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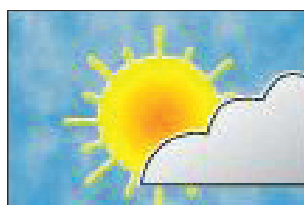
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Race is on

Restman challenges McDonald in District 4

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

There will be at least one contested race for a seat on the Big Spring City Council in May, as local resident Terena Restman and incumbent Gloria McDonald filed this week to represent District 4.



McDonald

According to McDonald, the city budget and taxes are the most pressing issue facing the council in the next couple of years, a challenge she said can be best met with the help of the voters.



Restman

"If the citizens see fit to re-elect me, I'd like to take a random percentage of city residents who voted in the council election and form a think-tank committee," said McDonald. "I'd like to let that committee to look at where they think taxes can be cut. That way we're letting the citizens who voted stand up and have a say in how this is done."

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CAUTION: ROAD WORK

Gregg Street to undergo 10-month renovation

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

For the next 10 or more months, Big Spring's major north-south traffic artery is going to be transformed into a work zone.

Officials with the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) met with about 100 local businessmen and residents Thursday evening to discuss the upcoming resurfacing of much of Gregg Street.

The \$5.8 million project, which is expected to begin soon and last for about 10 months, will result in a complete resurfacing of Gregg from FM 700 north to Fourth Street.

Roy Dill, area engineer for the local TxDOT office, said bids will be awarded later this month and construction is expected to begin shortly thereafter. Price Construction of Big Spring is the apparent low bidder.

The work will be done in sections—FM 700 to 15th Street; and 15th northward to Fourth. Dill said it would be left to the contractor to determine which section will be worked first.

Three lanes will be worked on simultaneously, leaving drivers with three open lanes — one 11-foot lane in each direction, plus a 13-foot turning lane, leaving a four-foot buffer between traffic and work crews. Workers will install ramps to allow traffic to access businesses adjacent to the work area.

Needless to say, some inconvenience is inevitable, Dill said.

"We know there's going to be some — there's no getting around it" he said. "But we're going to do everything we can to minimize those inconveniences."

Crews will resurface most of Gregg

"We know there's going to be some — there's no getting around it. But we're going to do everything we can to minimize those inconveniences."

—Roy Dill,
TxDOT area engineer



HERALD photo/Steve Reagan

Roy Dill, left, area engineer for the local Texas Department of Transportation office, explains plans to resurface Gregg Street with new VA Medical Center Director Daniel Marsh and Iva Jo Hanslik prior to a public hearing on the project Thursday in the Dora Roberts Community Center.

Street with "hot mix" coating, except at intersections with traffic signals (10th, 15th, 17th and 18th). At those sites, concrete will be used.

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BSISD signs off on grant writer

Formally approves Steven Saldivar as new superintendent

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

Sometimes, it's better to share.

Big Spring Independent School District will pay its share — along with other major governmental agencies in Howard County — to fund a grant writer's position.

BSISD trustees voted during their monthly meeting Thursday to pay slightly more than \$11,000 a year to finance the district's portion of the grant writer's salary.

The grant writer, who will work out of the Permian Basin Regional Planning Com-

mission although her salary will be paid by the Howard County agencies, will be responsible for identifying and seeking potential extra sources of revenue for the entities.

"By joining with the other agencies, we'll be able to do things Big Spring ISD wouldn't be able to do by itself," said Dr. Michael Stevens, interim superintendent. "We're very excited about the opportunity to work with the other public agencies."

The grant writer will start immediately, but Stevens

said it might be some time before the general public sees concrete benefits from the agreement.

"The benefits won't be seen for about two or three years," he said. "But with the economy the way it is, this is a good time to have an agreement like this."

Also Thursday, trustees officially hired Assistant Superintendent Steven Saldivar to be BSISD's new chief executive effective July 1.

Saldivar, who has been with the district since April 2008, will be paid \$115,000 annually and receive the district's



Saldivar

standard benefit package under terms of his two year contract, Chief Financial Officer Sandra Waggoner said.

Stevens, who has served the district since former superintendent Michael Downes resigned in June, will remain with the district in an advisory role until December.

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



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Selig on A-Rod: 'He shamed the game'

By RONALD BLUM
AP Baseball Writer

TAMPA, Fla. — Unable to punish Alex Rodriguez for flunking a drug test that was supposed to be anonymous, Bud Selig could only chastise him.

"What Alex did was wrong and he will have to live with the damage he has done to his name and reputation," the commissioner said Thursday, three days after the Yankees star admitted using banned substances from 2001-2003 while playing for the Texas Rangers.

"While Alex deserves credit for publicly confronting the issue, there is no valid excuse for using

such substances, and those who use them have shamed the game," Selig said.

Rodriguez's admission followed a Sports Illustrated report that he was on a list of 104 players who tested positive for steroids in 2003, when testing was intended only to determine the extent of steroid use in baseball.

The results were seized by the government in 2004 and remain under seal.

Because it was an anonymous test and because Rodriguez's confession involved years before the drug agreement took effect, there is little Selig can do in terms of punish-

ment.

Players and owners didn't agree to a joint drug program until August 2002, and testing with punishment didn't start until 2004.

"It is important to remember that these recent revelations relate to pre-program activity," Selig said. "Under our current drug program, if you are caught using steroids and/or amphetamines, you will be punished. Since 2005, every player who has tested positive for steroids has been suspended for as much as 50 games."

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HERALD photo/Jonathan Hull

Howard College's Shaad O'Garro is fouled as he goes to the hoop in action from earlier this season at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. The Hawks defeated Western Texas, 59-52, Thursday at the Scurry County Coliseum in Snyder.

HC women pound WTC

By JONATHAN HULL
Sports Editor

SNYDER — A good team wins some games it's not expected to, but always makes sure to win the ones it is supposed to.

Howard College's women's basketball team proved itself to be a good team, routing last place Western Texas College, 62-35.

Howard didn't appear dominant throughout the game, though. The Hawks led by 11 at the break, 26-15, but struggled to separate from the Lady Westerners for most of the first 20 minutes of play.

However, the Hawks started the second half with a 10-2 run, opening up a 19-point lead and later executed a 17-2 rally that gave Howard a 53-24 advantage with 6:51

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HERALD photo/Jonathan Hull

Howard College's Patricia Malouff goes up for two points in action from earlier this season at Midland College. Malouff led the Hawks with 18 points Thursday in a 62-35 victory over Western Texas College in Snyder.

WJCAC Women's Basketball Standings

Team	Conference	Overall
Midland College	12-0	28-0
South Plains	7-3	20-6
Howard College	7-4	21-5
Odessa College	6-5	17-10
New Mexico JC	5-5	15-9
Clarendon College	3-7	15-11
Frank Phillips	3-8	10-17
Western Texas	0-11	5-22

Thursday's results: Howard 62, Western Texas 35; Midland 106, Clarendon 49; Odessa 87, Frank Phillips 50; South Plains and New Mexico were open.

Monday's games: Odessa at Howard, Midland at South Plains, Western Texas at New Mexico, Frank Phillips at Clarendon.

Hawks streaking

Howard holds off WTC rally for 59-52 victory

By JONATHAN HULL

Sports Editor

SNYDER — Going into Thursday's Western Junior College Athletic Conference men's basketball game between Howard College and Western Texas College, a dogfight was expected as the top two defensive teams in the league squared off.

The Hawks and Westerners didn't disappoint, either.

Howard thwarted a late Western Texas rally for a 59-52 victory in a game playing

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WJCAC Men's Standings

Team	Conference	Overall
Midland College	11-2	24-3
South Plains	10-2	22-2
Howard College	8-4	19-6
New Mexico JC	8-4	20-6
Western Texas	7-6	17-9
Odessa College	6-7	19-7
Frank Phillips	4-8	14-12
NMMI	2-11	8-19
Clarendon College	0-12	8-18

Thursday's results: Howard 59, Western Texas 52; Midland 78, Clarendon 40; Frank Phillips 63, Odessa 61; South Plains 82, NMMI 60; New Mexico JC was open.

Monday's games: Odessa at Howard, Midland at South Plains, Western Texas at New Mexico JC, Frank Phillips at Clarendon.

Celtics rally to beat Mavs for 44th victory

DALLAS (AP) — Kevin Garnett was frustrated and sitting on the Boston bench after getting three fouls in a matter of seconds while battling with Dirk Nowitzki, Dallas' lone All-Star.

Celtics coach Doc Rivers was already in the locker room because of the same sequence late in the third quarter, ejected after two quick technical fouls.

When Garnett finally returned with less than 5 minutes left, Paul Pierce had just given the Celtics their first lead. And they would go on to a physical 99-92 vic-

tory Thursday night over the Mavericks.

Pierce scored 18 of his 31 points in the fourth quarter.

Boston (44-11), the defending champion, goes into the break with the most victories in the NBA.

The Celtics won their ninth consecutive road game, even after trailing by as many as 15 points in the third quarter.

Pierce's tiebreaking 11-footer gave the Celtics a 93-91 lead.

Sports in brief

Big Spring & Coahoma Little League sign-ups start Saturday

Big Spring and Coahoma Little League baseball organizations have merged this year and sign-ups for the community are set to begin Saturday at 10 a.m. and last until 5 p.m. at the old Athletic Supply Store in the Big Spring Mall.

Registration will last through Feb. 21. Available times for sign-ups are as follows:

Monday (Feb. 16) through Friday (Feb. 20): 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 21: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Cost is \$60 with no raffle and parents should bring their child's birth certificate with them.

For more information, contact Robert Smith at 263-7331 or 263-3333.

Everyone wearing red or black at HC game Monday gets in free

Howard College will be hosting Odessa College in doubleheader basketball action Monday starting at

5:30 p.m.

All fans wearing red or black will be admitted free of charge.

Halftime entertainment will be SHOUT — a dance team from Odessa.

Howard College hosting practice and girls basketball playoff games

Howard College is always playing host to several different high school basketball playoff games every season and the 2009 version of the postseason is no different. Here's the schedule put in place so far:

Saturday

Sonora vs. Sudan, 2 p.m., (practice game)

Tuesday

Klondike vs. Water Valley, 6 p.m.

Feb. 20

Greenwood vs. Abilene Wylie, 8 p.m. (only if Greenwood wins their first round game Tuesday.)

Coahoma softball alumni needed for annual game

The 7th Annual Coahoma Softball Alumni Game has been scheduled for 1 p.m. Saturday and will be played at the Coahoma High School field.

Any former player interested in participating should call Amy Dunn at 263-2228 or 394-4323.

BSCC hosting 4-person Scramble Feb. 21-22

The Big Spring Country Club is hosting a 4-person scramble tournament Feb. 21-22 with a 1 p.m. shotgun start both days.

Entry fee is \$75 per player plus cart, although private carts are welcome.

Entry includes barbecue on the course both days and practice rounds on Friday.

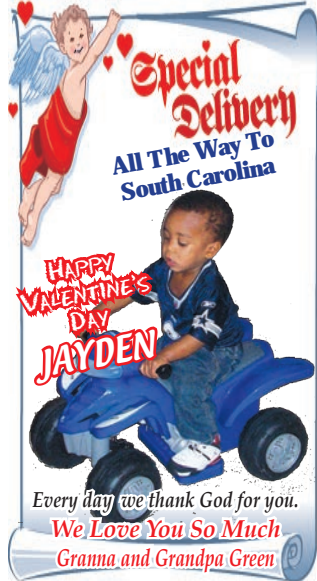
The field will be flighted by first-round score.

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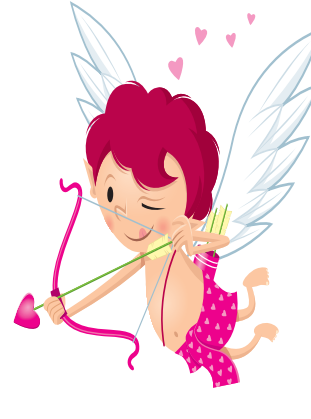


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We Wish You A Happy Valentines!
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Love,
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God loved the world so much that he gave his only son, so that everyone who believes in him may not die but have eternal life.
- John 3:16
Happy Valentine's Day!
Love, Brandy

You're still my hero!
Happy Valentines Day
Hayley Jenkins
From your dad

Happy Valentine's Day!
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Rey J

Sweetness,
You are my Heart
You are my Soul
I Love You!
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I wish you a Happy Valentine Day
Wish you were here
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A match made in heaven, makes a marriage last on earth.
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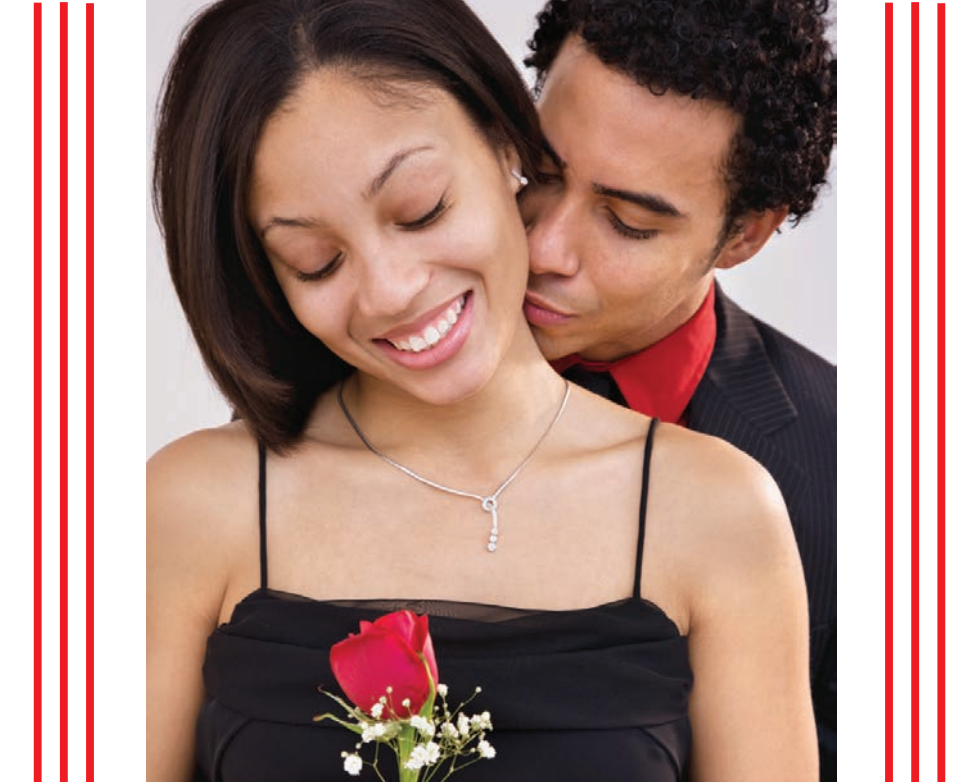
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Yankees manager Joe Girardi, speaking after his first staff meeting of spring training, said he wasn't sure whether he wanted Rodriguez to address the team.

Position players are due to report Tuesday and start workouts the following day.

"If it's in his heart, yes, I would, but if it's not, that's OK, too," he said.

Girardi said Rodriguez, baseball's highest-paid player, "has a chance to have a major platform" in speaking out against drugs. Rep. Elijah Cummings, a Maryland Democrat, wrote a letter to Rodriguez inviting him to discuss steroids at an anti-drug event. Cummings said Baltimore's Brian Roberts spoke to the group last year.

Rodriguez's admission has overshadowed all the other big events of the offseason: the signings of CC Sabathia, A.J. Burnett and Mark Teixeira at a cost of \$423.5 million, and former manager Joe Torre's new

book.

Yankees general manager Brian Cashman said that because of Rodriguez's admission, "I'm not confident about anything, about anybody."

"We've lived through a tough stretch that I think shattered that confidence level," he said. "If you asked me that question five years ago, I'd be giving you a different answer, but I've been educated quite a bit, unfortunately. So I'm not going maybe make the same mistakes that I've made in the past. I'm not confident about anything in the past anymore."

Girardi said he'll be keeping a closer eye on his clubhouse.

"Will I watch for signs of players that I have concerns about, you know, from now on? Yes I will," he said. "I'll try to educate myself as much as I can."

He said he thought Rodriguez would be tough enough to handle repeated questions about his drug use.

"As much as he's booed everywhere sometimes, the way that he's followed around, the way his life is hard to keep private, I imagine you have to have pretty thick skin to wake up every morning," Girardi said.

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to play.

"We had 13 turnovers in the first half and was a little nonchalant. We lost our focus sometimes," said Howard Head Coach Earl Diddle. "In the second half, the girls really responded defensively and got some easy baskets. Offensively, we only had four turnovers in the second half, so our concentration was a lot better."

"This was a very tough game for us because of matchups," Diddle continued. "They do a couple of things that cause us problems. They shoot the ball very well from the perimeter and

are very well coached. Western has had some serious injuries here and are missing six or seven players. We're happy to get out of here with a win."

Howard was led by Patricia Malouff, who finished with 18 points. Chassidy Cole sank three treys as part of an 11-point performance, while DeAndra Thomas provided solid scoring from the post with 10 points.

Mahogany Terry led Western Texas with 11.

The Hawks improve to 7-4 in Western Junior College Athletic Association play, holding third place in the standings, while just a half-game back of South Plains College for second.

Howard hosts Odessa College (17-10, 6-5), which sits in fourth — a game

back of the Hawks.

The Hawks trounced OC, 71-59, Jan. 15 in Odessa. Howard led by as many as 20 points in the second half, but had a cold spell shooting from the floor for five minutes, allowing Odessa to cut the deficit to 3.

The Hawks utilized a 15-6 run to end the game for the 12-point victory.

Diddle is cautious heading into the rematch with OC, knowing how important the game is going to be for the Lady Wranglers.

"We've got to play well against Odessa. We've beaten them twice, but we've got to get it done a third time," said Diddle. "This is a must-win game for them, so they're going to be dangerous. I don't know how many wins it will take to get in the tournament, but we've got to continue to play well.

We're a little bit up up the mountain, but we're not on top yet."

Howard College (21-5, 7-4) 62
Western Texas College (5-22, 0-11) 35
HC (62)
Miesha Blackshear 2-11 4-6 8, Patricia Malouff 5-13 6-7 18, Rachael Dryver 2-5 1-2 5, Chassidy Cole 4-11 0-0 11, DeAndra Thomas 5-7 0-0 10, NaTalia Smith 0-4 0-0 0, Danielle Cota 1-6 0-0 2, Valerie Wood 1-1 0-0 2, Clarissa Krum 2-4 0-0 6. Totals 23-62 11-15 62.

WTC (35)
Randa Clabaugh 1-6 3-6 6, Denetria Yazzie 3-9 0-0 9, Bailey Guthrie 0-3 0-0 0, Mahogany Terry 4-9 3-4 11, Katarina Powdrell 0-1 0-0 0, Katrice Price 0-1 0-0 0, Shirelle Givens 2-2 0-0 4, Alexis Rice 1-7 3-4 5. Totals 11-38 9-14 35.

Halftime: HC 26, WTC 15. 3-point goals: HC 7-16 (Malouff 2-3, Cole 3-8, Krum 2-4, Smith 0-1), WTC 4-10 (Yazzie 3-6, Clabaugh 1-4). Rebounds: HC 28 (Blackshear 7), WTC 21 (Guthrie 4). Assists: HC 4 (Cole 2), WTC 1 (Terry). Turnovers: HC 20, WTC 27. Total fouls: HC 17, WTC 17. Fouled out: None.

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a pivotal role in the conference standings.

With the win, Howard (19-6, 8-4) is now tied for third with New Mexico Junior College (20-6, 8-4), improving the Hawks' chances of qualifying for the Region V Tournament. The top four teams from the conference advance to regionals.

Western Texas (17-9, 7-6) is now a game and a half back of Howard and NMJC.

Neither squad could grab an advantage in the first half. Howard obtained the biggest lead in the first 20 minutes at 4 points, but it was a short-lived advantage as Western Texas

quickly tied it back up.

The two squads entered the locker rooms at intermission knotted at 24.

However, Howard got the run it needed to start the second half.

Back-to-back 3-pointers by Devon Baker and Denzel Barnes initiated an 11-0 rally that ended when Markeys Deans converted a 3-point play with 13:15 to play, giving the Hawks a 38-29 advantage.

Howard led by as many as 11 in the second half, but Western Texas fought to cut the deficit to 5, 53-48, with 1:46 to play.

Fortunately for the Hawks, Barnes once again proved clutch at the free throw line, knocking down 5 of 6 from the charity stripe in the final 1:30 to seal the win. Earlier this season, Barnes went 7 for 8 on free throws to clinch a win over then No. 4 ranked

Midland College.

The sophomore point guard finished with 13 points. Baker also scored 13. Joshua Watkins put together a nice line, scoring 11 while leading the team with six rebounds and four assists. Deans had 10 points.

The Hawks tout the top-ranked defense in the country, allowing 52.9 points a game and held Western Texas to that average in the win.

Howard will take its No. 1 defense back to Dorothy Garrett Coliseum Monday when it hosts Odessa College (19-7, 6-7) at 7:30 p.m. The Hawks defeated Odessa, 50-45, earlier this season.

The Wranglers were ranked 10th in the nation when Howard upset them, but have since dropped five of their last eight conference games.

A loss Monday would essentially

eliminate OC from qualifying for the Region V Tournament.

Howard College (19-6, 8-4) 59
Western Texas College (17-9, 7-6) 52
HC (59)
Devon Baker 1-7 5-6 13, Denzel Barnes 3-7 6-9 13, Shaad O'Garro 1-2 0-0 2, Markeys Deans 4-6 2-3 10, Joshua Watkins 3-11 4-4 11, LaTrail McCoy 2-4 0-0 5, Dante Menter 0-3 0-2 0, Ricardo Zanini 1-5 0-0 3, Vladimir Gavranic 1-2 0-0 2. Totals 18-47 17-24 59.

WTC (52)
Devon Curry 2-9 2-2 6, Will Harrison 2-6 4-4 9, Edis Dervisevic 5-8 0-1 12, Wayne Turner 2-13 6-6 10, Trevon Charles 2-3 0-0 6, Trevor Charles 2-2 1-1 5, Marquis Smith 0-1 0-0 0, D'Angelo Johnson 1-6 2-2 4. Totals 16-48 15-16 52.

Halftime: HC 24, WTC 24. 3-point goals: HC 6-17 (Baker 2-5, Zanini 1-5, Barnes 1-3, McCoy 1-3, Watkins 1-1), WTC 5-16 (Dervisevic 2-3, Trevon Charles 2-3, Harrison 1-2, Curry 0-5, Turner 0-2, Johnson 0-1). Rebounds: HC 20 (Watkins 6), WTC 24 (Turner 7). Assists: HC 9 (Watkins 4), WTC 5 (Turner 4). Turnovers: HC 16, WTC 27. Total fouls: HC 20, WTC 21. Fouled out: None.



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Obituaries

Ruth Gibson



Ruth Gibson, 89, of Midland passed away Feb. 9, 2009, at Midland Memorial Hospital. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 14, 2009, at First Baptist Church with the Rev. David Johnson officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park in Big Spring. The family will receive friends at the funeral home Friday, Feb. 13, 2009, from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m.

She was born Nov. 25, 1919, in Elizabethtown, Ill., to Sarah May Stacey and Ezra Dean Fritz. She moved to Big Spring in 1949 where she met the love of her life, Frank Pierce Gibson. She and Frank were married July 3, 1950, in Lovington, N.M. He preceded her in death in 1996.

She began her civil service career in Big Spring at Webb Air Force Base. She was known as a tax preparer in both Big Spring and Midland where she truly enjoyed helping people. Ruth was deeply loved by and involved in her Sunday school class, "The Dorcas Class," at First Baptist Church. She was an avid gardener and enjoyed painting.

Ruth was preceded in death by her parents, husband and three siblings. She was also preceded in death by her son, Arliegh McCree, a LA police officer.

Survivors include daughter, Janette Escobedo and husband Daniel of Midland; sons, Vernon McCree and wife Peggy of Mayfield, Ky., and Gary Gibson and wife Kathy of Midland; six grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

Pallbearers will be Arthur Carrasco, John Gibson, Brad Lanier, Blake Gibson, Brian Rainey and Donald Lee Gibson. Honorary pallbearers will be the members of the Dorcas Sunday School Class.

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

Paid obituary

Juan Martinez Gonzales

Juan Martinez Gonzales, 75, of Big Spring died Thursday, Feb. 12, 2009, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Jack Lee Bullard

Jack Lee Bullard, of Big Spring, died Thursday, Feb. 12, 2009, at his residence. His services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Louise Burgess

Louise Burgess, 87, of Big Spring, died Thursday, Feb. 12, 2009, in a Snyder nursing home. Her services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Police blotter

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

Note: An arrest log for the corresponding times was not made available by the BSPD in time for press.

- **TERRORISTIC THREAT** was reported in the 1800 block of Settles.
- **FORGERY/ALTERING OF A PRESCRIPTION** was reported in the 700 block of Scurry.
- **CRIMINAL TRESPASS OF A HABITATION/SHELTER CENTER** was reported in the 1000 block of 13th Street.
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 100 block of Gregg Street.
- **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported:
 - in the 700 block of Interstate Highway 20.
 - in the 1000 block of Birdwell Lane.
- **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported in the 900 block of Abrams.

Sheriff

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

Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 54 inmates at the time of this report.

- **LOU MICHAEL ROYAL**, 32, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of failure to identify – giving false information.
- **GARLAND GREEN JR.**, 53, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of aggravated robbery.
- **BRENDA SUE RAMON**, 24, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of failure to identify – giving false information.
- **DANIEL RODRIGUEZ MENDOZA**, 39, was arrested Thursday by DPS on charges of theft – enhanced and bondsman off bond for theft of service.
- **BENJAMIN EDWARD MOORE**, 28, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on a judgment/sentence of three years in a TDCJ facility for theft from person.
- **FIDEL RAUL MENDOZA**, 30, was arrested Friday by DPS on a charge of driving while intoxi-

Your Local Weather

Sat 2/14	Sun 2/15	Mon 2/16
 66/35 A mainly sunny sky. High 66F. Winds ESE at 10 to 15 mph.	 66/35 Mostly sunny. Highs in the mid 60s and lows in the mid 30s.	 64/45 Times of sun and clouds. Highs in the mid 60s and lows in the mid 40s.

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cated/open container – second offense.

- **JEFFREY GLENN MCDANIEL**, 46, was arrested Friday by DPS on a charge of driving while intoxicated – open container.

Fire/EMS

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

- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 2500 block of Ann. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 700 block of Colgate. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **TRAUMA** was reported in the 400 block of N. First Street in Coahoma. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 2500 block of Long Drive. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 400 block of Young. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 900 block of E. Second Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 2300 block of Marshall. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 200 block of Jefferson. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 2500 block of Langley. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **TRAUMA** was reported in the 2900 block of W. Seventh Street. One person was transported to SMMC.

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GREGG

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Sidewalks and driveways along the route also will be renovated as necessary to bring them into compliance with Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA) regulations. In addition, street illumination will be upgraded.

Public hearings such as Thursday's are important for both the public and TxDOT officials, Dill said.

"This is our set of plans. This is the way we feel is the best way to

build it, but we can make changes to it right up to the time we start pouring concrete," he said. "I'm not going to promise we can change the plans — conditions are such that we don't have a lot of options — but if we can accommodate you, we will."

Once work begins, Dill said motorists would be well advised to find an alternate route to Gregg Street, if possible.

"We will do everything we can to minimize inconveniences," he said. "But I recommend that if you can avoid Gregg street during construction, then do so."

The Gregg Street project will be

done at roughly the same time as renovation work on Scurry and Main streets. Both Dill and Big Spring City Manager Gary Fuqua said TxDOT and city officials will do their best to smooth any potential conflicts.

"As soon as we find out for sure the dates they are starting, we'll sit down with TxDOT and our contractor ... and we'll do our best to cooperate with them," Fuqua said.

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CITY

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Restman, a horse breeder and trainer, and co-owner of J&T Sunset Ranch, said she decided to run for the city council seat because she has a strong desire to volunteer and serve her community.

"I've been looking for somewhere to volunteer in the community, and some recommended that I serve on the city council," said Restman. "I have a 40-acre ranch that sits in both the city and the county, and I really want to have a say in how this city is run. That's why I decided to run for election."

According to Assistant City Secretary Tami Davis, there are three seats on the city council up for grabs during the upcoming election.

In addition to District 4, they are District 2, currently held by Manuel Ramirez Jr. and District 6, held by Greg Bidison.

Davis said the deadline to file to run in any of the three city races is March 9. The election, slated for May 9, will

be handled by the office of the Howard County election administrator, according to city officials.

"Right now the filings are coming in pretty slow, but that's normal for this point in the process," said Davis. "They will most likely start picking up as we get closer to the deadline."

In the city of Stanton, an at-large position on the city council, along with the District 4 seat, will be up for grabs in May. According to

officials, the at-large incumbent, Tommy Haislip, and District 4 incumbent, Steven Villa, have filed to run for re-election and are currently unopposed.

The city of Coahoma has three seats — all three are at-large — up for election in May.

Those seats are held by David Elmore, Ricky Stone and Mayor Bill Read. According to Coahoma city officials, no one has filed to run in that municipal election at this time.

In the city of Forsan, three at-large positions will be decided in the May election. Incumbents Mary Gressett, Fred Hogan and Marty Whetsel have all indicated they plan to run for re-election. No challengers have filed to run against the trio.

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OTHER VIEWS

We salute:

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

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

This week we salute:

- Carl Bradley and Jan Hansen, who have been honored as the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce's 2008 Man and Woman of the Year.

- Jessica Rubio and Thad Loftis, who won Big Spring High School's seventh straight District 4-4A title in cross-examination debate.

- Big Spring High School Choir members Larisa Cordova, Vanessa Gonzalez, Ashley Pike, and Jessica Stone, who qualified for state competition with their showings at the Solo and Ensemble Contest held Saturday at Odessa College.

- Members of the Big Spring Rotary Club, who have asked the Big Spring City Council to be the focal point for the raising and collection of the \$25,000 the city needs to rebuild the Kids' Zone facility at Comanche Trail Park. The club has already committed a \$1,000 grant from Rotary International, as well as having received a \$1,000 grant from Wal-Mart.

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

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

May we not rock the boat, Lord, but trust in You.

Amen

Changing your tune

Before Marco Polo was a game kids played in the swimming pool, he was a man who explored the world by developing new trade routes for European interests. He brought back amazing things from Asia — things that changed everything.

One of those things was a sand flea and in it was a sickness scientist would later name Yersinia pestis. The world would call it Black Death, the bubonic plague. Within 100 years of Marco Polo's trip, more than 75 million Europeans would be dead, reducing the population by nearly 50 percent. As they piled dead bodies to burn in places like Black Heath near London, flower holding and wreath bearing funeral attendees would sometimes faint from the terrible grief of such a sight. Street children began singing the anthem of that awful time of change and we still hear it today.

*Ring around the Rosies
Pocket full of Posies
ashes, ashes we all fall down.*

AND THE BAND PLAYED ON

In our own history there have many times where everything changed. Not just the slow, gradual, non-stopping change of advancement and decline. I am referring more to the difference between Sept. 10 and Sept. 12, 2001. You know how to fill in that terrible blank and you know how everything quickly altered.

A paradigm shift and a pendulum swing. It happens and when it does it can't be ignored or denied. The difference between the '50s and '60s was a lot like that. Some kind of a radical shift in culture, economy, communication and entertainment drasti-

cally swept through our country a lot like how the plague swept through Europe. It was something you could see the effects of everywhere but couldn't figure out what was causing it.

Songwriter Charlie Daniels once wrote, "The '50s left town on a crowded dance floor and the '60s came in with a bang and a roar." By the end of 1959, Elvis had been drafted, Carl Perkins had broken his neck in a car crash, Jerry Lee Lewis had married his 13-year-old cousin and Buddy Holly's broken glasses lay in a field near Clear Lake, Iowa.

Within five years of '59, JFK would be dead, the Vietnam War would be under way, prayer would be taken out of schools and the Ku Klux Klan would be burning crosses on national TV.

The mess and the heartache of the '60s inspired a songwriter named Don Mclean to write an anthem for those changing times. The folk-rock song "American Pie" first hit the airwaves in 1971. Eight minutes and 33 seconds later, it was a No.1 hit, making Mclean a millionaire overnight. We have all sang the song of that generation.

*So bye-bye, Miss American pie,
drove my Chevy to the levee,
But the levee was dry.
And them good old boys were
drinkin' whiskey and rye
Singin', "this'll be the day that
I die."*

ONE HIT WONDER

We live in such a day of dramatic change. Like a dream where you try to run but can't because your feet get bogged down, a lot of us fear being able to move forward in such shifting times. The economy, housing market and general stability of all things money related, change as fast as the gas prices do at the pump these days. People wonder what will happen. People wonder how to hope.

It is my privilege to bring you

the Good News. I think you are perfect for this day. God could have had you born anywhere at anytime yet He has trusted you with this time. What an Honor!

I refuse to sing, "That'll be the day" as they did in the '50s. I won't be singing "This'll be the day" as they did in '70s. I want to have a different song then the world around me does. You and I are not called to live powerless lives and I refuse to. I think Jesus Christ himself gives me the ability and the mandate to live in an opposite spirit than my generation lives. Call me crazy but my spirit-filled prayer for you comes brewing with anticipation for God's goodness.

CHANGING YOUR TUNE

If you're an employer, I pray that you will be hiring while everybody is laying people off. If you're an employee, I pray you get promoted while everybody else is looking for work.

If you have already been axed, I pray that you get noticed and the favor of the Lord causes you to have choices in where you want to work at. I think this is a year of fruit bearing. I think God has called you to joyous success in a day of miserable failure.

Don't line up with the naysayers. Don't partner with the enemy in what you say or how you think. This is a great day to be alive. Change your tune and put your trust in the Lord Jesus Christ and have courage, have courage, Have courage!

He has given me a new song to sing,

*a hymn of praise to our God.
Many will see what he has done
and be amazed.*

They will put their trust in the Lord.

Psalms 40:3 NLT

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During our growing-up years, ads were typically jingles, punctuated by short, punchy messages. For decades, Maxwell House boasted that the coffee it roasted was "good to the last drop."

Lever Brothers sold tons of detergent with this simple ditty: "Rinso white, Rinso bright, happy little wash day song."

Ivory Soap's simple claim — "It floats" — worked for years.

Fast-forward to contemporary ad campaigns. Only a few have staying power spanning several years. Clara Peller's "where's the beef?" question was a centerpiece for Wendy's hamburgers, and Discount Tire Company has gotten good mileage from the ad showing a "woman" heaving a tire through the showroom window. "She" graphically illustrates the company's offer to make a full refund for any reason. (The person tossing the tire is actually a man.)

Motel Six "leaves the light on for us," and Southwest Airlines reminds regularly that we are free to move about the country.

When I call Southwest, the wait to talk to a "real" person is worth it. The sensible music soothes, and occasional "fac-

toids" make me laugh.

During one such recent call, I broke into full-blown laughter with this pronouncement: "You are now free to move your phone around to the other ear."

A dozen years ago, our men's basketball team at Howard Payne University qualified for a national small-college tournament in Nampa, Idaho.

As Howard Payne University president, I was always yammering about the need to be ever vigilant in putting the squeeze on every dollar, including travel.

We took sack lunches as we hopped, skipped and jumped across the map from Dallas to Boise.

There were four stops and a plane change, but hey, we had more time than money.

Alas, our team was eliminated in the first game.

Then, we began the circuitous flight home, this time with peanuts only. Noting that we had a 30-minute lay-over at Houston Hobby Airport before the final leg to Dallas, I hatched a plan for the team to enjoy giant pizzas there between planes. No, not airport pizza, but the good stuff deeply discounted by coupons.

I called Jeremy Denning, an honor graduate who was in medical school there at the time. I asked him to bring a dozen giant pizzas to the airport. And he did.

If this scenario were to be repeated today, I wouldn't hesitate a second to ask Dr. Denning for the same favor, though I imagine he'd send a stand-in.

He has always been as humble and gentle as anyone I've ever known.

At age 36, he's now a leading neurosurgeon in Dallas, cited recently as one of D Magazine's "top docs."

We laugh later about travel experiences that whiten knuck-

les at the time. Once while en route from DFW to Washington, D.C., our plane began a sudden descent about 20 minutes into the flight.

The plane was 100 percent full, and ashen stares were exchanged when the pilot announced a possible emergency before releasing oxygen masks. They all fell, except one: mine.

I glanced toward my wife, who quickly got her mask in place, albeit without the "normal breathing" recommended by attendants during pre-flight drills.

I asked her to share her oxygen with me. She shook her head negatively with the kind of animation expressed by the Illinois legislature when the governor was booted from office.

During the descent for an unscheduled landing in Oklahoma City, a flight attendant took a screw driver to my oxygen mask compartment, so I lived to tell about it. (Not one of the attendants, it turned out, had ever experienced real-time mask use.)

Soon we were on our way again on a back-up plane. At lunch time, my wife was served first. "You don't mind if I go ahead and eat, do you?" she asked.

"I didn't mind if you went ahead and breathed, why would I care if you went ahead and ate?" I answered.

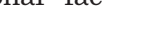
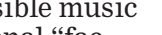
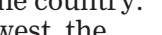
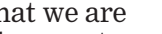
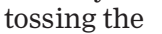
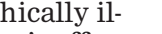
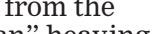
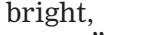
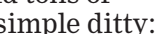
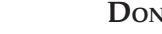
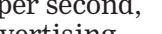
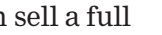
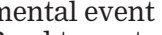
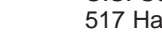
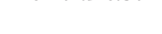
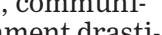
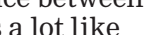
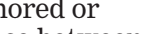
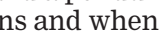
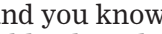
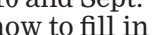
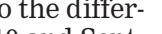
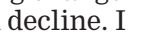
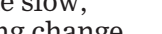
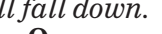
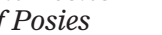
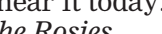
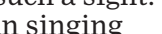
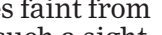
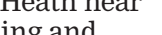
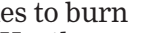
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I learned NOT to purchase potato chips from vending machines at airports logging four boardings on an average day.

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Ephesians 3:17-18

He chose us from the beginning,
and all things happen just
as he decided long ago.

Ephesians 1:11

Church News

First United Methodist

Saturday, a group of our church members including our senior pastor will be leaving for a mission trip to Nicaragua. Please hold them in your prayers for a successful trip which will include both spiritual and medical needs and a safe trip back home.

Sunday, our associate pastor, Agustin Ypina, will bring the message at both services of worship, at 8:30 a.m. and 10:50 a.m. His sermon text is "The Lepers," based on Luke 17:13-14.

Our pre-teen youth group, GIG, (God Is Good) will go ice skating Sunday afternoon. They will have another meeting at the church Sunday, March 1.

Church camp information has arrived and is available at the office of Joyce Willis. There is a discount for those registering prior to March 1.

The latest Beth Moore Bible Study will begin Tuesday. The first meeting will be held in the home of Joyce Chocate. Subsequent meetings will be held Tuesdays and Fridays in the church parlor from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. This study is titled "Esther; It's Tough Being a Woman."

Mary Leatham is in charge of the flower calendar. If there is a date you want to sponsor flowers in honor or memory of someone, contact her. The year long calendar is located in the secretary's office.

For those interested in preparing a meal for the Williams family while Amy is recovering from this first surgery, contact JoAnne Forrest to schedule a date.

Remember the College Coffee House Ministry at Spanky's each Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. For more information, check with First Methodist, where families grow in Christ.

First Presbyterian, Coahoma

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

Tres Rios Presbytery will hold its meeting Friday, Feb. 20, at Grace Presbyterian Church in Midland. The Session elected Elmer Lindsey as elder commissioner to represent our church.

The lectionary for the sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time is II Kings 5:1-14; Psalm 30; I Corinthians 9:24-27; Mark 1:40-45.

First Presbyterian, Big Spring

Wednesday activities are Bible study at 5:17 p.m. and choir practice at 6 p.m.

Claudia Patterson is in charge of "Take Ten" refreshments for Sunday. Liturgist for February is Mark Morgan.

We congratulate Carl Bradley on being named Big Spring's Man of the Year at the Chamber of Commerce banquet.

The 84th stated meet-

ing of Tres Rios Presbytery will be held Friday, Feb. 20 at Grace Presbyterian Church in Midland. Further information and enrollment forms are available at the church office.

Presbyterian Women will meet Tuesday, Feb. 24 at 2 p.m. in the church library.

The lectionary for the sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time is II Kings 5:1-14; Psalm 30; I Corinthians 9:24-27; Mark 1:40-45. The choir plans to present "I Can Do All Things through Christ" by Virgil T. Ford as the offertory anthem. The Rev. Bronaugh has chosen as his sermon topic "Touch and Go," based on Mark 1:41.

College Baptist

At 6 p.m. Monday, women of the community are invited to a supper in the College Baptist Church fellowship hall. At this time a new ministry, "Titus 2 Women Encouraging Women," will be introduced. It will provide an opportunity for women to experience the joys and blessings of encouraging each other. We hope you will join us. For more information, call 816-6342.

An important Sunday school planning meeting will be held at 5 p.m. Sunday in the fellowship hall.

The new church directories have arrived.

February 18 is the deadline to sign up for the Howard College Fitness Center. Contact Greg Biddison to learn more about this great program.

St. Paul Lutheran

St. Paul Lutheran Church invites you to join a loving, caring congregation. Services are led by Pastor Wayne K. Frost. Sunday worship begins at 9 a.m. with adult, youth and children's Sunday school following at 10:15 a.m.

An upcoming mission trip is scheduled for March 14-17 to Mexico. He will be visiting a children's orphanage and taking supplies to them. You may contact Richard Sanders at 816-1631 for more information.

Small group Bible study classes are available for anyone wishing to attend. Contact the church office between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Monday through Thursday at 267-7163 for places and times.

February items for Operation On-Going Support for our troops are Chapstick, Blistex, hand sanitizers (small) and licorice. You can

Dressing for success

"Dress for success," the experts tell us. I suppose that is good advice when taken out of context.

Dressing for success doesn't always mean wearing a custom-made three piece suit with a matching tie or a name-brand dress with coordinating shoes. Any elementary school teacher can attest to the wisdom of owning a decent basic wardrobe that can be accessorized with seasonal designer jewelry from Oriental Trading Company. No self-respecting kindergarten or



BONNIE WHEAT

first-grade teacher would show up in the classroom the week before Christmas without a pair of jingle-bell earrings or a Rudolph pin with a battery-operated nose. An even greater blunder would be leaving home on Valentine's Day without a red plastic heart attached somewhere or making an appearance on St. Patrick's Day without a green shamrock pin stuck in one's lapel.

For most of us, dressing for success depends on our definition of success.

I know a plumber who wears a sturdy pair of knee pads when working. I've always suspected that success to him is being able to stand up again when he crawls out from under someone's kitchen sink.

For our logger friends in the Pacific Northwest, dressing for

success meant a pair of tough, high-water pants short enough not to get snagged on something when the time came to run from the path of a falling tree. One fellow I met, whose name was Bozo, needed a rainbow colored wig, a ruffled collar and a pair of oversized shoes in order to be laughed at successfully.

Even the apostle Paul had an opinion about what dressing for success was all about. He wrote, "As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience....Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony" (Colossians 3:12-14 NRSV).

For Christians, dressing for success should mean donning Godly attitudes that identify us as God's chosen ones.

also donated to the AT&T phone card fund. Items can be dropped by St. Paul at 810 Scurry.

Radio station 1070 AM presents The Lutheran Hour at 7:30 a.m. Sundays.

East Fourth Street Baptist

We invite you to the Total Life Church Seminar Friday from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. and Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. A light lunch will be served Saturday. Dr. Darrell Robinson will be teaching the seminar.

A new Bible study will begin Thursday at 7 p.m. at the pastor's house. Workbooks are \$15. This is a Beth Moore study.

There will be an association evangelism training and rally Feb. 21 at Midway. Workshops begin at 3:30 p.m., meal at 5:30 p.m. and rally at 6:30 p.m.

Thank you to everyone who has been helping clean the Hospitality House this month. Members from several churches have come together and shared in the cleaning and fellowship. We want to say thanks to Cal and Sharon Westerhof for a wonderful job they are doing with this ministry.

Ladies, don't forget to get your registration in for the Ladies Seminar to be held March 21 at East Fourth. Deadline is March 14. A \$25 fee must accompany your registration. For questions or directions, call Donna Nixon at 267-2291.

Congratulations to Loy and Patsy Anderson on their 50th Wedding Anniversary to be celebrated Sunday from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. in our fellowship hall.

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starts at 9:45 a.m. worship service at 11 a.m. and evening worship at 6 p.m. Bible study and prayer for all ages is 7 p.m. Wednesday. A men's Bible study and prayer time is 7 a.m. Saturday.

Our church is located at 401 E. Fourth St. The office is at 410 E. Third.

St. Mary's Episcopal

Everyone is invited to attend worship services 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.

Acolyte Appreciation Sunday and Youth Soup Luncheon will be this Sunday.

St. Mary's noon holy eucharist service is Wednesday. Please join us in the chapel for this weekly service.

For more information about St. Mary's Episcopal Church, call 267-8201 or visit our Web site at www.stmarysbst.org. St. Mary's is located at 1001 S. Goliad.

First Baptist

It is with great joy that the congregation at First Baptist Church announces to our community that the Rev. Mark Lindsey will be coming the latter part of March to become the pastor of our church.

We owe a debt of deep gratitude to the Rev. Ken Coffee who has been our pastor for the past year and a half. The Rev. Coffee came to our church through the "Intentional Interim Program" provided by our state's convention. We will miss Brother Ken. His last Sunday with us will be March 15, and we invite you to come anytime between now

and then and voice your appreciation to him. He certainly has made himself at home in our church and in our community, and we cannot thank him enough for his contribution to our church.

Those of you who volunteered to bring food for DiscipleNow: A card telling you what you are to bring will be coming soon.

Our Mother's Day Out personnel will begin selling candles for their annual fundraiser. Look for them in the west foyer.

First Baptist Church is excited about what God is doing in our church, and we invite you to come and join us as we grow the kingdom for God's glory.

Alive in Christ Lutheran LCMS

Worship services and holy communion will be at 9 a.m., officiated by the Rev. Bob Boyce.

Sunday school and adult Bible class based on Ephesians will be led by the pastor. Angela Newton is our organist. We appreciate Dana Byrd for doing a marvelous job on our church bulletin each week with help from Angela Newton. Everyone should contact them for items in the bulletin.

Dolline Budke is in charge of our flowers and the altar. Sign the flower chart for your

special dates.

Wednesday at 5:45 p.m., Bobby Roever will lead the confirmation class. New members are welcome.

The Lutheran Women's Missionary League meets Thursday. All women of the church are encouraged to attend. There are so many of the "hidden" activities of the church that are accomplished through this organization. The altar, serving between church and Sunday school, serving for all funerals (when needed), organizing potluck dinners as well as collecting Labels for Education from all Campbell's products and supporting the Project Comfort Lutheran World Relief by collecting commemorative stamps and sending these in where volunteers prepare them for stamp collectors to buy.

This Thursday, the members of the prayer pals who are members of Alive in Christ revealed themselves to last year's prayer pals. Everyone who said they wanted to participate in prayer pals this year drew names of other members and will pray and remember this person in some way all year.

Saturday, the Rev. Steve Misch, mission/ministry facilitator for Area 8 of the Texas

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Have a year of Valentine's Days

I can remember as a kid going to school and getting those little candy hearts with the little sayings on them, then coming home and giving them to my mother (I was always kind of cheap.) It was like having Mother's Day in February. She always seemed to appreciate it and I felt good seeing her happy. Later, when I got married, I tried to duplicate that feeling by taking my wife out on Valentine's Day — at the last minute.



CHAPLAIN
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Ever tried to find a restaurant on Valentine's Day at the last minute? If there's a good restaurant nearby, everybody will be there. Usually there is a line stretching into next week. A note to myself: don't wait until the last minute.

Is there a better way to tell your loved one "I love you?" Yes, here are some gems I have picked up (many from my wife!) There are plenty more good ideas out there. Your Valentine can probably tell you many more. She is just waiting for you to ask! Now, I admit I'm writing from a guy's perspective, so ladies, tweak my comments as needed. Here in no particular order are some ideas on making your loved one

feel special:

1. Think not of yourself. Think selflessly, not selfishly. Think, "What can I do for my spouse today?" Then do it! Do it other days also. Acts of selfless love can go on 365 days a year.

Your Valentine likes to hear the words, "I love you." It doesn't matter that they know it or should know it already — they want to hear it. So tell them!

2. Spend time with your love. Time spent is an investment with long-range returns. Do it for her (or him).

3. Show your love. Sometimes simple things are the best.

A note, a phone call, an e-mail, a wink, a squeeze of the hand, flowers. Here's a

secret: most guys like flowers. Don't let this get out!

4. Listen. In conversation, we talk and listen. God gave us two ears and one mouth for a reason. When you listen, when both your head and your heart are open, your Valentine will appreciate being heard and being understood.

5. Learn the art of massage. A massage is a great way to relax and opens the way for intimate discussions of a profound nature.

6. Write a love letter (you can start out with a note). It helps you express your feelings and can be read and reread again. It probably will!

7. Kiss. A kiss can be just a kiss, not lead to anything else, and be all the more ap-

preciated for it. Kiss your loved one for the sheer pleasure of it.

8. Special meals. That means you make it and clean up afterward.

9. Hugging and cuddling. Refer to 7. A hug is appreciated sometimes just for being a hug.

10. A date with your spouse. Alone. Find a babysitter and rekindle the romance.

11. Pray together. A couple who share a faith are more likely to have a lasting, vital relationship. A couple who pray together are less likely to allow anything to interfere with their relationship.

Acquire a habit of doing some of these things often, and you will have a Valentine for 365 days a year.

CHURCH

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District of the Missouri Synod will speak to us and assist us in planning our potential growth and mission.

Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend from 9 a.m. to noon.

First Church of the Nazarene

First Church of the Nazarene welcomes everyone to our services.

Sunday, 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 to uplift your soul. This is followed by a scripture-based message from our pastor.

Wednesday, all adults are invited to join us at 6:30 p.m. for your

choice of one of two Bible studies in the sanctuary building. Bob Heneghan is leading a class through the Book of John and Leonard Hadley's class meets in the commons with various scripture studies. The youth are invited to attend class in the gym upstairs in the "Salt Shaker."

Children also meet for Caravan which is our midweek scouting ministry that teaches lessons that begin building towers of truth in our children's lives.

Prime Timers Group for those 55 years and older meets the first Sunday of each month at 6 p.m. Burl and Barbara Cooley are leading this reorganized ministry.

First Church of the Nazarene's ministry to Hispanics is led by the Rev. Felix and Marta Torres and meet 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.

Baptist Temple

Sunday's sermon will be from 1 Corinthians 13. God's people can do a lot of amazing things but if they don't have love, then all they do amounts to nothing. Love is an action that is the greatest thing a person can live out. Love is what makes God's people different from the world.

Sunday evening, we will not have our regular worship. Instead, we will have an event called Kickoff Church Committees. All committee and ministry team members are encouraged to attend and set some goals for ministry.

We have Sunday school classes for all ages at 9:45 a.m. Sunday. We have a new class called Temple 101. This is open to anyone seeking to know more about our beliefs and vision of Baptist Temple church. Our worship services are at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday. We also have activities for all ages at 7 p.m. Wednesday.

Our 12-step group meets at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday in the fellowship hall. It is open to anyone struggling with any addiction. It is free though donations are accepted to cover the cost of the workbook.

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

Birdwell Lane Baptist

Sunday worship is at

10:55 a.m. and 5 p.m. Visiting with us Sunday at 10 a.m. is The Moodys, a father-daughter duet from San Antonio who have been delighting the hearts and lifting spirits of people from coast to coast. They have entertained in Iraq as well. We would love for you to visit with us and enjoy a friendly church, good quartet singing and plain Bible preaching. We are located at 1512 Birdwell Lane.

Children's church is during Sunday morning worship for ages 3-12. There are Sunday school classes for all ages. For a ride to church, call 264-9924 or 267-7157.

Our Valentine Banquet is this Saturday from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall with The Moodys bringing the entertainment and giving testimonies about visiting in Iraq.

Midweek service is at 7 p.m. Wednesday. For further information, call 267-8214 or 267-7157.

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Nursery is provided for 4 and younger at all regular services.

A Valentine forever

Tomorrow, Feb. 14, is Valentine's Day, one of the most celebrated holidays in our country. Why is Valentine's Day so important? It focuses our attention on love, an emotion that is felt all over the world, spoken of in every language. To quote a line from a popular song, "love makes the world go 'round'".

Love, what a beautiful thing. Can you imagine your life without it? Have you ever thought what it would be like not having someone to love or someone to love you? Hard to conceive, isn't it? Jesus knew the power of love, which is why He encouraged us to love one another. Conversely, this powerful force compelled Him to go to the cross. He subjected Himself to a total absence of love to redeem mankind back from the grip of Satan.

Millions of songs have been recorded about love. Poems have been written, stories have been told, but none comes close to the pure love Jesus Christ demonstrated when He gave His life for us.

A popular recording artist sang a song a few years ago entitled "Two Sparrows in a Hurricane." The first verse tells the story of two young lovers in their early teens wanting to get married, and the last verse ends by saying the same couple, now in their sunset years, are still together and still in love. The wife, who is now 83, still holds the keys to her husband's heart. This is a Valentine forever.

History records that the first Valentine was posted in 1806, and had a hand-drawn heart on the envelope. It was inscribed "with love to my Valentine". The first handmade Valentines were made by nuns and given to charity. They were paper hearts trimmed with small buttons, ribbon, and tiny bows. The first written Valentine is said to be by Charles, Duke of Orleans. Confined to the Tower of London after the Battle of Agincourt in 1415, Charles fought his loneliness by writing romantic rhyming love letters to his wife in France. The Victorians trimmed them with elaborate lace, silks and satins, and embellished them with feathers, flowers, gold leaf, and even sweetly perfumed sachets.

Nancy Rosin of Pennsylvania is president of the National Valentine Association. She has over 10,000 Valentines in her personal collection. She reports that almost 180 million roses are sent each year on Valentine's Day, and 36 million boxes of chocolates are given as gifts. The Hershey Company of Hershey, PA is the largest manufacturer of Valentine chocolates, producing around 600 million pounds annually.

So husbands, boyfriends, or just good friends, whatever Valentine's means to you, let it come from your heart as a means of showing appreciation to your beloved, and as you give your token of love, cherish the moment, a moment that may never come again.

God bless.



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HATS Ministry

HATS (Hope After The Sadness), an American Cancer Society Resource Room is 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.

By Steve Becker
Test Your Play

This is a double-dummy problem, which means it is entirely proper to look at all four hands and take full advantage of seeing the East-West cards. South is declarer at Seven Hearts, and West leads the jack of spades. South is to make the contract against best defense by East-West.

NORTH
♠AK
♥A 10 8
♦AQ 8 6 3
♣Q 5 4

WEST
♠J 10 9 8 5
♥J 9 4
♦J
♣J 9 8 6

EAST
♠Q 6 4
♥3
♦10 9 7 5 4 2
♣K 3 2

SOUTH
♠7 3 2
♥K Q 7 6 5 2
♦K
♣A 10 7

Players who enjoy solving double-dummy problems will get a kick out of this one, in which South can make all the tricks with correct play. This is not an easy problem. Here is the solution. Win the spade lead with dummy's king and play a diamond to your king. Then lead a low trump and finesse the eight.

Ruff the six of diamonds with your queen and return a low heart to dummy's ten. After ruffing the eight

of diamonds with your king, cash the ace of clubs, then return to dummy with a trump to the ace and cash the ace of diamonds, discarding a club.

This is now the position:
North
♠A
♦Q
♣Q 5

West
♠10 9
♣J 9

East
♠Q 4
♣K 3

South
♠7 3
♥7
♦10

Cash the queen of diamonds, discarding your ten of clubs. East cannot afford to discard a club on this trick since you could then ruff the five of clubs to make the contract. So let's assume East discards a spade.

West also cannot find a satisfactory discard on the diamond queen. First, let's assume he discards a spade. In that case, you would cash the ace of spades and score your 13th trick with the seven of spades.

So let's say West discards the nine of clubs in the diagrammed position. You would then counter by leading the queen of clubs from dummy, trapping East's king and West's jack at the same time and establishing dummy's five. Thus, whether East elects to cover or not, you score an extra club trick to make the contract.

Tomorrow: An unusual approach.
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Fill in the grid so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 through 9 with no repeats. That means no number is repeated in any row, column or box. Solution, tips and computer program at www.sudoku.com

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		6	3	
9				4
1	2	3	7	9
	8		4	
3	5	8	4	2
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HOLIDAY MATHIS

ARIES (March 21-April 19). It's a good time to do your social networking in person. Too much time on the Internet produces only lackluster, unfulfilling, desultory encounters, whereas real-life meetings will be a thrilling adventure.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You are sweet and mild when others are sweet and mild. And when they act in a competitive or aggressive manner, you respond in kind. If pressed, you deliver the goods with fearsome velocity and accuracy.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You take charge of every aspect of a project. You can arrange things just so and completely control how they are executed, but you still don't know how others will receive them, and that's what excites you so.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Would you still be you if you didn't feel slightly anxious? While

some of your neurosis is charming, endearing and often hilarious, it's nonetheless time to let it go. You're on to bigger and better things than being afraid.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You'll relay stories and entertain your friends. Skip over many details. What you don't say is charged with poetry. Of course, not everyone will get this, but the one who does is enthralled by you.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). New information will affect a close relationship. But how much? The news is as faint as a sigh or as deafening as a sonic boom, depending on the value you assign to it. The meaning is up to you.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You're so lucky to be the one who gets to hear about a problem before most other people. Anyone can think of a few possible solutions, but you keep going. The best answers start to come when you dig deeper into your imagination.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Working partnerships have an ebb and flow. So if you're not quite clicking with someone you used to be perfectly in sync with, give it a rest for a while. You could pick up for another round of brilliant collaboration next week.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Your timing may seem awkward, but actually it's perfect. Friendships are forged in moments that are infused with uncertainty. You will work together to make sense of the

circumstances you are dealt.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). It doesn't matter how many people are around you; it only matters who. Kindred spirits are those who can appreciate your talent. When you interact with those who understand you, you will understand yourself better.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You have the potential to create huge obstacles for yourself if given the chance. Be vigilant and never relax enough to give your inner opponent a chance to grip you. March forward to keep negativity in constant retreat.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Everyone gets frustrated from time to time. But if you can stop from getting worked into a frenzy, you will reign supreme over your frustration and be in total control. You make your best decisions from a calm state of mind.

WEEKEND LOVE FORECAST: **ARIES:** Valentines given to those in the "just friends" category may move the relationship into the romance zone. **TAURUS:** There are many different ways to show your love and you'll be experimenting. **GEMINI:** When you pay special attention to your friends you are even more attractive to a potential love. **CANCER:** You're in the mood to take your natural generosity over the top and will be well received. **LEO:** Any mental obstacles that stood between you and your true love will be lifted. **VIRGO:** You are stress free as all the

details of a special date fall gloriously into place. **LIBRA:** Taking excellent care of yourself makes you feel inspired, creative and ready for the love that is surely coming to you. **SCORPIO:** You'll be on the receiving end of an unexpected romantic gesture. **SAGITTARIUS:** What you thought was a daring idea turns out to be both possible and practical. **CAPRICORN:** There is no need to outdo yourself. You are adored just as you are. **AQUARIUS:** You'll finally find the ideal time and place to express your heart. **PISCES:** Take a romantic risk, especially a zany one. If anyone can pull it off, you can.

COUPLE OF THE WEEKEND: Aquarius and Scorpio will receive plenty of attention as the sun and moon favor them. They will be particularly attractive to each other. They are inclined to notice and point out each other's talents and strengths, and by doing so each helps to bolster the confidence of the other. It feels so wonderful to be supported in this way that they will want to continue to be on each other's team.

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Annie's Mailbox

Dear Annie: Five years ago, my kids and I moved back home so I could take care of my mother. My sister and niece had been keeping an eye on her, but didn't want to do it anymore. Mom is in her late 70s and has arthritis in both legs.

She often falls, but refuses to use her walker. She's been hospitalized three times, and each time, I sat with her in the hospital all day. We've had to clean her up when she couldn't make it to the bathroom.

We take care of the yard and fix things around the house. We drive her wherever she needs to go. The problem is, Mom does nothing but cause trouble for us. She expects us to be at her beck and call. She has money, but acts like she doesn't have a dime and tells everyone we refuse to buy food for her and that we're useless.

She's nasty to my daughter, but treats my son like her little prince. When my daughter scraped our car against a pole, my mother encouraged her to lie to me and claim it was a hit-and-run.

When my daughter told me the truth, Mom reamed her out. I took my mother to the

doctor and told him how she was behaving, but he said there is nothing wrong with her. After five years of being treated like dirt, I'm ready to leave. Am I doing something wrong?

I told my kids if I ever act like that just shoot me. — *Feeling Hurt and Lost in Kapolei*

Dear Feeling Hurt: Some people are just difficult, but that doesn't mean they can't be trained to behave better. When your mother says or does something rude or cruel, tell her calmly that you would like her to be more polite, that you will not stand around and be insulted or let your children be hurt, and that you are leaving the room. Never raise your voice or become angry.

Simply state the rules and stick to them. It may be necessary to move out of Mom's house if she continues to be verbally abusive, in which case, check up on her often. In time, we hope Mom can moderate her behavior in order to stay in your good graces. She needs you.

Dear Annie: Why is it that when a group of

people sends flowers or a gift, the unmarried members of the group are expected to pay twice the share of the married members?

I am single and am often invited to join in for group purchases. I always have to contribute the same amount as married couples.

When I recently asked my doctor brother and his lawyer wife why my share was one-third the total cost when the gift was from five of us, they acted surprised and one said with disgust, "Just pay what you want. I'll pay the rest of your share."

Fortun-ately, I am not unduly burdened by this. But it still doesn't feel right. Am I the only person to question the fairness of this practice?

— **Only One in Ohio**
Dear Only: Hardly, but each group has its own practice. One of the fairest is to divide the cost by the number of working participants, which means couples with a stay-at-home parent or a student spouse are not unduly burdened, either. Suggest it next time and

see what happens.

Dear Annie: I read the letter from "Grannie Loves Them All," who wants her daughter to give hand-me-downs to her son's children. We have six wonderful grandchildren, and we are the central distribution point for hand-me-downs for our three daughters who live in different states.

This year, the youngest grandchild (10 months old) received toys "left over" from her cousins and she was thrilled. Everything was new to her. — *Charity Begins at Home*

Dear Charity: Many people love hand-me-downs but are reluctant to pass them on for fear of seeming cheap. Thanks for pointing out the positives.

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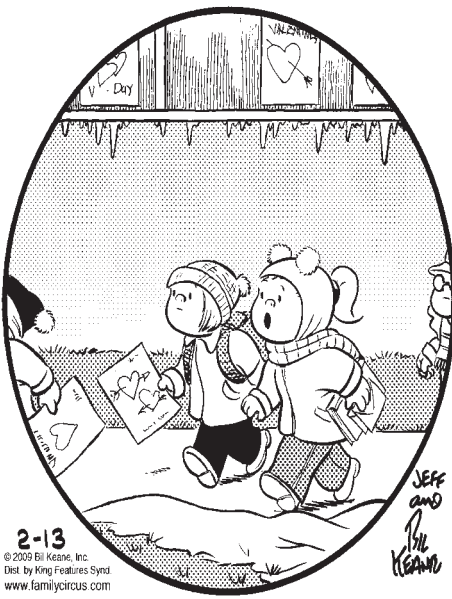
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11 :PM	News Nightline	News Nightline	Impacto Noticiero	King-Hill	Late Show	Boxeo Telemundo	Tonight Show	Sex & Cortes	(10) Movie: The Haunting	Smiley	Dirty Jobs	MAN	Leverage	Movie: How Stella Got Her Groove Back	Replace	Kim	NASCAR Racing: Nationals	SportsCenter
12 :AM	Insider Jimmy Kim-mel Live	Extra	RENO 911	Mr. Bean	Late Late Show	Mr. Bean	Late Night	Update CCM	Best of the Southwest	Man vs. Wild	Game Samurai	Movie: Dracula, Donald Pleasence	Leverage	Movie: Exit Wounds	The Deal	Emperor Dragon	NASCAR Racing: Nationals	SportsCenter
1 :AM	News	Paid	Madre	Faith	Insider	Programa Pagado	News	(10) Movie: Poker After Dark	Gothika	Man vs. Wild	MXC	Movie: Exit Wounds	The Deal	Emperor Dragon	NASCAR Racing: Nationals	SportsCenter		

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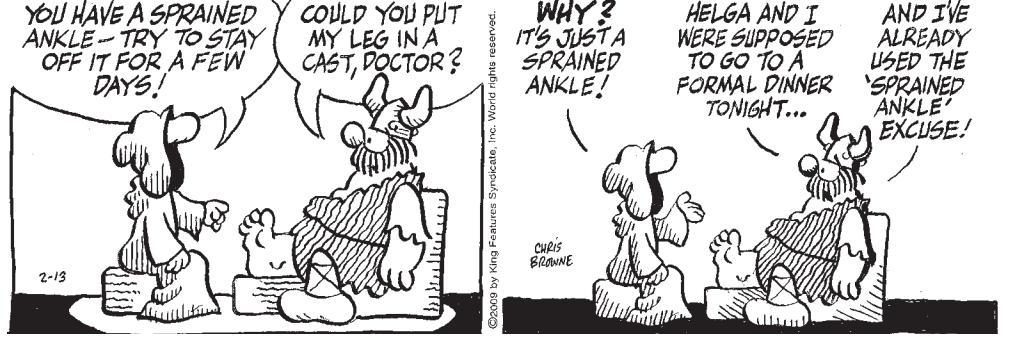
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THE FAMILY CIRCUS



"I gave up making my own valentines, 'cause all my hearts were lopsided."

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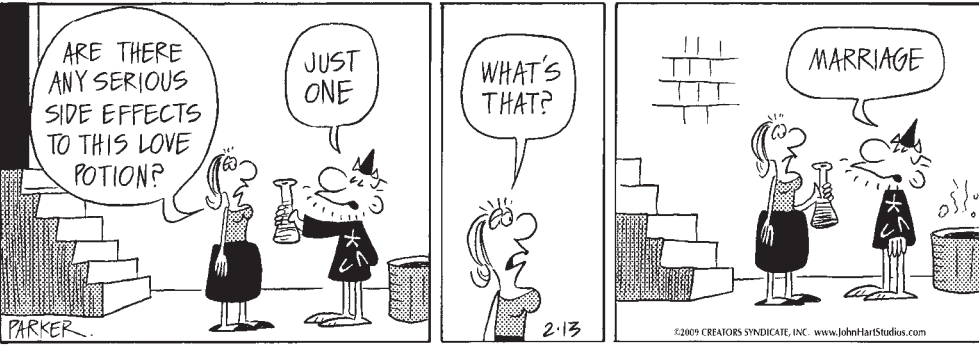
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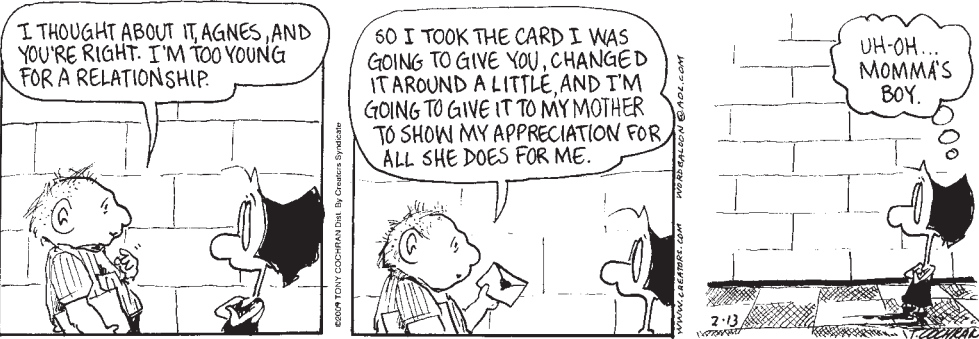
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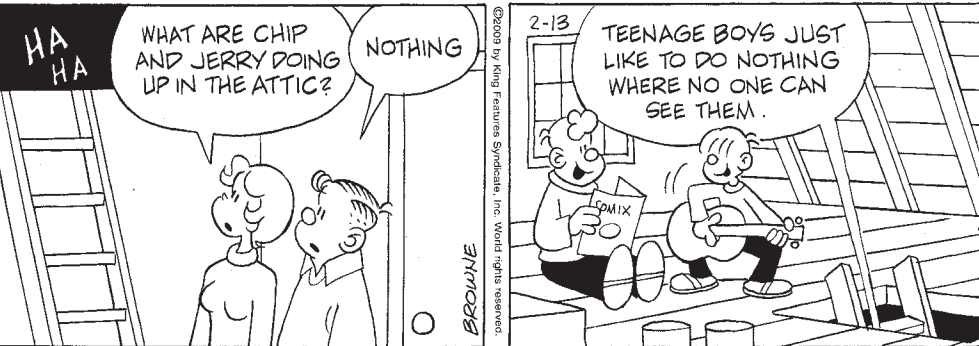
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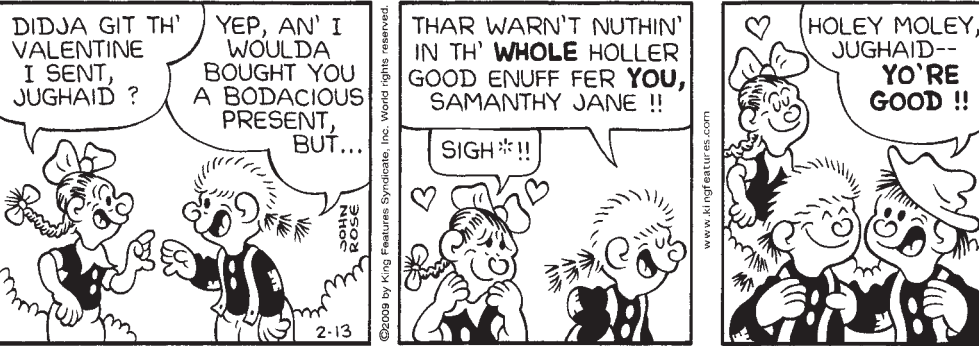
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This Date In History

Today is Friday, Feb. 13, the 44th day of 2009. There are 321 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Feb. 13, 1935, a jury in Flemington, N.J., found Bruno Richard Hauptmann guilty of first-degree murder in the kidnap-slaying of the son of Charles and Anne Lindbergh. (Hauptmann was later executed.)

On this date: In 1542, the fifth wife of England's King Henry VIII, Catherine Howard, was executed for adultery.

In 1741, Andrew Bradford of Pennsylvania published the first American magazine. Titled "The American Magazine, or A Monthly View of the Political State of the British Colonies," it lasted three issues.

In 1914, the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers, known as ASCAP, was founded in New York.

In 1920, the League of Nations recognized the perpetual neutrality of Switzerland.

In 1939, Justice Louis D. Brandeis retired from the U.S. Supreme Court. (He was succeeded by William O. Douglas.)

In 1945, during World War II, Allied planes began bombing the German city of Dresden. The Soviets captured Budapest, Hungary, from the Germans.

In 1960, France exploded its first atomic bomb, in the Sahara Desert.

In 1980, the 13th Winter Olympics opened in Lake Placid, N.Y.

In 1984, Konstantin Chernenko was chosen to be general secretary of the Soviet Communist Party's Central Committee, succeeding the late Yuri Andropov.

In 1988, the 15th winter Olympics opened in Calgary, Alberta, Canada.

Today's Birthdays: Former test pilot Charles E. "Chuck" Yeager is 86. Actress Kim Novak is 76. Actor George Segal is 75. Actress Carol Lynley is 67. Singer-musician Peter Dinklage is 67. Actress Stockard Channing is 65. Talk show host Jerry Springer is 65. Actor Bo Svenson is 65. Singer

Peter Gabriel is 59. Actor David Naughton is 58. Rock musician Peter Hook is 53. Actor Matt Salinger is 49. Singer Henry Rollins is 48. Actor Neal McDonough is 43. Singer Freedom Williams is 43. Actress Kelly Hu is 41. Rock musician Todd Harrell (3 Doors Down) is 37. Singer Robbie Williams is 35. Football player Randy Moss is 32. Rhythm-and-blues performer Natalie Stewart (Floetry) is 30. Actress Mena Suvari is 30.

Thought for Today: "It is not so much what we have done amiss, as what we have left undone, that will trouble us, looking back." — Ellen Wood, English playwright and journalist (1813-1887).

Answer to previous puzzle

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Newsday Crossword

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| ACROSS | 65 Carillon components | 10 Golfer's wheels | 38 Euphoric |
| 1 Ladder feature | 66 Bog down | 11 Lorre's Casablanca | 39 Line to da Vinci |
| 5 Have ___ on one's shoulder | 67 Henry's second or fourth | 12 Girl Scout cookie varieties | 40 Alpine songsters |
| 10 Brink | 68 Wintry weather woe | 13 Proverbs preceder | 43 Go a round in a ring |
| 14 Cry of dread | 69 Enc. for a response | 19 Excedrin alternative | 44 Silver State |
| 15 Sunshine State city | | 21 Mme., in Madrid | 45 Famous fashion photographer |
| 16 Turkish bigwigs | | 22 "wiedersehen!" | 46 Sinew |
| 17 Schleps | DOWN | 27 Done | 48 Smith title role |
| 18 English girl group | 1 Fa-la go-between | 28 Chantilly product | 52 Classy horses |
| 20 NASA nerve center | 2 Approval | 30 Conform (to) | 53 Rise up |
| 22 Sadie Hawkins neighbor | 3 Conductor's coworker | 32 Bohemian dwelling | 54 Minimum wage |
| 23 Hammett hound | 4 Pursuit group | 34 OCS grads | 56 Threesome in a water molecule |
| 24 Highlands headwear | 5 It means "both" | 35 Russian-born artist | 58 It's money, supposedly |
| 25 Employ | 6 "See ya!" in Siena | 36 Reddish brown | 59 Baker preceder |
| 26 Time Warner buyer | 7 Barbera's partner | | 60 Later than |
| 29 Game of kings and queens | 8 Apple varieties | | 63 "I'm impressed!" |
| 31 Energy source | 9 Wine grape | | |
| 33 Actress Harper | | | |
| 37 Fashion-design reality show | | | |
| 41 Covers with trees | | | |
| 42 Mess maker | | | |
| 44 "Leatherstocking Tales" name | | | |
| 47 H, in Greece | | | |
| 49 Fiancé's last words | | | |
| 50 Preceding night | | | |
| 51 Crew-team members | | | |
| 55 Lab-glove material | | | |
| 57 Startup's seed money | | | |
| 61 African Union's capital | | | |
| 62 Jackie's favorite designer | | | |
| 64 Adverse fate | | | |

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