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Trinady Joslin works on her poppy wreath while participating in the Hangar 25 Air Museum's Kid's Club summer program Thursday. The children were making the wreaths while studying about Memorial Day and other holidays, said Joe Hays, executive director of the museum.

On sale: Roasted Stripling

Boy Scout fundraiser will feature longtime supporter

By STEVE REAGAN
 Staff Writer

A world-class talker is about to get a world-class talking-to.

All in good fun and all for a good cause, of course. The Boy Scouts of America Buffalo Trail Council will stage a roast of local resident Hayes Stripling Jr. at 6:30 p.m. Aug. 24 at the Big Spring Country Club. Stripling, a long-time BSA backer, will receive the organization's Good Scout Award during the event.

Tickets are \$50 per person and are available through the Buffalo Trail Council's Midland Office through Aug. 17. Proceeds go to benefit area Scouting programs.

Warren and Sandra Wallace will emcee the roast. A slate of seven "roasters" is being lined up for the event, organizers said.

Event organizers met at the country club Thursday to begin finalizing plans for the roast, which is expected to attract up to 300 people.

The Rev. Sharon Wiese, pastor of First United Methodist Church, said Stripling, well-known around town for his ability to talk at length on a wide variety of topics, was an obvious choice as a target for some good-natured ribbing.

"Hayes is very deserving of a roast because he is one of the biggest characters in this town, bar none," Wiese said. "And he is very deserving of this honor because he has been a tireless supporter of Scouting and all things to do with youth in our area."

Valerie Acosta, finance director for the Buffalo Trail Council, said several ticket options are available for persons wishing to attend the roast.

Aside from single-ticket costs, \$400 will reserve a table

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Hayes Stripling Jr.

Rock the Desert 2010 under way in Midland

By THOMAS JENKINS
 Staff Writer

The West Texas desert will come alive again tonight, as Rock the Desert 2010 - Rock On continues in Midland with its second night of Christian music and fun.

Rock the Desert Ministries, a Christian faith-based non-profit organization, began Thursday with its Metal Night, and will continue its festival-style romp through Satur-

day, according to RTD spokesperson Allison Greer, complete with music, food and plenty of fun.

"Every year the Rock the Desert event, located just off of Highway 1788, brings in thousands of concertgoers from all across the United States," Greer said. "Last year the attendance was 15,000. This year's attendance

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Fans help beat the heat

By THOMAS JENKINS
 Staff Writer

The heat is back, and one local charity is doing its part to try to help are low income residents cope with the rising mercury.

After enjoying a nice stretch

or rainy and cool weather, temperatures in the Crossroads are have already begun to climb back into the 100-plus range, and for many area residents there is little or no relief from the stifling heat.

The local Salvation Army is doing its best to help, however, as the charity continues its annual fan drive designed to provide fans to low-income residents and families and, hopefully, some respite from the brutal West Texas heat.

Salvation Army Social Worker Paula Lafler said the program has already provided a number of fans to those in need, and while autumn is right around the corner, the need for donations is far from over.

"As most everyone who has spent any length of time in West Texas already knows, the heat doesn't let up just because the calendar says it's fall," Lafler said. "There are still plenty of hot days to come

before things actually begin to cool down, so the need for fans isn't going to let up any time soon."

According to officials with the National Weather Service in Midland, temperatures this week and next are expected to hover at or near the 100-degree mark.

Lafler said the Salvation Army is trying to target the elderly and small children

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Coahoma's new football coach Trey Gardner talks with his team at practice Thursday. The Bulldogs are installing the Wing-T formation in their offense, different from the spread offense they ran last season.

Coahoma installing new-look offense at practice

BY ADAM COLEMAN
Sports Editor

Coahoma head coach Trey Gardner already set the bar high the first time he had a chance to speak to his team before two-a-days started.

"We talked about how long it had been since there had been a district championship trophy put up in Coahoma, that these were our intentions," said Gardner, who was hired as the Bulldogs' new coach in June. "We were going to do what it took to do that. It's going to be very much team-oriented. We were going to do it as a group and we were going to ask some guys to change positions. We were going to ask people to do what was best for the overall program."

The mood at Coahoma's two-a-days is, in fact, team-oriented and the proof can be found in the Bulldogs' new offense.

Known more for their

"We're trying to push a team concept. We don't want to be based entirely on one person. If the lead buffalo runs off the cliff, then the rest of you do, too."

Trey Gardner,
Coahoma football head coach

passing attack last season, the Bulldogs are switching to the Wing-T, which utilizes the ground attack more.

Gardner said it's the most drastic change for his players who have had a lot of offense to learn during the first few days of practice.

"We've got a learning curve here," he said. "They're coming along pretty good. First few days in shorts, we've really tried to overload them. We put a lot of offense on in a short amount of time. We really taxed them early."

Gardner said he has the players to make a change like this on offense, though. He said the Bulldogs plan on running the ball roughly 70 percent of the

time.

Gardner said there won't be that star running back either, which fits with the message he's trying to send his players.

The Bulldogs plan on running the ball by committee, making it somewhat difficult for defenses to key in on one player. Instead of one player getting 30 carries, Gardner said, expect six to get 12 each.

Gardner said there is no one player on his team that shines brighter than the others, and that's good. Instead, Gardner has a handful of solid players who will equally be key to the team's success.

"We're trying to push a team concept," he said. "We don't want to

be based entirely on one person. If the lead buffalo runs off the cliff, then the rest of you do, too. So we're going to mix it around quite a bit."

Depth is key, too. Gardner said the Bulldogs are about two-deep at every position.

While this week has been a good opportunity to learn a lot of the new offense, Gardner said Thursday's practice was mainly for making sure players had a good handle of what they've learned.

All these changes are in addition to the fact Gardner is still trying to get used to his players in his first year at Coahoma and his play

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Rangers blank Mariners, 6-0

SEATTLE (AP) — Nothing is slowing down the Texas Rangers' run to their first AL West title in 11 years.

Not bankruptcy. Not contentious, drawn-out sales of a professional sports team. And certainly not the dreadful Seattle Mariners.

David Murphy hit his second go-ahead home run in two nights, this one to break through against Felix Hernandez, and Tommy Hunter resumed his excellence as the Texas Rangers cruised to a 6-0 victory over Seattle on Thursday night.

Murphy drove in the game's seventh homer of the season in the seventh, on a first-pitch fastball from Seattle's \$78 million ace.

"He's a guy you've got to get early. You don't

want to face him with two strikes," Murphy said of Hernandez, last season's runner-up for the AL Cy Young Award. "I was just looking for something up."

Up describes Hunter, again. The 24-year-old right-hander (9-1) had lost for the first time this season in his previous start, allowing eight runs at the Angels. That was five more runs than he'd allowed in any of his first 10 starts after debuting on June 5.

On Thursday, he pitched 6 2/3 scoreless innings against the worst offensive team in the major leagues to up the Rangers' lead in the AL West to a season-high tying 8½ games over the idle Athletics.

This time, he used more changeups than he said he'd ever thrown to

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'Killer Bs' still force on Cowboys defense

SAN ANTONIO (AP)— Bradie James and Keith Brooking got used to the routine of having different players beside them on the field until the inside linebackers came together in the middle of the Dallas Cowboys' 3-4 defense.

The tandem coach Wade Phillips likes to refer to as the "Killer Bs" was an immediate success. Now they get a chance to do it again.

In their second camp together with the Cowboys, there is no need for the kind of feeling-out process James and Brooking went through a year ago when they were teammates for the first time. Neither of them is having to learn somebody new for a change.

"With him being

around, I know what I'm going to get," James said. "We were just feeling each other out, but now I know, and that only makes us better. He's fast and I'm the bruiser. ... Our rapport is good."

Before Brooking got to Dallas last year, James had teamed with at least five other inside linebackers while starting all 64 games in the first four seasons after the Cowboys changed their defensive alignment.

During his eight consecutive seasons starting every game in Atlanta's mostly 4-3 defense before that, Brooking said "there was a lot of turnover for me ... different guys coming in each and every year

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Sports in brief

Big Spring Football Season Tickets

Get season tickets at the Big Spring High School ATC. Previous season ticket holders can purchase tickets from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday starting July 26 and ending Aug. 9. Public ticket sales are from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday starting Aug. 10 and ending Aug. 18. The cost is \$25 dollars per ticket book, which includes five home games. The last day to purchase will be Aug. 18. Any questions should be directed toward Kay Cook at 264-3662.

Athletic Physical Exams Notice

Athletic physical exams are required by the University Interscholastic League for all athletes entering the seventh, ninth and 11th grades.

This also includes any new person to athletics who has never completed a physical exam. Forms can be picked up at the Athletic Training Center.

Once completed, the physical form must be turned in to coach Campbell in the training room or to Kay Cook, the athletic secretary. Prior to Aug. 2, equipment will not be checked out until physical is complete and on file in the training room. For more information call 264-3662.

Over 80 Scramble

The Big Spring Country Club invites everyone to participate in its over 80 scramble Aug. 14 and 15. It benefits the Big Spring Shirne Club.

Cominbed ages of the 2-person team must be 80 or higher. Entry fee is \$60 per player plus the golf cart. Private carts are welcome.

There is a 1 p.m. shotgun start both days. Entry includes barbecue on the course both days. For more information call the Pro Shop at 267-5354.

Coahoma Girls Softball Association

There will be a meeting at 7 p.m. Aug. 10 at the community center and everyone is welcome to attend.

Junior High Football Equipment Pick-up

Pick-up takes place from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday and Tuesday at the junior high school. Make sure if player is entering the seventh grade or is new to the district he has a physical.

If you have any questions or concerns, contact the ATC at 264-3662.

Soccer Sign-ups

Big Spring Soccer Association will have sign-ups from noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, then from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday, Aug. 9 through 13. The last day to sign up is from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Aug. 14. All sign-ups are at the Big Spring Mall. There will be no late registration. This for 3-to 13-year-olds and cost is \$65.

Call Issac Miramontes at 935-9056 for more information

Big Spring Quarterback Club

The club meets every Monday at 7 p.m. All parents of football players 7th through 12th grade are encouraged to attend. For more information call Denise Carrillo at 816-1685.

Guys and Gals Scramble

The Big Spring Country Club WGA invites everyone to participate in this golf tournament Saturday and Sunday. Entry fee is \$150 per team plus the golf cart and includes lunch Saturday and a meal following play Sunday. Practice round are available Friday. Shotgun start is at 9 a.m. Saturday and 1 p.m. Sunday. Call the Pro Shop at 267-5354 for more information.



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Obituaries

M.A. Oliver

M.A. Oliver, 87, of Big Spring died Thursday, Aug. 5, 2010, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. tonight at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Graveside services with military honors will be held at 9 a.m. Saturday at Loraine Cemetery with the Rev. Joel Miller officiating.

He was born Dec. 18, 1922, in Ben Wheeler, located in Van Zandt County to Lola Inez and Churchael Allen Oliver. He grew up in Colorado City and came to Big Spring in the 1950s. He married Betty Louise Compton in February of 1943 in Mitchell County. She preceded him in death on Dec. 15, 1989.

He had a cabinet shop and was a carpenter for Bob & Lewis Hinesly, building homes and nursing homes. He was a veteran of the United States Army in World War II, serving in Europe and Africa. He was in Normandy and the Battle of the Bulge.

He is survived by five daughters, Janice Oliver of Fort Worth, Evelyn Oliver of Dallas, Dian Chesnutt of Big Spring, Susan Van Diver of Beaumont and Patsy Thompson of Groves; one son, George Oliver of Big Spring; three sisters, Dorothy Cheney of Abilene, Esteen Gunn of Grand Prairie and Joy Morris of San Angelo; two brothers, Charles Oliver of Abilene and Dean Oliver of San Antonio; 20 grandchildren; 35 great-grandchildren; and a number of great-great-grandchildren.

In addition to his wife, he was preceded in death by two sisters, Jan Faulkner in 2002 and Peggy Edwards in 2007.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersand-smith.com

Support Groups

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.

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Willie Hubbard

Willie Hubbard, 81, of Big Spring died Monday, Aug. 2, 2010, at the Veterans Administration Medical Center. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday at Baker's Chapel A.M.E. Church with the Rev. Eddie Williams of Baker's Chapel A.M.E. Church and Minister Dejuan Trotter of North Park Missionary Baptist Church of Dallas officiating. Graveside services with military honors will be held Monday at 11 a.m. at the Texas State Veterans Cemetery at Abilene.

He was born Jan. 20, 1929, in Bartlett to Jennie Lee and Willis Hubbard. He was a veteran of the United States Army. He had been a resident of Big Spring for more than 50 years, retiring from Herman's Restaurant. He was a member of Baker's Chapel A.M.E. Church.

He is survived by his mother, Jennie Hubbard of Bartlett; three brothers, Henry Hubbard and wife Dorothy of Fayetteville, Spencer Hubbard and wife Lyann of Georgetown, and Shelton Hubbard and wife Melba of Dallas; eight sisters, Betty Haywood and Hattie Taylor, both of Dallas, Dorothy Ford of Bartlett, Mardine Woolridge and husband Roy of Bartlett, Callie Harris and husband Osby of Richardson, Mary Hubbard, Clara Fletcher, Shirley Johnson and husband Alvin, all of Dallas; and a host of nieces, nephews and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his father, two sisters and one brother.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersand-smith.com

Today's Weather

Local 5-Day Forecast				
Sat 8/7	Sun 8/8	Mon 8/9	Tue 8/10	Wed 8/11
98/73 Some clouds and possibly an isolated thunderstorm in the afternoon.	96/72 Isolated thunderstorms. Highs in the mid 90s and lows in the low 70s.	94/72 Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 90s and lows in the low 70s.	97/72 Sunshine. Highs in the upper 90s and lows in the low 70s.	98/72 Abundant sunshine. Highs in the upper 90s and lows in the low 70s.
Sunrise: 7:05 AM Sunset: 8:38 PM	Sunrise: 7:06 AM Sunset: 8:37 PM	Sunrise: 7:06 AM Sunset: 8:36 PM	Sunrise: 7:07 AM Sunset: 8:35 PM	Sunrise: 7:08 AM Sunset: 8:34 PM

Police blotter

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

- JUAN OLIVAS VALENCIA, 50, of 505 N. Goliad, was arrested Thursday on a charge of public intoxication.
- SHETOYA NICOLE NEWTON, 21, of Dallas, was arrested Thursday on warrants for possession of drug paraphernalia, failure to appear and theft.
- LEROY HILBERT ZUBIATE, 26, of 1207 Sycamore, was arrested Thursday on charges of driving while license invalid, failure to maintain financial responsibility and operating an unregistered motor vehicle.
- JOSEPH CARTER FEE, 35, of 1023 Bluebonnet, was arrested Thursday on two warrants from another agency.
- ROBERT RODRIGUEZ VALENCIA JR., 31, of 309 N.W. 10th St., was arrested Friday on a warrant from another agency.
- CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 1400 block of Grafa.
- THEFT was reported in the 3200 block of Rickabaugh.
- FORGERY was reported in the 400 block of E. Fourth Street.
- DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported in the 3200 block of Auburn.
- BURGLARY was reported in the 1200 block of Wood.

Sheriff

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

Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 68 inmates at the time of this report.

- LEROY ZUBIATE, 26, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on charges of driving while license invalid, failure to maintain financial responsibility and operating an unregistered motor vehicle.
- YSA RUBIO SR., 49, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on charges of failure to identify as a fugitive from justice — giving false information, failure to appear — child support and failure to pay child support.
- JOSEPH CARTER FEE, 35, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on warrants for no liability insurance and violation of a promise to appear.
- ROBERT RODRIGUEZ VALENCIA, 31, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on a motion to revoke probation for assault causing bodily injury.

Fire/EMS

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

What's Happening
August 15-21
Hang Gliding
U.S. Nationals
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Crispy Goat Cheese Salad
baby spinach, strawberries, red onions, spiced pecans, tarragon vinaigrette \$6
Grilled Gulf Shrimp Caprese
tomato, fresh mozzarella & basil \$10
Jalapeno Soup
potato, bacon, red onion, jalapeno \$7

Entrées
1lb. Bone In Rib Eye
poblano potatoes, crispy onion, shiner back sauce \$30
Blackened Red Snapper
white cheddar rice, broccoli & lemon butter sauce \$25
Hand Made Fettuccini
garlic marinated & grilled steak, crimini mushrooms, green onions & bleu cheese cream \$28
Citrus Marinated Chicken Breast
roasted thigh, garlic mashed potatoes, cajun-jalapeno creamed corn \$20
New York Strip au Poivre
brandy-green peppercorn, bacon-green onion-horseradish mashed potatoes, asparagus \$27

Add to your Entrée, sautéed mushrooms \$3
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HERALD Photo/Adam Coleman

The Steers' Debonte Anderson runs the ball during practice today at the Big Spring High School Athletic Training Center. The Steers will scrimmage against each other at 10 a.m. Saturday at Blankenship Field. The freshmen play at 8:30 a.m. and the junior varsity team plays at 9:15 a.m.

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ers are trying to do the same. On top of that, this is his first head coaching job.

It may help that this is home for Gardner. The local native graduated from Coahoma High School in 1988.

Defensive coordinator Raul Sanchez said players are buying into Gardner's philosophy and the

new coach brings structure to the team.

"Our team was always close," he said. "He came in and kind of brought everybody in and made everybody feel included and more of a family atmosphere. He's from Coahoma, so he knows a little bit about the tradition here and where we want to get to."

Contact Sports Editor Adam Coleman at 263-7331, ext. 237.

Comanche Trail Ladies Golf Association Weekly Report

There was no play day for the Comanche Trail Ladies Golf Association on Monday.

However, 18 golfers competed in Thursday's

couples play. Howard and Trish shot 4-under par to win first place. Second place with a 3-under par went to Ray and Sue Russell and Donnie and Shirley Long. Berry Ray Coffee shot closest to the pin on Hole No. 3. Howard Gabbard shot closest to the pin on No. 6.

RANGERS

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baffle the easily fooled Mariners with runners on base.

Hunter credited vet-

eran catcher Bengie Molina, acquired from San Francisco in a trade last month, for righting him.

"I just go with him," Hunter said of pitch selections. "He got me out of a lot of jams tonight.

He's GOOD."

The Rangers also welcomed the news that they were approved Thursday to exit bankruptcy following the auction of the franchise and sale to a group led by Texas hero Nolan

Ryan the night before. They begin a three-game series at Oakland on Friday.

Hernandez (7-9) lost his fourth consecutive decision — even though his ERA remained steady at 2.94, sixth-lowest in the

AL. Seattle has gone 18 innings since last scoring while he's been on the mound, and has scored nine runs total in his nine losses.

An example of such nonsupport: Russell Branyan and Franklin

Gutierrez singled to begin the sixth. But then baseball's worst offensive by nearly all statistical measures got in succession a pop up by Jose Lopez and a fielder's choice grounder by Adam Moore.

COWBOYS

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playing different positions."

There is a lot of continuity in the Cowboys defense, which allowed the fewest points in the NFC a year ago and ended the regular season with the first consecutive shutouts in the team's 50-year history. The only change in the starting lineup is at safety with Alan Ball replacing Ken Hamlin, who was released during the offseason.

James and Brooking

were the top two tacklers for the NFC East champions.

"It's pretty awesome to watch," said Phillips, also the team's defensive coordinator. "They really are on the same page. They really have a feel for each other, kind of know where the other guy is going to be."

James has led the team in tackles five consecutive seasons since replacing departed Dexter Coakley in the lineup in 2005, when former coach Bill Parcells converted Dallas to 3-4 sets.

While James started every game in that span, Brooking followed in the

line of Dat Nguyen, Scott Shanle, Ryan Fowler, Akin Ayodele and Zach Thomas playing beside him. Only Ayodele started at inside linebacker with James more than one season — until now.

"It's great to have that continuity there, that dependability," Brooking said. "That feeling when we line up beside one another, you know without a doubt you can count on him and hopefully he has that same comfort he can count on me. That goes for the whole defense."

Brooking was the last player from Atlanta's Super Bowl team.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The Coahoma Independent School District will hold a public meeting at 7:00 pm, Tuesday, August 17, 2010 in Administration Building, 600 N Main Coahoma, Texas. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Maintenance Tax	\$ 1.04 / \$100	(Proposed rate for maintenance and operations)
School Debt Service Tax	\$.245 / \$100	(proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)

Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:

Maintenance and operations	% increase	or	10 %	(decrease)
Debt service	% increase	or	.23 %	(decrease)
Total expenditures	% increase	or	10.23 %	(decrease)

Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value (as calculated under Section 26.04, Tax Code)

	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year
Total appraised value* of all property	\$ 411,889,217.00	\$ 456,375,418.00
Total appraised value* of new property**	\$ 2,242,846.00	\$ 1,044,027.00
Total taxable value*** of all property	\$ 337,718,829.00	\$ 381,869,036.00
Total taxable value*** of new property**	\$ 1,735,720.00	\$ 938,967.00

* "Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Section 1.04(8), Tax Code.
** "New property" is defined by Section 26.012(17), Tax Code.
*** "Taxable value" is defined by Section 1.04(10), Tax Code.

Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness* \$ 12,893,000.00

* Outstanding principal.

Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates

	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	\$ 1.04	\$ 0.25000 *	\$ 1.29000	\$ 5757	\$ 4448
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$ 1.03738	\$ 0.25599 *	\$ 1.29337	\$ 6686	\$ 3789
Proposed Rate	\$ 1.04	\$ 0.24500 *	\$ 1.28500	\$ 6674	\$ 4009

* The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$ 50,731.00	\$ 51,079.00
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$ 25,585.00	\$ 25864
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$ 1.29	\$ 1.285
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$ 330.05	\$ 332.35
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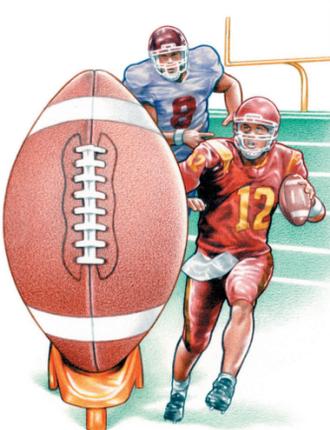
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Texas briefs

Dallas: 1 dead, suspect mentions 'wrath of God'

DALLAS (AP) — Dallas police arrested a suspect after a shooting death in which the attacker allegedly mentioned "the wrath of God" before firing.

Sr. Cpl. Kevin Janse (JAN'-see) on Friday identified the victim of the overnight killing as 44-year-old Darron Douglas Scourton.

Janse says Scourton and 31-year-old Ed-dric Williams lived at the same apartment complex. The shooting happened in the parking lot.

Janse says a cousin of the victim was with him and said the suspect approached them and began talking about the "the wrath of God," then shot Scourton several times. Police did not elaborate.

Police say Williams was still holding the pistol when officers arrived. He was disarmed, then booked on a murder charge. No bond was immediately set. Electronic jail records did not list an attorney for Williams.

IRS using new Austin site after Feb. plane crash

AUSTIN (AP) — An office building where a tax protester killed himself by crashing his small plane into the structure is expected to reopen next year but without the Internal Revenue Service as a tenant.

Kevin Kimball of KVA Inc., property manager of Echelon I, said Thursday that cleanup and demolition of the closed building are nearly done.

"What's left is what we call just a shell," said Kimball. "We're going to have a concrete slab and start from scratch."

Repairs on the 64,000-square-foot building should be completed within six months, he said.

Andrew Joseph Stack III on Feb. 18 flew his single-engine plane into the multistory structure. IRS worker Vernon Hunter also was killed in the fiery crash.

Stack, involved in a tax dispute for several years, left behind documents expressing his anger at the IRS, which occupied the top three floors of Echelon I, which had four stories and a reflective glass exterior.

"We're getting ready to take off the whole glass curtain wall, because it's from the

1980s, and it would be too much to try and match and save it," Kimball told the Austin American-Statesman. "So the owner's looking at changing it. It'll probably end up looking different than the other three (Echelon) buildings (in the complex), with a different type of glass."

The IRS, which had about 200 employees at Echelon I, has signed a two-year lease on a 47,000-square-foot office space elsewhere in Austin, said Lea Crusberg, an IRS spokeswoman. She declined to say where it was located.

"We weighed a number of factors into the decision to lease the new facility. We believe this decision is in the best interest of our employees and taxpayers," Crusberg said via e-mail. Taxpayers seeking assistance can contact the IRS to set up an appointment and be advised of the new address.

House fire in Vidor, 3 dead

VIDOR (AP) — The Orange County Sheriff's Office says three bodies have been discovered after a house fire in Vidor (VY'-dur).

Sgt. Chad Hogan says the bodies of a 59-year-old man and two children were discovered Friday morning in the burned-out residence. Hogan says the youngsters were ages 6 and 19 months.

No identities were immediately released. Hogan says the cause of the fire is sought.

The fire was reported around 2:15 a.m. Friday. Deputies arrived to find the house engulfed in flames, with a neighboring residence partly on fire.

Vidor is 85 miles northeast of Houston.

Ex-Texas trooper faces sex charge in Arkansas

TEXARKANA, Ark. (AP) — A former Texas state trooper who is a registered sex offender has pleaded not guilty to a variety of charges in Arkansas — including sexual indecency with a child.

Forty-five-year-old Travis McCrae entered the plea Thursday in Miller County Circuit Court in Texarkana.

He's charged in connection with a string of crimes on May 14. Police say he's suspected of breaking into several homes — including one where he awoke a sleeping 14-year-old girl and molested her.

The Texas Department of Public Safety's sex offender registry says McCrae served two months in prison after he was convicted in 1991 of indecency with a 13-year-old girl. DPS officials say McCrae was a DPS trooper in Bowie County for four years before resigning in 1990.

3 years in prison for poking Lufkin officer in eye

LUFKIN (AP) — A poke in the eye is worth three years in prison for an Angelina County man.

Alex Yanez on Tuesday pleaded guilty to assaulting a public servant for gouging the eye of a Lufkin police officer.

A warrant said Yanez, during a June 29 traffic stop, snatched the sunglasses from the face of Officer Brad Lawrence and poked him in the eye as the lawman questioned the suspect over three warrants.

Lawrence, who suffered a minor eye injury, managed to arrest the 20-year-old Yanez. He faced up to 10 years in prison for the third-degree felony, but accepted the plea deal.

The Lufkin Daily News reports Yanez has a criminal history to 2008, including charges of theft, engaging in organized criminal activity and giving a false report to an officer.

Driver gets 60 years over Galveston crash, 3 dead

GALVESTON (AP) — A driver who testified he did not remember his drunken-driving crash that killed three people along the Galveston seawall has been sentenced to 60 years in prison.

Orvel Wayne Speck of Galveston was sentenced Thursday to three 20-year terms, to be served consecutively, over the deaths of a man and two children on Mother's Day 2009. The 46-year-old Speck earlier pleaded guilty to three counts of intoxication manslaughter.

Police say an SUV vehicle driven by Speck hit a parked car as the victims stored beach gear. The crash killed 25-year-old Tremaine Albert, his 10-year-old stepson Alan Meredith and his 3-year-old godson, Isaiah Barnett.

Speck testified he is "not a monster" and did not intentionally kill anyone.

He has two previous DWI convictions.

ROCK

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should be anywhere between 15,000-16,000 people.

"This year Rock the Desert will extend from a two-day event to a three-day event," she said. "Tonight Skillet will perform alongside the headliner Casting Crowns. Finally, the event will close on Saturday with headliners Hawk Nelson and Family Force Five."

Greer said tickets can be purchased at the East

Fourth Street Baptist Church office located at 410 E. 3rd St., Mardel in Midland, as well as select Chick-fil-A restaurant locations in the West Texas area.

"Tickets are \$20 if purchased at any of the select locations and \$25 if purchased at the gate," she said. "Some things attendees can bring are coolers, food and non-alcoholic drinks with no glass containers present. Once again this year Rock the Desert is teaming up with Buckner International to collect shoes for Shoes for Orphan Souls. Rock the

Desert also intends to help a family in poverty build a home in the lower Rio-Grande valley."

This year's festival may very well go down in worldwide history books, according to Greer, as project coordinators attempt to break a world record.

"We're going to attempt to break the Guinness World Record for largest line dance," Greer said. "The crowd of attendees will perform the 'Cupid Shuffle,' a popular line dance. The current world record is held by a group in China and stands at

17,200 people.

"Dance professional Taylor Fritschen with Dee Ann's Studio of Dance will be on hand to teach the participants the dance at the festival. Practice sessions have been scheduled for tonight on the main stage and also on the stage in the teen tent. The actual Guinness World Record attempt will be made Saturday at 5 p.m."

For more information on Rock the Desert, email Greer at allison@rockthedesert.com, log on to the Web site at www.rockthedesert.com, or call the office at

(432) 697-4548. For information on purchasing tickets in Big Spring, contact Donna Nixon at (432) 816-3978.

Contact Staff Writer Thomas Jenkins at 263-7331 ext. 232 or by e-mail at citydesk@bigspringherald.com

FANS

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with the program because they are the most heavily impacted demographic when it comes to the heat.

"We're trying to target the elderly because they are the most susceptible to heat related illnesses," said Lafler. "We're also trying to target families with children 5 years old and younger and who are at home through the day during

the summer months.

"Donations can be made in several different ways. Donors can bring in their used fans that are in good, serviceable condition, or they can make a monetary

donation."

The Salvation Army office is located at 811 W. Fifth Street and open from 8:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. with an hour break for lunch at noon.

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ROAST

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and eight tickets and the "honorary chairman" contribution of \$1,500 includes a table and eight tickets, VIP seating, a photo with Stripling and a full page ad in the roast program.

In addition, persons can purchase ad space in the program at costs ranging from \$200 to \$750, Acosta said.

Acosta, who hopes the roast becomes an annual event, said Stripling was chosen as the first honoree because of his many contributions to Scouting.

"The award is given out to honor people in the community who has lived their lives according to Scouting ideas and has given back to the community," she said. "Mr. Stripling has been a driving force in this community for Scouting and has been a great promoter of the benefits of Scouting."

For more information on the event or to secure tickets, contact Acosta at (432) 570-7601.

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Joe Gomez, 51, died Tuesday. Funeral services were at 2 p.m. today at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Willie Hubbard, 81, died Monday. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at Baker's Chapel, A.M.E. Church. Burial will be Monday at 11:00 a.m. at the Texas State Veterans Cemetery at Abilene with military honors.

M.A. Oliver, 87, died Thursday. The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. tonight at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Graveside services with Military Honors will be at 9 a.m. Saturday at Loraine Cemetery.

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Business as usual for Vikings QBs

MANKATO, Minn. (AP) — While Brett Favre waffles in Mississippi, his presumptive teammates are sweating through training camp in Minnesota.

It's business as usual for the Vikings.

Two veteran quarterbacks, Tarvaris Jackson and Sage Rosenfels, are in limbo, trying to prepare for the season while answering questions about being a placeholder for Favre. They've done it before, and say it hasn't been a distraction even through all the twists and turns this week.

Favre's agent, Bus Cook, said Wednesday that Favre will play if his surgically repaired ankle is healthy enough. That news came less than 24 hours after a player

said Favre was texting teammates and officials in the organization to say he was planning to retire.

Jackson, who would be the starter if Favre could not return, smiled and cracked a joke about all of the developments, clearly comfortable in the middle of the situation again.

"It's kind of part of my life now. I actually might miss it," Jackson said with a smile. "It's his decision. He deserves however long he takes to make the decision. It's on him and I'm just going to come out here and try to get better."

Coach Brad Childress said his team is focused and Favre's indecision will not be a hindrance.

"It is not going to be detrimental within our team group," Childress said. "Everybody on the outside can bat it around however you want to. It's not going to be detrimental because we talk. Our team talks. We know we are in a forming stage right now, with older folks, veterans, with guys that are just trying to make an impact."

"It is not detrimental because all those guys have enough things to worry about themselves and moving forward."

Jackson has been taking most of the snaps with the starting offense in training camp while Rosenfels, a 10-year veteran, is serving as the No. 2 quarterback. He was brought in last offseason to

compete with Jackson for the starting job until Favre joined the team in mid-August and took over.

After a rough couple of practices to start his second camp in Minnesota, Rosenfels has looked much more comfortable in the offense recently, even as the Favre speculation started to swirl earlier this week.

"Football's an emotional game. You try to keep emotion out of it as much as you can," Rosenfels said. "Me getting emotional and worrying about all the what-ifs and what-have-yous would drive me crazy. I'm just worrying about how I can improve out here and how I can help the other 10 guys I'm on the field with to get better. That's my

focus."

Their experience with Favre's back-and-forth dancing certainly seems to be helping. Last summer, Favre told the team he was not going to play just before training camp opened, only to change his mind and suit up a few weeks later.

He threw for more than 4,200 yards with 33 touchdowns and seven interceptions to lead the Vikings to the NFC title game, where they lost in overtime to New Orleans. Favre had ankle surgery in May and is still contemplating whether he can make it through a 20th NFL season.

"It's the beast of the business, man," tight end Visanthe Shiancoe said of the quarterbacks-in-waiting.

Goodell: No Roethlisberger suspension cut yet

LATROBE, Pa. (AP) — Ben Roethlisberger got a thumb's up from NFL commissioner Roger Goodell, and praise for the way he's reshaping his life. What's missing for now is a reduction of his six-game suspension.

Goodell met with Roethlisberger while visiting the Steelers' training camp on Thursday

but, while saying the quarterback is going beyond what the league is mandating, didn't cut his suspension for bad behavior to four games.

The NFL will continue to monitor Roethlisberger's progress before he and Goodell meet in New York later this month and the commissioner makes a final decision how long the

Steelers star will be out. A reduction would allow Roethlisberger to play Oct. 17 at home against Cleveland rather than Oct. 31 at New Orleans.

"I'm very encouraged by what he's doing," Goodell said. "I'll take the period of time that I have before making the decision and make it probably right before the regular season."

Asked what the league still needs to see, Goodell said, "He's got to work through the program that's designed for him to help him. A lot of that is confidential, but he's done it and he's done it with enthusiasm. I think that's a good thing."

Goodell was vague when asked several times if Roethlisberg-

er's suspension could be reduced even further. Later, league officials clarified that the commissioner's April 21 ruling specified a minimum of four games for his alleged sexual assault on a college student early March 5 in Milledgeville, Ga.

Roethlisberger was not charged, but was disciplined by Goodell

for violating the NFL personal conduct policy.

Goodell praised Roethlisberger's efforts following the image-damaging incident that left some of the quarterback's biggest fans angry and disgusted.

"I think he's doing great," Goodell said. "I had a chance to chat with him."

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OUR VIEW

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:

- Congressman Randy Neugebauer and all those who attended Tuesday night's town hall meeting at the Hall Center for the Arts on the Howard College campus.

- The staff at the local Salvation Army corps building and volunteers, who helped distribute school supplies this week to parents needing help providing supplies for their children. Kudos also go to all those who contributed to the back-to-school supplies program.

- All the Crossroads area athletes and band members, who have begun the process of practicing for their upcoming seasons.

- All those who braved the heat last Saturday evening for the Big Spring Film Society's showing of "Raiders of the Lost Ark" at the Comanche Trail Amphitheater.

- All of the Crossroads area's public school districts that were rated Academically Acceptable or better by the Texas Education Agency's in its most recent round of accountability ratings.

- Charlie Garcia, who claimed his fifth straight Big Spring City Golf Championship title at the Comanche Trail Golf Course with a 72-72, 144 score. Kudos also go to women's champion Suzie Hernandez and senior men's division winner Jim Roger.

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

The best thing in life, Lord, is a life with You.
Amen

The air up there and perspective

I have been doing a lot of traveling lately, and my wife and I set off on a high adventure for the nation of Guatemala last week. I spoke at a conference, did a small TV show and preached a couple of church services.

While all of that is awesome, I had to be willing to cram my great big hiney into a little bitty seat on a metal tube being thrown 31,000 feet high into the air at 500 mph.

In other words, I had to fly.

I always ask for a window seat, partly because my fatness spills over into the aisle, but mostly because I genuinely gawk outside through the entire flight.

The clouds, the cities, the flying saucers — well those are typically from the Prozac I take before the flight. The rivers, oceans and islands, those are real.

I love the view from 31,000 to 40,000 feet.

I have flown over the Sahara Desert several times and it is a lot more comfortable being over

it than on it. The beautiful colors blend into the horizon, and because of the heat, you can't tell where the sky ends and the ground starts.

On my way back from India once, I flew directly over the North Pole, and even though it was summer, there was nothing but ice as far as I could see. The top of the world is as white as you imagine.

In contrast, a couple of weeks earlier I flew over the oil spill in the gulf between Miami and DFW. What a mess. Yes, it is as bad as you think it is, and it didn't look all black — it mostly looked red. The gulf is bleeding.

I have seen lots of things from the air that I have never seen on the ground. The Swiss Alps; the French Alps; the Statue of Liberty; Kabul, Afghanistan; and Baghdad, Iraq, are a few. How does it go? "I seen a peanut stand, heard a rubber band and seen a needle that winked it's eye. But I done seen 'bout everything when I see a elephant fly."

SHORT VIEW VS. THE LONG VIEW

Psalm 37 is a wisdom psalm that tells the importance of maintaining the right perspective during our brief visit of this planet. We have got to have a

different perspective.

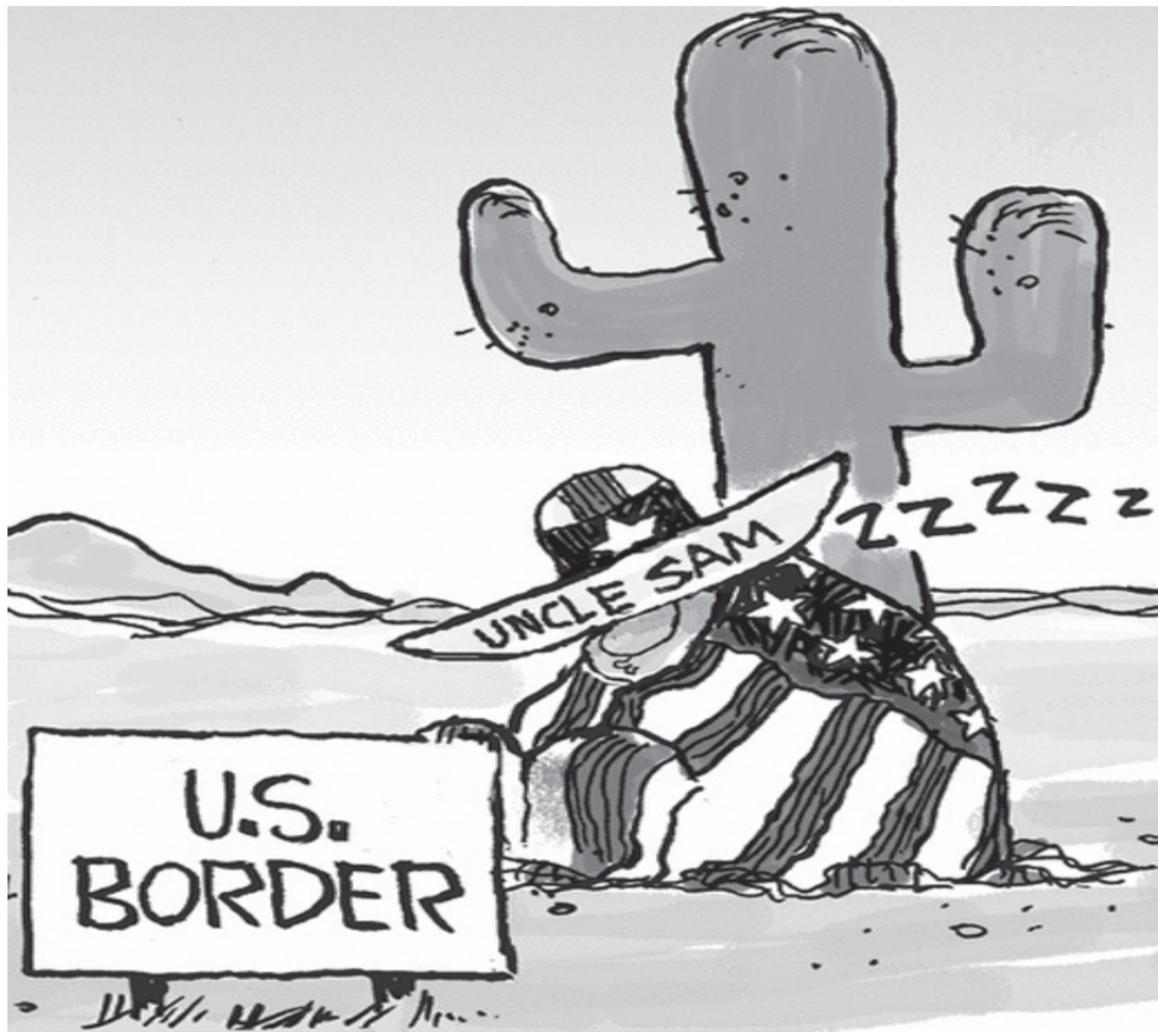
The wisdom of this psalm is to adopt a long-run rather than a short-run perspective on life by embracing God's purposes for every part of our life. Trust in the Lord, delight yourself in the Lord, commit your way to the Lord and rest in the Lord, it says.

The perspective from above is, all of the mess we are going through is absolutely temporary. The view from above looks a lot better and takes a whole lot more into consideration.

Sometimes we need to just stop what we are doing, take a deep breath and ask God to give us an eye to see things His way. Above the muck and the mire and the mess it's a lot easier to breath. Get up there as quick as you can and as often as you can get there.

"The steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord, and he delights in His way. Though he fall, he shall not be utterly cast down; for the LORD upholds him with His hand." — Psalms 37:23, 24

The Rev. Troy Brewer pastors Open Door Church near Joshua and can be reached through his web site at www.opendoorministries.org.



Doctors have a 'word' to say

Most hunters are so gung-ho, they'll hunt anything that'll run from 'em. Similarly, TV news folks salivate at the prospect of all-out chases to pluck credible opinions on controversial topics.

That was the case recently when a neurosurgeon was questioned by a Dallas TV reporter.

The query concerned the ongoing debate about whether a helmet law should be enacted for motorcyclists. His answer was, uh, a no-brainer.

Explaining that many serious injuries incurred by riders without helmets would otherwise be minor, Dr. Jeremy Denning mentioned that some physicians have coined a word that reveals their opinions.

The "word" fittingly describes the bikes whose riders are "helmet-less."

"They call them 'donorcycles,'" Dr. Denning said.

End of interview.

Meanwhile, operators of four-wheeled vehicles often give law enforcement personnel reasons to coin names for certain drivers — names that are unfit to appear in a family newspaper.

James Davis, who was playing in big bands before they invented instruments that "plug in," has to smile when he remembers a traffic pull-over of several decades ago.

Decked out in a tuxedo — common evening apparel for him — he was ready to tickle ivories at a country club gala. However, he was a bit late, and his foot was a bit heavy.

The traffic officer gave his obligatory lecture, then backed off with "just a warning." Noticing Davis' spiffy tuxedo, the officer barked, "If you weren't late for your own wedding, I'd throw the book at you..."

Bill Sanders, a federal government retiree, had reason to smile about a similar offense recently.

His wife Carolyn chuckled as her hubby was red-lighted to the roadside. As the officer strode toward the car, she hoped that he would make the usual inquiry, the one to determine if the driver had a good reason to be speeding.

"I'm on my way to a Crime Stoppers' meeting," Bill answered sheepishly.

The truth, of course, is hard to beat. His speed wasn't that much over the limit, and he was indeed en route to the aforementioned meeting. Later, he served as county president of CrimeStoppers.

When Sanders began his career in government service, his assignment was in Austin. It was during the presidency of Lyndon B. Johnson.

One day, the Johnsons were in town, and Lady Byrd was planning a barbecue picnic at the ranch. She decided on a "Yellow Rose of Texas" theme.

Sanders' supervisor instructed him to get a dozen garbage cans painted for the event.

"The cans are to be painted

exactly as Mrs. Johnson instructed," he said. "They are to be 'yellow rose yellow' — not 'lemon yellow,' not 'mustard yellow' and not 'sunrise yellow,'" the boss warned.

For emphasis, he repeated the mandate, asking Bill if he fully understood. Bill did.

The ever-resourceful Sanders gave serious thought to the assignment. He feared grave consequences if the painted cans were a hue or two off.

So, his first stop was at the floral shop. He purchased a bouquet of yellow roses before proceeding to the paint shop.

"Paint these cans the same color of these here roses," Sanders said. "Make sure it's not 'lemon yellow,' 'mustard yellow' or 'sunrise yellow.'" He asked the painters if they understood; they did. They "yellowed up" the cans just right, and Bill "got it right" for almost 40 years in government service.

I'll end this week's piece by dredging up the old chauvinistic yarn about a traffic officer who finally prevailed after a lengthy high-speed chase.

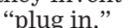
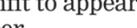
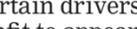
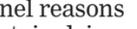
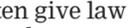
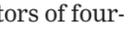
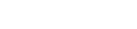
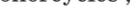
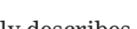
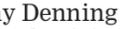
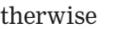
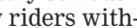
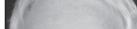
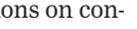
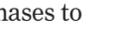
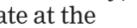
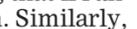
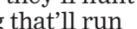
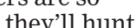
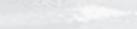
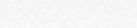
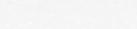
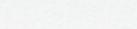
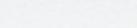
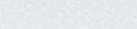
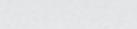
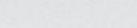
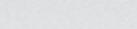
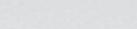
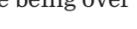
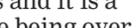
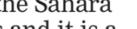
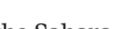
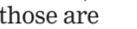
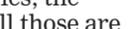
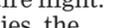
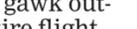
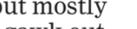
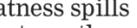
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Dear Margo

by Margo Howard

Neither life nor marriage comes with guarantees

Dear Margo: I so love my fiance! He is amazing and tolerant of me (no easy task). He cleans my (our) cat's litter box and the bunny cage and does the dishes. However, as we are to be married in fewer than three months, I am on my second round of cold feet. I want kids. Over the past five and a half years, I have managed to turn him from his idea of "oh, adoption would be good" (and I agree that adoption is the superior, selfless moral choice) to "a little being that is half-you and half-me would be cool."

My reason for writing is that he can be lazy at times. Like I said, he is really good at doing household chores that he deems important. (Did I mention he makes the bed every day? I'm so ungrateful!) But if it's something I think is important, like dusting or wiping down the kitchen countertops, he leans toward the lazy side. And he plays video games. I wouldn't take that away from him, but children take work, and I find myself overcome with fear about being a married

single mother. Knowing that his own father wasn't particularly hands-on, I worry about how much support I would get from him and how much labor-equity I will see in the realm of childrearing.

Since he is so amazing and I'm so happy and ridiculously lucky, should I simply forget about children and just live happily ever after as we are? How do I know now, before marriage and pregnancy, whether he will step up to the plate? — *Worrying*

Dear Wor: My dear, no one knows, beforehand, whether anyone will step up to the plate about anything. I also don't think, in your situation, that forgoing children is the key to happily ever after. Because shared responsibility is so important to you, perhaps you could devise a kind of contract. Because he cleans the litter box and the bunny cage, it sounds to me like you'd have a pretty good chance of shared diaper duty (no pun intended). If I were you, I would loosen up a bit, stop worrying and go with the flow. — *Margo, optimistically*

Be careful what you wish for

Dear Margo: I need your opinion (or help). At the beginning of last summer's vacation, I made a small mistake in telling my wife she looked a little on the fat side, a mistake I repeated throughout that summer. To make a long story short, my wife went on a diet when we returned home, and over the course of almost a year, she has lost a tremendous amount of weight. Now the problem is that she won't quit.

Every time I tell her she should stop and maybe put a few pounds back on, she gets angry and says, "Why? So you can call me fat again?" I admit I tease her about some of the things she eats, but it's not meant to be mean or anything. My wife isn't anorexic, but the way she's going, I'm afraid she may be headed in that direction. Please tell me what to do before the weight loss escalates and becomes a problem. — *Worried Husband of a Too-Thin Wife*

Dear Wor: Oh, my. Apparently you have never heard about the third rail of marriage, which begins with, "Honey, do I look a little fat in this dress?" You must find a way to walk back your remarks about your wife's weight. In fact, stop talking about food altogether, even "teasing." You clearly hit a sore spot with her. She may be punishing you, or she may be unintentionally on her way to an eating disorder. I would make an abject apology about your thoughtless comments, tell her you would like her old self back, and go with her, if necessary, to her primary care physician to discuss a healthy weight for her. — *Margo, apologetically*

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Ann Again



Editor's Note: Hundreds of Ann Landers' loyal readers have requested that newspapers continue to publish her columns. These letters originally appeared in 1999.

Dear Ann Landers: You asked your readers to tell you how they stopped a drunk from driving. Here is my story:

I knew a man who drank for more than 30 years. He was a police officer. One day, after being on duty from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., and having had several drinks instead of lunch, he went out partying. Later, he got in his car to drive home. He stopped at a traffic light, looked around, and realized that he was completely lost. He got out of his car and checked the street signs, but he had no idea where he was. He tried to remember where he had been and who he had been with. When he couldn't recall, he began to cry. He walked around

the car to see if he had struck another car or, worse yet, a person. He was relieved to see there was no evidence of either.

When the man finally figured out his location, he drove home, crying all the way. He had no recollection of the previous 12 hours. That night, he knew fear for the first time. He thought his fellow officers would arrest him for DUI or for leaving the scene of an accident, but neither happened.

You would think that after all that man went through, he would stop drinking, but he didn't. It took a suicide attempt before he made the final step. I know this story well, because I am that man. I recently passed my 17th year of sobriety, thanks to the counseling unit of the New York City Police Department and Alcoholics Anonymous. I could not have done it without them. — R.R., Sarasota, Fla.

Dear R.R.: Your story is a moving one. Thank you for sharing it with my readers. I can promise you that because you wrote, others will be motivated to follow your footsteps.

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Sunday evening we will be focusing on the book of Joshua. We will begin by learning that God is a promise-keeper from Joshua 1:1-18.

Our Men's Breakfast will be at 7 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 11. All men are invited to come.

Our SPEED weight-loss support group meets on Tuesdays at 6 p.m. and our 12-Step recovery group also meets on Tuesdays at 7 p.m.

You are always welcome here. Sundays, we have classes for all ages starting at 9:45 a.m. and worship services at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Wednesdays, we have groups for all ages starting at 7 p.m.

For more information, call 267-8287 or check us out on the web at btcbig-spring.org.

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 and at 5 p.m. Sunday there's singing of the old favorites and Bible study of the book of Mark.

The Rev. Scott Willis will be preaching this Sunday. His message is entitled "By Faith We Understand," based on scripture from Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16.

Encouraging words: "God has given us two hands — one to receive with and the other to give with. We are not cisterns made for hoarding; we are channels made for giving." — Billy Graham

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 so much that He sent His son to die for our sins that we might live for Him now and with Him eternally.

First United Methodist

Summer has come and almost gone and down at the corner of Fourth and Scurry the folks at First Methodist are cramming as much as possible into these last few weeks before school starts.

Sunday, our pastor, the Rev. Sharon Wiese, will bring the message at both services of worship at 8:30 a.m. and 10:50 a.m. Sunday school classes for all ages will be held at 9:45 a.m. and we cap the day's activities with Family Fun Night beginning at 5:30 p.m. in Garrett Hall. Youth and adult activities will be held following the Sunday night meal.

Our Nicaragua mission trip is sched-

uled Aug. 9-14. The team is assembled, tickets bought, forms submitted and suitcases packed. A last minute plea for local mementoes yielded to shirts, caps and lots of small Texas items to be given to the people in San Jose village and the surrounding mountain region of Nicaragua. Please pray for the local groups safe and successful trip as they go far away to bring people to Jesus.

Sunday, Aug. 15, Bonnie and Chuck Miller will share their plans for this fall's Lord's Acre with both services of worship. The Lord's Acre date is Saturday, Oct. 2, so start making plans now for a fun-filled day in which we share our talents and treasures for God's good.

On the following Sunday, Aug. 22, we will observe our "Back in the Saddle Roundup," getting everybody back to church and Sunday school just as the school doors open. At noon that day there will be an all church meal served in Garrett Hall following the last worship service. Meat, bread and drinks will be provided, the congregation is asked to bring salads, vegetables or desserts.

An area-wide festival will be held Saturday, Aug. 28, for all Methodist churches in the district. Titled "The Big Event," the day will include food, games and activities, a barbecue cook-off and silent auction. Later in the evening there will be a big concert for you featuring Seventh Day Slumber and Abandon. All this will be at Forrest Park in Lamesa.

The Relationship Center in Midland is sponsoring the Fall Extravaganza Women's Brunch on Saturday, Sept. 18. There will be tables reserved for the Big Spring group. Our church will provide childcare and transportation for those interested in attending. Contact Brenna Hoff at nchoff1988@yahoo.com.

Now's the time to get started to church. If you're looking for a church home, come give us a try; we're First Methodist in the heart of downtown Big Spring.

First Presbyterian, Big Spring

The Lectionary Bible study met Wednesday at 5:17 p.m. in the church library. Choir has resumed practices at 6 p.m. This week, following rehearsal, the choir had a barbecue supper at Hog Heaven to celebrate the end of summer break. The Session met at 6 p.m. Monday in the church library.

Christine Boling will provide refreshments for "Take Ten" Sunday morning; she will also be Liturgist for August. Ushers for the month are Mark Morgan, Katie and Jerry Grimes and Ethel Guthrie.

The ecumenical, intergenerational Vacation Bible School, held last week was a success. We thank Ken McIntosh, pastor or First Christian; the Rev. Barbara Kirk-Morris of St. Mary's Episcopal; and our pastor, Craig Hol-

Just keep on pedaling

Perhaps no other name is as synonymous with the word "genius" as that of Albert Einstein. Known as the father of modern physics, this world-renowned scientist left a wealth of mathematical formulas and scientific theories that most of us will never attempt to read.

Although this influential Nobel-Prize winner was honored for his intellect and recognized by his unconventional hair style, Einstein also left a legacy as a philosopher. In contrast to his scientific, jargon-filled works, he authored some common-sense advice that most of us would do well to heed.

Although I don't understand most of Einstein's theories and probably wouldn't agree with his religious views, I do en-

dorse one of his views about life. He observed that "life is like riding a bicycle. To keep your balance you must keep moving."

Since I view life as a balance of physical, mental, and spiritual activity, I agree with Einstein's theory that we have to keep on moving. It has been many years since my old, blue, handed-down bicycle faded into oblivion, and some parts of my anatomy aren't as agile as they once were. I have to exercise them now and then to keep them from getting stiff.

As I grow older, I find my mind lagging behind at times. It requires daily exercise to keep it functioning as well as it does. But I've been told that an occasional challenge builds new connections and keeps the gray matter alive. Until someone invents WD40 for the brain, I guess we had all better promote mental exercise and memory-building activity.

On the spiritual front, there is good news. There is no evi-

dence that our relationship with God diminishes as we grow older unless it is neglected. In fact, the opposite is true. The apostle Paul wrote, "Therefore we do not lose heart, but though our outer man is decaying, yet our inner man is being renewed day by day" (2 Corinthians 4:16 NASB).

All we have to do to keep our spiritual youthfulness is to mature in Christ. As we study and exercise our spiritual muscles of faith, our relationship with God is strengthened.

Unlike the physical and mental aspects of life, our spiritual beings never peak. There is always potential for growth.

Einstein was right about keeping our balance. Whatever stage of life we happen to be in, we have to keep on pedaling to stay upright.

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stedt, for their work and guidance in this venture. We give special thanks to Jamie Walker, Jennifer Patterson and Susan Holstedt for their work in planning and coordinating with the other churches; to Donna Amonett and Janie Conley for teaching; and to our nursery worker, Fran Swan, for working with the younger children.

The lectionary for Sunday is Isaiah 1:1, 10-20; Psalm 50:1-8, 22-23; Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16; and Luke 12:32-40. The choir will present the anthem "Sing Ye to the Lord" by Giuseppe Pitoni and "Ring Out Your Joy to the Lord" by Hal Hopson as the offertory anthem. The Rev. Holstedt will present the sermon.

If you cannot attend worship, listen in on KBST 1490 AM, beginning at 11 a.m. If you wish to have a printed bulletin for Sunday services, call the church office at 263-4211. You may also see what's happening at the church by visiting our website: www.fpcbs.org. There, you can find a link that will enable you to listen to sermons by the Rev. Holstedt.

Alive in Christ Lutheran

Our motto is "Celebrating and sharing God's love and grace in our lives." We are located at 2805 Lynn Drive in the Kentwood subdivision in Big Spring. Our phone number is 264-7818. Our website is www.lutheransonline.com/aliveinchristbstx.

We would love to have you join us for church on Sundays at 9 a.m. with Sunday School at 10:15 a.m.

Pastor Don Rosentreter will be preaching this Sunday. The sermon text will be from Luke 12:22-34, "Your Heart, Your Treasure."

Angela Newton is our organist. This week's acolyte will be Mateo Rodriguez. Our elders for this week are Richard von Hassell and Richard Knocke.

The liturgy will be read by Kent Ivey. The readings are Genesis 15:1-6, Psalm 33:12-22, Hebrews 11:1-16 and Luke 12: 22-34 (35-40). Anyone interested in reading, contact Dolline

Budke.

Monday the LWML will serve refreshments at the VA. The Board of Education will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the church.

Mark your calendars for Sept. 19. We will have the dedication of our building and church property at that time.

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.

A new website offered by The Lutheran Hour Ministries is available. The site, www.jcplayzone.com, promises fun and Christian educational based games and videos.

The Board of Evangelism is asking for help with recording short messages for our radio spots. If you are interested, contact Kent Ivey.

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

The Elders meet at 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 19.

First Presbyterian, Coahoma

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

The weekly Lectionary Bible Study, led by Tom and the Rev. Craig Holstedt, did meet this week.

The Session meeting, usually held on the first Thursday of the month, has been postponed until the following week. The Session will meet at 5:57 p.m. Thursday in the church social hall.

The Vacation Bible School last

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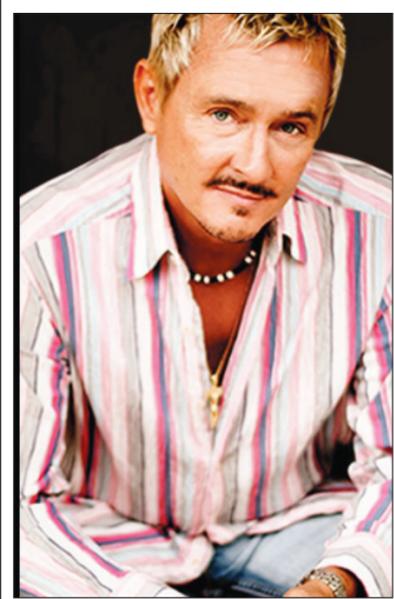
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Del Way to perform here

Del Way, 2007 Christian Country Music Entertainer of the Year, will be in concert at 7 p.m. Friday, Aug. 13, at Spring Tabernacle.

Way was honored as Male Vocalist of the Year at the ICM Awards Show in 2008 and his single, "Good Ole Boys," co-authored by James Payne, was named the 2009 ICM Song of the Year.

He is the pastor of Calvary Temple Church in Kerrville and oversees three other churches in the area, Thousand Hills Cowboy Church, Calvary Temple Church in Center

Point/Comfort, and Thunder in the Hills Biker Church.

"We are so happy and so grateful to have Del Way perform and minister at Spring Tabernacle," said Pastor Mona Lue Tonn. "We want everyone to attend who can."

An offering will be taken but there is no charge to attend the concert.

Way will be helping Spring Tabernacle celebrate 25 years of ministry.

A special remembrance service will be held at 10 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 15, at the church, which is located at 1209 Wright St.

Briefs

Panel's landmark denial frees NYC mosque site

NEW YORK (AP) — Plans for an Islamic community center and mosque near the site of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks moved forward as a city panel opened the way for developers to tear down a building that was struck by airplane debris during the attack.

Even as the project's backers celebrated the decision, a conservative advocacy group founded by the Rev. Pat Robertson announced it would challenge the panel's vote in state court Wednesday.

Brett Joshpe, an attorney for the American Center for Law and Justice, said the group would file a petition alleging that the city's Landmarks Preservation Commission "acted arbitrarily and abused its discretion."

The panel voted unanimously on Tuesday to deny landmark status to a building two blocks from the World Trade Center site that developers want to tear down and convert into an Islamic community center and mosque. The panel said the 152-year-old lower Manhattan building isn't distinctive enough to be considered a landmark.

The decision drew praise from Mayor Michael Bloomberg, who stepped before cameras on Governor's Island with the Statue of Liberty as a backdrop shortly after the panel voted and called the mosque project a key test of Americans' commitment to religious freedom.

Minority Islamic sect 'prepares for war' as tensions flare in Indonesia

MANISLOR, Indonesia (AP) — A minority Islamic sect has told followers to prepare for war after rock-throwing mobs attacked one of their mosques in central Indonesia, calling its members heretics.

The weeklong violence in Manislor, a village in West Java province, peaked Thursday after more than 500 hard-liners from the Islamic Defenders Front, known as FPI, clashed with 3,000 Ahmadiyah sect followers.

At least eight people were injured, including three police.

Deden Sujana, who heads security for the sect, said Friday: "We have to defend ourselves and our mosques," adding that hard-liners have "gone too far."

Sujana said: "We call on Ahmadiyah followers to fight against them in the name of Allah."

Indonesia, a secular state of 235 million, has more Muslims than any other in the world.

Groups seek resignation of Cardinal Law as basilica head in Rome

ROME (AP) — Groups representing victims of clergy sex abuse in the United States are urging Pope Benedict XVI to remove Cardinal Bernard Law as head of a Rome basilica, issuing their appeal shortly before the former Boston archbishop leads an annual high-profile ceremony in the church.

Benedict's predecessor, Pope John Paul II, named Law as archpriest of St. Mary Major Basilica after his 2002 resignation as Boston archbishop. Law quit to quell an outcry over handling of sex abuse cases in his diocese, becoming the highest-ranking U.S. church official to fall in the scandal that rocked the American church.

The traditional ceremony Thursday includes the release of white petals from the basilica's ceiling to recall a legendary August snowfall in Rome in 352.

Kristine Ward of the National Survivors Advocates Coalition called the ceremony a "bread and circuses" approach in the church at a time of crisis over sex abuse.

Victims groups have been lobbying for years to get Law removed, accusing the Vatican of giving a major culprit in the crisis a soft landing.

Obedience brings rewards

A number of years ago, I was given a photograph of a beautiful vineyard in southern France.

My friend, who had lived in France for years and traveled there often to visit family, was an excellent photographer. She always returned with a gift for me each time she visited, and the photograph of the vineyard was one of them.

As I looked carefully at the picture, I was amazed at the uniformity of the rows. I had never seen anything in nature so perfectly straight and orderly. Using my magnifying glass, I checked closely to see if I could detect just one crooked vine, but there were none. They were perfection personified.

Looking at the photograph, I was reminded of my dad, who was a very particular man. His socks and white hankies were always precisely folded and placed in the drawer; navy socks all in a row, black socks, brown socks, and so on.

His starched white shirts were hung so as to not become wrinkled in the closet. His shoes were shined until I could almost see my reflection in them. But I

also thought of another picture of how precise God's ways are and how He so beautifully created the world with all its wonders for us to enjoy. He gave us a simple way to live and walk the straight and narrow path.

I have learned that the more familiar we become with God's Word, the more we treasure His love and friendship. And the more obedient we are to His Word, the more of His blessings we receive.

Every parent is pleased when their children are obedient. Parents are more apt to be generous when the children obey, and God is no different.

When we are compliant to Him, blessings are automatic. He enjoys favoring His family with His goodness.

I was once asked in Sunday School class which of the nine fruit of the spirit I thought people most often failed to practice. I said, "I believe self-control would be the one we generally fail to honor most." When asked to explain, I pointed them to 1 Thessalonians 4:3-4, which says, "For this is the will of God, that you should be consecrated that each of you should know how to possess, control, manage his own body in consecration, purity, separated from things profane."

1 Corinthians 3:16-17 also re-

minds us that we are the temple of God, and if anyone defiles the temple, God will destroy him.

Obedience is very important to God, as our bodies are His temple and He dwells within us. Being obedient to Him is simply having a desire to please Him more than any thing in life. When we come to that place, blessings seem to overtake us, and God is pleased to pour them out upon those who are obedient.

Since self-control is one of the fruit of the spirit that enables us to control our own bodies, yielding to it enables us to have a perfectly balanced lifestyle. We can enjoy God's blessings while being obedient to Him at the same time.

Jesus was the essence of self-control since it is one of God's characteristics, but it was His obedience to the Father that enabled Him to go the way of the cross.

God's requests for us are more often than not stepping stones to greater blessings and obeying Him in small matters is an essential part of these blessings. True obedience to God always means doing what He says to do, when He says to do it, and for as long as He says. When we yield to Him in this manner, get ready for His blessings for they will surely follow.

God bless.

Ministry holds Jesus Shore concert as alternative to 'Jersey Shore' show

SEASIDE HEIGHTS, N.J. (AP) — A free concert promoting "PTL," or praise the lord, took place near where the cast of MTV's "Jersey Shore" enjoy "GTL," or the gym, tan and laundry lifestyle.

The Move the Earth ministry organized a "Jesus Shore" event Monday on the Seaside Heights boardwalk as an alternative to the "fighting and fornicating" organizers say the reality TV show celebrates.

Abundant Grace Church Pastor Anthony Storino says they're not against the TV program. But Storino says there's another side to the Jersey shore.

The concert featured Christian bands and a Christian-themed tattoo contest. Vendors also sold Christian books and T-shirts.

Florida church that feeds homeless destroyed in fire

HUDSON, Fla. (AP) — A Florida church dedicated to feeding the homeless has been destroyed in a fire.

Fire rescue crews were called to the Lakeview Baptist Church in Hudson, about 45 miles north of Tampa, on Tuesday. Flames were shooting from the roof and the nearest hydrant was six blocks away.

Forty firefighters battled the flames, which took about an hour to get under control.

Pastor Harry Buckwalder says the church feeds about 180 families a week.

Investigators do not believe the fire is suspicious.

CHURCH NEWS

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week with the combined churches was a successful event. Members of our church participated in learning about hunger here and in the world and what we can do about it and helped with the supper on Friday night.

If you have not filled in an information sheet, please do so and turn it in to Helen Shive so that we may develop a church directory. Also, each person is asked to make a list of what you would like our church to do and be prepared to make your list become reality.

The next Frolic will be Saturday, Aug. 14, at 7 p.m. in the church social hall. Bring your friends and prepare your special "act" for an enjoyable

evening and a light supper.

The lectionary for Sunday is Isaiah 1:1, 10-20; Psalm 50:1-8, 22-23; Hebrews 11:1-16; and Luke 12:32-40.

First Church of the Nazarene

We hope you will join us for one of our services and weekly classes to find rest and the love that God offers. We have the following worship services and classes available:

Sunday Service begins at 10 a.m. with coffee and donuts in the commons at 9:30 a.m.. We also offer Kid's Church in the fellowship hall for ages 4 through 12. Come early for homemade breakfast burritos!

Wednesday evening small groups occur at 6:30 with various discussions that will be sure to peak your interests. Classes for NazKidz are for pre-kindergarten through sixth grade, including a separate boy's and

girl's class for the fourth-, fifth- and sixth-graders. Come and learn about Jesus with us on Wednesdays.

For more information, contact the church office at 267-7015. You can also visit us on the web at www.nazfamily.org and view a live service. We are also on Facebook and Twitter.

St. Mary's Episcopal

Everyone is invited to attend worship services at St. Mary's this Sunday. Holy Eucharist will be celebrated at 10 a.m. in the church.

Our noon Holy Eucharist Service is every Wednesday in the chapel.

The planning committee will meet after the morning service this Sunday. If you are a part of one of St. Mary's groups, please bring your coming events for the church calendar.

St. Mary's Vestry meets at 6 p.m. Monday in the library.

For more information about St.

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

Signal Mountain Emmaus Community

The Signal Mountain Emmaus Community meets at Spring Creek Fellowship, 501 Birdwell Lane, on the second Thursday of every month at 7 p.m. The Babe Chick meeting is at 6:30 p.m.

The next meeting is Aug. 12. Please mark your calendar.

At this month's meeting we will honor the 2006 Walks: Women's Walk 41, Joanne Sayles; Men's Walk 42, Robert Moore; and Women's Walk 43, Janice Bond. Please plan to attend. Bring a dish and join us at 6p for a potluck fellowship.

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TO: The unknown heirs of Nell Brown, Deceased as of July 19th, 2009, being the persons who would be entitled to take her estate had she died instate on that date, a resident of the State of Texas, and the successors in the interest to any of such heirs, if any.
You are commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's petition at or before 10:00 a.m. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this citation, that day being the 19th day of July, 2010, in the District Court of Howard County, Texas, 118th Judicial District, at the courthouse of the 118th Judicial District Court located at 312 Scurry Street, Big Spring, Howard County, Texas. The case is No. 47302, styled *Roberta Krehbiel, Plaintiff vs. Sharon Davidson, Mary Lynne Leslie and the Unknown Heirs and all successors to the Unknown Heirs of Nell Brown, Deceased, Defendants*, and the Petition was filed on the 12th day of July, 2010. The attorney for the Plaintiff is John T. Ferguson and the address of such attorney is P.O. Drawer 1750, Big Spring, Texas 79721-1750. The nature of the suit is as follows:
The suit is an action for a declaratory judgment determining the parties entitled to take the share of the residuary estate of Nell Brown, deceased, under subparagraph A of Paragraph IV of her will, which

parties are named in the will as "the persons who would be my heirs at law under the laws of the State of Texas had I died at such time, instate, a resident of Texas, and owning all of the property which is the subject of this gift", and declaring that all of the life tenants who took such property for life are dead, that the last of such life tenants to die was Clarine Brown, that Clarine Brown died July 9, 2009 and declaring that Roberta Krehbiel, Sharon Davidson and Mary Lynne Leslie were the only heirs at law of Neill Brown, deceased when she died on July 9, 2009 and are the parties entitled to take such interest, and declaring other matters as more fully requested in the Petition.
You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the Clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this citation, that date being the 19th day of July, 2010, a default judgment may be taken against you.
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By: Brandie Martinez
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Tomorrow's Horoscope

Venus moves into one of the signs it rules, the sign of art, the scales and couples — Libra. This transit brings an adjustment. If the balance of power is heavily weighted on one side of a relationship, we will ask: Is this really the best way we can coexist? Stay in good communication, and this process can be a graceful one.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Someone has drawn you in. You didn't realize what exactly you needed from the person at first, but there was a definite attraction. Now your needs are becoming clearer. Soon you'll be able to ask in a straightforward manner.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You have several projects going on at once. How are you to tackle them all? With help. Lots of help. Get organized. It would benefit you to spend a good chunk of your weekend in the planning process.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). In the near future, you will get special care from an adoring supporter. Why haven't the others paid as much attention to you? This person either has the most heart or the most free time.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Your relationships are like gold in the bank. Do what is necessary to keep them strong. This might involve travel arrangements. An Aquarius can put you in touch with others who can help you.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You will be in a spirited and outspoken mood, and the people around you will be happy for your chirping input — to a degree. You'll also need to employ your good sense when it comes to matters of personal boundaries.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). When pushed to commit, you may become downright rebellious. It's not that you are irresponsible — the opposite is true. You are so responsible that you don't dare promise what you might not feel like delivering on later.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Before you get discouraged, consider how brave you've been up to this point. There are so many people who wouldn't even attempt the feat that you've devoted so much of your life to.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Your team is still shy a few members. For instance, you could use some help in the public relations department. Who will promote your work once it's done? Word of mouth will not be enough. Think on a larger scale.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). There is no need to scheme or manipulate. Some around you are so used to this mode of operation that they don't realize how simply you can get what you want just by asking.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Many people lose sight of their ambitions, letting them dwindle and subside as sediment in the pool of mediocrity. You can't let this happen. Refresh your dreams by spending time in your fantasy world today.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You need outlets of self-expression. Conversation with your nearest and dearest is a start, but it's not nearly enough. Today, strangers and the business world at large will play the biggest part in your self-development.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You have given the largest portion of your time and energy to one person or endeavor, and somehow this doesn't feel the least bit sacrificial to you. Instead, you only wish you could give more. You'll find a way to do that today.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (August 6). A change you've been wanting will happen rapidly now that you've crossed into this new era of your life. Decision-making will be a more intuition-based process. You know when your path is right because it feels comfortable to you. You'll be deeply romantic, and your chosen will thrive on your love. Pisces and Sagittarius people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 30, 15, 4, 18 and 32.

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Bidding Quiz

You are South, and the bidding has gone:

South	West	North	East
1♥	Pass	2♣	Pass
2♥	Pass	2♠	Pass
?			

What would you bid now with each of the following four hands?

1. ♠KJ94 ♥QJ9652 ♦AK ♣10
2. ♠873 ♥AKQ983 ♦Q6 ♣J7
3. ♠62 ♥AJ9643 ♦AQ ♣QJ4
4. ♠AJ ♥KJ8754 ♦95 ♣K63

1. **Four spades.** The value of a hand almost always rises or falls as the bidding progresses. Here, for example, when you open the bidding with one heart, your hand is clearly above a minimum opening bid. True, you have only 14 high-card points, but the 4-6-2-1 distribution increases the value of the hand by another two or three points.
When partner responds two clubs, however, the hand shrinks somewhat in value. You had hoped that he would respond one spade or raise your hearts, but he did neither. His two-club bid didn't help your hand one whit and, in fact, hurt it a bit. You therefore proceed cautiously at your second turn by rebidding two hearts, since the combined hands might turn out to be a total misfit.
But when partner next bids two

spades, the situation changes dramatically. Your original evaluation is not only restored but increased, and you show this by jumping to four spades. In effect, you blow cold when partner bids clubs, but hot when he bids spades.

2. **Three hearts.** Here you simply stick to your story — namely, that you opened on minimum values and neither of partner's responses has helped you at all. Partner is thus alerted to go easy the rest of the way, since your bids of one, two and three hearts are clearly intended to put a damper on the proceedings.
3. **Three notrump.** Your earlier two-heart bid limited you to minimum opening strength, and you should now let partner know that you are on the high side for your previous bids by leaping to three notrump. Two notrump at this point would make it sound as though you were dying on your feet and might result in missing your side's best contract.
4. **Three clubs.** All you can do under the circumstances is to show partner a preference for his first suit. You started with a weak opening bid and should continue to bid your hand weakly in order to slow partner down. If partner now goes off the deep end, the responsibility is entirely his own.

Tomorrow: Good play from start to finish.
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ANSWERS

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Senate confirms Elena Kagan as 112th justice

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate confirmed Elena Kagan Thursday as the Supreme Court's 112th justice and the fourth woman in its history, granting a lifetime term to a lawyer and academic with a reputation for brilliance, a dry sense of humor and a liberal bent.

The vote was 63-37 for President Barack Obama's nominee to succeed retired Justice John Paul Stevens.

Five Republicans joined all but one Democrat and the Senate's two independents to support Kagan. In a rarely practiced ritual reserved for the most historic votes, senators sat at their desks and stood to cast their votes with "ayes" and "nays."

Kagan watched the vote with her Justice Department colleagues in the solicitor general's conference room, the White House said.

Obama, traveling in Chicago, said her confirmation was an affirmation of her character and judicial temperament, and called the addition of another woman to the court a sign of progress for the country.

Medicare trust fund solvency extended by 12 years — but it depends on unlikely service cuts

WASHINGTON (AP) — Medicare is in better shape because of President Barack Obama's sweeping health care overhaul, and the hospital fund for the elderly will stay afloat a dozen years longer than earlier projected, trustees forecast Thursday. But that depends on cuts in care that the system's top analyst says are highly doubtful.

The annual report by the trustees who oversee Medicare and Social Security, led by Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner, gives backers of the new health care law evidence of a positive impact on government entitlement programs, but it also undercuts the findings with a host of caveats.

In what amounted to a dissenting opinion, top Medicare actuary Richard Foster warned that the report's financial projections "do not represent a reasonable expectation."

Kathleen Sebelius, secretary of health and human services and one of the trustees, said they were required to assume current law in making their projections, including a cut in Medicare payments to doctors. She, too, doubted the cuts would ever happen, "which is why we continue to provide cautionary notes" in the report.

The trustees projected the Medicare Hospital trust fund would be exhausted in 2029, or 12 years

later than estimated last year.

Survey reveals faith that Gulf can rebound from BP oil spill

BAY ST. LOUIS, Miss. (AP) — Want to know the future of the oil-stained Gulf of Mexico ecosystem? Look first to its muddy, polluted past.

The recent ecological history of the Gulf gives scientists reason for hope. In an extensive survey of Gulf of Mexico researchers by The Associated Press, at least 10 of them separately volunteered the same word to describe the body of water: "resilient."

This is buttressed by a government report Wednesday that claims that all but 53 million gallons of the leaked oil from BP's Deepwater Horizon well are gone. The report says the cleanup extracted a lot of it, but the natural processes that break up, evaporate and dissolve oil took care of 84 million gallons — more than twice the amount human efforts removed.

At the same time, more progress was made in sealing the well for good as BP finished pumping cement into it on Thursday.

The Gulf's impressive self-cleanup makes sense given its history and makeup. The Gulf regularly absorbs environmental insults: overfishing, trawlers raking sea floors, frequent hurricanes. And then there's the dead zone, an area starved of oxygen because 40 percent of America's runoff pours from the Mississippi River into the Gulf.

Man who killed 8 in Conn. says on 911 call that he was angered by racism, handled his problem

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) — The man who went on a shooting rampage at a beer distributor calmly told a 911 operator that it was "a racist place" and that he had taken matters into his own hands to "handle the problem."

Omar Thornton, 34, called 911 after shooting 10 co-workers — eight fatally — on Tuesday morning at Hartford Distributors. He introduced himself as "the shooter over in Manchester" and said he was hiding in the building, but would not say where.

"You probably want to know the reason why I shot this place up," he said, his voice steady. "This place is a racist place. They treat me bad over here. They treat all the black employees bad over here, too."

"So I took into my own hands and handled the problem," he said. "I wish I could have got more of the people."

Justice points to 'deadly pipeline' as 14 are charged with supporting terrorism in Somalia

WASHINGTON (AP) — The government announced Thursday that it has charged 14 people as participants in "a deadly pipeline" to Somalia that routed money and fighters from the United States to the terrorist group al-Shabab.

The indictments unsealed in Minneapolis, San Diego and Mobile, Ala., reflect "a disturbing trend" of recruitment efforts targeting U.S. residents to become terrorists, Attorney General Eric Holder told a news conference. In one case, two women pleaded for money "to support violent jihad in Somalia," according to an indictment.

The attorney general credited Muslim community leaders in the United States for regularly denouncing terrorists and for providing critical assistance to law enforcement to help disrupt terrorist plots and combat radicalization. "We must ... work to prevent this type of radicalization from ever taking hold," Holder said.

At least seven of the 14 people charged are U.S. citizens and 10, all from Minnesota, allegedly left the United States to join al-Shabab. Seven of the 10 had been charged previously in the probe.

Senate OKs \$26B bill to stop teacher, police layoffs; House called back from break for vote

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congress is moving rapidly just weeks before the start of the school year to speed billions of dollars in emergency education aid to states in hopes of reversing the layoffs of tens of thousands of teachers.

Some \$10 billion in aid to school districts is set to flow after a 61-39 Senate vote Thursday — to be followed quickly by a House vote next week — in hopes that it will come in time for many school districts to reconsider teacher layoffs.

Thursday's vote was a hard-earned but partial victory for Democrats and President Barack Obama. Advocates said it could save the jobs of up to 300,000 teachers, police and other public workers across the nation.

The measure would provide another \$16 billion to help states fund their Medicaid budgets — and therefore free money for other budget priorities such as avoiding tax increases and preserving the jobs of state employees.

About three-fifths of state governments have already factored in the federal help when drawing up budgets for the ongoing fiscal year.

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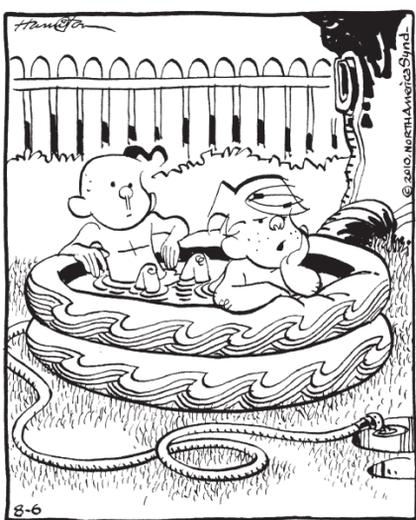
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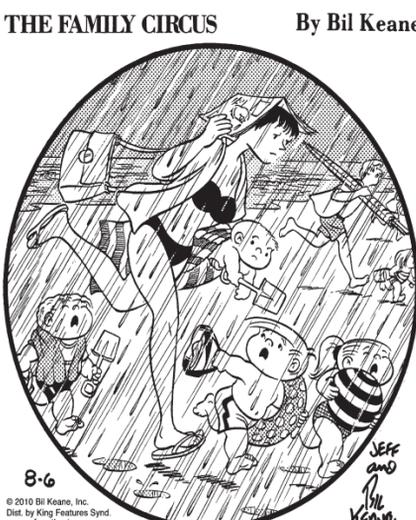
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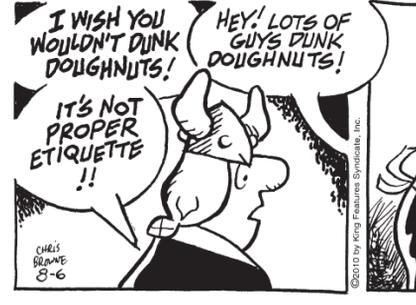
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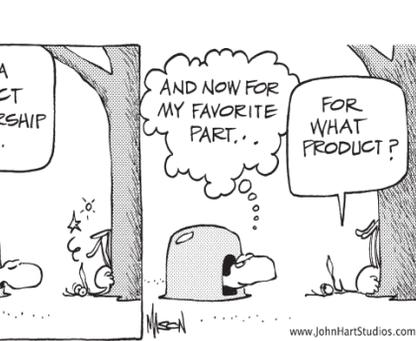
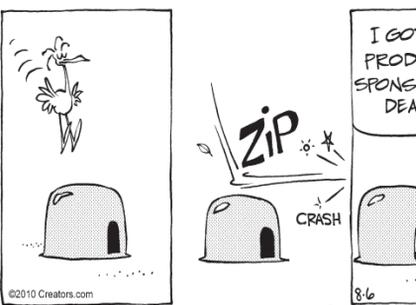
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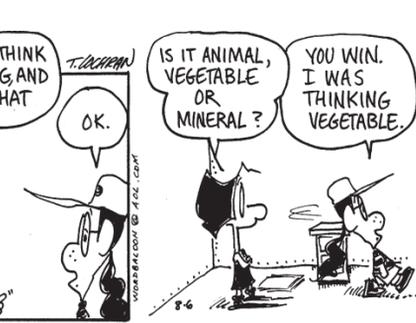
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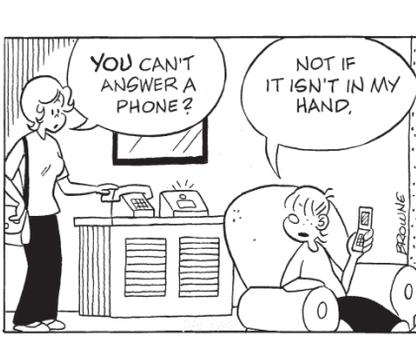
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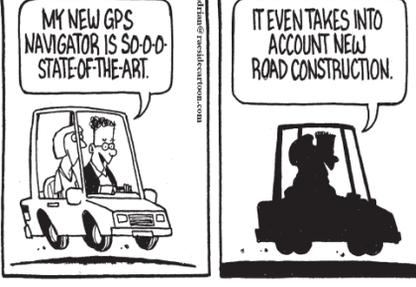
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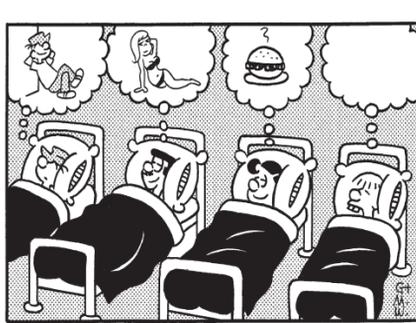
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This Date In History

Today is Friday, Aug. 6, the 218th day of the year. Today's Highlight in History: On Aug. 6, 1945, during World War II, the United States dropped an atomic bomb on Hiroshima, Japan, resulting in an estimated 140,000 deaths in the first use of a nuclear weapon in warfare. On this date: In 1806, the Holy Roman Empire went out of existence as Emperor Francis II abdicated. In 1809, one of the leading literary figures of the Victorian era, poet Alfred, Lord Tennyson, was born in Somersby, Lincolnshire, England. In 1825, Upper Peru became the autonomous republic of Bolivia. In 1859, the Australian passenger ship SS Admella, en route from Port Adelaide to Melbourne, struck a reef off South Australia and broke

apart; of the 113 people on board, only 24 survived. In 1890, convicted murderer William Kemmler became the first person to be executed in the electric chair as he was put to death at Auburn State Prison in New York. In 1926, Gertrude Ederle of New York became the first woman to swim the English Channel, arriving in Kingsdown, England, from France in 14 1/2 hours. In 1962, Jamaica became an independent dominion within the British Commonwealth. In 1965, President Lyndon B. Johnson signed the Voting Rights Act. In 1978, Pope Paul VI died at Castel Gandolfo at age 80. In 1986, William J. Schroeder (SHRAY-dur) died after living 620 days with the Jarvik 7 artificial heart. Today's Birthdays: Former tennis player Pauline Betz is 91. Actress-singer Abbey Lincoln is 80. Jazz musician Charlie Haden is 73. Actor-director Peter Bonerz is 72. Actor Michael Anderson Jr. is 67. Actor Ray Buktenica is 67. Actor Dorian Harewood is 60. Actress Catherine Hicks is 59. Rock singer Pat MacDonald

(Timbuk 3) is 58. Country musician Mark DuFresne (Confederate Railroad) is 57. Actress Stephanie Kramer is 53. Actress Faith Prince is 53. Rhythm-and-blues singer Randy DeBarge is 52. Actor Leland Orser is 50. Country singers Patsy and Peggy Lynn are 46. Basketball Hall of Famer David Robinson is 45. Actor Jeremy Ratchford is 45. Country singer Lisa Stewart is 42. Movie writer-director M. Night Shyamalan (SHAH'-mah-lahn) is 40. Actress Merrin Dungey is 39. Singer Geri Halliwell is 38. Actor Jason O'Mara is 38. Singer-actor David Campbell is 37. Actress Vera Farmiga is 37. Actress Ever (cq) Carradine is 36. © 2010 The Associated Press.

Answer to previous puzzle

GNAT	GEICO	JEDI	YORE	RANON	AXES
MAINCOURSE	NANA	SHADOW	EMAG	CAB	SOUL
ESP	PAPER	TRAIL	LEASH	MODELA	MELLEE
DEAR	TICAREV	LAUGH	TRACK	ODE	UNSEAL
HAZY	MGM	WAGS	REAGAN	BEAU	NATHAN
LANE	ELIS	TREAT	TUNA	ROLE	APPLE
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- ACROSS**
1 Checkout choice
6 201, to Tiberius
9 Predicated (on)
14 Crumpet alternative
15 Forelimb
16 Greek-salad ingredient
17 Struggles (through)
18 Like some desserts
20 "Nothin' doin' "
21 Flowering shrub
22 Shorten, with "off"
24 Doc's prescription
25 Erstwhile space station
28 Exactly as expected
34 Application
35 Matador opponent
36 Construction worker
37 College sports org.
39 Meditated
42 Unsophisticated one
43 Wash-off tattoo
45 Some casual wear
47 Fail to keep pace
48 Sometime soon
52 NFL stats
53 Dog bred for smallness
54 Connection
55 Per person
58 Pack down firmly
61 Racing enthusiast
64 Work at La Scala
66 Baking-soda targets
- DOWN**
67 Prefix for lateral
68 Chopper topper
69 Luxury-hotel inventory
70 Held first
71 Personnel
1 Officer, to a soldier
12 Brink
13 No grade to write home about
19 Author Waugh
23 High-school event
25 Star Trek character
26 Weather-map line
27 Go back on a promise
28 Expert
29 Go up
30 Screams or jumps
31 Play about Capote
32 Landscaping plant
33 Former Mideast initials
38 "That hits the spot!"
40 Auction ender
41 Nimble-fingered
44 Allow entry
46 Romantic hopefuls
49 Roulette bet
50 Stunning sight
51 Stovetop staple
55 Part of a large plot
56 Candy shape
57 Oklahoma city
59 It means "beyond"
60 Grad student's mentor
61 Fish-fowl link
62 Fush
63 Cry out loud
65 Hidden theme of the puzzle

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