above) each claimed cross country district titles this week. Forsan was led by Kyle Stevenson, who finished fourth. Elge Suazo placed fifth and Jake Rhoton was eighth, making those three eligible as individuals to advance to state at the Region I Meet in Lubbock Nov. 8. The Forsan team is comprised of: (bottom row, from left to right) J.P. Barber and Evan Burton; (top row) Stevenson, Suazo, Coach Robert Hillger, Rhoton, Michael Mims and Richard Nelson. For Garden City from left to right: (front row) Vickie Garcia, (second row) Lauren Wheeler and Melissa Hirt; (third row) Paige Niehues, Coach Darrell Hunt and Morgan Schwartz, (back row) Shanna Halfman and Cassie Hirt.

## NBA All-Star game coming to Dallas Cowboys stadium

By JAIME ARON  
AP Sports Writer

DALLAS — The NBA All-Star game is coming to the new Dallas Cowboys stadium in 2010 and plenty of good seats are available — more than 100,000.

Living up to the old adage about doing things bigger in Texas, the Dallas Mavericks and Cowboys are collaborating on hosting next season's showcase event. It will be among the first major events at the soon-to-be-completed, \$1.1 billion facility in nearby Arlington.

And, if all goes according to plan, this event will set the record for the largest crowd ever to watch an NBA game, shattering the mark of 44,735 set at the 1989 All-Star Game, not-so-coincidentally held at another Texas-sized venue, the Houston Astrodome.

"It's totally outrageous," NBA commissioner David Stern said.

Just wait until he hears Mavs owner Mark Cuban's idea about putting the record out of reach.

"If we can get people to sit on each other's laps, it could be 200,000," Cuban said, laughing.

The 2010 All-Star weekend is being hyped as a collaboration between teams and cities. Some events will be held at the

Dallas Convention Center, with the Mavericks' arena hosting the rookie game on Friday night and the Saturday night festivities, which include the 3-point and dunk contests.

The marquee game will be Sunday, with center court right at midfield of the football stadium.

"We've got complete flexibility with the configuration," Cowboys owner Jerry Jones said. "That's what we spent a lot of money on, to adapt it to these kinds of events."

The Cowboys also are trying to lure Final Fours. They've already landed the 2011 Super Bowl, as well as the Cotton Bowl, starting Jan. 1, 2010.

The All-Star announcement came during an outdoor news conference that was as over-the-top as the attendance goal. Marv Albert was the master of ceremonies, the Mavericks dancers took part and it ended with a 10-second countdown to the unveiling of the game's logo, which features a version of the Cowboys' star logo in blue and green, the Mavericks' colors.

Cuban used to be against hosting the All-Star game because he couldn't accommodate his fans and the league's commitments.

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The Lady Steers didn't have enough runners to qualify as a team so Leubner will be the lone female representative for Big Spring at the Region I meet set for Nov. 8 also at Mae Simmons Park in Lubbock.

Coach Randy Britton is uncertain if the Steers can make another trip to state by finishing in the Top 3 at the regional meet. However, he does feel Valle, Parker and Leubner should advance if everything goes to plan.

"We're treating the district meet as a practice for

regionals," Britton said before the 4-4A race Thursday. "No offense to anyone in our district, but they don't match up with us. Valle should win the regional and I believe Kade could finish second. The only way Jordan doesn't win a state title this year is if he beats himself. Catherine got dehydrated in last year's regional and missed state because of it. She should be able to make it this season."

The Top 10 runners and Top 3 teams in the Region I meet qualify for state, which is held at Old Settlers Park in Round Rock Nov. 15.

**Boys Division**  
**Team Totals:** 1. Big Spring 22, 2. Lake View 43, 3. Frenship 61, 4.

## KICKER

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on to Texas Tech to be a just student.

Since Williams wasn't recruited by Tarleton State or on scholarship there, the NCAA waived a rule requiring players to sit out a year when transferring to Division I schools. He never accepted the year of free rent he won through the kicking contest, so that eligibility question was moot.

Leach called Williams "a genuine 12th man right out of the stands." The coach said college campuses probably have plenty of talented students who

played high school sports but aren't recruited.

"Somebody on a campus can kick. Somebody on campus can snap, and so it goes," he said. "Sometimes you got to turn over some stones."

Tech has relied on walk-on kickers before. Robert Treece (2001-2002) and Alex Trlica (2004-2007) were both walk-ons who ended up playing significantly.

Treece made all 97 of his extra points, and Trlica hit all 233 of his.

Trlica was 43-of-73 on field goals.

But none of those guys got noticed the way Williams did.

By the time Williams started kicking last week, freshman scholarship

Abilene Cooper 108.

**Top 10:** 1. Jordan Valle, Big Spring, 15:29.44; 2. Kade Parker, Big Spring, 16:03.57; 3. Shane Allen, Big Spring, 17:25.23; 4. Jay Brown, Frenship, 17:34.17; 5. James Ortiz, Lake View, 17:38.93; 6. Sammy Segundo, Big Spring, 17:42.84; 7. Israel Guerra, Lake View, 17:44.92; 8. Joe Pena, Lake View, 17:51.51; 9. Jairo Cribb, Lake View, 18:01.36; 10. Daniel Segundo, Big Spring, 18:06.51.

**Girls Division**  
**Team Totals:** 1. Frenship 29, 2. Abilene Cooper 51, 3. Plainview 52, 4. Lake View 85.

**Top 10:** 1. Catherine Leubner, Big Spring, 12:03.99; 2. Rebecca Swenson, Abilene Cooper, 12:51.13; 3. Whitney Johnson, Frenship, 13:06.77; 4. McKenna Chancellor, Frenship, 13:11.71; 5. Briana Falcon, Abilene Cooper, 13:17.02; 6. Claudia Botello, Plainview, 13:26.97; 7. Daisey Guerrero, Plainview, 13:43.75; 8. Abria Thomas, Frenship, 13:45.48; 9. Megan Robinett, Frenship, 13:49.82; 10. Krista Ford, Frenship, 13:50.83.

kicker Donnie Carona and senior walk-on Cory Fowler were up to six missed extra points combined. One of the misses put the Red Raiders at risk of losing in overtime to Nebraska before the defense saved the game with an interception.

Carona and Fowler also missed half of their eight field-goal attempts, another reason the door opened for Williams.

"What would it be like to see one of your former players win a national championship and get a national championship ring?" Sneed asked rhetorically. "If they can beat Texas, I think that they can run the table."

## With Romo out, Giants focus on stopping Barber

By TOM CANAVAN  
AP Sports Writer

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — For the New York Giants' defense, every game plan starts with stopping the run, and it doesn't make a difference if the opponent is Dallas, Washington or Philadelphia.

However, the need to stop the run will take on greater significance Sunday when the Giants (6-1) face the Dallas Cowboys (5-3), with Brad Johnson at quarterback instead of the injured Tony Romo.

"As soon as your starting quarterback goes down, you naturally assume there is going to be a hit in the passing game," Giants defensive tackle Barry Cofield said. "They also have a quality running back and an outstanding O-Line, it only makes sense to run the ball a little more. They have the pieces to run the ball."

The biggest piece of the running game for Dallas is Marion Barber. The Pro Bowl halfback has carried 153 times for 611 yards and five touchdowns, and he's caught 32 passes for 276 yards and two more scores.

"It all starts with Barber," defensive end Justin Tuck said. "If we take him out of the football game, we can start going after the quarterback. Obviously Brad is not as mobile as Romo, so things will be more in our favor if we can contain Barber."

If the Giants can't stop Barber, that probably will keep the Cowboys out of third-and-long situations, and that alone might slow down New York's pass rush, which leads the league with 26 sacks.

Barber reminds Giants defenders of Brandon Jacobs, New York's bruising halfback who combines speed and power.

"He is so relentless," Cofield said of

Barber, who is a lot smaller than Jacobs. "He has all the physical ability, but he runs like an unknown guy trying to make the team. He runs like every play could be his last. He delivers the blow and he can break it on any play, so he's a guy that we have the utmost respect for. And he goes out there every week and plays at a high level, so we have to do the same."

Dallas made a point of establishing its running game in the NFC semifinal against the Giants in January, and Barber was impressive, carrying 27 times for 129 yards and a touchdown.

New York also has a concern on its line with defensive tackle Fred Robbins battling a hand injury.

Middle linebacker Antonio Pierce raised some concerns about Robbins' status on Thursday when he said the Giants have a tackle playing with two broken hands.

Robbins denied that either of his hands are broken, but admitted they are bruised and he will have to play with some type of protection.

"I just have to go out and do it," Robbins said. "I'll stay aware and try to keep it from getting battered and bruised. Other than that, I'll do the things I need to do."

While concerned about Barber, the Giants are wary of Johnson, who has hit 36 of 67 passes for 356 yards, two touchdowns and three interceptions in his two starts in place of Romo. Tuck said he has avoided looking at Johnson's statistics because the veteran is still adjusting to a new role.

"Last week he was a little more comfortable and didn't turn the ball over," Tuck said. "When you put any veteran quarterback in with the weapons that they have, that could be trouble."

## HAWKS

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third behind South Plains and Midland. Odessa College is fourth. Those four same teams repre-

sented the WJCAC at the Region V Tournament last season.

Howard lost to South Plains in the finals, 80-72.

"From what we've heard, the Big 3 (Midland, South Plains and Odessa) are every bit as tough as they

were last year," acknowledged Adams. "This conference presents a very difficult challenge. It is the best in the country. Our sophomores must play a vital role in this season's success and our freshmen have to be ready to play."

## HUNT

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but they have to come down before it's officially a catch. I can knock it out before they get down."

Hunt has been on the varsity squad for three seasons, but has started at corner for just the last two.

At the start of last season, he found himself falling victim to some big plays. However, Big Spring High Principal and former Head Football Coach Mike Ritchey felt Hunt was the most improved player over the season and was snubbed off the All-District team.

Hunt agrees. "I felt snubbed," Hunt

admitted. "There are a lot of good corners out there, but I just try to always be in the right place at the right time. I think I do a good job of that."

The senior defensive back was also a starting second baseman on the baseball team last year, batting No. 2 in the Steers lineup.

As for this year's football team, Hunt says it's the best he's been a part of.

"There's a lot more heart, leadership and want-to this year," Hunt said. "The defense is better and our offense has really come along. We showed how good we can be against Cooper last week. They were supposed to be the best team in district and we held them to the lowest amount of points they

scored all season. We're going to carry that into the Lake View game. Lake View can't hang with us."

Lake View's main offensive threat in tonight's game in San Angelo is quarterback John David Baker, who has thrown for 15 touchdowns and ran for 10 more this season.

Hunt feels the Steers have the right formula to slow him down, though.

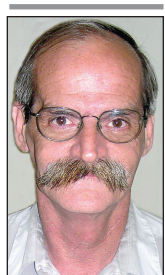
"He's got to get past a lot of people before he can make some big plays," said Hunt with confidence. "If he throws the ball, the secondary is going to take care of it. If he tries to run, then (middle linebacker) Cade Hollandsworth and those guys up front will take care of it. We're going to play a good game."

## EDITORIAL

## Boo! Yeah, I admit it, I do love Halloween

You can have your Thanksgivings, Easters, Summer Solstices and various National (Fill in the blank) Appreciation Days — just leave me Halloween.

When I was a young lad — and scurrilous rumors to the contrary, I was young once — Christmas was my favorite holiday, but Halloween



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always gave it a run for the money. As a kid, you just can't beat the thrill of dressing up in weird costumes, traipsing around the neighborhood and collecting candy by the sackful.

In fact, one of the few regrets I have is that now I'm too old (way too old, the rumor-mongers insist) to go trick-or-treating. I'm not saying that candy cures all the world's ills, but it definitely improves my outlook.

So you can imagine how I felt as a kid, going door to door in my makeshift ghost outfit and having adults I hardly knew toss handfuls of candy into my welcoming clutches.

It really didn't get any better than that.

There was more to trick-or-treating than just the candy, though. For a youngster, the sheer rush of being out and about at night — albeit in my own neighborhood — made me feel somewhat grown up, silly costume notwithstanding.

This is a good time, I think, to dispel some misconceptions about young Mr. Reagan and his Halloween exploits. For years, I have been falsely accused of becoming some sort of pint-sized hooligan on All Hallows' Eve, vandalizing yards and terrorizing smaller children.

All lies. I seem to remember being a minor conspirator in an instance which resulted in a person's yard being toilet-papered, but since my role was mainly as a lookout — and since the statute of limitations for being a stupid kid has long expired in my case — I can truthfully say my "bolder" Halloween exploits were pretty tame compared to some of my friends.

And as far as terrorizing younger kids, forget it. For one, I was usually the target of bigger kids and therefore unsympathetic toward bullies and, secondly, most of the younger kids in the neighborhood had brothers bigger than me, so I left the little ones alone.

Even after I became too old to beg candy from strangers, I could still enjoy the experience second-hand by escorting my younger brother on his rounds.

I remember one year — Jim must have been around 5 or 6 — he was having a grand time until we came to one house

where the door was answered by a large man in fright wig and beard who growled, "What do YOU want?"

Of course, the man was just having some fun. Of course, he meant no harm. And, of course, my little brother took off from there just a hair faster than lightning. He beat me home by a good half-block, too.

The episode was not a total bummer, though. The man was so apologetic for scaring my brother that he not only came by our house to give Jim a generous amount of candy, he threw some in my direction for my trouble, also.

It was a win-win situation, as they say.

And then there were the school Halloween carnivals, complete with more candy. And games. And friends.

To cap off the evening, there would be the inevitable cheesy monster movie on TV. That doesn't mean they didn't scare the bejabbers out of me, though. For some reason, those old black-and-white Dracula or Frankenstein movies always frightened me way more than any other horror movie this side of "Jaws."

After that, it was off to sleep — that is, if a kid full of sugar and adrenaline could actually sleep.

Who wouldn't like a holiday like that, huh?

Of course, Halloween isn't what it used to be. What with tainted candy scares and worries about child molesters and concerns about the holiday being one big Satan worship festival, it has downshifted into a safer, saner, G-rated version of the night I knew growing up.

And I'll be the first to admit that's not all bad. After all, I would seem like a loon if I decried keeping children safe. But it is somewhat sad my second-favorite holiday has changed so much.

Back then (and now I am sounding old), it was perfectly safe and acceptable for youngsters to carouse the neighborhood at night under minimal adult supervision.

Now, almost no one trick-or-treats door-to-door, schools no longer hold Halloween carnivals and youngsters who want to toilet paper a house are no longer called rambunctious but instead considered vandals.

All that diminishes, but doesn't entirely wipe away, Halloween's allure. For one thing, there's still cheesy monster movies on TV. And the stores are packed with Halloween candy.

I'll probably buy a few bags, just in case some kids knock on my door tonight. And if there's candy left over, I think I know how to remedy the problem.

Another win-win situation.

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## A forgiven but tragic life

When Taylor was a kid, he dreamed of being an astronaut. The thrill of blasting off into dark places and coming home to thundering crowds of applause was a common theme for his young life. As he got a little older he modified his dream but it was still about having guts and confidence. It remained to be about significance and doing something honorable. That's why he thought he would end up a cop or a fireman. I remember when he was considering a career in the military.



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His musical skills went through the roof so he traded those dreams for blasting off into the world and seeing different places. The applause might not have been thundering but at least it was gratifying. However, the road took its toll and with terrible choices came terrible relationships. The Siamese twins of indulgence and addiction took over and before long Taylor went into survival mode.

Dreams are murdered when survival exhausts us. As years went by, he saw himself more in the mirror of failures and disappointments. The more he looked at it, the less he became until finally he and I sat across from each other at a local restaurant.

I used to know this person (who I'm calling Taylor) well and I remember when he thought his life was full of promise. I am calling him Taylor because he plays a Taylor guitar. He doesn't actually have a guitar now. He has pawned or traded in every instrument and every good thing he has ever had.

He's lost it all, including his family — several families in fact.

He's a beautiful soul but a mere shadow of whom he is supposed to be. Our time together was sweet and sad. Inevitably our conversation turned to the Lord and he said, "You might not believe it Troy, but I really am a Christian."

Without batting an eyelash I said, "If you say you are, then I do believe you."

I guess it surprised him but he went on. "I keep messing everything up and God keeps on forgiving me. I know he loves me and I know his forgiveness is there for me."

With that, I leaned across the table and said "Yeah, that's cool that you're forgiven but Taylor, forgiveness is not the same as promotion. Your going to stay in that septic if you don't make a change, forgiven or not."

## Valuable Living

Lots of Christians are forgiven and worthless at the same time. Yeah, you read that right and if you don't know it, you haven't been around many Christians. If I were an atheist, I would look at most who profess Christianity and jump on a different bus.

I can't imagine living a forgiven but tragic life. Biblical Samson was a lot like that. While he was full of supernatural strength, he lacked the guts to be who God had called him to be. Consequently he only began to deliver Israel and David had to finish it hundreds of years later. He didn't have the character to finish anything. The Bible says he did more damage to the enemy in his death than in his life. So basically it was better for everybody if Samson was dead. I don't want that said about me.

Israel suffered for an extra 175 years because of Samson's failed but forgiven life. There is great collateral damage when we refuse to steward our lives. Failure in my stewardship from God will cost me effectiveness for God and you can take that Shreveport.

I don't think for a minute that forgiveness should be the primary objective for Christians. I think living a life that glorifies Him from a position of forgiveness is. That's living life on the right side of the cross.

Christianity should be full of success stories. God doesn't just change us for the heaven of it but a key part of God getting glory for changing us is we should become world changers. Not dependent, struggling, limp-wristed failures who constantly pull out our forgiveness cards. Who cares?

We ought to be full of vision, hope and accomplishment. Accomplishing vision is all about fulfilling God's heart. We ought to be on a mission. Jesus Christ was born the Son of God and he wanted to be the fullest potential of whom God called him to be. You know why? So that he could reach the fullest potential of doing what God had called him to do.

I think it's time for us to see ourselves as God's family and actually live like royalty.

Taylor is seeking help for his addiction and I'm pulling for him. I am hoping both of us can be set free enough to actually be effective in the freedom business.

It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery. Galatians 5:1

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## Cell phones: California has it right

OK, so I've seen all the commercials describing California as a great place to live, complete with a cameo toward the end by action-movie-legend-turned-governor Arnold Schwarzenegger.

I've heard all about the wine country, happy cows, amazing surf and endless beaches. And despite these wonderful attractions — especially the surfing and beaches — I can't say I've ever really felt the desire to visit California.

Sure, it's been a progressive state, willing to tackle tough issues such as environmental law and gay marriage while the rest of the country simply sat back and acted like those issues didn't even exist. Heck, they even have the magical world of Disney.

And now, I'm afraid, they have once again beaten my beloved Lone Star State to the punch on another crucial issue.

I'll start from the beginning. A few weeks back I had to call Howard County's Chief Appraiser, Brett McKibben, on his mobile phone to gather some last-minute information for a story I was working on. In my defense, I had no idea Brett was on vacation in California, although I have to admit I probably would have called anyway if I had known.

I'm a reporter. What can I say? Brett answered, and judging by the noise, I gathered immediately he was on the road. Double whammy. He's not only on vacation, but I caught him driving. I could almost see him cringing in my mind.

"Hey Brett, sorry to bother you, but I need to ask you a few questions about a story I'm working on," I told him. "Do you have a minute?"

"Thomas, let me call you back in

just a few minutes, OK?" came from the other end of the phone, which I followed with the standard, "no problem."

When Brett called me back, he explained he was on vacation in California, and it's illegal to talk on a mobile phone while you're driving in the state. He had pulled over in order to call me back, and graciously conveyed the info I needed. Bare in mind this is no easy task, and I seem to have a knack for calling people at the worst possible times.

I imagine many of my regular contacts are nodding their heads right now.

After the call, the idea of making the use of a mobile phone while you're driving sort of stuck in the back of my mind. Honestly, I've lost count of how many times I've nearly had an accident or been killed because some yo-yo had their cell stuck to their ear, that vacant stare prominently out in front indicating the lights are on, but the driver's on the phone.

Between the idgets who love to change lanes without looking — much less interrupt that Earth-shattering conversation they are having with God-only-knows-who — and the ones who like to sit at the light 10 minutes after it turns green because they are wrapped up in a phone call, I've come to terms with the fact a cell phone has a pretty good chance of being at the core of my motoring demise.

OK, so maybe I'll make away from it with just a fender bender, but we're looking for dramatic effect here.

The California law prohibits all drivers from using a handheld wireless telephone while operating a motor vehicle. Motorists 18 and older may use a "hands-free device." However, the second law prohibits drivers under the age of 18 from using a wireless telephone or hands-free device while operating a motor vehicle.

I don't know if you've seen many of these under-18-drivers, but I as-

sure you, they are having a hard enough time keeping their vehicles from turning into heat-seeking Tomahawk missiles of motorist death without adding a phone call to the mix.

The law does allow for emergency calls, like in the unlikely situation where you're being chased by an ax murderer and pulling over to the shoulder to make the call would certainly lead to a messy demise. The drivers of emergency vehicles — ambulances and fire trucks, for example — are exempt from the law, and the fine isn't too steep, costing first-time offenders \$20 and those that can't seem to learn \$50.

Now, I have to imagine that somewhere in the state of Texas at least one of our esteemed lawmakers has taken a gander at this California legislation, and I have a really hard time imagining him saying, "What a terrible idea." So tell me, what's taking them? Can't we get a law like this in place in the Lone Star State?

I'm sure someone will liken a law like this to a reduction in our civil liberties. Of course, these are the same dunderheads that think seat belt laws are a bad idea. However, if we can get people's minds off whatever garbage is coming across their cell phone and on the road in front of them, is that a bad idea?

The truth of the matter is simple. If we, as Americans and Texans had enough common sense, we'd realize just how stupid things get on the road without the distraction of cell phones, and we'd either pull over to use them or call them back when we weren't behind the wheel. That's a mighty big if, however.

When the good folks of California — bear in mind this is home to Los Angeles and other "weirder than fiction" cities — are leading the way in common sense, what in the world does it say about our great state?

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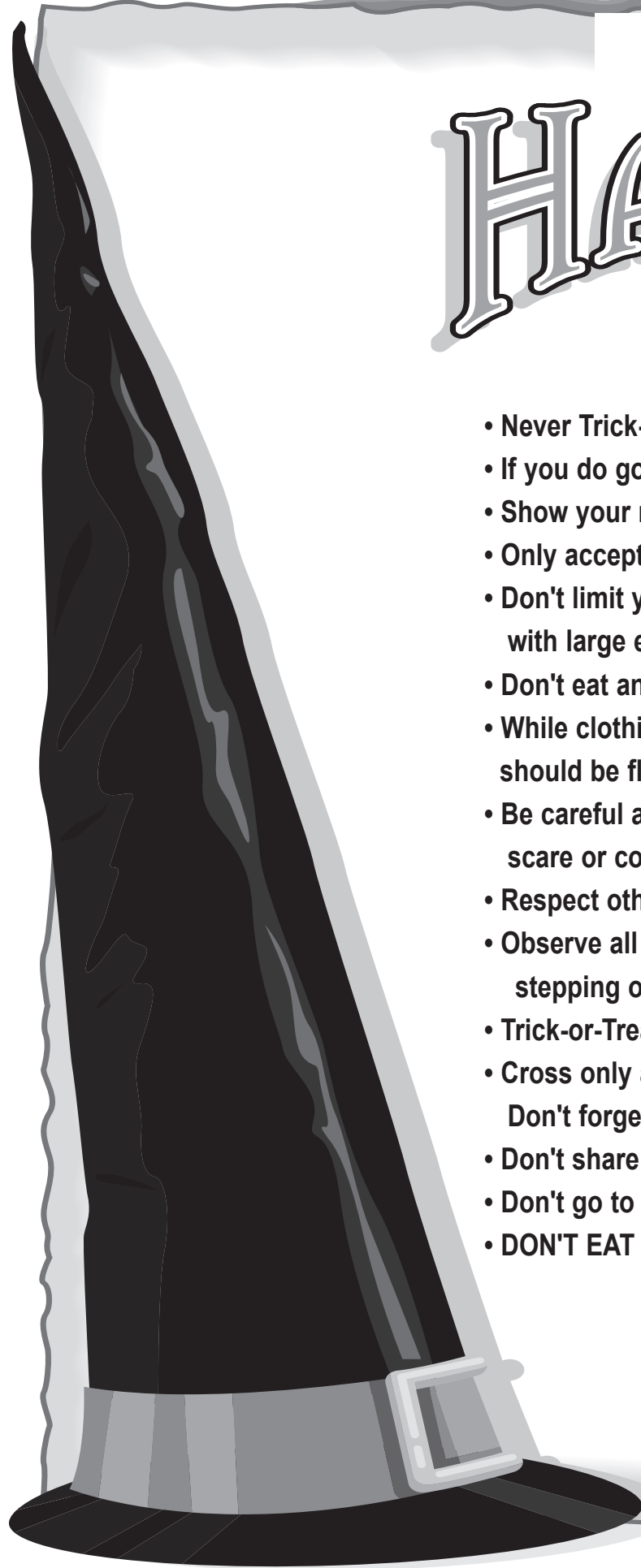
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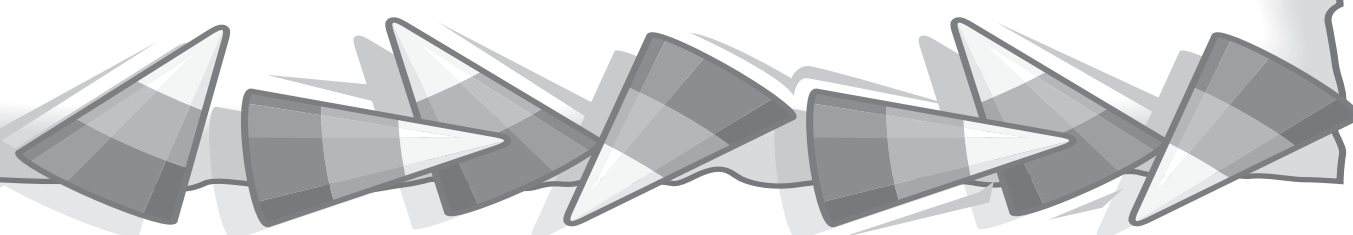
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- Never Trick-or-Treat alone, Small Children should be accompanied by an adult.
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- Show your manners ... say Thank You".
- Only accept treats at the front door, never enter a stranger's home or car for any reason.
- Don't limit your vision with a mask, face paint is better, or close fitting half-mask with large eye openings.
- Don't eat any treats until you get home and have them carefully inspected.
- While clothing or reflective tape will increase visibility. Costumes, wigs and beards should be flame resistant.
- Be careful around neighborhood pets. Although they may know you, your costume may scare or confuse them.
- Respect other people's property as well as your own.
- Observe all traffic rules. Only cross streets at intersections. Remember to look both ways before stepping off the curb.
- Trick-or-Treat in an area you know well.
- Cross only at corners. Never dart between parked cars or in the middle of the block. Don't forget to look both ways.
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**The Health Information Management Team at Scenic Mountain Medical Center won the hospital's annual Halloween contest. Pictured left to right are Diana Cobos, Krystal Rodriguez, Marie Hicks, Marsha Howton, Amy Huit, Amber Wooldridge, Kim Anderson, Pat Vanover and Kathy Wright. At right are the "esteemed" judges, from left, Herald Publisher Ron Midkiff, KBST Receptionist Denise Richard and Dr. Scott Barclay.**

Courtesy photos



## West Texas Centers to pass out treat bags

### Herald Staff Report

West Texas Centers for MHMR will pass out free Halloween treat bags from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. today to children at H-E-B Grocery,

2000 S. Gregg St.

The bags also will contain 101 ways to praise children.

"Our goal is to give parents positive ways to praise children so that children will understand that they

are loved and cared for," said Amy Vidal, West Texas Centers director of public information.

The bags also will contain tips on how to help children have a safe Halloween.

H-E-B Halloween Safe Stop will offer trick-or-treating, costume contests and more. Families are invited to dress up in their costumes and enjoy the free activities.

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## Club News

### Retired Teachers Association

At the Oct. 20 meeting of the Big Spring/Howard County Retired Teachers Association in Howard College's Cactus Room, members voted to change their name to the Big Spring Area Retired Teachers Association: Serving All Retired Education Employees. The purpose of the name change is to more accurately describe the area we service. The BSA-RTA is for all retired school personnel in this area, and we urge anyone eligible to visit our meetings and consider joining us. We are proactive in legislative affairs that impact retired school personnel.

Eddy Spurgin of the National Resources Conservation Service gave a slide presentation. Mr. Spurgin works directly with farmers and ranchers to prevent wind and water erosion. This includes control of salt cedars, terracing programs, crop rotation, and advice in a no-till program where cotton is planted in wheat stubble. Three ranchers and two cotton farmers compose the local soil conservation board.

At the Nov. 17 meeting, Tim Lee, Texas Retired Teacher Association executive director, will bring us up to date about pending legislation that will affect retired school personnel.

### 1905 Hyperion Club

The 1905 Hyperion Club held its October meeting at the home of Betty Thomas with 10 members in attendance. Following the business meeting, Mrs. Thomas introduced the club's program theme for the year 2008-2009, "Let's Laugh." Program for the year will be of a humorous nature. She briefly reviewed the book "Anatomy of an Illness As Perceived by the Patient" by Norman Cousins.

Mrs. Thomas also quoted the Bible verse "a merry heart doeth good like a medicine." For its first humorous program, the club then watched "The Lost Pilot" from the "I Love Lucy Classics Series." The club's next meeting will be Nov. 20.

### TOPS

TOPS Club (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) met Monday evening at 5:30 p.m. with Ethel Cassady conducting. TOPS pledge was led by Carol Smith and KOPS pledge was led by Ethel Cassady. TOPS members joined in the cheer and the Welcome Song was led by Linda Stapel.

Minutes and financial report was read by Linda Stapel and approved by all members.

Roll call was then given by Ethel Cassady and showed nine TOPS and one KOPS were presented. Weekly best loser was Frank Sickles with a loss of three pounds. It was announced that Lynn Criswell was the best loser for the month of October with a loss of four pounds and keeping it off.

The Spice Contest concluded Oct. 27 and Lynne Criswell and Frank Sickles were both winners by each losing and keeping off 2 1/4 pounds.

The program was then presented by Frank Sickles titled "Breakfast; A Most Important Meal." He pointed out a better breakfast will help curb the appetite, thus helping the lower calorie intake for the day. A better breakfast helps reduce the cravings for food during the day and evening hours.

All visitors to TOPS meeting are welcome. Meetings begin at 5:30 p.m. each Monday evening and are held in the Fellowship Hall of First Christian Church at 10th and Goliad.

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**► Church News**

**First Baptist Church**

This evening at 6 in the Family Life Center, First Baptist Church will be hosting the Fall Festival. This event offers children a safe place to come and spend Halloween. The entry cost? One can of food for our food pantry is the fee. The festival will conclude at 8 p.m. Please, parents, no scary costumes on the children.

**First United Methodist Church**

First Methodist will host it's first "Have-A-Weenie Festival" from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. this evening at the Heritage Museum pavilion across the street from the church. Come in costume and enjoy lots of games and hotdogs. Cost is \$5 for 25 tickets to be used at game and food booths. It will be a safe and fun way to celebrate Halloween.

This Sunday, our associate pastor, Augustine Ypina, will bring the message at both services of worship at 8:30 and 10:50 a.m. Sunday school classes for all ages are at 9:45.

Church Women United will celebrate World Community Day Saturday, Nov. 8. Service begins at 11 a.m. at Bakers Chapel AME Church.

The Children's Choir practices each Sunday afternoon and they are busy preparing to sing for us on Sunday morning, Nov. 9. Be sure to be here for their debut.

Sunday, Nov. 16, our youth will sponsor a church-wide Thanksgiving dinner in Garrett Hall following the 10:50 service. This is always a wonderful meal and is the principal fund-raiser for our youth. Come and enjoy the food and fellowship and support these young people as they and their families grow in Christ.

As Amy Williams, wife of our youth director Brent, begins her treatment for cancer, we ask for your prayers for her and all their young family. You can keep up with her progress as well as send her messages by going to [caringbridge.org/visit/amy-williams](http://caringbridge.org/visit/amy-williams).

Come see us at First Methodist, we're located at Fourth and Scurry in the heart of downtown Big Spring.

**Church Women United**

CWU's Big Spring celebration will be held at 11 a.m. Nov. 8 at Bakers Chapel AME Church, 911 N. Lancaster. The program will focus on justice and peach in the global society.

"God's Wisdom Sets Us Free" whether we are bound by our own human failings or by prison walls. All of us need to change and grow, just like caterpillars change into cocoons or chrysalises before they can become beautiful butterflies with wings that will let them soar high and free. This celebration explores how we can reach out with God's wisdom and love to those behind bars, whether made of steel or of human limitations.

An offering is sent to the national office of CWU for support of the movement.

Our celebrations are annual events that unite Protestant, Roman Catholic, Orthodox and other Christian women in experiencing building common worship, strengthening friendly relationships within our community and providing awareness

for social action.

CWU has been a part of the Big Spring community for almost 70 years. CWU started the West Side Community Center in the early 1940s as The Council of Church Women. We have served the Big Spring State Hospital for more than 60 continuous years.

**Birdwell Lane Baptist Church**

Sunday worship is at 10:55 a.m. and 5 p.m.. Childrens Church is during the Sunday Morning worship for ages 9-12. A nursery is provided. Midweek services are at 7 p.m. Wednesday. For a ride call 264-9924 or 267-7157.

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

**Alive in Christ Lutheran Church LCMS**

Worship services with Holy Communion and celebration of All Saints Day is at 9 a.m with the Rev. Bob Boyce as our guest pastor. He will also lead the adult Bible class.

Sunday school and adult Bible class are at 10:15 a.m. after coffee and goodies following church services.

This is a very special week in the Lutheran church. We will have "Trunk and Treat" at the church yard starting at dark on Friday. Several volunteers will park their vehicles in the church parking lot and we encourage all children to come "trick and treat" with us in a safe environment.

Sunday, after Bible class and Sunday school, Pastor Boyce has requested a meeting with the congregation to include present members and prospective members of all ages. Pas-

tor Boyce asks that we read the Epistle of James prior to this meeting. Pastor Boyce requests that we discuss and plan for the immediate future (the rest of this year) as well as to start a framework for long range plans for Alive in Christ Lutheran Church. His opening devotion will be based on the Epistle of James and Dr. Martin Luther's teaching regarding "The Two Kingdoms." Lunch will be provided.

We hope you have been able to tune in to Look Up and Live at 6:25 a.m. this week on KBST 1490 and 95.7. Rev. Boyce has been this week's speaker. If you missed it, we'll encourage him to do it again.

Monday, there will be a 6 p.m. meeting at 624 Colgate with Michael Fuchs who will be here to explain the "Texas Partners in Mission" program to our executive board and previous supporters of Texas Partners in Mission. Mr. Fuchs will share information with us on the various mission work being done in the Texas District LCMS. His information will show us that there are great things going on in our district and that we are not "dead and dying" but alive in Christ! A meal will be provided.

The executive board will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday for its monthly meeting. The monthly voters meeting will be Nov. 10 at 7 p.m. Both meetings will be at the church.

**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,



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**Former members, pastors and friends and invited to join in celebration and worship as the Knott First Baptist Church celebrates its 100th anniversary Nov. 9. A reception will be held from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. that day at the church.**

sing, pray and worship, led by Commissioned Lay Pastor Tom Koger.

It was decided that we would not have our regular first-Sunday potluck

meal this Sunday because See **CHURCH**, Page 8A

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**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT**

Encore Operating L.P., 777 Main Street, Suite 1400, Fort Worth, Texas 76102 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fresh water fluid into a formation which is productive of oil and gas. The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the San Andres Formation, in wells Clay, H.R. "E" #70. The injection well(s) is located 3 miles East from Forsan in the Howard-Glasscock Field, in Howard County. Fluid is injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 2300 to 2500 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). #5976 October 31, 2008

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT**

Texas ReExploration Operating LC 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 dispose of oil and gas waste into the Fusselman formation, Howard "F" Fee lease, Well No. 3. The proposed disposal well is located 3 miles ENE of Coahoma, in the Coahoma North Fusselman field, in Howard County. Fluid will be injected into the subsurface depth interval from 8640 to 8783 feet and 8823 to 8844 feet. LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Natural Resource 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 (15) days of publication, to the Underground Injection Control, Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, PO Box 12967, Austin TX 78711, telephone 512-463-6792. #5971 October 31, 2008

**Legals**

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT**

Texas ReExploration Operating LC 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 dispose of oil and gas waste into the Fusselman formation, Read "A" lease, Well No. 5. The proposed disposal well is located 3.5 miles ENE of Coahoma, in the Coahoma North Fusselman field, in Howard County. Fluid will be injected into the subsurface depth interval from 8762 to 8776 feet. LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Natural Resource 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 (15) days of publication, to the Underground Injection Control, Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, PO Box 12967, Austin TX 78711, telephone 512-463-6792. #5972 October 31, 2008

**Legals**

**TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION AND INTENT TO OBTAIN AIR PERMIT RENEWAL PERMIT NUMBER 36189**

APPLICATION WTG Gas Processing, L.P., has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for renewal of Air Quality Permit Number 36189, which would authorize continued operation of the Natural Gas Compression Station located 1 mile south of Vealmoor on FM 1584, then 2.5 miles east on County Road 54, near Ackerly, Howard County, Texas. The existing facility and/or related facilities are authorized to emit the following air contaminants: nitrogen oxides, carbon monoxide, particulate matter less than 10 microns in diameter, organic compounds, sulfur dioxide, and hydrogen sulfide. This application was submitted to the TCEQ on August 19, 2008. The application is available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ central office, TCEQ Midland regional office, and the Howard County Library, 500 Main Street, Big Spring, Howard County, Texas. The facility's compliance file, if any exists, is available for public review in the Midland regional office of the TCEQ.

The TCEQ executive director has determined the application is administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the application. In addition to the renewal, this permitting action includes the incorporation of the following authorizations or changes to authorized facilities related to this permit: amendments. The reasons for any changes or incorporations, to the extent they are included in the renewed permit, may include the enhancement of operational control at the plant or enforceability of the permit. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the Office of Public Assistance, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040. **The TCEQ may act on this application without seeking further public comment or providing an opportunity for a contested case hearing if certain criteria are met.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT** You may submit public comments, or a request for a contested case hearing to the TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. The TCEQ will consider all public comments in developing a final decision on the application. **The deadline to submit public comments is 15 days after newspaper notice is published.** After the deadline for public comments, the executive director will prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. Issues such as property values, noise, traffic safety, and zoning are outside of the TCEQ's jurisdiction to address in the permit process.

After the technical review is complete the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. If only comments are received, the response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application, will then be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or who is on the mailing list for this application, unless the application is directly referred to a contested case hearing.

**OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING** You may request a contested case hearing. The applicant or the executive director may also request that the application be directly referred to a contested case hearing after technical review of the application. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in state district court. Unless a written request for a contested case hearing is filed within 15 days from this notice, the executive director may act on the application. **If no hearing request is received within this 15-day period, no further opportunity for hearing will**

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CHURCH

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we will be having our annual holiday meal some Sunday later in November.

A reminder: Daylight Saving Time ends Sunday and Central Standard Time returns. Please set your clocks back on hour on Saturday night. As the saying goes, "Fall back," or you'll be an hour early for church!

The regular Session meeting will be Thursday, Nov. 6, at 5:57 p.m. in the church social hall.

The lectionary for the 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time is Joshua 3:7-17; Psalm 107:1-7, 33-37; I Thessalonians 2:9-13; Matthew 23:1-12.

**First Presbyterian Church, Big Spring**

Wednesday activities for Nov. 5 begin with a staff meeting at 4 p.m. The time for Bible Study has been changed to 5 p.m., followed by choir practice at 6 p.m. The youth meet at 6 p.m. p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 6, the Service Committee will meet in the church parlor. Members will discuss the results of the brown bag grocery collection and preparing for the blood drive, which will take place from noon until 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 9. Following worship that Sunday, the Service Committee will host a soup and sandwich lunch for everyone, but especially for those who stay and give blood. To sign up as a blood donor, contact any member of the Service Committee or call the

church office.

Saturday, Nov. 8, Church Women United will meet at 11 a.m. at First United Methodist Church (400 Scurry) to observe World Community Day.

Sunday, Nov. 9, immediately following the worship service, there will be a Called Congregational Meeting to elect new elders.

The liturgist for November is Janie Conley. Ushers for the month are James Little, Don Bolling, Pat Fleming and Monika Robinson. Those serving communion are Baylor Walker, Weldon Jones, Ellen Austin, and Mark Morgan. Donna Amonett is in charge of "Take Ten" refreshments this week.

The lectionary for the 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time is Joshua 3:7-17; Psalm 107:1-7, 33-37; I Thessalonians 2:9-13; Matthew 23:1-12. "Lord, For Thy Tender Mercies' Sake" by Richard Ferrant is the first anthem by the choir, and the offertory anthem is "Ascribe to the Lord" by Dan Edwards. In celebration of All Saints' Sunday, Rev. Bronaugh's sermon is "In Honor of the Saints," recognizing those who have passed before us since 2000.

**Church of God**

Grace Fellowship is located at 603 Tulane. Sunday morning worship is 10:30 a.m. and evening worship is at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday night worship is at 7 p.m.

Pastors Micheal and Samatha Chase were elected to the State Youth Board, the first time in Texas that a woman and a couple have been selected for the board.

As a part of the Prayer

Living the wind-driven life

Rick Warren's book, "The Purpose-Driven Life," has certainly made an impact on the Christian

community, but the truth is that many of us are still living the wind-driven life. Just this week, I heard a "wannabe" comedian say that Texans are closer to God because of their high-standing, wind-blown hair dos.

I must admit that sometimes my extra-hold hair spray has no hold at all and whether I wear bangs or comb my hair away from my face is not my decision. Regardless of how my

hair looked when I left the house, the wind has a forceful way of restyling it.

I've also observed that hat-chasing is a team sport in gusty West Texas, and those who aren't up to the chase walk around with one hand glued to the top of their heads to keep their hats from blowing off.

The wind also determines whether we stroll along with an upward-looking smile or walk briskly with our heads down and our collars up. Sometimes the wind even dictates which door of a store is open for business and which one is closed to customers.

Unfortunately, many people have a wind-blown approach to religion. They follow whatever good-sounding doctrine blows their way and abandon it when a new front

appears on the radar. However, the Bible says that when we gain knowledge of Jesus, we should exhibit more mature faith: *As a result, we are no longer to be children, tossed here and there by waves, and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, by craftiness in deceitful scheming; but speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in all aspects into Him, who is the head, even Christ (Ephesians 4:14-15 NASB).*

The only way any of us can hang on to our spiritual hats is to get into the Scripture and learn what it says.

If we are to be purpose-driven men and women of God instead of wind-blown children we will need to experience the wind-blocking strength of God's Word.



BONNIE WHEAT

Commission, we are asking each family to pray together at 8:30 every Wednesday morning or before you take the children to school or go to work. The International and State Offices will be praying together every Wednesday morning.

**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's "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, our scouting ministry that teaches lessons that begin building towers of truth in our children's lives.

New fellowship time begins Sunday 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 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.

Dare to Care Ministry will be conducted at 2 p.m. Sunday.

**Philadelphia Primitive Baptist Church**

Elder Jeff Harris of Tifton, Ga., will be the guest speaker at worship services Saturday and Sunday.

Bible study is scheduled for 7 p.m. Saturday and Sunday Morning worship services are at 10:30 a.m.

The church is located at 201 East 24th. A warm welcome is extended to all.

Anyone wanting more information on this meeting, please call 263-6217 or 270-4618.

**East Fourth Street Baptist Church**

We welcome you to come worship and fellowship with us this Sunday starting with Sunday school at 9:45 a.m. Worship service is at 11 a.m. and evening service is at 6 p.m.

Our Wednesday adult prayer meeting and Bible study, children and youth Bible study and music are at 7 p.m. Men's Bible study is at 7 a.m. Saturday.

We are located at 401 E. Fourth St. and can be reached at 267-2291.

**Grace Fellowship Baptist Temple Church**

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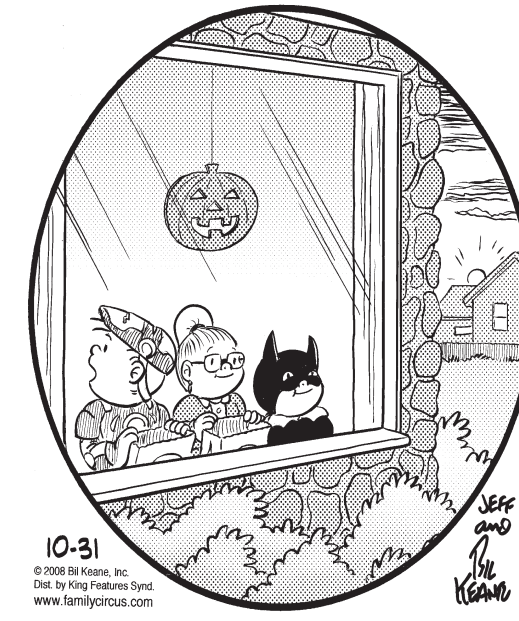
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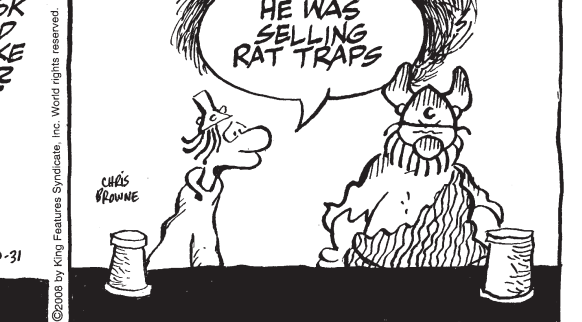
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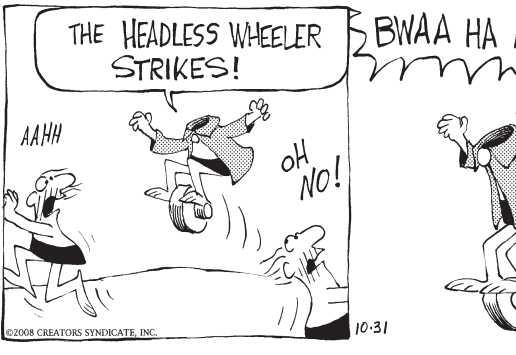
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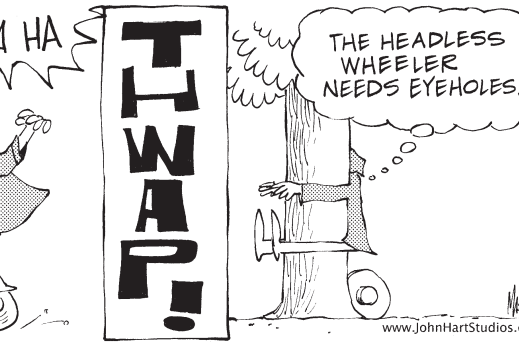
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- Triple trio
- Lotsa cash
- The Charleses' predecessor
- Omega alternative
- Cheerleading practice
- Collaborator of a sort
- Four-legged leaper
- Methodical way
- Exam instruction
- Gobble up
- Correlates
- Part of CST
- Pokes around
- Big brass
- One of the family
- Palermo pronoun
- Course ender
- Part of TAE
- L.A. County city
- Part of some blowups
- Dorothy's benefactor
- Bergen dummy
- Ninth-century pope
- Rotational force
- Lever in the water
- Cut up
- Urgency acronym

**DOWN**

- Miner's asset
- Casual greeting
- Spanish city
- Creamy cheese
- CIS
- predecessor
- Omega alternative
- Cheerleading practice
- Transmits in real time
- Mudpack site
- The Crucible subject
- \_\_ mater
- Top
- Ready to snap
- Bar bottle
- Wine-producing center
- Tomato variety
- Goes after flies
- Not too taxing
- Some choristers
- Criticizes
- Really cool guy
- 70 Across info
- No pro
- Fulfillers
- Ruins
- Israeli statesman
- Season, in a way
- Glitch
- Bill's place
- Plankton eaters
- Nuisance
- Staff
- Hue and cry
- Part of some trains
- Ill-fated video format
- 25 Across speaker
- Stop over
- Saab competitor
- Paper quantity
- Up to
- Ford who first drove a Continental
- Pearl Harbor's locale
- Warts and all
- Gripe noisily
- Cairo-to-Aswan route
- The usual

This Date In History

Today is Friday, Oct. 31, the 305th day of 2008. There are 61 days left in the year. This is Halloween.

**Today's Highlight in History:**  
On Oct. 31, 1517, Martin Luther posted the 95 Theses on the door of the Wittenberg Palace church, marking the start of the Protestant Reformation in Germany.

**On this date:**  
In 1864, Nevada became the 36th state.  
In 1926, magician Harry Houdini died in Detroit of gangrene and peritonitis resulting from a ruptured appendix.  
In 1938, the day after his "War of the Worlds" broadcast had panicked radio listeners, Orson Welles expressed "deep regret" but also bewilderment that anyone had thought the simulated Martian invasion was real.  
In 1941, the Navy destroyer USS Reuben James was torpedoed by a German U-boat off Iceland with the loss of some 100 lives, even though the United States had not yet entered World War II.  
In 1967, Nguyen Van Thieu took

the oath of office as the first president of South Vietnam's second republic.  
In 1968, President Johnson ordered a halt to all U.S. bombing of North Vietnam, saying he hoped for fruitful peace negotiations.  
In 1984, Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi was assassinated by two Sikh security guards.  
In 1994, a Chicago-bound American Eagle ATR-72 crashed in northern Indiana, killing all 68 people aboard.  
In 1996, a Brazilian Fokker-100 jetliner crashed in Sao Paulo, killing all 96 people on board and three on the ground.  
In 1999, EgyptAir Flight 990, bound from New York to Cairo, crashed off the Massachusetts coast, killing all 217 people aboard.  
Five years ago: Suicide bombers in Baghdad struck Red Cross headquarters and three police stations, killing dozens of people.

66. Actor Stephen Rea is 62. Actress Deidre Hall is 60. Talk show host Jane Pauley is 58. Actor Brian Stokes Mitchell is 50. Movie director Peter Jackson is 47. Rock musician Larry Mullen is 47. Actor Dermot Mulroney is 45. Rock musician Mikkey Dee (Motorhead) is 45. Actor Rob Schneider is 44. Country singer Darryl Worley is 44. Actor-comedian Mike O'Malley is 43. Rap musician Adrock is 42. Songwriter Adam Schlesinger is 41. Rap performer Vanilla Ice (aka Rob Van Winkle) is 40. Rock singer Linn Berggren (Ace of Base) is 38. Actor Eddie Kaye Thomas is 28. Rock musician Frank Iero (My Chemical Romance) is 27.  
Thought for Today: "An old error is always more popular than a new truth." — German proverb.  
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Answer to previous puzzle

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TODAY'S PUT-ONS by Shirley Soloway

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## Tap into your power source of influence

**H**ave you ever heard anyone make a statement such as, "I hate my life, I hate myself, or I hate my job?" I believe those who make such remarks have never truly tapped into their power source of influence. This power source was given to each of us by God, men and women alike; no one was left out. Some may think that only women have the power of influence, but men have influence, as well.



JERRIE STOCKS

We influence others everyday whether we are aware of it or not. We influence by our conduct, by the words we speak, and by how we live our lives on a daily basis. Your life is not only based on who or what you know, but also on the influence of those you know and with those whom you choose to associate with.

Oftentimes, God places certain people in our lives to promote His Kingdom. However, if we are not careful, we can choose to associate with those who will cause us to veer off course by influencing us to listen to the wrong voices. Though you may not partake of the things your associates do, the smell of their deeds will cling to you like a second skin and will soon begin to penetrate your spirit. Before you even realize it, your attitude will become more and more like theirs.

King Solomon is a perfect example of this. He was the wisest man in the world until he began to surround himself with wives who worshipped idols. Sadly, they slowly seduced him away from the one true God who had blessed him so extravagantly. Proverbs 12:26 tells us, "The way of the wicked leads the righteous man astray."

The gift of influence is an unseen power that is often overlooked because, as human beings, we are credit-mongers by nature. We must get past the need to claim the credit.

Your influence should at no time overstep its boundaries by turning into manipulation. Remember, manipulation is likened to witchcraft, and God will never bless it because it is an attempt to usurp power over someone else.

Your true gift of influence is capable of triumphing over barriers of misunderstandings. It can disarm the hard-hearted, and gently lead to a higher and better way of life. Your influence is so powerful that it can turn a hardened sinner to a life of Christ, all because you used your influence in a gentle and caring way, rather than by pushing and controlling.

In the heat of making a decision concerning the sentencing of Jesus, Pontius Pilate stopped to consider his wife's opinion on the matter. Unsure of how to proceed, he sat surrounded by screaming people, yet in the middle of the turmoil he stopped. Pilate's wife sent him a note warning him not to be involved with the sentencing of Jesus. That was enough to make him wash his hands of sealing the fate of an innocent man. His wife must have had a reputation for giving him sound counsel in prior instances. Pilate knew that she watched over his soul and covered his heart. He knew she looked after his best interest. Her counsel was pure and he knew he could trust it. This trait of godly influence is clearly spelled out in Proverbs 31:11-12.

Treasure your influence as a gift from God. Don't flaunt it, but handle it wisely and gently. Trust God's wisdom in leading and directing you. You will be amazed at the results.

God bless!

## CHURCH

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ship, fellowship, discipleship, ministry and evangelism. Most within the church have committed to reading a chapter per day of The Purpose Driven Life by Rick Warren, which goes more in-depth of the five purposes.

On Nov. 16, we will have a Ministry Fair called "Get in the Game" It's a sports theme and everyone is welcomed to wear their sports apparel to church that morning. Our morning service will dismiss early and everyone will proceed to the fellowship hall to look at displays of all the ministries of the church and sign up to be a part of any ministry they have an interest in.

Anyone is welcome to come join us for 40 Days of Purpose.

We have Sunday school classes for all ages at 9:45 a.m. Worship services are at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sundays.

We also have activities for all ages Wednesday nights from 7 to 8.

Mondays, we have Financial Peace University class that meets from 7 to 9 p.m. We are halfway through the course for this semester but will probably offer it again in the spring. Our 12-Step group meets Tuesdays from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in our fellowship hall. This is open to anyone struggling with addictions of any kind. It is free but donations are accepted to cover the cost of the workbook.

This Sunday during our evening worship service, representatives from the Baptist General convention of Texas will present what is going on in the BGCT. There will be a question-and-answer time after their presentation. On Nov. 16, representatives from the Southern Baptists of Texas Convention will do a presentation about the SBTC followed by a question-and-answer session as well.

For more information, call us at 267-8287 or check us out on the Web

at [btcbigspring.org](http://btcbigspring.org).

### North Birdwell Lane United Methodist Church

The new Sunday morning worship time is now 10:30 a.m. with Sunday school for all ages at 9:30 a.m. The evening services remain at 5 p.m. with Pastor Jacque Mauch leading both services.

The Sunday school lesson and discussion will be "Fitting Into the Community" taken from 1 Corinthians 12:3-21. The leader will be Amy Meadors.

Today, we will host our annual Parking Lot Halloween Treats for Children of the community. We urge all drivers to be extra careful as you watch out for all the little goblins over town.

As host site for the Angel Food Ministry of Big Spring, we will be taken orders at the church on today and Nov. 7, from 10 a.m. until

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## "Fireproof"

*A movie that is action-packed and a heart-warming resource to strengthen any marriage will be showing at Cinemark 4 in the Big Spring Mall this weekend.*



*First Baptist Church has purchased 250 tickets to provide our community an opportunity to see this movie starring Kurt Cameron. Tickets are FREE and can be picked up at the box office beginning Saturday (November 1<sup>st</sup>), while supplies last....*

## Enter Your Favorite Family Recipe In Our 9th Annual

# HOLIDAY COOKBOOK CONTEST

### CATEGORIES:

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- Desserts
- Vegetables
- Casseroles
- Entrees
- Salads



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Tuesday, November 11, 2008  
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Winners will be published in the cookbook on Sunday, Nov. 23, 2008.

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# Club News

## The Big Spring Art Association

The Big Spring Art Association held its monthly meeting Tuesday, Oct. 21. They were happy to welcome several new members and visitors. The group was treated to a wonderful demo on working with pastels by Odessa artist Edna Krueger. Edna worked as a commercial artist in Dallas for 10 years and is a member of the Odessa Art Association and Portrait Society of America, as well as having taught art to junior high and high school students in Odessa for the last 20 years.

As a bonus, Brady, a member of the local Boy Scouts group asked for advice and informed the Association of his intentions to restore one of Big Spring's historic murals. Contact you local chapter for details.

One of the new events coming up is a Watercolor Workshop to be held Nov. 11, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., with Kay Smith (owner of Brushworks) instructing. Kay is a very talented artist with a regular installation in Living magazine. Feel

free to contact her at (432) 263-2788 if interested.

Of course, there are several other exciting events coming up, too! The 54th Annual Membership Show is being held at the Heritage Museum starting Saturday. It will be judged by Stacy Slaten, who runs the art department at Howard College. She is an accomplished artist in her own right, having studied across the country and receiving a bachelor of fine arts in painting, jewelry design and metalsmithing.

Also, the Christmas Studio Art Tour will be Nov. 8t from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Brochures are available at sponsor locations throughout the city. Don't miss out on the opportunity to view and purchase works of art, ideal as gifts, made by local artisans.

The next meeting will be held in the library basement Tuesday, Nov. 18. For further information or to join, contact

**Look for more Club News on Page 6A**

Halloween is a fun time for kids and parents alike. You can make sure it's a safe Halloween for your children by remembering these simple safety tips:

Send your children to trick-or-treat early, while there's still some daylight. Make sure they have a working flashlight to use at night.

Have your children travel in groups with an accompanying adult.

Turn on outside lights to welcome trick-or-treaters to your house.

Reflective material sewn into costumes can be a lifesaver.

Masks can obscure vision. Exercise a bit of creativity and use nontoxic makeup instead.

Check all treats before they're eaten. For even greater safety, throw out fruit and any candy that isn't wrapped.

# Fun & Safety

Have a happy and safe Halloween!



Stanton Division  
1-800-442-8688 (After Hours)  
432-756-3381 (Local)

## CHURCH

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6 p.m. and Saturday and Nov. 8, from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

Orders will be also taken Saturday and Nov. 8, at the Big Spring Mall from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. November delivery date will be Nov. 22. We give thanks for the many volunteers who work to serve our community of Big Spring in this important ministry.

North Birdwell United Methodist Church is located at 2702 N. Birdwell and welcomes all persons interested in the mission work of our Lord. For more information, call 267-2203. If no one answers, leave a message.

### St. Mary's Episcopal Church

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

St. Mary's Trunk or Treat Night is tonight at the First Christian Church, 911 South Goliad, from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Bring your

treats and decorate your car and join us for fun.

An all parish pot-luck supper is Wednesday at 6 p.m. Bring a special dish to share with everyone and join us for a time of fellowship and evening prayer.

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

### East Side Baptist Church

You will be welcome at any of our regular services. Sunday services are at 9:45 a.m., 10:45 a.m. and at 1:45 p.m. Wednesday night service begins at 7 p.m. We provide a nursery for all our services.

On Nov. 16, we will host the "Anderson Family" in the morning service. On Dec. 13, we will have a "Birthday Party for Jesus," program. This is an event for children age 6 through 12 years. We will have limited number of spaces, so make your early reservations beginning Monday. You may leave a message by calling 267-1915 or 816-6783. This is a very special program designed to get the true message of Christmas to the next generation.

East Side is located at

1108 E. Sixth St.

### First Christian Church

Some churches scowl at Halloween as a heathen holiday, a tribute to Satan, a terrible thing to do. We are not one of those churches. Halloween can be a fun holiday. That's why 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 tonight from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the parking lots of 10th and Goliad.

Bring your little ones to enjoy trick or treating in a safe, healthy environment. Plenty of candy, lots of fun.

In addition, we will be hosting a Halloween bash for teens Saturday from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. featuring a "Guitar Hero" contest.

Sunday, the youth Sunday school program will begin learning about Advent.

Activities include creating individual Advent Wreaths for use at home or to give as gifts, along with creating Christmas cards and other small gifts to help others enjoy the Advent season. Our pastor, Dr. McIntosh, will preach on the power of living average days with humility. (Matthew 23:1-12).

Looking ahead, we have started a new, additional women's group for working women: The new evening Christian Women's Fellowship group will meet Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. at 2800 Crestline and the noon Christian Women's Fellowship group will meet Thursday at the church. Our annual Thanksgiving Dinner will happen after church Sunday, Nov. 16. Visitors welcomed.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND PARTIES:

WTG Gas Processing, L.P., has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for renewal of Air Quality Permit No. 36189, which would authorize continued operation of the Natural Gas Compression Station located 1 mile south of Vealmoor on FM 1584, then 2.5 miles east on County Road 54, near Ackerly, Howard County, Texas. Additional information concerning this application is contained in the public notice section of this newspaper.

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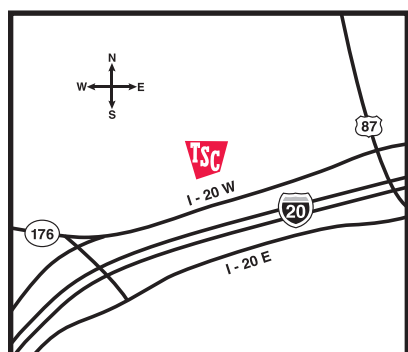


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