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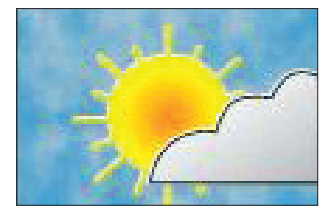
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Fire threat still high, chief says

Sullivan says danger will remain until at least spring

By THOMAS JENKINS
 Staff Writer
 With little more than a month until the current county-wide burn ban expires, Howard County Volunteer Fire Chief Tommy Sullivan said local residents are still a long ways from being out of the woods.
 Sullivan said he and his volunteer firefighters have enjoyed a slowdown in the number of wildfires in and around Howard County

since the weather turned wet last month, but urged residents to remain vigilant, as things can go from good to bad in a heartbeat.
 "We've had a few grassfires to put out during the past few weeks, but the wet weather has really helped a lot," said Sullivan. "However, we're



Sullivan

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TOURNAMENT READY



HERALD photo/Steve Reagan

Approximately 1,500 rainbow trout were released into Comanche Trail Lake Thursday morning by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. The Greater Big Spring Rotary Club will host a youth fishing tournament at the lake from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday. Registration is at 1 p.m. Saturday in Dora Roberts Community Center. Youth 17 and under are eligible. There will be prizes for first fish caught and first limit caught as well as drawings for door prizes. For more information about the contest or how to fish for trout in the lake, contact the Rev. Ken McIntosh at First Christian Church, 517-4821.



AP photo/LM Otero

Republican candidates Texas Gov. Rick Perry and U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison smile after greeting each other and looking over to fellow candidate Debra Medina before the Texas GOP gubernatorial debate at the Murchison Performing Arts Center at the University of North Texas in Denton.

GOP gov. candidates clash over taxes, jobs

By KELLEY SHANNON
 AP Political Writer
 DENTON — Gov. Rick Perry and Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison sparred over taxes, spending and the economy in their first Republican governor's race debate, but their differences on abortion also took a spotlight.
 Abortion is a leading issue for voters who tend to participate in Texas Republican primaries. The primary is March 2.
 "My record is one that always comes down on the side of life," Hutchison said Thursday night during the televised verbal bout at the University of North Texas. She said she voted against late-term abortions and federal funding for abortions.
 Perry, seeking an unprec-

edented third four-year term, chided Hutchison for voting in favor of a nonbinding resolution supporting Roe v. Wade and noted she was once praised by an abortion rights group.
 "The consistency issue is one I'm having trouble with, Senator," he said.
 Republican candidate Debra Medina also participated in the debate and appeared to be the only one of the trio familiar with the state's so-called futile care law, another issue important to anti-abortion groups.
 The law gives families of some terminally ill patients 10 days notice before life support is cut off unless a court intervenes or the patient is moved. Texas Right to Life, disabled activists and others

say they don't want medical officials making those decisions.
 Medina, a registered nurse, said she sees its real-life effects and pressed Perry on why he hadn't repealed it. Neither he nor Hutchison seemed familiar with the law.
 Throughout the debate, Hutchison and Perry accused each other of misleading voters. Hutchison tried to stick to fiscal issues and challenged Perry's claim that he cut business taxes.
 Perry repeatedly tried to tie Hutchison to increased federal government spending and accused her of changing her position by voting for a fall 2008 financial industry bail

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Renovation project adjusts for 'glitch'

By STEVE REAGAN
 Staff Writer
 One of the centerpiece projects in the renovation of Howard College's buildings will have to be tweaked a little bit.
 College trustees recently approved changes to accommodate an unexpected glitch in the renovation of the HC's administration building.
 The glitch, simply put, is that new ceilings don't

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Howard College Executive Vice President Terry Hansen, right, discusses the renovation of the college's administration building with trustees Maxwell Barr, left, and Murray Murphy Thursday afternoon.

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Hawks fall to NMJC, drop 2nd straight game



HERALD PHOTO/Joe Zigtema

Tasha Tubbs looses a shot over a NMJC defender Thursday night at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. The Hawks lost the game 58-41.

By **JOE ZIGTEMA**
Sports Editor

The Howard College Hawks are still learning about the WCJAC conference.

Consider Thursday night a valuable lesson.

The Hawks dropped consecutive games for the first time this season in a 58-41 loss to the New Mexico Junior College Lady Thunderbirds at home

Thursday night, falling to 0-2 in conference play.

"(The players were) thinking that everything's going to be easy," head coach Earl Diddle said. "These players don't know what the league is like, you try to tell them, but I think they're starting to figure it out. They're pretty humble right now."

Howard (15-3, 0-2) shot 25 percent from

the floor for the game. Conversely, the Lady T-Birds shot 54 percent on the night with most of their points coming in the paint.

New Mexico JC's (8-5, 1-1) 6-foot 3-inch center, Hanka Musa, scored 13 points to lead the Lady T-Birds.

"They killed us inside," Diddle said. "They had a very good game plan, we lost pressure on the ball and they finished inside."

Kenyatta Colbert scored 13 points for Howard on 5-of-10 shooting. She was the only Hawk in double figures.

Howard got off to a good start in the game, jumping out to a 7-2 lead. But the Hawks couldn't sustain their offense, and New Mexico came back to tie the game before it went on an 8-2 run to

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STRONG FINISH



HERALD Photo/Joe Zigtema

Josh Watkins lobs a shot over a New Mexico Junior College defender Thursday night at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. Watkins scored 26 points as the Hawks downed NMJC 78-55.

Hawks clip T-Birds for 11th straight

By **JOE ZIGTEMA**
Sports Editor

Josh Watkins is a finisher.

Watkins scored 26 points, his second straight 20-point game, as Howard (15-1, 2-0) earned its 11th straight victory with a 75-58 win over New Mexico Junior College on Thursday night at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

"All my life, I've just been big, so that's the only thing I knew how to do is finish, really," the 6-foot, 195-pound guard said. "Coming here I slimmed down, I'm much faster and I can finish around the rim."

Watkins is the only starter back from last year's team and has stepped into a leadership role this season.

"When we need a basket, he's great at getting us what we need," head coach Mark Adams said. "He made some nice plays."

The Hawks shot 49 percent from the floor. Jae Crowder scored 14 points for the Hawks in 22 minutes but fouled out with 7:49 left in the game.

Calls from the officials were in question all night, and both sides were whistled for a technical foul in the second half. A

total of 55 fouls were called in the game.

"It's a good start, but we certainly have not played up to our potential the last two games," Adams said. "This was a disappointing game for us. I didn't think we looked sharp, we let the officials get under our skin, we've got to grow up and this team's got a lot of maturing to do if we're going to make a run at the conference championship."

The Hawks started slow, managing just four points in

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McNeill won't return to Tech after 9 years

Associated Press

LUBBOCK — Tommy Tuberville is cleaning house at Texas Tech in the wake of the Mike Leach's firing.

The school said Thursday that Ruffin McNeill, the defensive coordinator and interim head coach after Texas Tech suspended and then fired Leach last month, is leaving the program. McNeill came to Texas Tech with Leach in 2000 and was the only other candidate for the head coaching job that was filled by Tuberville.

Also not returning are inside receivers coach Lincoln Riley, running backs coach Clay McGuire, cornerback coach Brian Mitchell and Eric Russell, who coordinated special teams. Carlos Mainord, who coached the safeties, is retiring.

McNeill did not immediately return a call seeking comment.

Texas Tech announced late Thursday that James Willis, a former assistant to Tuberville at Auburn, will be the Red Raiders' new defensive coordinator. Willis spent last season as associate head coach at Alabama.

Tuberville is keeping offensive line coach Matt Moore and defensive ends coach Charlie Sadler. Dennis Simmons, who coached the wide

receivers in Tech's high-flying offense, will work with the athletic department. Troy's Neal Brown is the new offensive coordinator.

On Thursday, players were made available to reporters to speak for the first time since the Red Raiders beat Michigan State 41-31 in the Alamo Bowl. Most declined to comment on the events surrounding Leach's firing amid allegations that he mistreated receiver Adam James after the player suffered a concussion.

Leach has sued Texas Tech, alleging several claims, including breach of contract, slander and libel. A hearing in the case is set for Jan. 20.

Craig James, who was in Austin on Thursday for a speaking engagement, declined to comment on allegations by Leach that he lobbied for more playing time for his son.

"That's a matter that Texas Tech and the coach are dealing with right now and it would be inappropriate for me to say anything about it," said James, a former NFL player and now an analyst for ESPN.

He said his son is handling the situation well.

"Adam has been able to endure this because of the love of his teammates," Craig James

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Big Spring to host SA Lake View tonight in key district matchup

Herald Staff Report

The Big Spring Steers will look to build on Tuesday's win over Andrews as they open a wide open district 4-4A slate tonight against the San Angelo Lake View Chiefs.

Lake View (12-7) is one of only two teams in district 4-4A that enter tonight's matchup with a winning record. The

Chiefs beat Monahans 53-35 Monday.

Big Spring (9-11) showed Tuesday that it is a different team than earlier this season with the addition of Luke Adams and better play from its supporting cast.

Adams scored 12 points and dished six assists in his Steer debut, though he is still hobbled by a foot injury.

He will try to take some of the pressure off Jerrell Williams, who has been Big Spring's go-to scorer this season.

The Steers also got a lift from Tristian Clay on Tuesday, who scored a personal-best 13.

"If you have people to deliver the pass on time without taking the extra dribble, without bobbling it, it makes a huge difference in the way

everybody plays," head coach Marcus Morris said Tuesday.

On the girls side, Big Spring will try to rebound from losses to powerhouses Plainview and Frenship.

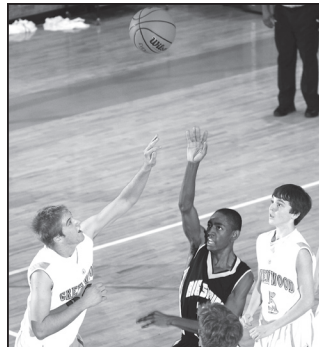
The Lady Steers face a beatable opponent in Lake View, but they do so without injured point guard Bridgette Tuitt.

Freshman Logan Yarbar will step in for

Tuitt tonight. She will share the point duties with sophomore Charlee Fletcher and sister Linzee Yarbar.

They will try to get the ball to sophomore post Cerbi Ritchey inside.

"We just have to do that consistently," coach Mike Warren said Tuesday. "We have to play defense and then come down and do it again."



HERALD PHOTO/Tony Claxton

Jerrell Williams and the Steers will go for two straight tonight.

Sports in brief

Coahoma softball players invited for alumni game

All Coahoma Bulldogette softball alumni are invited to join in the 8th annual Coahoma softball alumni game scheduled for Feb. 13 at 3 p.m.

The game will be played at the Coahoma High School field as the Bulldogettes 2010 season opener.

Call Amy Dunn at 268-3228 or e-mail at adunn@coahoma.esc18.net for more information.

Rotary Club to host trout fishing contest

The Greater Big Spring Rotary Club will host its third Annual Trout Fishing Contest for kids Saturday at the Comanche Park Lake.

The event is free and will be held from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. Registration will begin at 1 p.m. at the Dora Roberts Community Center. Kids 17 and under are welcome.

Prizes will be awarded. Call the Rev. Ken McIntosh at 517-4821 for more information.

BSHS Cheerleaders to offer mini-camp

The Big Spring High School cheerleaders are offering a mini-cheer camp for girls kindergarten through eighth grade.

The camp will be held Feb. 13 from 10 a.m. to noon, Feb. 14 from 2:30-4:30 p.m. and Feb. 15th from 6-7 p.m. Sign up through Jan. 25.

The girls will perform at halftime of the boys basketball game on Feb. 16. Cost is \$50 per child. Call Shannon Stuteville at 264-3641 ext. 1416.

Obituaries

James (Jim) Ward Gregg Jr.

James (Jim) Ward Gregg Jr., 58, formerly of Big Spring died January 9, 2010, at home in Rockne. He was preceded in death by his parents, Judge James Ward Gregg Sr. and Catherine Jo (Crumpton) Gregg.

Survivors include his son, Jeremy Gregg of Austin; a brother, Jack Gregg of Bastrop; and a sister, Janis Kuykendall and husband Jeff of Florissant.

There will be no public funeral service. Memorials may be made to the American Diabetes Association, P.O. Box 11454, Alexandria, Va., 22312.

Pat G. Martinez

Pat G. Martinez, 81, of Big Spring died Thursday, Jan. 14, 2010, at the Hospice House of Odessa. His services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Take Note

The West Texas Auputees monthly meeting will be held Saturday, at 11 a.m. at Health South Rehab Hospital of Midland, 1800 Heritage Blvd. For more information, contact Linda at (432) 684-6092.

American Legion Post 506 will hold a fish fry at 3202 W. Highway 80 from noon to 3 p.m. Saturday. Plates are \$10 each. Delivery will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. by calling 263-2084. Carry-outs are available.

A class to become a certified Master Gardener is forming now and will begin Jan. 19. Cost is \$85 per person and includes a workbook and live instruction. Those participating will be required to complete 50 hours of classroom work and 50 hours of volunteer service. For more information or to register, contact Shelley Borgstedte at (432) 664-9660, Joni Boyd at (325) 829-8398 or the county Extension service at 264-2236.

Texas Department of State Health Services will be administering H1N1 flu shots from 11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 20, at the Martin County Library in Stanton. The shots are available to all persons 6 months and older who are not currently ill. There is no charge. For more information, call 263-9782.

Bring joy and kindness to others by becoming a Compass Hospice volunteer. Help those at the end of life's journey. Make a difference in someone's life. Call 263-5999 to begin your journey.

Birdwell Lane Baptist Church is selling cookbooks to raise funds for the church. The cook books can be purchased by calling Pat Steen at (432) 263-3035.

T&P Federal Credit Union has set up an account for Arthur Hernandez Jr. for medical expenses. Arthur has had numerous medical problems the past couple of years. He has had several surgeries on his stomach, the last one a few weeks ago. After the surgery he developed a staph infection. He is still in the hospital. The out-of-pocket expenses, the travel and expenses for his wife and many other numerous expenses are mounting up. Please help Arthur and his wife Melinda in this difficult time and make a much-needed donation.

Police blotter

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

- MARK TIMOTHY STANLEY, 48, of Odessa, was arrested Thursday on a charge of public intoxication.
- RUDOLPH AVALOS JR., 22, of 1805 Winston, was arrested Friday on a charge of unlawfully carrying a weapon.
- THEFT was reported in the 800 block of Interstate Highway 20.
- ASSAULT BY CONTACT was reported: In the 1900 block of N. Highway 87. In the 1200 block of 11th Place.
- AGGRAVATED ASSAULT was reported in the 2600 block of Barksdale.

Sheriff

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

Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 61 inmates at the time of this report.

- RUDOLPH AVALOS, 22, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on a charge of unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon.
- ADAM GARCIA, 38, was arrested Friday by DPS on a charge of public intoxication.
- CHRISTOPHER HOLT, 35, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on charges of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon and unlawful restraint exposing victim to serious bodily harm.
- ERICK AYALA SANCHEZ, 29, was arrested Friday by DPS on a charge of driving while intoxicated — open container.
- MARK TIMOTHY STANLEY, 47, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- ZACHARY WHITE TERRY, 32, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on a judgment/sentence for manufacture/delivery of a controlled substance — more than four grams, less than 200 grams.

Fire/EMS

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

- TRAUMA was reported in the 700 block of Highland. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1500 block of Sycamore. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAUMA was reported in the 1400 block of E. Sixth Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAUMA was reported in the 700 block of Capri. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1700 block of Lancaster. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1700 block of W. Fourth Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1900 block of Martin Luther King Blvd. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRASH FIRE was reported in the 400 block of E. Marcy.

Support Groups

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

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

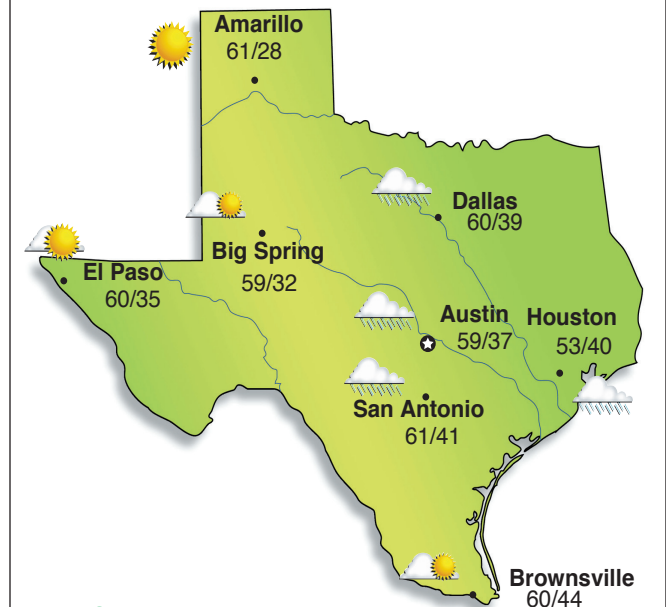
SUNDAY
• Alcoholics Anonymous meets from 11 a.m. to noon at 615 Settles. Open meeting 5 p.m. until 6 p.m.

Today's Weather

Local 3-Day Forecast

Sat 1/16	Sun 1/17	Mon 1/18
59/32 Some clouds in the morning will give way to mainly sunny skies for the afternoon. High 59F.	65/36 Partly cloudy. High in the mid 60s and lows in the mid 30s.	67/43 A few clouds. High in the upper 60s and lows in the low 40s.
Sunrise: 7:47 AM Sunset: 6:05 PM	Sunrise: 7:47 AM Sunset: 6:06 PM	Sunrise: 7:47 AM Sunset: 6:07 PM

Texas At A Glance



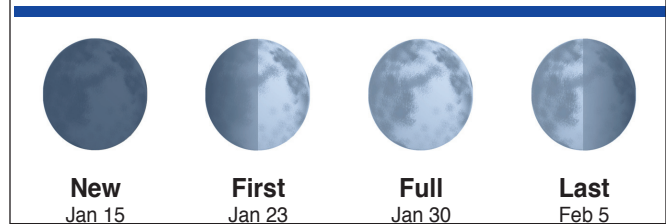
Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	56	35	pt sunny	Kingsville	62	44	rain
Amarillo	61	28	sunny	Livingston	53	36	rain
Austin	59	37	rain	Longview	55	39	rain
Beaumont	50	41	rain	Lubbock	61	29	pt sunny
Brownsville	60	44	pt sunny	Lufkin	50	37	rain
Brownwood	60	37	pt sunny	Midland	62	37	pt sunny
Corpus Christi	58	44	rain	Raymondville	61	42	pt sunny
Corsicana	58	38	rain	Rosenberg	53	40	rain
Dallas	60	39	rain	San Antonio	61	41	rain
Del Rio	58	41	pt sunny	San Marcos	60	38	rain
El Paso	60	35	mst sunny	Sulphur Springs	58	39	rain
Fort Stockton	59	39	sunny	Sweetwater	59	35	pt sunny
Gainesville	55	33	rain	Tyler	56	37	rain
Greenville	57	36	rain	Weatherford	56	34	rain
Houston	53	40	rain	Wichita Falls	50	33	pt sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	49	44	rain	Minneapolis	40	23	pt sunny
Boston	41	27	mst sunny	New York	43	30	pt sunny
Chicago	40	25	pt sunny	Phoenix	69	45	cloudy
Dallas	60	39	rain	San Francisco	57	47	rain
Denver	58	35	mst sunny	Seattle	49	45	rain
Houston	53	40	rain	St. Louis	43	32	cloudy
Los Angeles	71	47	pt sunny	Washington, DC	50	36	cloudy
Miami	77	70	rain				

Moon Phases



Lottery

Results of the Texas Two Step drawing Thursday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 2-16-22-26. Bonus Ball: 21.

Number matching four of four, plus Bonus Ball: 1. Prize: \$200,000

Winning ticket purchased in: Fate.

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Thursday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 2-7-12-14-19.

Number matching five of five: 1. Prize: \$20,974

Winning ticket purchased in: Houston.

The winning Daily 4 numbers drawn Thursday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 7-5-2-1. Sum It Up: 15.

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Thursday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 1-2-4. Sum It Up: 7.

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Romo downplays facing Favre, focuses on winning

IRVING (AP) — Tony Romo is coming off the first playoff win of his career and going into a game against his childhood hero, Brett Favre.

How cool is that? Romo isn't really saying.

As he's done all season, Romo is downplaying any excitement as the Dallas Cowboys prepare to face the Minnesota Vikings on Sunday.

"I think any time you're playing in this type of game, it's going to be special," Romo said Thursday. "I like Brett. He's fun to hang out with and talk to and stuff. I think we're both going to be trying to win this game, for sure."

Romo has been better than ever this season because he's cut way down on his turnovers, making smarter decisions and taking fewer chances. In other words, he seems to have stomped out some of his

Favre-like tendencies.

He wouldn't call it that, though.

"I would think you would want to have some, with the season that he's had," Romo said. "He takes chances when he thinks it's a healthy chance. I don't think he randomly throws the ball up in the air. If you feel like you can fit a ball through the hole, you throw it. If you don't, you don't. I don't know there's any big secret beyond that."

Romo grew up in Burlington, Wis., during the prime of Favre's career with the Green Bay Packers. Since Romo burst onto the scene in 2006, he and Favre have become friends. They've gone head-to-head only once, in 2007, with Romo winning 37-27.

When the Cowboys went to Minnesota this preseason, the pair were seen chatting and

laughing on the field before the game.

"We talk about a lot of different things," Romo said, "but I don't want to share all of that stuff."

He's also not ready to throw out an "I told you so" about winning a playoff game after losing his first two under dubious circumstances. It also was Dallas' first playoff win in 13 years.

"You keep doing the things that have allowed you to play at a level that is good enough to keep winning, but you know that each game, for me, becomes more exciting and more fun," he said. "I've said it all along. This is why you play the game, to play in these games. It's very easy to prepare and get ready for situations like this because it's so enjoyable. Hopefully, we have a lot left."

Win Sunday and the Cowboys will be headed to the NFC cham-

pionship game for the first time since 1995. If the Cardinals beat the Saints on Saturday, Dallas would host the Super Bowl play-in game. If New Orleans wins, the Cowboys would be headed back to a place where they won last month.

So there would be plenty for Romo to look forward to, if he was willing to acknowledge thinking about anything like that. It's a one-day-at-a-time approach he's spouted consistently since summer.

Considering how things have worked out — career highs in yards and passer rating, along with that career low in interceptions — he might as well stick with it.

"You just don't go there because it's too important right now, today, to get everything done that you need to get done for this game," Romo said.



AP FILE PHOTO
Tony Romo is focused on winning his second playoff game, not facing childhood hero Brett Favre. The Cowboys and Vikings kick off at noon Sunday.

"The improvement side is always there because you're always building toward something. It allows you to keep an optimistic or positive attitude about trying to obtain your goal. So this week, if we win this game and move on, we got a little bit better.

"It's always a process and it always gets you a little closer toward reaching your goal. But I think we're hoping and fully expect to go up there and put our best foot forward this weekend. I think we have a great shot of doing some good things."

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grab a 17-12 lead.

Howard trimmed that lead to three at the 1:42 mark in the first half, but the Lady T-Birds scored six straight

points going into the locker room for a 27-18 lead.

A 7-0 run to start the second half gave New Mexico a 13-point advantage, which they sustained throughout the second half as Howard's offense went

stagnant.

The Hawks had no answer for Musa in the paint, continued to struggle shooting outside and New Mexico coasted to the 58-41 win.

"We were never in rhythm on offense,"

Diddle said. "We were never really a factor offensively. Good teams aren't going to let you do what you want to do. I told our team, 'There's no need to be mad, let's just work on it and improve,'"

The Hawks have

Monday off before they travel to Midland on Thursday, which is 1-1 in WCJAC conference play after a 61-46 win over South Plains.

Box Score
Howard (15-3, 0-2) Reid 4-10 9, Ards 2-11 4, Fountain 1-8 5, Murgel 1-5 2, Colbert 5-10 13, Tubbs 0-8 1, Steen 1-2 2,

Bartelson 2-8 5; NMJC (8-5, 1-1)- Hart 1-5 2, O'Shields 4-8 12, Leigh Rivera 1-2 2, Crawford 1-1 2, McGee 1-3 2, Mathis 1-4 2, Dehayward 4-5 11, Edmonds 2-4 4, Musa 6-10 13; Halftime 25-18 NMJC; FG HC 16-64, NMJC 25-46; 3-point HC 4-20 (Reid, Colbert 3), NMJC 4-10 (O'Shields 2, Dehayward 2); FT HC 5-11, NMJC 4-5; Rebounds 41-34 NMJC (Musa 6, Colbert 6); Total Fouls HC 5, NMJC 12

HOWARD

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the first five minutes as the Thunderbirds took an early lead. But the Hawks came back to tie it, and a 16-2 run midway through the first half gave Howard a 32-15 advantage. The Hawks went into the locker room with a 37-23 edge.

Howard kept the T-Birds at arm's length in the second half, withstanding two six-point runs from New Mexico as the Hawks methodically built on their lead. New Mexico came within 12 points at the 2:54 mark, but that was the closest it would come.

"I like the way we played, but we just have to get tougher,"

Watkins said. "Right now our chemistry is good, we're becoming a team, but we're not satisfied with this win because we know we can play harder than that and we will."

Howard will go for its 12th straight win against New Mexico Military Institute at home Monday. Tipoff is 7:45 p.m.

Box Score
Howard (15-1, 2-0)- Austin 3-10 9, Sundufu 1/2 3, Menter 0-1 1, Obasi 1/2 6, Watkins 9-14 26, Crowder 5-8 14, Emory 2-6 5, Bright 1-3 4, McGee 2-3 7; NMJC (14-4, 1-1)- Battle 3-6 7, Little 1-8 3, Mecanovic 1-4 3, Pullen 2-10 8, Peters 4-11 8, Moore 3-4 9, Beasley 2-2 6, Bernardi 1-2 3, Waddell 4-11 11; Halftime 37-23 HC; FG HC 24-49, NMJC 21-60; FT HC 24-36, NMJC 12-24; 3-point HC 3-12 (Sundufu, Watkins, Obasi), NMJC 4-14 (Moore 3, Beasley); Rebounds 48-31 HC (McGee 7, Battle 8); Total Fouls- HC 28, NMJC 27; Technical fouls- Waddell, Howard bench; Fouled out Crowder, Emory, McGee, Beasley, Battle



HERALD PHOTO/Joe Zigmanta
Jae Crowder scored 14 points Thursday despite fouling out with 7:49 left. A total of 55 fouls were called in the game, including two technicals.

TECH

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said. "His teammates know who Adam is, they've seen him practice for three years and they love him. That's the comfort we have as a family ... he loves Texas Tech."

Several hundred

Texas Tech fans — many wearing pirate patches, waving pirate flags or holding up signs — rallied on campus Thursday to show their support for Leach. Many said they aren't trying to get him reinstated but organizers said they would not relent until they got additional information

on actions taken by university and athletic department officials.

Quarterback Taylor Potts said he had not been interviewed by school officials about the treatment of James, whose family complained that he was twice ordered to stay in dark rooms by Leach after the concussion. Asked how he was treated after the concussion he got Oct. 3, Potts said "not really going to talk about it."

"My situation was different. I don't know if it was worse or what, but mine was different," he said. Tuberville didn't forbid players to talk about the past two

weeks, said receiver Tramain Swindall, but he suggested players keep their focus on the future.

"It's the past. What's done is done. We all feel it was the best decision," he said. "We're looking forward to the future, in hand with our coach Tuberville and the new staff, and we're very excited by it."

Junior linebacker Brian Duncan said "pretty amazing" was his first impression of Tuberville.

"Very professional guy, suit and tie, come in there with a swagger," he said. "I'm pretty excited about him. Can't wait to see what he brings to the team."

Potts said Tuberville is "smart" and knows the right thing to do. Tuberville was 85-40 at Auburn, including a 13-0 season in 2004 when the Tigers finished No. 2, won the SEC title for the first time in 15 years and Tuberville won the AP Coach of the Year award.

"This might be the missing link," Potts said. "It really seems like he's taking us in the right direction."

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Test Your Play — Probabilities

1. You are declarer with the West hand at Seven Clubs, and North leads the jack of spades. You win with the king and cash the ace of clubs, North following with the jack and South the deuce. You lead the queen of diamonds to the king and play a club from dummy, South following with the three. Would you finesse or play the king?

West
♠ A K
♥ A 7 2
♦ A Q
♣ A K 10 9 8 5

East
♠ 8 6 5
♥ K Q 8 3
♦ K J 10
♣ 7 6 4

2. You are declarer with the West hand at Seven Spades, and North leads the nine of spades. How would you play the hand?

West
♠ A K Q J 10
♥ A K 3 2
♦ 6 5
♣ A K

East
♠ 3 2
♥ 5 4
♦ A K Q 4 3 2
♣ 4 3 2

1. This is by no means an uncommon situation, and if you don't know the theoretically correct play, it's high time to become fully acquainted with it.

In the given situation, where you are missing the Q-J-x-x of the suit, your left-hand opponent will be dealt

a singleton honor roughly 12 deals out of 100, and the doubleton Q-J about seven deals out of 100.

Therefore, if LHO produces an honor when you play the ace, you will do better in the long run to finesse the ten later on than play the king. The king will win about seven deals out of 100, while the finesse will win about 12 deals out of 100. Thus, the odds are about 12-to-7 in favor of the finesse, and you should not buck them unless there is a very good reason to do so.

2. You have two choices: You can draw the opposing trumps at once and hope the opposing diamonds are divided 3-2, or you can play the A-K and another heart, planning to ruff your third heart in dummy and get rid of the other on a high diamond after trumps are drawn. This, of course, runs the risk that the hearts might be divided 5-2 or worse.

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Cook-off raises \$10,500

Special to the Herald

The Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie #3188 raised \$10,500 for West Texas Centers for MHMR's Children in Need Fund during Saturday's Eighth Annual West Texas Chili Cook-off.

"It was our largest turnout ever in the number of cooks and spectators and it was the most money we had ever raised," said Landon Sturdivant, West Texas Center's deputy director of operations and a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles.

"I was worried about the turnout because it was so cold on Saturday

but it didn't hurt attendance at all. It just shows how committed the people are to raising money for children who need extra help."

Proceeds from the tasting and entry fees benefited the Children in Need fund, which helps purchase school supplies, clothing, tuition for summer camps and helps meet other financial needs of special children who are receiving services from West Texas Centers for MHMR.

"It's a really nice program that directly helps our kids," Sturdivant said.

Prizes were awarded to several of the 38

cooks who braved the elements, he said.

Earning first place was Tommy Tilley; Guy White, second; Janey Murley and Irma Garcia, third; Josh and Terry Howell, fourth; Rodney Jones, fifth; Kem Hooper, sixth; Mike Calvia, seventh; Josh Love, eighth; Shane Forrest, ninth; and Mike Mears, Tenth.

The Showmanship Award was presented to the Twisted Sisters team of Kelly Howell and Valerie White; Barb Clark, the Horses Award; Mac McCain, 50-50 winner; and Marty Kirby, who won a trip to the Inn of the Mountain Gods.



West Texas Centers for MHMR CEO Shelley Smith, LMSW, presented the first place plaque to Tommy Tilley following the Eighth Annual West Texas Chili Cook-off at the Eagles Lodge Saturday. The event raised more than \$10,000 for the Centers' Children in Need Fund

Courtesy photo

DEBATE

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out bill. Hutchison said then-president Bush

urged her and other Republicans in Congress to support the bailout bill to combat a "global meltdown" in the economy.

"He hated to do that. We hated to make that vote," she said.

But Hutchison noted that Perry, as chairman of the Republican

Governors Association, wrote a letter urging Congress to pass the economic recovery bill. Perry later said he didn't support the fed-

eral legislation.

Perry tried to point to jobs he said he created while in office and cited statistics stretching from November

2007 to November 2008. Hutchinson responded by saying Texas lost 300,000 jobs last year and "that is not a record to be proud of."

GLITCH

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jibe with the building's windows in some places, College Executive President Terry Hansen said.

When the administration building was originally constructed around 1950, its ceilings were 12 feet, six inches high and the building featured 12-foot high windows along its north and south faces. When

the building was renovated in the 1970s, ceilings in some areas were lowered to eight feet and the tall windows were stuccoed over as an energy-conservation move.

"They stuccoed over the top half of the windows and put (smaller-sized) windows in their place," Hansen said. "Aesthetically, this was not a good presentation, so when we were planning the renovation, we wanted to take the building back to its original

look."

Current renovation plans call for the windows to be restored, but that conflicted with plans for eight-foot ceilings in some areas, Hansen said.

"It became obvious we'd have a less-than-ideal situation with eight-foot walls and 12-foot windows," he said.

College President Dr. Cheryl Sparks said the discovery is similar to what many homeowners experience when

they renovate their houses.

"It's like almost any renovation project," Sparks said. "Once you get going, you find things and say, 'Oh, this is what's going to have to happen.'"

The solution, Hansen said, is to raise the walls in the affected offices to 10 feet in height and adjust the ceilings to accommodate the 12-foot windows.

"It's not something we have to do, but if we don't, the overall look of

the building will not be what we're aiming for," Hansen said.

Despite the added expense, Hansen said the overall project is still significantly under budget at this point.

The administration building renovation is scheduled to be completed in August, Sparks said.

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FIRE

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not getting any new green vegetation growing, so we're not out of the woods yet. Until March and April rolls around and we get some green brush and vegetation growing, we're going to be in a constant state of fire danger."

The current burn ban, which was signed into law Nov. 24 by the Howard County Commissioners Court, will expire near the end of February, but according to Sullivan it's unclear whether or not he'll be asking the court to extend the ban another 90 days.

"It depends on what kind of rainfall we get between now and then," said Sullivan. "The first part of March we may get some growth, but you always have to take in account an Easter freeze or a late snow at that time of the year, and that could kill all the vegetation. If that happens, it's sort of like starting all over, which will be dangerous for everyone with all of the dried fuel left over from the winter."

Sullivan urges county residents to avoid outdoor burning if possi-

ble.

"I understand that some people have to burn for health and sanitation reasons," he said. "However, if the fire gets away from you the fines can get pretty expensive. In the end, it's a lot cheaper just to pay a service to pick up your garbage than to get stuck with a \$500 to \$1,000 fine. And even the money can be small in comparison to the feeling you're left with if someone gets hurt or loses their home. It's just not worth it."

Sullivan said county residents are allowed to burn in barrels which have no holes in them and have a tight screen on the top. They are also required to have a fire extinguisher or water hose nearby and they have to stay with the fire from the time it's started until it's completely out.

Unfortunately, according to Sullivan, even following all of the rules

isn't enough.

"We recently responded to a fire out in Sand Springs," he said. "The woman had followed all of the rules — she had the screen on the barrel and a water hose with her, and she stayed with the fire the entire time — and it still managed to get away from her."

"The fire threatened her neighbors' homes, and that just scared the lights out of her. She told us after we got the fire out she would never burn her garbage again. I just wish it didn't take something that traumatic or dangerous to convince people not to burn their garbage when conditions are like this."

County Judge Mark Barr said there are exceptions to the ban, but area residents considering burning anything outdoors should make sure they have a good reason for doing so.

"This burn ban does not prohibit outdoor

burning activities related to public safety that are authorized by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, firefighter training, public utility, gas lines and pipelines or the planting or harvesting of agricultural crops," said Barr. "Also, burns that are directed by prescribed burn managers are not prohibited by the burn ban. There are some exclusions from the ban. However, if you're going to burn something, you better have a really good reason."

"And if anyone has any questions, they can call my office or call Tommy," Barr added.

For more information on the burn ban, contact the County Judge's office at 264-2202.

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We salute:

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

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

This week we salute:

- The Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie #3188, which raised \$10,500 for West Texas Centers for MHMR's Children in Need Fund during Saturday's Eighth Annual West Texas Chili Cook-off.

- Keep Big Spring Beautiful's officers for 2010 that include President Jo Ann Staulcup, Vice President Janice Bishop, Secretary Nancy Crenshaw and Treasurer Jan Foresyth.

- All those who received special awards during the most recent Keep Big Spring Beautiful meeting including Janice Bishop, who was named Outstanding Volunteer, and Wal-Mart, which was recognized for Outstanding Business Support. Other awards went to Ken Walsh, who received a certificate of merit; the city of Big Spring, which was named a Gold Star Affiliate; and the First Christian Church, recipient of the Youth Leadership Award.

- All those who took part in the Big Spring Independent School District Science Fair held at the Dora Roberts Community Center on Wednesday.

- Bert Andries, founder of the Boys Club of Big Spring, who has been honored with a scholarship endowment in his name with the Howard College Foundation.

- Howard and Vicki Stewart for the help they provided Pat Simmons and other volunteers in staging the Comanche Trail Festival of Lights.

- A. E. Clanton, who was honored Tuesday as the Hangar 25 Air Museum's Veteran of the Month for January. Clanton served in the Navy from 1942 to 1945 and was a member of an underwater demolition team. He received four Purple Hearts, two Silver Stars and a Bronze Star.

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

We are at our best, Lord, when we walk with You.

Amen

A Knight to remember

My father-in-law, Ray Knight, had been going downhill for some time, but he told all of us he would do his best to live to see Christmas. Hospice wasn't so sure, but Ray insisted he would be there for the annual celebration and family get together.

He was bound and determined he knew exactly when he would be leaving Texas and entering Heaven.

"Sometime after Christmas and before the New year," Ray said smiling, like he always did.

There's a neat thing that happens in my wife's family where people tend to know when their days are done. Ray's grandfather was one of those guys and probably the most pronounced with this gift.

Grandpa Knight was well in his 90s when he decided to build his church a new building. "It will take me about two years,"

he said, "and the first service we are going to have in it will be my funeral."

Just like he promised, he finished his building two years later.

Now what happened next is legendary in his church and among our family. Grandpa Knight went home that day, called his son, put on a suit and climbed into bed and died. The very first service was indeed his funeral service just like he prophesied.

His grandson, my wife's dad, had some of that in him. When I walked into his room on Christmas day, he was excited about having a very real white Christmas. He was feeling good and in a great mood.

"Well, you did it Ray, you made it to Christmas like you said you would," I said, as I helped him set up to eat. "You think you will make it to New Year's?"

"No I'm not gonna be here for New Year's," he said, smiling.

"Come on Ray, you look great today, you look better than I do."

And Ray never missed a beat,

"I always look better than you do."

Later that night, after we had all gone home, Ray went unconscious and passed away on the morning of Dec. 27.

Like Babe Ruth calling his shot, Ray Knight hit it out the ballpark by knowing the right time.

All of us will cherish that white Christmas as Ray's last day with us. I especially appreciate the opportunity we had to say our goodbyes and to pray together.

It is only fitting that I tell you what scripture he told my wife was his favorite on Christmas day. There is some wisdom in it for all of us.

So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom" (Psalm 90:12).

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Uncle Mort, first things first

With a new calendar still thick with pages, it is tempting to extend more patience to my Uncle Mort, stopping just short of taking as gospel whatever falls from his lips.

He is famous down in the thicket for yapping away in his shadow-box sparring with silence and even long pauses. Only his appointments with sleep make possible snippets of silence for which the region is otherwise known.

Now he's claiming to be "full of fix-up analysis" concerning the turmoil in the Texas Tech football program and the "tragic death of the University of Arkansas hog mascot."

If his intent was to pique my interest, it worked. "I've moved these issues to the top of my list," Mort sputtered. "To give both of them due consideration, I've put aside plans to organize a torch-light march on Washington. Me and a few other East Texas toughies have a single demand: That all members of Congress take a page from the NASCAR handbook, the one requiring drivers to wear decals of sponsoring corporations. If they'd do that, we'd at least know who our D.C. leaders are driving for."

He expressed sadness about the brouhaha at Tech. Mort thinks there are few winners, with all parties significantly diminished.

"We're suffering from information overload, hearing way too much stuff from every direction," he moaned, "and some of it is probably true."

He contends that the ugly scenario in Lubbock could be the springboard for "national reconsideration of higher education priorities by 'big-school, backboned presidents.'"

Mort, with one more brand to burn, made another strong statement: "When I hear the words 'coach' and 'agent' linked together, I wince." Continuing his ramble, he said that "all the 'coach hiring/firing news' these days reminds him of the musty line about how people who enjoy obeying laws and eating sausage had best not watch either of them being made.

He thinks big-time coaches' contract sagas should be added to the list

The phone cracked; maybe a swarm of mosquitoes buzzed through the signal.

Talking faster than ever, he lamented the "untimely death of Tusk II," Arkansas Razorbacks' 500-pound Russian boar mascot. The porcine seemingly "gave his all" for the team in its 20-17 conquest of East Carolina in the Liberty Bowl.

The remainder of his conversation came through in bits and pieces, but here is what I deduced, subject to possible correction later.

Mort thinks that the Pirates' ace field goal kicker, Ben Hartman, was victim of a "hog hex." The team's all-time leading scorer, he kicked game-winning field goals in six previous games, including four as time expired.

Against the Hogs, however, he missed on four, including three of 39 yards or less in the late going. He had booted a school record 77 straight extra points and in the 2008 season was voted "best under pressure" by opponents in Conference USA.

Hecklers may have chanted

"shanks a lot" to this nationally-recognized kicker who'll have nightmarish memories of his final collegiate game.

Mort mentioned the word "tuckered" as he re-thought his "hog-hexing" theory. "Why he probably over-worked his heart," my uncle analyzed. (Tusk II was pronounced, hmmm, "un-alive" just two days after the game. Though there was no autopsy, swine flu has been ruled out. Some Arkansas hecklers noted that the mascot had served four years, so technically, his eligibility expired at the same time he did.)

Razorback rooters are heartened that his little brother, Tusk III, is ready to assume the mascot role.

A final thought on the subject is that maybe we've been using the "old South" expression wrong for decades. Should it be "root hog AND die?"

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What happened to global warming?

What happened to all that talk about global warming? For months the hottest topic in the news was global warming. Right up until the day a blizzard blasted the International Conference on Global Warming, the politicians were having a heated debate about whether or not global warming exists and what should be done to prevent it.



BONNIE WHEAT

When snow storms and cold winds blew across the country around Christmas, much of the nation was paralyzed by ice, and the topic of global

warming seemed to have been temporarily frozen.

The thermometer-dropping days of January have left most of us shivering.

We dread sticking our feet and noses out of bed each morning, and even more, we hate the thought of the bitter-cold breeze that slaps us in the face when we open our doors each day.

Before we get bundled up and step outside, we check the temperature and wind-chill factor to see how much self-pity to allot ourselves for enduring the bone-chilling weather.

Even the citrus farmers in the Sunshine State are more concerned about saving their ice-laden fruit trees than they are about global warming.

With two-thirds of their crops frozen, some of them are hoping to save their icy fruit for making juice. They may even be wondering how to market their Florida orange slush.

When the politicians pick up their debate on global warming again, I don't plan to take sides.

While I am all for saving our land, water, and air, my thoughts about weather are more conservative than liberal.

I prefer a conservative amount of both hot and cold rather than a liberal amount of either, and I enjoy complaining about hot weather almost as much as I enjoy complaining about the cold.

When it comes to government control of the weather, I tend to agree with Will Rogers who said, "Thank

God we're not getting all the government we're paying for."

I believe Rogers would have agreed that we will all probably end up paying for global warming whether we believe it exists or not.

In the Bible, Jesus told those who were trying to test Him to "render unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's and unto God the things that are God's" (Matthew 22:21).

I'll try not to complain too much about paying taxes, and I'll do my part to protect the environment. However, I'm not optimistic about the politicians being able to change the weather.

Bonnie Wheat is an author and a minister's wife. She can be contacted at brwheat@suddenlink.net

Church News

Baptist Temple

We will be restarting our Financial Peace University class with Dave Ramsey at 6:30 p.m. Mondays starting Feb. 15. The cost of the course is \$100, which includes course materials and shipping and handling cost of the materials. You can register by calling the church office or online at daveramsey.com and enter your information.

Our weight-loss support group, SPEED (Shedding Pounds Eagerly Every Day), has resumed and is meeting Tuesdays at the church at 5:30 p.m.

We are temporarily postponing our 12-Step Recovery group that meets on Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. due to Dean Thomas' surgery, but will start this group again soon.

Feb. 7 we will have a Super Bowl Party in our fellowship hall starting at 5 p.m. At halftime we will watch a video of Chad Pennington (quarterback of the Miami Dolphins) and Carson Palmer (quarterback of the Cincinnati Bengals) talking about their faith. You are invited to attend.

During January, our morning services will focus on giving God the first and the best of what we can give. This Sunday we will focus on giving God the best of our service (1 Chronicles 22). Our Sunday evening message will be from 1 Corinthians 7:17-24.

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

First United Methodist

Sunday, our pastor, the Rev Sharon Wiese, will bring the message at both the 8:30 a.m. and 10:50 a.m. services of worship. Her sermon this week is entitled "Jesus and the Fruitful Connection" with scripture readings from Psalms, John and Corinthians.

Sunday evening at 5:30 Garrett Hall is the location for a snack supper which precedes separate scenes of activity for adults, youth and pre-teens. The youth will meet at 6 p.m. in the Partee Building where they will be networking with Pastor Sharon, developing their own rules for behavior as they learn the meaning of covenant.

GIG will also meet at 6 p.m. for a fellowship session led by Adriana Kocek on "fruits of the spirit." They will meet in Youth Hall, while the adults will remain in the Garrett Hall area for fellowship and table games.

Congratulation to Becky Woodall, who has taken on the task of chairing the Children's Ministries. We are looking forward to exciting and innovative new programs in the near future.

On Jan. 21 we are honored to play host to the Boy Scouts of America's district awards dinner. Subsequently, in February we will be celebrating that organization's 100th anniversary. Our church and the Boy Scout's Troop No. 1 have a very impressive history.

We also play host to a fairly new musical group, The Tardy Bells. This ensemble of bell ringers are all retired school teachers who enjoy music, entertaining others and the camaraderie. They meet for practice each Monday at 1:30 p.m.

Both Ceta Canyon and Butman have ladies retreats planned for later this month. For more information, contact the church office or go to www.cetacanyon.org/retreats and www.butmancamp.org.

And for a complete look at our own activities and scheduling, go to our Web site at www.fumcbs.com. There's something for everyone at Fourth and Scurry; we're First Methodist, where families grow in Christ.

Chapel of Faith

You are invited to attend Chapel of Faith church, located at the corner of E. 14th and Goliad streets, as we learn more about God's Word and His love for each of us. Sunday services are at 10:30 a.m. each week. Pastor Scott Willis will be preaching this Sunday. His message will be "The Wisdom of Seek-

ing God," based on scripture from Isaiah 62:1-5.

Consider this, "A smile costs nothing but gives much. It enriches those who receive, without making poorer those who give. It takes but a moment, but the memory of it sometimes lasts forever." — Author unknown.

We encourage you to attend the church of your choice. However, if you are looking for a church home, we invite you to visit the Chapel of Faith. You will be warmly welcomed.

Remember, God loves each of us with a love so great He sent His son to die for our sins that we might live for Him now and with Him eternally.

Birdwell Lane Baptist

We are a Bible-believing, Bible-teaching, Bible-preaching, missionary-minded, independent Baptist church who would love for you to come visit. We have been in the community for 65-plus years meeting spiritual needs. Sunday services are at 10:55 a.m. and 5 p.m. There is Sunday school for all ages and children's church is during the morning worship for ages 4-12. Come worship with us at 1512 Birdwell Lane and if you need a ride call 264-9924 or 267-7157. There is a nursery provided for your little ones. Midweek service is at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday.

We would love to be of help to you in any way. Our pastor, Steve King, invites you to the friendliest church in Big Spring.

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First Baptist

How do you become a legend? One way is to do something first ... and keep doing it longer than anyone else. If that sounds complicated, try this: The Stamps Quartet is the oldest quartet in existence today, and they will be in concert at the First Baptist Church at 7 this evening. The Stamps have included us in their "Tour of Faith" for the past several years. That means they come for a love offering ... no ticket required. Call and invite your friends to come with you to this great event.

First Baptist Church has been offered a challenge by our pastor to begin seeking how God would use us to build His kingdom through our church. You are invited to come and be a part of that process.

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Pastor Carroll Kohl will be preaching this Sunday. The sermon will be based on the Bible story of Jesus and the wedding at Cana which is in John 2:1-11 and will be titled: "Go Ahead and Ask, God Will Answer."

Angela Newton is our organist. Acolyte will be Mateo Rodriguez. Our elders are Richard von Hassell and Richard Knocke. The liturgy will be read by Jill Alsobrooks. The readings are Isaiah 62:1-5, Psalm 128, 1 Corinthians 12:1-11, and John 2:1-11.

Mid Week School is held Wednesday evenings with a light meal to be served at 5:30 p.m. Mid Week School classes and confirmation classes are at 6 p.m.

If you are interested in beginning or attending a new men's or women's Bible study, contact any member of the Board of Education. These Bible studies could be any day or evening of the week and could be held either at church or in a home.

You do not need to be a member of our congregation in order to attend any of our Bible studies.

The Board of Evangelism is holding "visitation calls" on members, prospective members, etc. Names, addresses and phone numbers of those wanting/needing a visit from this group should be given to Richard Knocke.

The Elders meet at 7 p.m. Jan. 21. Feb. 8, the LWL will serve refreshments at the VA.

The Board of Education will meet Feb. 8, the LWML Feb. 11 and the Elders Feb. 18. All of those will be 7 p.m. meetings at the church.

East Fourth Street Baptist

We want to let everyone know our youth will be at Wal-Mart this Saturday selling their famous brisket burritos, weather permitting. They are working to make their money for summer camp.

If you're looking for a church home, come visit with us and share in God's Word and fellowship. Opportunities are Sunday school at 9:45 a.m., morning worship at 11 a.m. and evening worship at 6. Wednesdays at 7 p.m. Bro. Keith is teaching a Winter Adult Bible Study titled Stories for Life; from the Parables of the Kingdom in Matthew. Also on Wednesdays at 7 are youth and children Bible studies. Saturday mornings, a men's Bible study is held.

East Fourth Baptist is located at 401 E. Fourth St. Phone number is 267-2291 for more information.

St. Mary's Episcopal

Everyone is invited to attend Sunday services at St. Mary's this Sunday.

Holy communion is celebrated at 10:30 a.m. We have Sunday school for all ages at 9:30 a.m. The Planning Committee will meet in the church office following the morning service.

St. Mary's Needlepoint Class meets at 6:30 p.m. Monday in the library.

St. Mary's noon Holy Eucharist Service is held each Wednesday in the chapel.

The CnC class meets at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 20, in the parish hall.

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.

North Birdwell Lane United Methodist

North Birdwell Lane United Methodist Church, 2702 N. Birdwell Lane, invites you to worship with us Sunday.

Sunday school begins at 9:30 a.m. with different members of the class teaching each week. Worship begins at 10:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. with Billy C. Bates, certified lay minister, filling the pulpit. We are a small, loving congregation, striving to meet the needs of our church family and the surrounding community.

At 6:30 p.m. on the first and third Wednesdays, we have Bible study at the church. We are beginning the Gospel of John. On the second and fourth Wednesdays, United Methodist Women meet at 4:30 p.m. You are cordially invited to come meet with us.

Sunday afternoon, Jan. 10, the administrative council met for the first time in 2010. New officers for the years include Madeline Boadle, council chair; Nancy Wagner, secretary; Cleta Britton, financial secretary; Bill Lovelace, treasurer and lay leader; Linda Hall, staff and parish relations chair; Richard Hall, trustee chair; Glen Phillippe, Angel Food treasurer; and Laura Phillippe, Amy Meador and Jacque Mauch, communion stewards.

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Stability may come from within, but it helps when you know you're standing on solid ground. Recently, it has been challenging to forge a productive dynamic with certain people, especially those connected to your livelihood. Mercury goes direct in Capricorn, and a turnaround occurs. You'll suddenly know whom you can trust and why.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You will be inclined to look after yourself impeccably. It's not because you want to impress anyone. You actually take pleasure in the detailed process of self-care.

The stellar impression you'll make is just a bonus.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Highly opinionated people intrigue you. They always seem to have something interesting to say. However, one such person could ensnare your valuable time unnecessarily today, so keep your distance.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You'll be generous with your ideas, which serves you well. One person couldn't possibly act on all of the creativity that comes from your brain. It will be fun to see others implement your suggestions.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Your humble beginnings at work may be a dim memory by now. You long ago decided that you would work your way up the ladder, and you've come quite far. Don't stop now.

and if the underlying causes have been addressed and drugs are no longer an issue, there is hope for your relationship. Naturally, you cannot simply assume he's better. You will have to see him in action over a longer period of time, so please don't rush into any decisions.

Get to know him again, and take your time. We are sure our readers will weigh in with their own experiences, and we will print the best ones.

Dear Annie: My husband and I have different interests, but we are generally happy as a couple. One of our differences is politics.

My problem is, my husband receives political e-mails from one particular friend whom I dislike and whose political views are very one-sided and abhorrent to me.

My husband then forwards these e-mails to others. I guess I shouldn't even read them, but I do, and then I get upset. My husband says to get over it. I've signed up for a different mailbox, but it seems inconvenient. What do you think? — *Offended in Oklahoma*

Dear Arizona: If your marital problems stemmed from your husband's drug abuse,

Tomorrow's Horoscope

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You may have an impulse to make a change that won't become you. Check yourself to be sure you are not motivated by pride or vanity. Better to do nothing at all than to waste time fashioning a false appearance.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You'll seek harmony in all things. This is apparent in your visual aesthetic. If your environment is cluttered, it throws off your sense of balance. Your energy will be well spent on creating a sense of flow around you.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Something you recently learned can now be applied to increase your vitality. Much depends on your plan. Start small, with steps that are easy for you to implement.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). The mysteries of your childhood will again seem as important and intriguing as they did back then. Dig a little deeper and you'll learn exactly why something happened the way it did.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You are busy now, but not too busy to connect with one who's been formative in your development.

Maintaining meaningful contact with your roots is one of your keys to happiness and success.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Your self-assertive style could come across as threatening to one less confident. When you are aware of this, you can temper your tone without compromising your mission. Adaptability goes hand in hand with achievement.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Once you get

into a project, you will discover that you do not have all the information and supplies necessary to finish it. Stop and make a list of what you need. You can pick it up again in a few days with better results.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You will be aware of other people's emotions, and you will be able to address their feelings without getting too personal. Your sensitivity and style will earn you a high level of respect.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Jan. 15). You generate excitement and activity around you this year by doing what you do best. Your intensity is what makes you a compelling presence. Hopefully, you know what you want now. If not, decide quickly, because colleagues, employees and supporters will show up in force through the next six weeks.

Sagittarius and Pisces people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 8, 30, 15, 44 and 51.

WEEKEND LOVE FORECAST: ARIES: The love that is intertwined with common interests and compatible personality traits will be lasting. TAURUS: Your strong sense of fairness will help you to see where another person is coming from. GEMINI: Your disposition is kind, but you won't put up with less than you deserve. CANCER: You will alleviate another person's distress — a beautiful gift. LEO: You care more about the success of a joint activity than you do about your own success. VIRGO: You'll get the chance to follow through on a promise you made long ago. LIBRA: You accept a

loved one "as is," and this person blossoms in the warmth of your unconditional love.

SCORPIO: A friend connects you with just the person you were looking for.

SAGITTARIUS: Your compassion will endear you to one who's had an eye on you. **CAPRICORN:** Your happiness means everything to someone. **AQUARIUS:** It is said that love doesn't envy or boast. However, you will have something to be proud of, and loved ones may talk you up or be secretly jealous of your prize. **PISCES:** Don't get so hypnotized gazing into another person's eyes that you forget to take a moment to look together in the same direction.

COUPLE OF THE WEEKEND: Sagittarius and Gemini are two bright and curious signs that ignite a sense of wonder in each other. They are also a touch competitive and will push each other to learn and see more than either would on his or her own. Fiery Sagittarius will fall in love (either for the first time or all over again) with Gemini's quick wit and charming ways as they travel and explore through the weekend.

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Annie's Mailbox



KATHY MITCHELL
MARCY SUGAR

Dear Offended:

We think your husband is entitled to open whatever e-mails he chooses, and you should have your own mailbox so you stop becoming upset over his friends' political views. (And vice versa.)

It may be inconvenient, but it is practical and will avoid unnecessary arguments.

Dear Annie: I've noticed that when someone writes you about an office problem, you often recommend contacting the human resources department. In most cases, that would not be my recommendation, especially in these times of layoffs and unemployment.

I am recently retired, but have some experience as a first-line manager for a large respected company.

Here is what typically happens: The employee has a problem of some kind and goes to HR expecting to get resolution. HR then contacts a middle manager in this employee's chain of command.

HR expects the management team to resolve the situation and respond back to HR.

Many times, the management's response is to be angry that someone "turned them in."

Maybe short range it might be resolved, but long range, as one middle manager used to say, "Sometimes the guillotine comes down slowly."

My suggestion in most of these cases would be to try diplomatically to resolve the issue directly with the person they are having trouble with. — *Been There, Experienced That*

Dear Been There: We're sure your experience is typical at some companies, but not all. Depending on the work-related problem, employees have limited options. They can put up with it, try to diplomatically resolve it (although that is not always effective), report it to HR or quit. Sometimes there is simply no "best" solution.

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To make or not make a resolution

A resolution is a promise we make to ourselves and the value we place upon our words determines whether we keep the promise or not. If we are negligent in keeping our word to others, it is likely we will place little importance on keeping our word to ourselves. The fact is, the way we treat ourselves, feel and speak about ourselves, and conduct our lives all have major implications on us as human beings, and this works in both the positive and the negative realms.



JERRIE STOCKS

more than our finite minds can comprehend; yet treating ourselves with respect is of great value and goes a long way in giving rise to the success we obtain in life. I venture to say that seldom, if ever, do we stop and contemplate being created from the soil of the earth. We know that Adam was produced from the soil and Eve from Adam's rib, but since Adam's rib came from the earth, we females too came indirectly from the soil.

When God invented matter, He invested His great creative Self into this world, and specifically into the design of the human body, so the least we can do is be grateful by showing respect for something so awesomely and magnificently designed.

What does this have to do with making a New Year's resolution

you may ask? Simple. Making resolutions is merely a way to calibrate how much value we place on our words. If we continually make promises that we never keep, our minds soon accept this as the norm, and then it becomes almost impossible to make a promise or vow and see it through to fruition.

Anthony Robbins, a well-known motivational speaker, once said, "If you are going to keep your word to anybody, make sure it is to yourself." My thoughts are in agreement with his. After pondering why so many fail to keep the commitments they make to themselves, I believe it all boils down to one simple thing — a lack of respect for oneself. In making haphazard

pledges, we are showing disregard for ourselves and others, and many times our experience reaps unpleasant results. The Bible says that "ill-spoken words are like rot to the bones."

When I was growing up, my dad often said to my sisters and me, "If you make a promise to yourself, be sure you can keep it." Then he added, "You learn first to keep the promises you make to yourself, then you will do so to others." I didn't fully understand then, but years later I realized the impact of those words. My dad was always a man of his word. Therefore, in following his example, it is important for me to think before making a vow to myself or others.

Colossians 3:3 says,

"We are in Him and He is in us." My question then is, do I really want to subject Jesus Christ to oaths I make if I am negligent in keeping my word? Certainly not! The Bible warns of doing this in Ecclesiastes 5:6, "Do not let your mouth cause your flesh to sin ..."

A noted physiologist recently gave the statistics that only about 42 percent of those making resolutions keep them for any length of time and even less than that percentage bother to keep promises they make to themselves.

So the greater question would be, how important is your word to you and how important are you to your word? In essence, making a resolution is just something many of us do at the beginning

of each New Year as a way of improving our lives, right? However, the finer point becomes a test in keeping our word to ourselves, which speaks volumes about how much honor we give ourselves.

When I was sixteen, my grandmother, a spirited little lady who was born and reared in a small community outside Braxton, England, said to me, "Your only obligation in life is to be yourself, so be yourself well. Class never follows the crowd, but the smart ones will follow class."

So may we all consider well our decisions and then follow through with our word. After all, we will never make progress if we are always calling "time out".

God bless

Sanctity of Life Prayer Rally & Candlelight Service

Saturday, Jan. 23 from 7 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Heart of the City Park

CHURCH NEWS

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First Church of the Nazarene

Join us for Sunday morning fellowship at 9:30 with coffee and donuts, followed by worship service at 10 a.m. Children's Church services for ages 4-11 are in the fellowship hall Sunday mornings, also at 10.

Wednesdays, our Naz Family classes begin at 6:30 p.m. for all ages. There are classes that not only feed you spiritually but also allow you to kick back and relax. NazKidz (ages 4 years through third grade) meets in the classrooms at the north end of the fellowship hall for Bible class. The fourth through sixth grade pre-teens have their own "gender focused" classes starting this month. The boys will learn how to grow into Godly men as they meet under the "Salt Shaker" in the gym. The girls will meet in the east classroom under the "Salt Shaker" and learn how to grow into Christian ladies. We are very excited to offer these new classes for our pre-teens. Youth Explosion with Pastor Cal, for seventh through 12th graders, is also Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.

Adults can choose one of the following options: The Coffee Class is studying Joy Comes in the Morning from Max Lucado's book, "He Still Moves Stones." Another is the study of the Nazarene Holiness movement and how it relates to our lives today. Or you may be a part of a study of "Life in the Spirit: a study of the book of Galatians." Can't come on Wednesday nights? Our solution is Life Groups. Thursdays at 7, the College and Young Adults Life Group meets with Pastor Cal. Sunday evenings at 6:30 is the Harvest Life Group (for young families) and Financial Peace University at 6 p.m. in the fellowship hall.

If you have any questions about the Church of the Nazarene, call 267-7015 or e-mail us at church@nazfamily.org. Also look us up on our Facebook and Twitter under Big Spring First Church of the Nazarene.

Religion briefs

Church votes to split from parent

ROANOKE, Va. (AP) — Members of a Roanoke church have voted to leave the country's largest Lutheran denomination over its policy to allow gay clergy.

St. John Lutheran Pastor Mark Graham said church members voted 350-104 in favor of the split from the national Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Church rules required a two-thirds majority for reaffiliation.

At its annual convention in August, ELCA delegates voted to lift a ban that had prohibited gay and lesbian pastors who were not celibate from serving as clergy. The new policy, expected to take effect in April, will allow such individuals to lead ELCA churches as long as they can show that they are in committed, lifelong relationships.

'So help me God'

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — A Republican member of the Iowa Legislature is proposing lawmakers should be required to say "so help me God" when being sworn into office.

Free-speech advocates say the proposal by Mount Auburn Rep. Dawn Pettengill goes against the First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution. American Civil Liberties Union legal director Randall Wilson says compelled speech violates the First Amendment just as much as censored speech.

Pettengill's resolution would change the Iowa Constitution.

STALKING: KNOW IT. NAME IT. STOP IT.

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IF YOU'RE STALKED

You might:

- Feel **fear** of what the stalker will do.
- Feel **vulnerable**, unsafe, and not know who to trust.
- Feel **anxious**, irritable, impatient, or on edge.
- Feel **depressed**, hopeless, overwhelmed, tearful, or angry.
- Feel **stressed**, including having trouble concentrating, sleeping, or remembering things.
- Have **eating problems**, such as appetite loss, forgetting to eat, or overeating.
- Have **flashbacks**, disturbing thoughts, feelings, or memories.
- Feel **confused, frustrated, or isolated** because other people don't understand why you are afraid.

These are common reactions to being stalked.

IF SOMEONE YOU KNOW IS BEING STALKED, YOU CAN HELP.

Listen. Show support. Don't blame the victim for the crime. Remember that every situation is different, and allow the person being stalked to make choices about how to handle it. Find someone you can talk to about the situation. Take steps to ensure your own safety. For more ideas on how you can help, call 1-800-FYI-CALL.

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ARE YOU BEING STALKED?

Stalking is a series of actions that make you feel afraid or in danger. Stalking is serious, often violent, and can escalate over time.

Stalking is a crime.

A stalker can be someone you know well or not at all. Most have dated or been involved with the people they stalk. Most stalking cases involve men stalking women, but men do stalk men, women do stalk women, and women do stalk men.

Some things stalkers do:

- Repeatedly call you, including hang-ups.
- Follow you and show up wherever you are.
- Send unwanted gifts, letters, cards, or e-mails.
- Damage your home, car, or other property.
- Monitor your phone calls or computer use.
- Use technology, like hidden cameras or global positioning systems (GPS), to track where you go.
- Drive by or hang out at your home, school, or work.
- Threaten to hurt you, your family, friends, or pets.
- Find out about you by using public records or on-line search services, hiring investigators, going through your garbage, or contacting friends, family, neighbors, or co-workers.
- Other actions that control, track, or frighten you.

You are not to blame for a stalker's behavior.

THINGS YOU CAN DO

Stalking is unpredictable and dangerous. No two stalking situations are alike. There are no guarantees that what works for one person will work for another, yet you can take steps to increase your safety.

If you are in **immediate danger**, call 911.

Trust your **instincts**. Don't downplay the danger. If you feel you are unsafe, you probably are.

Take **threats** seriously. Danger generally is higher when the stalker talks about suicide or murder, or when a victim tries to leave or end the relationship.

Contact a crisis hotline, **victim services agency**, or a domestic violence or rape crisis program. They can help you devise a safety plan, give you information about local laws, refer you to other services, and weigh options such as seeking a protection order.

Develop a **safety plan**, including things like changing your routine, arranging a place to stay, and having a friend or relative go places with you. Also, decide in advance what to do if the stalker shows up at your home, work, school, or somewhere else. Tell people how they can help you.

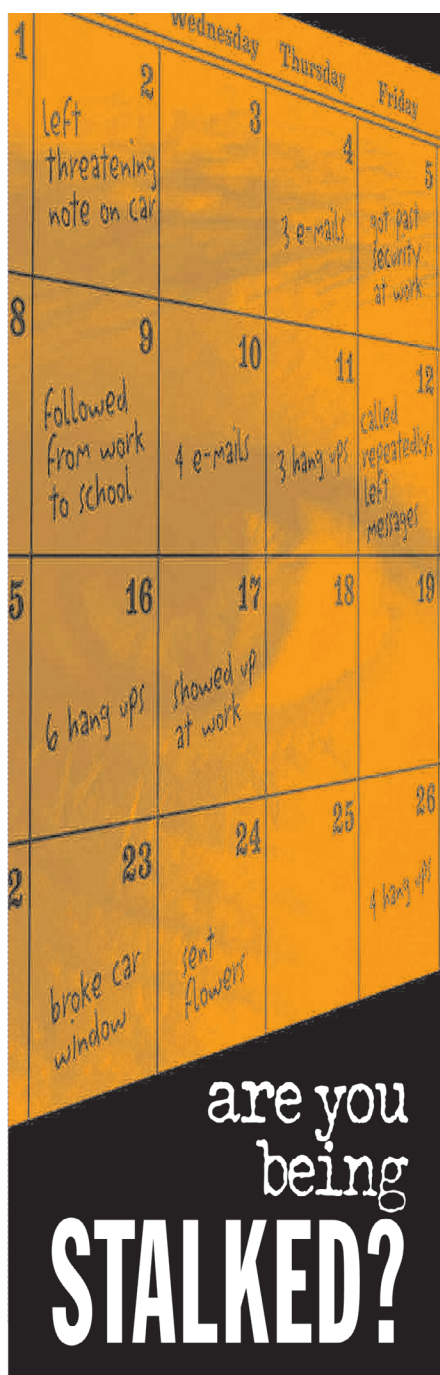
Don't communicate with the stalker or respond to attempts to contact you.

Keep **evidence** of the stalking. When the stalker follows you or contacts you, write down the time, date, and place. Keep e-mails, phone messages, letters, or notes. Photograph anything of yours the stalker damages and any injuries the stalker causes. Ask witnesses to write down what they saw.

Contact the **police**. Every state has stalking laws. The stalker may also have broken other laws by doing things like assaulting you or stealing or destroying your property.

Consider getting a **court order** that tells the stalker to stay away from you.

Tell **family, friends, roommates, and co-workers** about the stalking and seek their support. Tell security staff at your job or school. Ask them to help watch out for your safety.



are you being STALKED?

3.4 million people are stalked each year in the United States.

Women are three times more likely to be stalked than men.



A Is for Apple

(and Amazing, Appetizing, Apple-icious Recipes)

FAMILY FEATURES

Crisp, juicy apples are one of this country's favorite fruits. Fresh and whole, sliced up with dips or baked into treats — there are hundreds of ways to enjoy a good apple. And there are a dizzying number of varieties to choose from.

The Jazz apple is a fairly new kind of apple with a tangy-sweet taste and a resounding crunch. This all-natural Royal Gala and Braeburn cross is available in a wide range of sizes, making it easy to find just the right one for the kids' lunch boxes or for adding to a fresh salad. Its firm texture holds up well to baking, too, adding new life to old favorites like apple pies, crisps and tarts.

These apple-icious recipes take advantage of Jazz's unique flavor and will earn a place on your list of favorites, too:

- Get jazzed about salsa with Chilled Out Apple Salsa — a sweet and sassy combo that's great for dipping or topping your favorite quesadillas.
- Tender greens, Jazz apples, hazelnuts and bleu cheese topped with balsamic vinaigrette will have guests singing the praises of Rae Ann's Jazz & Blues Salad.
- With a name like Jazz, how could there not be a recipe for New Orleans Beignets? Serve these with your favorite coffee for a morning treat or an after-dinner riff on dessert.

Available in limited amounts worldwide since 2003, Jazz apples from Enza are now grown in both Washington and New Zealand, making them available the entire year — from November to April from the Pacific Northwest, and May to October from the fruit bowl of the Pacific. Grown by a limited group of the world's finest apple growers, Jazz apples are grown under stringent standards to ensure the same great flavor in every apple. And their incredible shelf life means you can keep them in the fridge for up to a month and enjoy their delicious difference for a long time.

For more recipes and additional information on Jazz, visit jazzapple.com. See what people are saying on Twitter at twitter.com/jazzapple and Facebook at facebook.com/jazzapple.

Chilled Out Apple Salsa

- 2 Enza Jazz apples, cored and diced
- 2 cups tomatoes, peeled and diced
- 1 celery stalk
- 1 onion, diced
- 1 green pepper, diced
- 1 1/2 teaspoons salt
- 1 tablespoon cider vinegar
- 1 tablespoon sugar
- 1 green chili pepper, chopped

Combine all ingredients; if finer texture is desired, put through food grinder using fine blade. Cover tightly and chill overnight. Serve with chips or as a topping for cheese quesadillas, tacos or nachos.

An Apple a Day...

Recent studies have shown that apples can be a vital force in preventing cardiovascular disease, asthma, Alzheimer's, cancer and obesity. A medium-sized apple is a good source of dietary fiber, and has flavonoids that may improve memory and learning, according to The Journal of Nutrition Health and Aging.



New Orleans Beignets

Makes 15 beignets

- 1 whole egg
- 3 tablespoons superfine sugar
- 1/2 cup milk
- 1/4 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1/4 cup flour
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 2 Enza Jazz apples, cored and sliced into matchsticks
- Oil for deep frying
- Confectioner's sugar for dusting

Separate egg and mix yolks with 2 tablespoons sugar. Stir in milk, vanilla and dry ingredients and mix until smooth. Leave batter mixture to rest in the fridge for 20 minutes.

Whisk egg white to form soft peaks. Gradually whisk in remaining sugar. Gently fold egg whites and apples into batter.

Heat deep frying oil to a high heat (340°F). Spoon small scoops of batter carefully into oil. Cook until golden on each side. Lift out and place on paper towels to drain. Dust with confectioner's sugar and serve immediately.

Recipe courtesy of Chef Geoff Scott

Rae Ann's Jazz & Blues Salad with Balsamic Italian Vinaigrette

Makes 4 servings

- 1 package baby greens salad mix
- 2 medium sized Enza Jazz apples, skin on, cored and diced into large chunks
- 1 cup crumbled bleu cheese
- 1 cup crushed hazelnuts

Balsamic Italian Vinaigrette:

- 1 1/2 teaspoons Mrs. Dash (or similar)
- 1 1/2 teaspoons garlic salt
- 1/8 teaspoon dried parsley flakes
- 1/8 teaspoon garlic powder
- 1/16 teaspoon onion powder
- 1/16 teaspoon oregano
- 1/8 teaspoon basil
- 1/8 teaspoon paprika
- 3/4 teaspoon sugar
- 1/16 teaspoon pepper
- 3 tablespoons water
- 1/2 cup oil
- 1/8 cup red wine vinegar
- 1/8 cup balsamic vinegar
- 1/2 tablespoon fresh garlic, minced (optional)

For vinaigrette, combine dry ingredients in a sealable plastic bag and shake vigorously. Mix water, oil, vinegar and garlic in a salad dressing cruet or a blender. Once well mixed, add blended dry ingredients and shake or mix vigorously.

In salad bowl, lightly dress baby greens; mix with the vinaigrette. Add apples, bleu cheese and hazelnuts, and gently toss salad until well mixed. Serve immediately.



Monday, Keep Big Spring Beautiful Past President Walter Ward swore in new officers for 2010. From left to right are Secretary Nancy Crenshaw, Vice President Janice Bishop and President Jo Ann Stalcup. Not pictured is Treasurer Jan Foresyth. Special awards went to Bishop for Outstanding Volunteer and Wal-Mart for Business Support. Other awards from Keep Texas Beautiful were presented to: Kim Walsh, Certificate of Merit; City of Big Spring; Gold Star Affiliate, Big Spring Herald; third place Media Award; and First Christian Church, Youth Leadership. Ward announced during the banquet all the many projects completed throughout the past year and those planned for 2010.

Courtesy photo



Club News

Big Spring Art Association

The Big Spring Art Association will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the basement of Howard County Library.

The program will be given by Judy Tereletsky, local artist and teacher. She will be demonstrating print making.

Everyone interested in the arts is invited.

TOPS Club TX 0021

TOPS Club TX 0021 came to order with a rousing TOPS cheer led by Leader Laura Sickles. Olnee Menges led the TOPS pledge and Ethel Cassady led the KOPS pledge. The TOPS welcome song was then led by Linda Stapel.

A humorous reading was given by Linda Stapel entitled "When you want another helping, you can't fix stupid." The minutes of the previous meeting were read by Mary Berry and approved by the membership.

Roll call was led by Hughetta Roberts, TOPS weight recorder. Twelve TOPS and two KOPS answered with a great loss of 21.75 pounds.

Amy Johnson was declared the weekly best loser for a 4.75-pound loss. She was awarded a certificate and \$1 cash. Hurrah for Amy!

The business part of the meeting began with Frank Sickles announcing a new TOPS TX Web site. Weekly weight information will be reported to Clara Cleghorn, TOPS area captain, via this Web site.

KOPS Honor Society Activity Day will be held in Abilene during February.

A motion to approve the purchase of a new financial record book was made. Frank Sickles then read a correspondence form the area captain encouraging TOPS members to continue with their weight loss program. Never give up!

The program for the evening was presented by Linda Stapel titled "The armor we need to wear to win the fight is self control." We must use self control to stay away from high calorie foods and more self control to do the exercise we need to lose excess weight. We must do what we need to do to be able to do what we want to do.

TOPS TX 0021 meets Monday evening in the First Christian Church fellowship hall at 10th and Goliad streets. Weigh-in begins at 5:30 p.m. and the meeting starts at 6 p.m.

Please come and meet with us. TOPS does work. For more information, call Frank Sickles at (432) 213-1342 or Olnee Menges at 263-6819.

Odds & Ends

\$500 tip leads police to \$66 million in fake bills

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia (AP) — Malaysian police have arrested a Lebanese man allegedly carrying fake currency with a face value of \$66 million after he tipped a hotel staff with a \$500 note, an official said Friday.

The largest U.S. note currently in wide circulation is a \$100 bill. But police found bundles of \$1 million, \$100,000 and \$500 notes in the man's hotel room in Kuala Lumpur on Sunday, said Izany Abdul Ghany, head of the city's commercial crime unit.

Hotel staff alerted police after a housekeeper received a \$500 note tip and found out it was fake when she tried to convert it to local currency at a money changer, Izany said.

The man could be charged for possessing counterfeit money and, if found guilty, face up to 10 years in jail, he said.

The largest U.S. note ever printed was a special edition one for \$100,000 in 1934. Bills of \$500 were last printed in 1945 and are now no longer in wide circulation, according to the U.S. Treasury Department.

This is not the first time the man has been in trouble with the law in Malaysia, Izany said.

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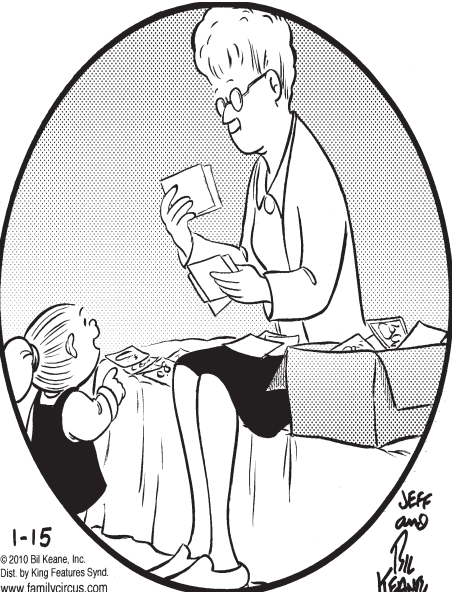
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"RUFF GROWLED AT THE PIZZA DELIVERY GUY."

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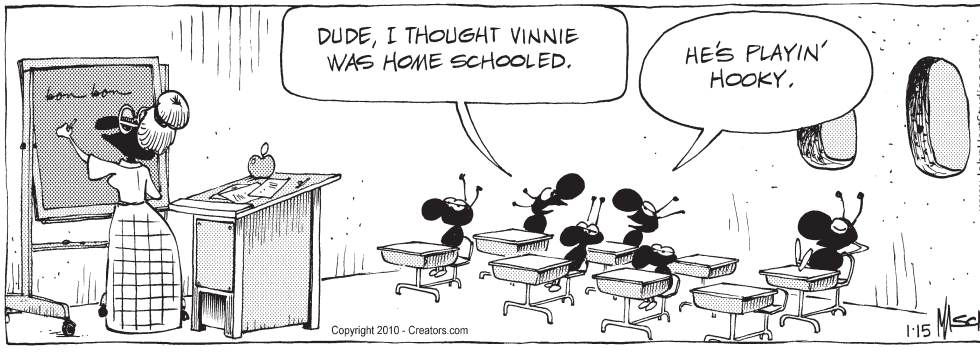


"You sure have a lot of cute pictures of us, Grandma."

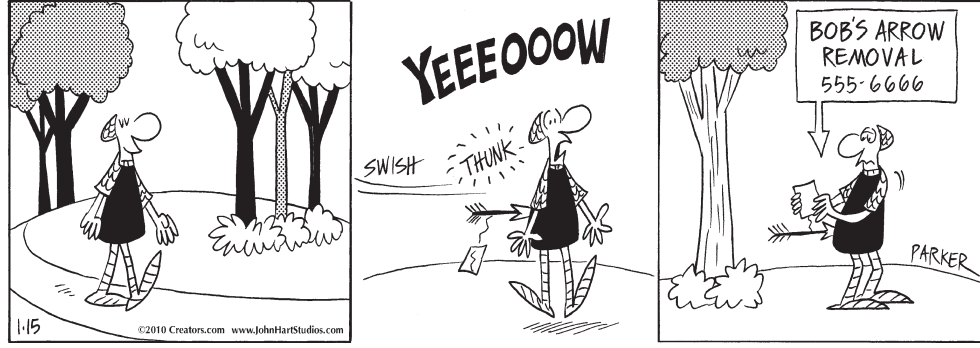
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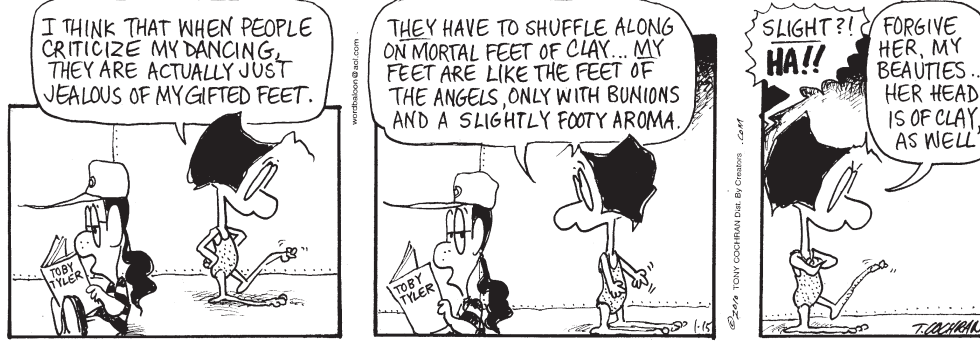
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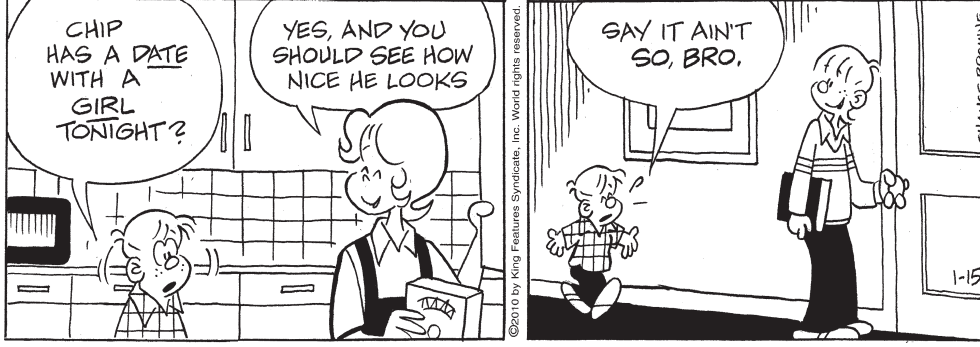
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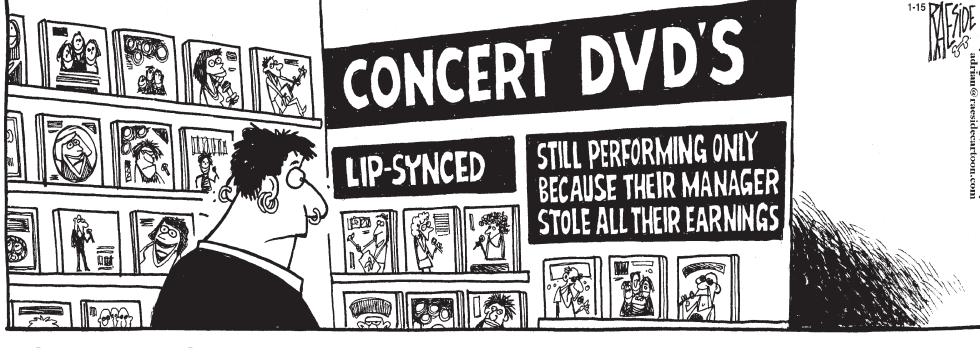
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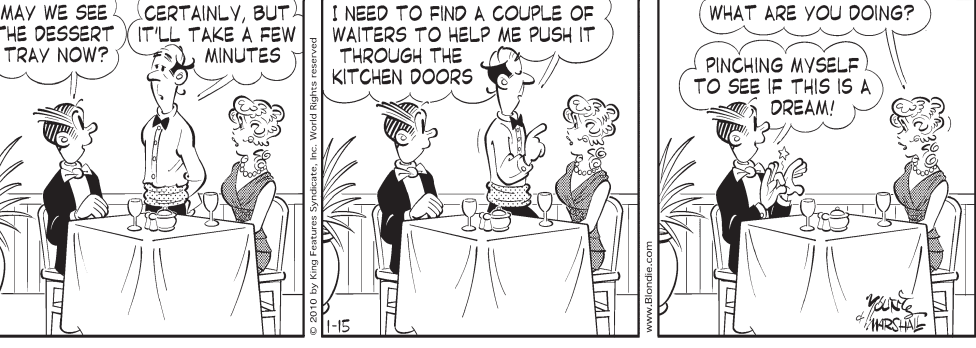
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This Date In History

Today is Friday, Jan. 15, the 15th day of 2010. There are 350 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Jan. 15, 2009, US Airways Capt. Chesley "Sully" Sullenberger ditched his Airbus 320 in the Hudson River after a flock of birds disabled both the plane's engines; all 155 people aboard survived.

On this date:

In 1559, England's Queen Elizabeth I was crowned in Westminster Abbey.

In 1777, the people of New Connecticut declared their independence. (The tiny republic later became the state of Vermont.)

In 1844, the University of Notre Dame received its charter from the state of Indiana.

In 1850, pioneering Russian mathematician Sonya Kovalevsky was born in Moscow.

In 1929, civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr. was

born in Atlanta.

In 1942, Jawaharlal Nehru was named to succeed Mohandas K. Gandhi as head of India's Congress Party.

In 1943, work was completed on the Pentagon, headquarters of the U.S. Department of War (now Defense).

In 1947, the mutilated remains of 22-year-old Elizabeth Short, who came to be known as the "Black Dahlia," were found in a vacant Los Angeles lot; her slaying remains unsolved.

In 1967, the Green Bay Packers of the National Football League defeated the Kansas City Chiefs of the American Football League 35-10 in the first AFL-NFL World Championship Game, retroactively known as Super Bowl I.

In 1973, President Richard M. Nixon announced the suspension of all U.S. offensive action in North Vietnam, citing progress in peace negotiations.

One year ago: In a farewell address to the nation, President George W. Bush said while his policies were unpopular, there could be little debate about the results: "America has gone more than seven years without another terrorist attack on our

soil."

Today's Birthdays: Actress Margaret O'Brien is 73. Singer Don Van Vliet (aka "Captain Beefheart") is 69. Actress Andrea Martin is 63. Actor-director Mario Van Peebles is 53. Actor James Nesbitt is 45. Singer Lisa Lisa (Lisa Lisa and Cult Jam) is 43. Actor Chad Lowe is 42. Alt-country singer Will Oldham (aka "Bonnie Prince Billy") is 40. Actress Regina King is 39. Actor Eddie Cahill is 32. Rapper/reggaeton artist Pitbull is 29.

Thought for Today: "A man can't ride your back unless it's bent." — Martin Luther King Jr. (1929-1968).

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Answer to previous puzzle

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Newsday Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Port of Israel
 - 6 Montezuma, for one
 - 11 Sheriff's 23 Down
 - 14 Spanish cooking pots
 - 15 Dora the Explorer's cousin
 - 16 Mia in Pulp Fiction
 - 17 Flapper's dance
 - 19 Half of CVIII
 - 20 %, for one
 - 21 Out of this world
 - 22 Simon's former American Idol colleague
 - 24 German seaport
 - 26 University of Texas locale
 - 27 Continued
 - 29 Tap-dance style
 - 31 Coffee preference
 - 32 Skeptical comment
 - 33 ___-pitch softball
 - 34 Grenoble girlfriends
 - 35 Consumed
 - 38 Broadcast
 - 40 Crystal-lined rock
 - 42 Wooden-shoe folk dance
 - 45 Friends star
 - 46 Knee-slapper
 - 47 Shirley Jones' eldest son
 - 48 Pal
 - 49 Statuette with a sword
 - 51 Links letters
 - 54 Coast Guard noncom
- DOWN**
- 1 Want-ad listings
 - 2 One on your side
 - 3 Dance of Spain
 - 4 Univ. staff
 - 5 Requested from
 - 6 Embellish
 - 7 Pasta selection
 - 8 Chapeau holder
 - 9 Freudian subject
 - 10 Make sense, informally
 - 11 Minnesota city
 - 12 Charlie Sheen's brother
 - 13 Stately dance
 - 18 Had a job as
 - 23 Helper: Abbr.
 - 25 Kingston Trio song
 - 26 Andrews and Edwards: Abbr.
 - 27 Dict. entries
 - 28 Moray, for one
 - 29 Toss
 - 30 Jackie O's designer
 - 32 Card player's words
 - 34 Grammy-winning singer India. ___
 - 35 Dance in H.M.S. Pinafore
 - 36 Hubbub
 - 37 Drops early?
 - 38 Enthralled
 - 39 With low character
 - 40 Cautious
 - 41 www.bucknell. ___
 - 42 Latin dance
 - 43 Santa Barbara County city
 - 44 Slothful
 - 45 Mongolian ruler
 - 47 Barely sufficient
 - 49 Numerical prefix
 - 50 Aspen gear
 - 52 Growl
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 - 56 Mideast fed.
 - 57 Telephone trio

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