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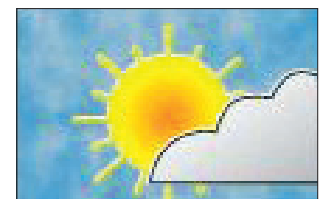


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Marcy Elementary music instructor Stacy Barr directs a group of students in song during second-grade orientation at the school Thursday afternoon.

## Tea Party advocates slate rally

*Public invited Saturday to Heart of the City Park*

By STEVE REAGAN  
Staff Writer

If you believe the federal government has forgotten its constitutional responsibilities and limitations, the Tea Party movement wants to hear from you.

The Tea Party, an emerging national movement consisting of individuals who believe in limited government and fiscal conservatism, will hold a local rally beginning at 9 a.m. Saturday in the Heart of the City Park in Big Spring.

Several Tea Party rallies have been held in Big Spring over the past couple of years and attendance at the events has steadily increased, organizers said. Attendance at the most recent rally in April attracted

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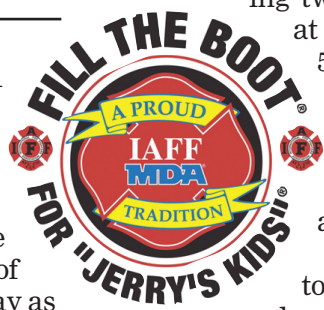
## Lookin' for a bootload

Big Spring firefighters to raise funds for MDA

By STEVE REAGAN  
Staff Writer

Big Spring firefighters will have their boots out in force Saturday, raising money to fight muscular dystrophy.

Several members of the Big Spring Fire Department will be stationed at the intersection of Gregg Street and FM 700 Saturday as they participate in the "Fill The Boot" campaign to raise money for the Muscular Dystrophy Association.



ing two-hour shifts will be stationed at the intersection from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., according to Megan Meador, fundraising coordinator for the MDA's district office in Midland. The campaign goes hand-in-hand with the MDA's annual Labor Day Telethon.

The association raises money to support research to combat 43 degenerative diseases that fall under the umbrella of muscular dystrophy,

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HERALD file photo

A Big Spring firefighter collects money for the Muscular Dystrophy Association in 2008.

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## 'Birth tourism' only a small portion of immigrant babies

BOB CHRISTIE  
PAUL J. WEBER

Associated Press Writers

SAN JUAN, Texas — When Ruth Garcia's twins are born in two months, they'll have all the rights of U.S. citizens. They and their six brothers and sisters will be able to vote, apply for federal student loans and even run for president.

Garcia is an illegal immigrant who crossed into the country about 14 years ago, before her children were born, and the citizenship granted to her children and millions others like them is at the center of a divisive national debate.

Republicans are pushing for congressional hearings to consider changing the nation's 14th Amendment to deny such children the automatic citizenship the Constitution guarantees. They say

women like Garcia are taking advantage of a constitutional amendment meant to guarantee the rights of freed slaves, and paint a picture of pregnant women rushing across the border to give birth.

A closer examination of the issue shows that the trend is not as dramatic as some immigration opponents have claimed.

Most children of illegal immigrants are born to parents like Garcia who have made the United States their home for years.

Out of 340,000 babies born to illegal immigrants in the United States in 2008, 85 percent of the parents had been in the country for more than a year, and more than half for at least five years, according to recent study from the Pew Hispanic Center.

And immigration experts say it's extraordinarily rare for immigrants to come to the U.S. just so they can have babies and get citizenship. In most cases, they come to the U.S. for economic reasons and better hospitals, and end up staying and raising families.

Garcia's husband has been deported and she earns a living selling tamales to other immigrants who live in fear of being deported from the slapdash, impoverished colonias that dot the Texas-Mexico border.

"I think that children aren't at fault for having been born here," Garcia said. "My children always have lived here. They've never gone to another country."

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## Obituaries

## Ollie Mae Henry

Ollie Mae Henry, 85, of Big Spring died Thursday, Sept. 2, 2010, in a local hospital. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 4, 2010, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with the Rev. Doug Shelley, pastor of East Side Baptist Church, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. until 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 3, 2010, at the funeral home.

She was born Dec. 25, 1924, in Ralls, Texas, and married Arvil W. Henry on July 16, 1943, in Melrose, N.M. He preceded her in death

April 10, 2001.

Ollie Mae and her late husband came to Big Spring in 1953. She had worked at Hester's Office Supply for 24-1/2 years and had been a Mary Kay representative for 18 years. She was a Baptist.

Survivors include two sons, Robert Neal Henry and wife Paula, and Arvil James Henry all of Big Spring; granddaughter, Tessa Reid and husband Jody of Coahoma; grandson, Jason Henry and wife Morgan of Aledo; grandson, Allen Carlile and wife Becky of Big Spring; granddaughter, Michelle Rush and husband Mike of Nevada, Texas; grandson, Casey Henry and wife Dori of Big Spring; six great-grandsons, Reagan, Ryan and Riley Reid of Coahoma, Michael Duffer, Josh Carlile and Dracklyn Henry, all of Big Spring; six great-granddaughters, Briana Carlile of League City, Ali Duncan and Lindsey Rush, both of Nevada, Texas, Cassidy Duffer, Jessica Henry and Tara Henry, all of Big Spring; two brothers, Herman Coffey and wife Thelma of Belen, N.M., and Leon Coffey and wife Laura of Logan, N.M.; one sister, Wanda Richmond of Logan, N.M.; three sisters-in-law, Gene Terry and husband Merle, and Thelma Coffey, all of Clovis, N.M., and Edith Massey of Amarillo; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was also preceded in death by five brothers and two sisters.

The family suggests memorials be made to the Alzheimer's Association, Greater West Texas Chapter, 4400 N. Big Spring, Suite C-32, Midland 79705; or a favorite charity.

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

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## 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.

## Enedina Fierro

Enedina Fierro, 90, of Big Spring died Wednesday, Sept. 1, 2010, at Parkview Nursing and Rehabilitation Center. Vigil services will be held at 7 p.m. Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Saturday at Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Burial will be at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

She was born Jan. 19, 1920, in Big Spring to Maria and Gregorio Roldan. She married Jose B. Fierro in April 1939 in Big Spring. She was employed at Webb Air Force Base for 20 years. She was very active at Holy Trinity Catholic Church and was a member of Guadalupanas and Cursillista for more than 50 years, and was a past officer. She made tamales for the church to raise funds to build the church and youth center. She was a homemaker.

She is survived by her husband, Jose Fierro of Big Spring; three daughters, Josie DeLeon and husband Rudy of Big Spring, Belen Alvarez and husband George of Garland; and Nina Wood and husband David of Big Spring; one son, John Fierro and wife Juanita of Lantana; one sister: Maria deJesus (Chuy) Gonzales and husband Jesus of El Paso; one brother, Esiquio Roldan of El Paso; eight grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-granddaughter.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Cuca and Goyo Roldan; and 13 brothers and sisters.

The family would like to offer thanks all the Parkview staff, especially Renee, Maria, Virginia, all the staff at Crossroads Hospice, and especially to Sheryl.

Pallbearers will be Jeff Leal, Rudolph Munoz, Justin Franco, Adrian DeLeon, Rick Santa Cruz and David Ortiz.

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

*Paid obituary*

## Coy Alonza 'Lack' McGee

Coy Alonza "Lack" McGee, 42, died Tuesday, Aug. 31, 2010, in Big Spring. Funeral service will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 4, 2010, at the Oak Grove Baptist. Burial will be in Hamlin Memorial Cemetery, directed by Adams-Foster-Ray Funeral Home in Hamlin. Visitation will be held from 6 p.m. until 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 3, 2010, at Adams-Foster-Ray Funeral Home Chapel.

Born Feb. 5, 1968, in Hamlin, Lack was the son of the late Neomia (McGee) Rice. He graduated from Hamlin High School in 1986. He worked as a truck driver and was a member of the Mountain Top of Praise Church Bakersfield, Calif.

Lack was preceded in death by his mother, Neomia Rice; grandparents, Armstead and Arthelia McGee; one aunt and one uncle.

Survivors include two daughters, Bridgett McGee and Tiffany McGee, both of Abilene; two sons, Michael McGee and Coy McGee, both of Abilene; one sister and brother-in-law, Renea and James Ervine of Abilene; three brothers, Bobby McGee and wife Renee of Big Spring, Billy McGee and wife Phyllis of Big Spring, and Waylon McGee of South Beach, Fla.; three aunts; two uncles; one granddaughter; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

**What's Happening**

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## Police blotter

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

- LLOVANA LOZANO MUNOZ, 36, of 1710 S. Johnson, was arrested Thursday on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
- ERICKA KRYSTLE GONZLEZ, 19, of 1605 Kentucky Way, was arrested Thursday on warrants for juvenile curfew violation (two counts), criminal mischief and animal at large.
- CORY JAMES MICHAELWICZ, 21, of Hutto, was arrested Thursday on charges of criminal mischief, theft by check and credit/debit card abuse.
- JESSICA ANN FERGUSON, 28, of 706 S. Goliad Apt. B, was arrested Thursday on a charge of driving while license invalid - DWI related.
- BURGLARY OF A BUILDING was reported in the 900 block of E. Fourth Street.
- CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 600 block of E. 15th Street.
- BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE was reported: In the 1400 block of E. 14th Street. In the 200 block of Jefferson.
- FORGERY was reported: In the 1200 block of E. 11th Place. In the 400 block of E. Fourth Street.

## Sheriff

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

Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 64 inmates at the time of this report.

- ERICKA KRYSTAL GONZALEZ, 19, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on warrants for city charge - curfew violation (two counts), criminal mischief and municipal charge - animal at large.
- OTIS J. PORTER, 21, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on a motion to revoke probation for driving while license invalid with a previous conviction or suspension.
- CORY JAMES MICHAELWICZ, 21, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on charges of criminal mischief, theft by check and credit/debit card abuse.
- LANCE WAYNE BIDDLE LAND, 21, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on a charge of public intoxication.
- JESSICA ANN FERGUSON, 28, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while license invalid with a previous conviction or suspension.

## Fire/EMS

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

- TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported in the 1000 block of Birdwell Lane. Service refused.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1900 block of Martin Luther King Blvd. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 3400 block of S. Anderson Road. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAUMA was reported in the 2300 block of Wasson. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1200 block of Sycamore. One person was transported to SMMC.

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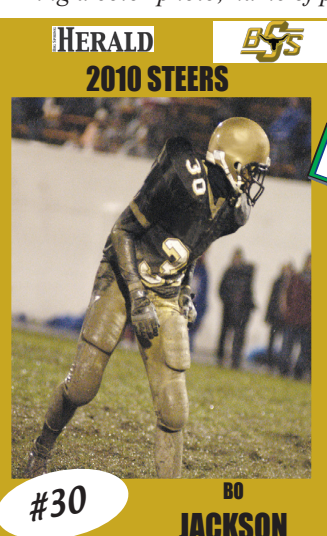
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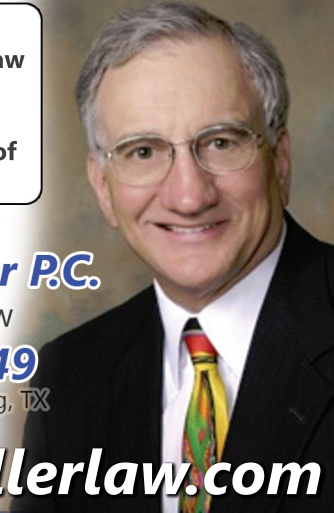
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## Take Note

- Coahoma Band Boosters will man the concession stand during the Bulldogs' 7:30 p.m. game with Comanche tonight. Available will be baked potatoes, chicken quesadillas and a variety of sandwiches — ham and cheese, turkey, BLTs and barbecue. Bruiser Bags are \$6 and contain a sandwich, drink, chips and a candy bar. Traditional items will also be available.

- The Northside Community Center will start its After School Program from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Monday. Children from the third to sixth grades are welcome to attend on Monday, Wednesdays and Fridays. All sessions are free. For more information, call 263-2673.

- English as a Second Language (ESL) and computer sessions at the Northside Community Center are held during the day and evening on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Class sessions are from 10 a.m. to noon, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. and from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. For more information, call 263-2673.

- The local division of the Disabled

American Veterans will be holding a 9-11 memorial service at the Big Spring Mall at 6:30 p.m. The ceremony is being held in honor of the of the Americans who lost their lives in the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks, and the local men and women who have lost their lives while serving in the armed forces since that tragic day. There memorial will be held just west of the Sears inside the mall, near the memorial wall. For more information on the memorial ceremony, contact Mike Tarpley at (432) 556-2227.

- Mobile Meals is in need of volunteers to deliver meals to the homebound elderly in Big Spring. If you can donate at least one hour a week, call Macaria Cantu at 263-4016 and leave a message.

- Big Spring and surrounding counties are in critical need of foster families. For more information on becoming foster parents or adoptive families, call the Children's Protective Services office at 263-9669.

# San Angelo man pleads guilty to cocaine charges

### Special to the Herald

LUBBOCK — Gabriel Christopher Diggs, 29, of San Angelo pleaded guilty Thursday before U.S. District Judge Sam R. Cummings to his role in a cocaine trafficking conspiracy.

The plea agreement was announced by U.S. Attorney James T. Jacks of the Northern District of Texas.

Diggs and eight other defendants are charged in a six-count superseding indictment, returned by a federal grand jury in mid-July, with conspiracy to distribute and possess with intent to distribute 500 grams or more of cocaine. Some of the defendants are also charged with

a substantive drug possession and/or firearm count.

Diggs, who pleaded guilty to the conspiracy charge, faces a maximum statutory sentence of life in prison and a \$4 million fine. Judge Cummings ordered a pre-sentence investigation report; sentencing will be scheduled after that report is complete.

Others charged in the indictment include San Angelo residents:

- Joe Luis Garcia, 31
- Noe Rojas Arroyo, 33
- Alexander Rodriguez Jr., aka "Red," 30
- Joseph Michael Fitchett, aka "Biggin," 29
- Veronica Paula Gonzalez, 31
- Daniel Galindo Lopez, 33

- Carlos Garcia Estrada, Jr., aka "Los," 26
- Rudy Hernandez Palacios, 31

Defendants Joe Luis Garcia, Joseph Michael Fitchett, Noe Rojas Arroyo and Alexander Rodriguez Jr. have pleaded guilty to their roles in the conspiracy. A trial date is pending for the remaining defendants.

The case is being investigated by the San Angelo Police Department and the Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement. Assistant U.S. Attorney Jeffrey R. Haag of the U.S. Attorney's Office in Lubbock is prosecuting the case, in coordination with the Tom Green County District Attorney's Office.

## RALLY

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an estimated crowd of around 200.

The name "Tea Party" is a reference to the Boston Tea Party of 1773 — a protest by American colonists against various acts by the British Government which, among other things, attempted to establish a monopoly on the importation of tea into the

colonies by giving a cut on reimportation tax imposed on the East India Company. Tea Party protests have invoked themes, images and slogans similar to those used during the pre-revolutionary period in American history, according to information from the Web site wikipedia.org.

The movement has shown significant political clout in recent elections across the country, as Tea Party-backed candidates won primary elections in Nevada, Kentucky,

Utah, Colorado and Alaska.

Tea Party chapters are springing up throughout Texas and the nation. While the movement has been a source of controversy, adherents insist that local chapters are nothing more than independent organizations, all intent on reintroducing citizens to their history and Constitution, and finding candidates for office that will govern based on the founding fathers' ideas.

Confirmed speakers for

Saturday's event include Kel Seliger, Big Spring's state senator, Jim Landtroop, Republican candidate in the District 85 Texas House election, Veronica Armendariz of the Conservative Hispanic Society and Dr. Donald May.

Bo Fryar, one of the event's organizers, said the Tea Party gives people who believe the government has drifted off course a chance to air their grievances.

"I just think we all feel frustrated," Fryar said in August.

"We really feel our government is overstepping its responsibilities. That's the message we're trying to get out to people."

For more information on the Tea Party or the Saturday rally, contact Fryar at 399-4510 or 263-7147.

Contact Staff Writer Steve Reagan at 263-7331 ext. 234 or by e-mail at reporter@big-springherald.com

## BOOT

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ranging from Duchenne muscular dystrophy, which affects mostly young boys, to amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (commonly known as Lou Gehrig's Disease), which typically strikes adults.

Meador said Big Spring residents are

typically very supportive of the firefighters' campaign, donating an average of between \$7,000 and \$8,000 every year.

"We are always very grateful for the support the people of Big Spring show our cause," she said. "They are always awesome and we're excited to see how Saturday goes."

Local firefighter Bob Stapp, who has partici-

pated in every local Fill the Boot campaign since BSFD joined the program in the early 1980s, said local residents contributed slightly more than \$8,100 in 2009.

"I've been doing this since we first started collecting money in Highland Mall," Stapp said. "And I'm just real, real proud of our citizens. They've been just super-supportive of what we're doing."

Nationally, donations to firefighter campaigns account for 63 percent of the money raised for the MDA telethon, Stapp said.

Money raised during Saturday's campaign will stay in this area, Meador added, and will be used to help muscular dystrophy patients and their families with a variety of MD-related expenses.

"The money helps send

local children to MDA summer camps, with flu shots or wheelchair expenses, just a variety of areas," she said. "Basically, the money goes to help families with any and all of their medical needs."

For more information, contact the MDA district office at 570-4970 or the BSFD administration office at 264-2203.

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## BABIES

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Under current immigration law, Garcia and others like her don't get U.S. citizenship even though their children are Americans.

With an estimated 11.1 million illegal immigrants living in the United States, the issue strikes a chord with many voters — people like retired Air Force nurse and pediatric nurse practitioner Susan Struck, 66, of Double Adobe, Ariz.

"People come over ... and they have babies with U.S. birth certificates, then they go back over the border with that Social Security number, with that birth certificate," and have access to public services, she said at a recent event near the border organized by conservative tea party activists.

Several prominent Republican leaders share Struck's beliefs on the issue. Sen. Lindsay Graham of South Carolina has been a vocal advocate for changing the

Constitution, and he helped the issue gain momentum heading into the midterm elections.

"Women have traveled from across the world for the purpose of adding a U.S. passport holder to their family, as far away as China, Turkey and as close as Mexico," said Jon Feere, legal analyst for the Center for Immigration Studies, which advocates for strict immigration laws.

Still, changing the Constitution is highly unlikely, legal scholars say. Measures have been introduced in each two-year congressional session since 2005, but none has made it out of committee. Constitutional changes require approval by two-thirds majorities in both chambers of Congress, an impossibility now because Democrats have the majority in both houses and most oppose such a measure. Even if Republicans gain power in November and legislation is passed, an amendment would still need to be ratified by three-fourths of the states.

To be sure, some preg-

nant Mexican women do come to the United States. In border cities like Nogales, women have been coming to the U.S. for decades to give birth, although the primary reason is better medical care, Santa Cruz County sheriff Tony Estrada said. Billboards advertising birthing services in Arizona line streets across the border in Nogales, Mexico.

Tucson Medical Center, 115 miles southeast of Phoenix, offers packages designed to provide inclusive care to new mothers. The program draws some residents of the northern Mexican state of Sonora who can afford its up front costs and already have U.S. visas, spokesman Michael Letson said.

Princeton University demographer Douglas Massey said in 30 years studying Mexican immigration, he's never interviewed a migrant who said they came to

the United States just to get citizenship for their children.

"Mexicans do not come to have babies in the United States," said Massey, who blames the tightening of the border in the 1990s for cutting off normal migration of men who used to come to work for a year or two and then go home. "They end up having babies in the United States because men can no longer circulate freely back and forth from homes in Mexico to jobs in the United States and husbands and wives quite understandably want to be together."

More common, he and other experts say, are a families stuck with one child who is legal and others who aren't — like Beatriz Gomez, a 35-year-old illegal immigrant who came to Phoenix 11 years ago on a now-expired tourist visa from Arriaga in the Mexican state of Chiapas.

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Gilbert Garcia, 52, died Tuesday. A rosary will be at 9:30 a.m. Saturday at Myers & Smith Chapel followed by the Funeral Service at 10 a.m. at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial will be at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

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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:

- Big Spring motorists who have complied with school zone speed limits and not used cell phones in school zones in exemplary fashion. According to Big Spring Police Department officials, the number of speeding citations they've issued in school zones are down compared to the previous year, and they've only had to issue one citation for cell phone use in a school zone.

- All the hang-gliding pilots who visited Big Spring for the U.S. National Hang Gliding Championship at McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark last month and for donating \$1,000 to be shared by the Howard County Child Welfare Board and the Howard Cottage Child Development Center at Howard College.

- All those who participated in Keep Big Spring Beautiful's Love Your Lake trash pick-up effort at Comanche Trail Lake Saturday morning.

- Jack Perry of Lonestar Aviation, who provided a barbecue meal for the aircrews of six Army Blackhawk helicopters that made a stop at the Big Spring Airport on Tuesday. The crew members, mostly from Alaska and California, had been training for desert operations in New Mexico.

*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.*

## YOUR VIEWS

TO THE EDITOR:

Our family wishes to express our deepest appreciation to the city of Big Spring employees for their tribute along U.S. Highway 87 in honor of our husband, dad, papa and granddad, Billy (Scottie) Scott Sr. It

was a most moving and awesome act of caring and it touched everyone of us.

We thank you with all our hearts.

**PATSY SCOTT  
AND FAMILY  
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## A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

You, Lord, are working behind the scenes for our good when we trust in You.

Amen

# Education way back when...

Persons of a certain age waxed melancholy recently upon the death of a musical icon, Mitch Miller. He of "follow-the-bouncing-ball" fame, along with his orchestra, was much in the nation's entertainment spotlight with a weekly TV show on NBC in the 1960s. Miller died a year shy of his 100th birthday.

My Uncle Mort, who just turned 98 years of age, remembers a lament associated with the popular musician. A half-century ago, Mort made this observation: "In the days of my youth, my life was one of wine, women and song. Nowadays, it's Metrecal, the old gal and 'Sing Along with Mitch.'"

Tony Bennett credits Miller with providing the impetus to get his career "off and running," and in 1955, Mitch had a number one hit with "The Yellow Rose of Texas."

It is that time again. Their loins girded, educators are at their posts, ready to greet youngsters and their bright shiny faces in classrooms throughout the land.

In short, school has started.

One elementary school teacher, listening to recitations of Henry Van Dyke's "America for Me" poem for the zillionth time, claims that times do occur when teachers "tune out."

A fifth grader caught her atten-

tion, though, with his recitation of the first verse. "'Tis fine to see the old world, and travel up and down, among the famous places and cities of renown. To admire the crumbly castles and the statues and the kings. But now I think I've had enough of amputated things."

She's pretty sure he meant "antiquated."

Educators are urged to have pens and pads at the ready. What their students say and do can make a book some day.

One distinctive group of youngsters typically is identified by just two letters — "PK."

They are, of course, "preachers' kids," whose words and deeds are on display daily in their worlds of "fishbowl living."

The Rev. Robert Mattson, who frequently preaches and/or sings at funerals, is often accompanied by his 11-year-old son, T.J. While his dad is at work, he typically busies himself by reading or playing electronic games in a quiet room adjacent to the sanctuary.

At a recent funeral, just as Mattson entered the sanctuary, his son offered this encouragement: "Knock 'em dead, Dad," he said.

A nameless boy of yesteryear just didn't "gee-haw" with arithmetic.

The teacher rattled off a series of multiplication questions.

To the youngster, they sounded like so: "Billy, tell me what's two tum two, what's two tum three, what's two tum four?"

The youngster's blank stare lingered as if set in stone.

"Mrs. Wilson," he whined,



DR.  
DON  
NEWBURY



# Spartans, Texans and warrior kings

Almost 500 years before Christ, a Spartan army of only 300 men stood against a million or so Persians at a place called Thermopylae. The Brewer isn't a particularly a big fan of ancient Spartans — besides destroying the fair city my mama named me after with a stinking wooden horse, they were also known to be racist and pagans who had no mercy for anyone. With that said, the Texan in me can't help but love the astonishing quality of warriors they produced.

The king famous for Sparta's military miracle was a guy by the name of Leonidas. What I love about King Leonidas is he wasn't just a king, he was a warrior king. He didn't sit on a golden throne and order men to fight. He fought in front of all his men and invited them to fight beside him. I love the whole idea of a warrior king.

About 200 years later, another warrior king rose from the same part of the world — but this one would be remembered as "Great."

Alexander conquered the known world not for a righteous reason but just because he wanted to. Before it was over, millions would be dead and many more hurting because of Alexander's ambition of conquest. Though I don't much care for

his empire any more than the Spartans, I can't help but love the fact Alexander was a warrior king.

After Alexander and his army turned south on the Indus River, they encountered a warlike clan called the Mali. After building siege weapons and ladders, Alexander's army attacked the walled city — and Alexander was the first over the walls.

He was so far ahead of the rest of his men that he engaged the entire army by himself while his men scrambled to keep up. With an arrow piercing his chest and his lung and a sword in his hand Alexander the Great fought hand-to-hand combat until his men were able to subdue the enemy. I love a warrior king.

Almost 2,300 years later on holy ground that would be called Texas, a general with a righteous cause, raced across the San Jacinto battlefield. Though vastly outnumbered and in broad day light, Sam Houston was so far ahead of the rest of his men that he drew all the fire of the Mexican dictator's troops.

Having two horses shot out from under him, Houston limped towards the enemy with pointed sword yelling, "Remember the Alamo, Remember Goliad!"

Sam Houston would soon become the president of the Republic of Texas. Though he was a political leader he was also a proven warrior. I love a warrior king.

Being a fairly famous Jesus freak with an ever-growing popularity, I get a lot of letters and e-mail. Most of them cuss

"You can stop right there — I don't even know what 'tootum' is!"

Here's wishing teachers, at all levels everywhere, the very best in this new school year, and the same wish goes for students, too.

May students regularly hear an inspiring quote which can be attributed only to anonymity.

It reads: "When the world says, 'Give up,' hope whispers back, 'Try it one more time.'"

A final mention this week concerns Henry V, ruler of the Holy Roman Empire some 500 years ago.

Many of his quotes have survived the ravages of centuries. Even then, who knows how many of his statements were original? One Internet source credits him with the "I came, I saw, I conquered" quote. Many folks think it was Julius Caesar who first strung these words together, albeit in Latin, during his rule in the late "BC" years.

Tabbed as the "wise ruler," Charles V came up with this gem: "I speak Spanish to God, Italian to women, French to men and German to my horse!"

He's also credited with a similar quote: "Italian is the language for opera; French is the language for love; German is the language for war; English is the language to train horses and Spanish is the language to speak with God."

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me, but there are more and more asking me what denomination or non-denominational group I subscribe to.

I am for whatever in Christianity is wimp free.

Sign me up with the Christians who have the guts to be Christians in a day where men act more like women than men.

Show me Christians who are not just talking about the love of God, but who are demonstrating it through the hard work it takes to make a difference in somebody's life.

Put me in line with the people who are living proof that God never consults your history before giving you a future.

Real Christians don't just serve a King. They serve a passionate, warrior King — and those of us who follow Him live a lifetime of learning how to get out of His way and let Him fight like He wants to.

Not only is Christ not scared of the battles you and I face, He actually gets excited about the prospect of another glorious scrap. That's the way our King is, and He is unlike any we have ever seen before.

He's compassionate, ready to serve, approachable and full of mercy, but make no mistake about it — He is a warrior King.

"The Lord is a man of war: the Lord is his name." — Exodus 15:3

*The Rev. Troy Brewer pastors Open Door Ministries near Joshua and can be contacted through his website at www.opendoorministries.org*



# Church News

## First United Methodist

It's a holiday weekend; the last of the season. We pray for those traveling and for their safe return. And it's also a time of thanking God for our great country and this national holiday. As we worship this first Sunday in September, our pastor, the Rev. Sharon Wiese, will be bringing the message at both the 8:30 a.m. and 10:50 a.m. services.

Our Sunday school classes begin at 9:45 a.m. The children's classes aren't the only ones to get a re-do. The Seekers Class and Myth Busters both have a new look in different areas of the third floor. It's a great way to begin a new season of studying God's word. And watch for a viewing of the new quiet room being remodeled near the sanctuary.

Sunday, there will be a snack supper beginning at 5:30 in Garrett Hall. The adults will have games following the meal, while those enrolled in "90 Days Thru the Bible" will meet for their study in the Pathmaker's class. The youth are having a swim party at that same time.

There is also a session of the "90 Days" study being held Wednesday evenings. And speaking of Wednesday, a midweek service is held at noon in Garrett Hall, the scene of great fellowship, super food and a quiet time to study the Bible.

Pastor Sharon is hosting "Lunch & Learn" sessions following the 10:50 a.m. service Sept. 12, 19 and 26 for those wanting to study and discuss what it means to be a member of the Methodist Church. Childcare, food and fellowship will be provided as you grow in understanding and faith.

Diane Murphy and Gay Herren, co-chairs of the Lord's Acre Bake Sale, remind our cooks that there is a freezer in the Garrett Hall kitchen set up for your baked items. Instructions are on the door. They would also like for you to begin saving your plastic sacks for use on the big day. The festivities begin at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 2, with the silent auction and bake sale. Kid's Korner starts at 11 a.m. A steak lunch will be served at noon, followed by the exciting Talents and Treasures Live Auction. Don't miss a minute of this great day of service to the Lord.

Take time to pray for our children and our teachers this week, and if you're looking for a church home, come give us a try. We are First Methodist in the heart of downtown Big Spring at Fourth and Scurry.

## 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 on Sunday evenings, we sing the old favorites. This week is the start a Bible study of the book of Genesis.

The Rev. Scott Willis will be preaching this Sunday. His message is entitled "No Condemnation," based on scripture from Philemon 1-21.

Encouraging words: The only rose without thorns is friendship. — Mlle. de Scuderi

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.

## Signal Mountain Emmaus Community

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

The next meeting will be Sept. 9. Please mark your calendar.

At this month's meeting we will honor the 2007 Walks; Women's Walk 44, Phyllis Franks; Women's Walk 45, Kevin Freeman; Men's Walk 46, Mindy Whitenburg; and Men's Walk 47, Carl Johnansen. Please plan to attend. Bring a dish and join us at 6 p.m. for a potluck fellowship.

For more information see our website [www.signal-emmaus.org](http://www.signal-emmaus.org)

## 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

# Like a tree planted by the water

It's an old song – a hymn that my mother used to sing as she went about her chores in the kitchen. The lyrics are etched in my memory, and the tune resonates in my head: "Like a tree planted by the water, I shall not be moved."



BONNIE  
WHEAT

Once again, August has swept through our area, leaving stains of brown and yellow on grass that was green just a few weeks ago. The bushes and shrubs along my back fence and all around my

neighborhood are showing evidence of having been scorched into retreat. Only a complete cycle of the seasons will return the green of spring, and I'm reminded that the trees along the streets of our town are not planted by streams of water.

As summer surrenders to fall this year, out in the Atlantic Ocean somewhere, a storm is brewing. In a few days, Hurricane Earl may either develop into a catastrophic hurricane or diminish into a harmless tropical storm. Again, I'm reminded that even the oldest, staliest trees along the path of the storm could be battered by the wind and rain.

As a nation, one of our greatest assets can be found in and around our

national parks. The giant redwoods and sequoias of California have survived all kinds of natural and manmade disasters. The sky-scraping noble firs of the Pacific Northwest and the majestic pines of the eastern states are reminders of our heritage. The sweet-smelling magnolias of the South are God's gift as well. Even the stubborn mesquite trees of the Southwest are reminders of God's faithfulness.

In the Bible, we are given descriptions of such trees and the individuals who pattern their lives after these deep-rooted trees: "But I will bless the person who puts his trust in me. He is like a tree growing near a stream and sending out roots to the water. It is not afraid

when hot weather comes, because its leaves stay green; it has no worries when there is no rain; it keeps on bearing fruit" (Jeremiah 17:7-8 TEV).

As Christians, our faith should be rooted in God's ever-flowing love. If our roots are deep, we will be able to withstand the storms of life. When the drought comes, our roots should be digging even deeper.

Perhaps our song should be, "Like a tree planted by the water, I shall not be moved," and our prayer should be "God teach me how to be more like a tree."

Bonnie Wheat is an author and a minister's wife. She can be contacted at [brwheat@suddenlink.net](mailto:brwheat@suddenlink.net).

every Wednesday in the chapel.

There will be a youth pizza party at 6 p.m. Wednesday at the First Christian Church. This event is for sixth through 12th graders and consists of three participating churches — St. Mary's Episcopal, First Christian DOC and First Presbyterian. Youth, parents and adult facilitators are asked to come, see and taste the goodness of the Lord, as we celebrate the importance of our youth and their journey of faith.

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

## North Birdwell Lane United Methodist

The North Birdwell Lane United Methodist Church meets each Sunday for worship at 10:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. Pastor Billy Bates leads both services. Linda Hall conducts the children's sermon.

Sunday School for all ages meets at 9:30 a.m. with Nancy Wagner and Lucy Williams leading the youth. The adult class will be discussing "God's Revelation to Moses," taken from Exodus 3:1-6, 13-15, and will be led by Dewayne Wagner.

Bible study is held the first and third Wednesdays of each month at 6:30 p.m. We are studying the Book of Romans. The United Methodist Women meet the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month at 4:30 p.m. and will continue the study "Do What You Have the Power to Do," by Helen Burch Person, a look into the stories of the unnamed women in Matthew, Mark, Luke and John.

The annual Charge Conference for North Birdwell Lane United Methodist church will be held at 7 p.m. Sept. 28 with the district superintendent, the Rev. Derrell Patterson, presiding.

Angel Food orders will be taken from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday and from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday. This is a non-qualifying food program open to all who wish to lower their food bills. You will no longer need to bring a box to pick up your food, as it will now come boxed for your convenience.

North Birdwell Lane United Methodist Church is located at 2702 N. Birdwell Lane and welcomes all who wish to learn more about God's love for us and how we can better serve Him in service to others. For more information, call 267-2203 or 263-2536. If there is now answer, please leave a message.

## 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](http://www.lutheransonline.com/aliveinchristbstx).

We would love to have you join us for church 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 17:6-26 with the theme "That They May All Be One."

Angela Newton is our organist. This week's acolyte will be Haley Walker. Our elders are Richard von Hassell and Richard Knocke.

The flowers are given to the honor

of the 38th anniversary of Gerry and Billy Marino on Aug. 8.

The liturgy will be read by Richard Knocke. The readings are Deuteronomy 30:15-20, Psalm 1, Philemon 1-21 and Luke 14: 25-35. Anyone interested in reading, contact Dolline Budke.

Rally Day was celebrated for last Sunday. The delicious meal was excellent and games were enjoyed by all participants.

Wednesday, we "kicked-off" our Mid Week School. Hot dogs were served. Thank you, Kathy Laning. Classes for Mid Week School will begin Wednesday at 6 p.m. If you are interested in coordinating or providing meals for Wednesday evenings prior to Mid Week School, contact Dana Byrd.

Sunday School classes for all age groups will begin Sept. 12 with exciting Bible-based material.

The LYF is selling notepads, calendars and all occasion greeting cards. These inspirational items can be found in the hallway. Please look them over and help our youth.

Mark your calendars for Sept. 19. See CHURCH NEWS, Page 7

We will have the dedication of our building and church property at that time. A barbecue luncheon will follow church and Sunday School. Dedication of the church property is scheduled for 3 p.m. with a reception following.

The Board of Evangelism has begun preparations for our Thanksgiving Celebration and needs cooks/grocery getters. If you are interested, contact Richard Knocke.

If you are interested in beginning or attending a new Men's or Women's Bible study, please contact any member of the Board of Education.

Scheduled meetings for September include: Monday, Sept. 13, the LWML will serve refreshments at the VA; the Board of Education will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 14, at the church; and the Elders meet the at 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 16, at the church. Other boards and groups are continuing to meet and make plans for the various activities of the church.

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# Are You a basket-filler?

Growing up, I learned the Golden Rule, "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you." My grandmother had the four of us sisters recite the Golden Rule every day before leaving for school. She would say to us, "If you practice this every day, your lives will go well." I can truthfully say, apart from the normal ups and downs of growing up, our lives did go well.



JERRIE STOCKS

Grandmother spent hours talking to us about becoming a people person. She would say, "Be a basket-filler, not a basket-dipper." She encouraged us to be helpers and do good deeds. The Golden Rule is still a great place to begin in our relationships with others. Jesus Christ practiced the Golden Rule on a daily basis. He always went about doing good and helping others. He referred to Peter as a rock and would later remind him to stay strong and remain stable in his relationships.

Have you ever thought how much better others feel about themselves when we spoke positive words rather than negative into their lives? Encouraging words are the glue that holds our relationships together. Ask yourself, "What am I doing to be an encourager to others?" How do we feel when others compliment

and speak well of us? We feel like giants! We see ourselves as winners and basket-fillers instead of basket-dippers.

Our world today is quiet different than it was even a few years ago. We are seeing rapid change almost every day. We see change in our government, our schools, our places of business, and yes, even in many of our churches. Some are groping for answers as to what to do next. But even in times such as we are experiencing today, we can make others feel good about themselves by speaking pleasant, uplifting words into their lives. In turn, this makes us feel better about ourselves. I know this because it is one of the things that changed my life many years ago.

We all have daily opportunities to be discouraged and feel that we are on the bottom of the barrel. We face difficulties, our plans don't always work out, and life has its way of stealing our peace and joy. Oftentimes, we take our problems to bed with us which causes us to endure sleepless nights.

The next morning, we feel as if we ran into a revolving door. We hesitantly get up, shower, and go to work where our problems stay front and center stage for the rest of the day. Entire offices can be contaminated with one bad attitude because we often do not realize that others feel our tension. In fact, our attitudes can act as roadblocks in our lives. And the news flash is we have accomplished

nothing.

How much better we would feel if we put our problems into God's hands, left them there and went on about our daily lives of spreading joy and happiness, blessing and encouragement to others with positive words and cheerful faces. This kind of attitude is medicine to the soul. Understandably, our families and co-workers appreciate it, too.

When we paint on the canvas of people's lives with our words, we give them a sneak preview of what is really inside our heart. I recently heard a minister say that most of us need to carry around a big eraser so when we go to bed at night we can erase all the negative input from others and negative output from ourselves in a day.

He went on to say that if we would only think before speaking adversely about others or even about ourselves, the positive would override the negative and create a healing flow that actually carries a restorative energy into the lives of those around us and to ourselves, as well.

Proverbs 6:2 tells us "You are snared by the words of your mouth, you are taken by the words of your mouth."

We should all strive to become basket-fillers instead of basket-dippers, which simply means that we should make every effort to build others up with our words instead of tearing them down.

God bless.

## Maranatha sees growing enrollment

Maranatha Baptist Academy has released information containing a favorable enrollment report for the local private school.

Beginning enrollment in the 2009-2010 year was seven students and increased to 65, according to school officials. This year, enrollment began with 25 and there are currently 45 students in classes.

Officials said the average student's grades in all subject areas was 95 percent last year with many of the students performing above standard academic expectations.

The private Christian school ministry of Early and Dr. Lillian Bohanan uses individualized, Bible-based curriculum based on Accelerated Christian Education and focuses on Christian character training as well as academic studies. Located at 903 Johnson, Maranatha also offers homeschooling and tutoring in all subject areas.

"Maranatha Baptist Academy believes that their school's achievement is attributed in part to community commitment to maintain an atmosphere where a school such as Maranatha Baptist Academy can effectively educate our youth today for tomorrow's achievements," a spokesperson said.

For more information on Maranatha, call (432) 263-7696 or e-mail lesslily@crcom.net

## CHURCH NEWS

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### 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 mornings 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, meets in the church library at First Presbyterian, Big Spring, at 5:17 p.m. Wednesday.

Sunday is Communion Sunday. Following worship, we will have our first-Sunday-of-the-month covered dish lunch.

The lectionary for Sunday is Jeremiah 18:1-11; Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18; Philemon 1-21; and Luke 14:25-33.

### First Presbyterian, Big Spring

The Lectionary Bible study met at 5:17 p.m. in the church library and choir practice was at 6 p.m.

Helen Glass will provide refreshments for "Take Ten" Sunday morning; Mike Robinson will be liturgist for September. We appreciated having Donovan Salinas, Charlie Boling and Kelli Schaedel assist Christine Boling as liturgists last week. Ushers for the month are Weldon Jones, Caitlin Jones, Baylor Walker and Ellen Austin. Communion servers are Pat Fleming, Paula Farquhar, Karen Schaedel and Neva Green.

Our church family has big plans for "homecoming" weekend, Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 11-12. At the church picnic on Saturday, Mark Morgan is cooking hamburgers at the Morgan Ranch. You need bring only lawn chairs and drinks. There will be a water slide for young children as well as games, singing and other homemade entertainment. These activities will begin around 5 p.m. and hamburgers will be ready sometime around 6 p.m.

Danny Kennemur and his cooking team will be cooking the barbecue to bring for the church fellowship lunch after worship Sunday. Beans and barbecue sauce will be provided; everyone is asked to bring a side dish or dessert if possible.

Sunday School classes will begin their fall series Sept. 12. Children K through fifth grades, will start a fun study called "Joseph: God's Dreamer," using a DVD, retelling the Joseph story with a "prop bag," learning a rap song, making musical instruments and quilt squares, creating a cartouche, learning about hieroglyphics, cooking and making a booklet of the story.

Chris and Don Boling will lead the youth sixth through 12th grades in reading the Bible in "90 Days for Youth." The Covenant Class, led by John Ferguson and Max Green, will study "The Inescapable God," beginning in Exodus. The Adult Video Class will embark on a six-session study, "From Christ to Constantine: The Trial and Testimony of the Early Church," using DVDs and study guides. There is something for every age at the 9:45 a.m. Sundays.

The lectionary for Sunday is Jeremiah 18:1-11; Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18; Philemon 1-21; and Luke 14:25-33. The Rev. Craig Holstedt will be back in the pulpit Sunday.

If you cannot attend worship, you may 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.fpchs.org. On our website, you can find a link that will enable you to listen to several recent sermons by the Rev. Holstedt.

### First Christian

An exciting, unique change happens with our youth ministry starting at 6 p.m. Wednesday at First Christian. Three churches are coming together to sponsor one youth ministry from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. each Wednesday.

First Christian, First Presbyterian and St. Mary's Episcopal churches have agreed to share one youth minister who will work with teenagers for

all three churches each week. This new approach will begin with a pizza party at First Christian Church on Wednesday. Teenagers and parents are welcome to attend the inaugural event to get acquainted with each other, our new youth minister and hear about our united vision for youth ministry this fall.

We are delighted to announce that Heath Griffith will serve as the new shared youth minister. He teaches science and biology at Big Spring High School and brings enthusiasm, energy and a commitment to young people to the position.

The Wednesday youth gatherings will be at First Christian in September, at St. Mary's Episcopal in October and at First Presbyterian in November. Each weekly gathering will include either a meal or a snack, along with group play time, prayer time and discussions about issues related to life as teenagers and Christian faith.

### College Baptist

The pastor of College Baptist Church, the Rev. Ken McMeans, finished a series of sermons called "Last Things" Aug. 29.

The last sermon was on Heaven and the members of the congregation brought pictures of their loved ones that they knew were in Heaven and placed them on the altar. It was not a sad time, as the sermon was on the joys of heaven. The next series of sermons, beginning Sunday, will be "The Great Makeover Debate-Can A man Change."

The Golden Glory Gang, "3 Gs," meets the second Thursday of each month and will be showing a DVD from Ragtown Gospel Theatre in Post. The movie is "Mary Magdalene." That will be at 6:30 p.m. Sept. 9. The group will meet at 6 p.m. for sandwiches, chips and dips, then watch the movie. Senior citizens 55 or older are invited to attend.

The College Baptist Youth Group finished a very busy summer with a trip to Rock the Desert and a weekend camping trip to Ruidosa, N.M. The amazing youth of College Baptist returned to school renewed in the Lord.

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Our Sunday School classes are as follows: Children's Sunday School (ages pre-K to sixth grade), Youth Sunday School (seventh-12th grade), Adult English Sunday School and Adult Spanish Sunday School Class. All of our Sunday School classes begin at 9:30 a.m.

Our celebration service is a bilingual service and follows after our Sunday School classes at 11 a.m. We sing, pray and preach in both English and Spanish. Our evening celebration service begins at 5 and is bilingual as well.

There are several opportunities for ministry. Our children have Children's Church during both morning and evening celebration services. The children also meet weekly for Royal Rangers or Girls Ministries. Both of these children's clubs meet Wednesday nights at 7 at the church. Our youth have an evening for a time of praise and worship and a teaching from God's word.

The youth meet on Tuesday nights at 7 at the church. Our drama ministry meets on Mondays from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the church. On Wednesday evening, while the kids are in their clubs, there is a time for intercessory prayer at 7 in the sanctuary.

This Sunday, following the morning service, our missions team will be selling a meal plate to help support our missionaries. Sunday evening we will be celebrating missions and Missions Director Manny Negron will be speaking. Vision International University and School of Tyrannus will be meet Saturday, Sept. 25 at 9 a.m.

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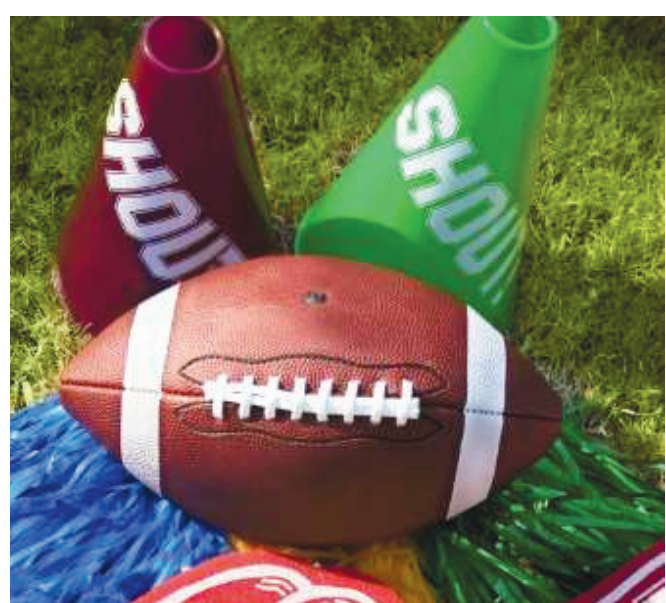
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# Rivalry Renewed

## Steers, Frenship add latest chapter to series

BY ADAM COLEMAN  
Sports Editor

Phillip Ritchey vividly remembers the 28-14 win Big Spring earned at Frenship last year. So much so, that it's been a regular topic for the Steers this week.

Then again, the week the Steers play Frenship is a regular topic everywhere else, too.

"When you mention Frenship around here, it perks people's ears up," Ritchey said. "They've got a great program. We've always admired and respected their program. Coach (Brad) Davis does a good job. Every sport, those kids play hard. They're well-coached. We know football's not going to be any different."

For the last 20-some-odd years, Big Spring fans, coaches and players have been marking Frenship as one of the biggest games of the year and 2010 is no different. The Steers renew their rivalry with Frenship at 7:30 p.m. tonight in Wolfforth.

During the series between these two schools, it's continuously changed from a non-district game to a district game. After last year's

contest was a district game, the series shifts back to non-district play today.

That's where the latest game between Frenship and Big Spring has a different feel to it for the Steers. Ritchey said Friday's game is an early-season test opposed to being a pivotal district game. It looked like the Steers hadn't missed a beat against Fort Stockton after losing so much on offense in 2009.

Ritchey said this game will truly test the talent he has.

"We're going to find out some good things and we're probably going to see some not so good things," he said. "Anytime a team just brings it at you play after play, will your guys stand up to that? Hope-

fully we will."

Davis, Frenship's head coach, is well aware of what this game means to both communities. He said Big Spring is a team that should never be underestimated, even if the Steers did lose as much as they did on offense.

Davis pointed out the talent on Big Spring's offensive line and he said it looks like the Steers are successfully replacing all the skill players they lost.

Davis, however, said last year's outcome is not something he talks about with his team, and though players remember the loss, they are approaching it like any other game.

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HERALD Photo/Tony Claxton

Big Spring quarterback DaVonte Anderson runs through a tackle during the Steers' game against Fort Stockton to open the season on Aug. 27. Big Spring faces Frenship at 7:30 p.m. today in Wolfforth.



**Big Spring (1-0)  
at Frenship (1-0)**

Big Spring players to watch: QB DaVonte Anderson, DE Tanner Henry

Frenship players to watch: RB Bobby Huey

- The Steers' undersized D-line faces Frenship's stacked O-line.

### Area football schedule

**Friday**  
Big Spring at Frenship, 7:30 p.m., Wolfforth

Comanche at Coahoma, 7:30 p.m., Coahoma

Forsan at Sonora, 7:30 p.m., Sonora

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Guthrie at Sands, 7:30 p.m., Ackerly

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Howard College's Kenzie Hunt throws a pitch during the Hawks' scrimmage against Ranger College on Thursday.

# Cowboys beat Dolphins 27-25

ARLINGTON (AP) — David Buehler was going to be on the Dallas Cowboys this season, even if it was only to keep whacking kickoffs deep into the end zone.

Now the Cowboys feel good about him kicking field goals, too.

After not getting a chance for two weeks, Buehler made kicks from 51, 45 and 40 yards — all with plenty of time to spare — then nailed a 31-yarder as time expired to lift the Cowboys past the Miami Dolphins 27-25 in the preseason finale Thursday night.

"We've got us a kicker!" crowed Cowboys owner Jerry Jones, hoping to avoid a repeat of last year's woes.

"What a game he had," added Dallas coach Wade Phillips. "No matter what you say, the last kick to win the game is pressure in any game. I think that inspired our whole football team."

Even Buehler feels inspired.

This was his first last-second, game-winning field goal on any level.

"I'm glad I had the performance I did today and I'm glad I had the opportunities I had today," said Buehler, who was 6 of 7 the first two preseason games but became a curiosity as the 0 of 0s mounted. "Going into the regular season, I couldn't have had a better game to get ready."

Third-string quarterback Stephen McGee also gave the club reason to believe, throwing a perfect 43-yard touchdown pass to Sam Hurd against Miami's starting defense, then leading Dallas on a go-ahead drive midway through the fourth quarter, then again in the final 2 minutes.

McGee played the entire game, with Tony Romo and Jon Kitna watching from the sideline. He misfired on some relatively easy passes, but last

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### Sports in brief

#### 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.

#### Three-person scramble

The Gaines County Golf Course is hosting this

tournament Sept. 11 and 12. Entry fee is \$80 per person plus the cart. Shotgun starts at 8:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. Call 432-758-3808 to enter.

#### Coahoma Girls Softball Association meeting

The group is having a board meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the community center in Coahoma.

#### Holy Trinity Golf Tournament

This is a 4-person scramble set for Sept. 12 at the Comanche Trail Golf Course. Shotgun start is at 10 a.m. Entry fee is \$20 per person. That does not include the green fee and cart fee. There will be a nearest to the pin contest and there will be cash prizes on all par 3's. Trophies will be given to the top four teams. For more information, contact Tommy Bilalba at 816-1091.



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Last Meeting: Dec. 22, 1973, Miami 16-7.

What's at Stake  
After losing several starters and arguably the top playmaker in school history (Tim Tebow), the Gators have plenty of uncertainty heading into their opener. Is QB John Brantley ready to emerge from Tebow's shadow? Can Florida's revamped defense overcome growing pains? How will coach Urban Meyer manage his health? Who are the team's new playmakers? They should get a glimpse against overmatched Miami, which finished 1-11 in 2009.

Series Record: Texas leads 69-21-1.

Last Meeting: Sept. 20, 2008, Texas 52-10.

What's at Stake  
The Longhorns begin the year with hopes of returning to the BCS title game after a stinging 37-21 loss to Alabama last season, when QB Colt McCoy was injured in the first quarter. Saturday should be a good chance for new QB Garrett Gilbert to show what he can do in a less pressure-filled situation than when he filled in for McCoy against Alabama.

## No. 6 TCU vs. No. 24 Oregon State at Arlington, Texas, 7:45 p.m. (ESPN)

Line: TCU by 13½.

Series Record: First

meeting.

What's at Stake  
After finally becoming a BCS buster last season, but losing the Fiesta Bowl, TCU wants a do-over.

The Horned Frogs will almost certainly have to go undefeated in the regular season to have that chance. A tough opening test for new QB Ryan Katz and Oregon State, which got close to the Rose Bowl last season.

## No. 7 Oklahoma vs. Utah State, 7 p.m.

Line: Oklahoma by 34.

Series Record: Oklahoma leads 4-0.

Last Meeting: Sept. 15, 2007, Oklahoma 54-3

What's at Stake

Oklahoma can become the seventh Division I

program to reach 800 wins if it avoids starting a second straight season with an upset loss to a Utah-based team — last season it was BYU at Cowboys Stadium. The Aggies are trying to win their season opener for just the fourth time in 24 tries and the first time since 1997.

## Western Kentucky at No. 8 Nebraska, 7:10 p.m.

Line: Nebraska by 37½.

Series Record: First meeting.

What's at Stake

The race for Nebraska's starting QB job probably will go at least until the Cornhuskers make their trip to Washington in three weeks. Coach Bo Pelini hasn't

said whether Zac Lee, Cody Green or Taylor Martinez would take the first snaps. Look for all three to play, with the best performer getting a leg up in the competition.

## Eastern Illinois at No. 9 Iowa, Noon (Big Ten)

Line: None

Series Record: First meeting.

What's at Stake  
Iowa can't afford to struggle against an FCS opponent in its opener — like it did last year in barely beating Northern Iowa — and expect to stay in the top 10. The Hawkeyes would also benefit from grabbing a big early lead to get work in for reserves like QB James Vandenberg and a talented crop of freshmen.

## No. 4 Florida vs. Miami of Ohio, Noon (ESPN)

Line: Florida by 35.

Series Record: Miami leads 1-0.

## No. 5 Texas vs. Rice at Reliant Stadium, 3:30 p.m. (ESPN)

Line: Texas by 30½.

## STEERS

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Spring goes way back, back into the '80s," he said. "When we first went 4A and they had just dropped down from 5A, we started playing them at that point. We've been playing them ever since.

"It's always been a great series. It's always very competitive and hard-hitting and it's what I consider two good programs playing football. When you get that, you're going to have a great game."

While the two teams are familiar with each other, the Tigers have had the upper hand often. Big Spring's win last year was just the second time the Steers beat Frenship. The Tigers are 10-2 all-time against Big Spring.

Big Spring wideout and safety Mike Menefield said the Tigers there's no question this is a big game and even though a lot has been made of the size on their team, the Steers have to step up.

"They're big like always," he said. "But size doesn't matter to us. We're going to come out and play how we've always been playing them."

Menefield and the rest of the defense will have to keep an eye out for running back Bobby Huey, who Davis said is already off to a good start this season. Huey ran for 140 yards against Lubbock Coronado last week. He also said a lot of that was because of the offensive line — a big hurdle for the Steers' defensive line this week.

Big Spring offensive lineman Jonathan Molina said another win at Frenship would be huge for the Steers.

"They're definitely looking for some blood," he said. "We beat them on their homecoming and we usually don't be them. So they're looking for

some payback."

## Changes to starting lineup

Ritchey said Pete Chavarria will start at linebacker for Friday's game against Frenship, in place of Dayvion Young. The move was made in order to give Young more rest, since he also plays on offense at receiver. Young's defensive duties will be at back-up safety for this game, with the knee injury to Jake Rhoton making depth at that position thinner.

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

## USC beats Hawaii 49-36 in Kiffin's debut

HONOLULU (AP) — Southern California was all smiles, except for coach Lane Kiffin.

Matt Barkley and Ronald Johnson had record nights, connecting on three touchdowns to make Kiffin a winner in his Trojans' coaching debut. No. 14 USC beat Hawaii 49-36 on Thursday night to start the post-Pete Carroll era.

Barkley had 257 yards passing and tied a school record with five TD passes while Johnson matched a USC mark with his three TD catches. Johnson also returned a punt 89 yards for another score in USC's first game after being hit hard with sanctions by the NCAA that includes a postseason ban this season.

When asked how he was feeling after the inaugural win, Kiffin answered: "not very well."

"We didn't do it in the style that we wanted. We want to be tough, we want to be disciplined," he said. "I thought we were tough today. I thought that we played physical in parts of the

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## COWBOYS

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year's fourth-round pick almost certainly secured a roster spot. He was 27 of 42 for 304 yards with a sack and no turnovers. He had a quarterback rating of 93.8.

"I've had a lot of critics, people who've told me I can't do whatever, so there was a lot of pressure on me to perform," he said. "I know in my heart how good a quarterback I am."

The Cowboys (3-2) used only one likely starter, fullback Deon Anderson, but held their own against the Dolphins.



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Legals

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Legals

Notice of Public Meeting to discuss Coahoma ISD's State Financial Accountability Rating. Coahoma ISD will hold a public meeting at 7:00 p.m. September 21, 2010 in the Administration Building Board Room, 600 N. Main Street, Coahoma, Texas. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss Coahoma ISD's rating on the state's financial accounting system. #6664 August 27 & September 3, 2010

Legals

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR OIL AND GAS WASTE DISPOSAL WELL PERMIT

Hannathon Petroleum, LLC, P.O. Box 3550, Midland, Texas 79702 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to dispose of produced salt water or other oil and gas waste by well injection into a porous formation not productive of oil or gas. The applicant proposes to dispose of oil and gas waste into the San Andres Formation, George Michael Lease, Well Number "Well No." 1. The proposed disposal well is located 15.5 Miles Southeast of Garden City, Texas in the Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, in Glasscock County, Texas. The waste water will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 2100 to 2900 feet. LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512/463-6792). #6677 September 3, 2010

Tomorrow's Horoscope

Mercury may still be making mischief as he travels backward (at least from our point of view) in Virgo, but at least he stops in to chat with the Virgo sun today, creating an alignment that strengthens our sense of purpose. Not only do we know what we need to do next, but we will be able to quickly organize our lives to make it happen.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). Magicians know better than to do tricks for anyone under 5 — it's harder to lead their focus away from the mechanics of the trick. When you know what to overlook, you can sit back and let the magic happen.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). You can have an excellent time with someone who doesn't share your likes and dislikes. But in order for this to happen, at least one of you has to have an open mind. Today it has to be you.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). We all tell ourselves lies from time to time, but a certain friend of yours makes sure to dispel yours as soon as she catches wind of them. This one, though not always pleasant, is a keeper. Tell her so today.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). You can walk away from any problem. Remembering this today might keep you from feeling trapped. You have options other than the ones you currently see. To get a fresh perspective, ask a Virgo.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). Risk is on the agenda, and the best kind will be both personal and professional. Perhaps you actually can make money at that crazy hobby of yours. This is an excellent day to suggest that someone pay you and find out.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Your stream of consciousness is a wide one with influences spanning from a variety of sources. When you focus these ideas through a narrow channel, you will produce something of great worth.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct.

23). Your sneaking suspicion is correct. Someone likes you an awful lot. This person wants to show you, but isn't sure whether you'd be receptive. If you are, you need to give a big hint.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Tenacity is a talent that some are born with and others must work hard to attain. But anyone can attain it. And you should definitely give it a go. You might change your tactics, but do not give up.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You will go above and beyond what you were trained to do and what you are expected to do. You like it when people appreciate you with praise — especially the kind of praise you can put in your wallet.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Anyone can commit to the thing that makes his or her heart go zing. But when the zinging stops, does the commitment stop, too? Not for those of high character.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). As much as you would love to swoop in and save the day, what is really needed is teamwork. If all the glory goes to one person, all the blame and resentment will go to that person, too. Get everyone to pull together.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). The judge inside your head is keeping you from being as free and expressive as you really want to be. Don't worry. You can do your thing without going against social etiquette or making anyone too mad.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY** (September 3). This year is punctuated by an important personal victory. Unexpected invitations will lead to money, new friends and cultural expansion. In October, you'll trade in old goods for something you've wanted for a long time. Politics will affect your work in November. Professions of love ring out in February. Capricorn and Libra people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 20, 4, 12, 48 and 14.

**WEEKEND LOVE FORECAST:** **ARIES:** Your oddball interests will lead you to one as quirky as you. **TAURUS:**

A different social lineup will put excitement into your love life. **GEMINI:** Talk to three strangers. At least one will make you glad you initiated contact. **CANCER:** Your accomplishments are impressive — even more so when you don't tell people about them all at once. Let it leak slowly. **LEO:** Hot prospects will be interested in you, but only after you loosen them up by showing interest in them first. **VIRGO:** There's an important task at hand. You could do it in your sleep, but let a loved one do it anyway — just to balance things out. **LIBRA:** Be ready with interesting topics to dish, in case the conversation devolves. **SCORPIO:** You have that special glow about you again. **SAGITTARIUS:** Trust a loved one, and this person will trust you right back. **CAPRICORN:** No need to look around for someone to sizzle up a humdrum scene. You are the spice. **AQUARIUS:** Your flaw is apparent, and that's good news — someone thinks it's one of your most attractive qualities. **PISCES:** Hang with someone who can groove without getting too offended by this imperfect world.

**COUPLE OF THE WEEKEND:** Virgo and Scorpio could curl up in a love nest and forget the rest of the world even exists. Their combined forces can create an impenetrable bubble in which the two can forge a kind of kooky, pleasant closeness that outsiders just wouldn't understand. Both have intense powers of concentration that, when focused on each other, serve to bond them in a unique and passionate union.

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DEAR MARGO

When Parents Are Pickled In Alcohol

**Dear Margo:** I am 19 years old and in desperate need of advice. I work a full-time job and am trying to go back to school in the fall.

I am currently living with my parents, and they are threatening to kick me out.

We argue all the time. My parents have been alcoholics my whole life, and now that I am older, it seems it's getting worse.

I'm seriously afraid my mom is going to take all my stuff and throw it out of the house and I will end up living in my car.

I pay all my own bills, and after I get my paycheck, there's pretty much nothing left to save to get my own place.

Other kids my age have parents who are helping them and guiding them toward living on their own.

My whole life I've had to do everything myself. I suffer from an anxiety disorder, perhaps from being around my parents who are drunk and screaming all the time.

I don't know what to do, and I feel like I am losing all hope. — *Worried Girl*

**Dear Wor:** You have to get out of there; to stay would be masochistic.

I would see if it's possible to move in with a friend. If not, find a roommate.

Even renting a room in someone's house would buy you peace of mind. In other words, do whatever it takes to live away from your parents, even if you have to postpone going back to school.

The fear and the stress you would eliminate will make you feel as though you have an entirely new life.

It is very unfair and awful that this is your situation, but that's the way it is, so it's up to you to change it by leaving it. Good luck. — *Margo, transformatively*

An Unfortunate Luck of the Draw

**Dear Margo:** I have three sisters — two younger, one older — who have made my life a living hell for 54 years. My older sister stole my identity and bragged

about her accomplishments when, in fact, they were mine.

She has beaten me up all my life (physically and emotionally).

When I refused to give her my mother's things when Mom was in ICU, she slugged me. (I should mention that I was going through chemo at the time.)

The next sister stole from me constantly, taking my meds (pain killers) and money I'd hidden in my home.

Then there's the littlest sister, who burned our father's dress blues so that when he died I couldn't put his ribbons on his uniform.

I made sure he had a real honest-to-God military funeral, which made her so mad that she took all the pictures of my dad and me together and burned them.

The last straw was when they started to hurt my children.

I filed papers with the state of New York (they all live there) and legally disowned them.

I've changed my phone number, and they've been served with papers stipulating they are to have no contact with me and that our sibling relationship is dissolved.

I even deactivated my Facebook account so they couldn't contact me that way.

I am moving in three weeks, and I don't plan to file a change of address with the post office.

I will notify people who need to know how to contact me. How do I tell them to leave me alone? — *Victimized for Decades*

**Dear Vic:** I think you've already told them. Serving legal papers, getting a new phone number and moving to a new address ought to do the trick. Short of going into the witness protection program, there doesn't seem to be much more to do.

These people sound unbalanced. Should they track you down, hang up or close the door and call the police. Given what you tell me, they would be harassing you, and you have the record to prove it. — *Margo, legally*

*Dear Margo written by Margo Howard, Ann Landers' daughter. All letters must be sent via e-mail to dearmargo@creators.com. Due to a high volume of e-mail, not all letters will be answered.*

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By Steve Becker

Test Your Play

1. You are declarer with the West hand at Six Diamonds, and North leads the queen of hearts followed by the jack. You play low twice from dummy as South contributes the six and four. How would you play the hand?

**WEST**  
♠AK5  
♥7  
♦AK1062  
♣AK104

**EAST**  
♠9743  
♥K852  
♦QJ9  
♣QJ

2. You are declarer with the West hand at Five Diamonds doubled, the bidding having gone:

**North East South West**  
1♠ Pass 4♠ 5♦  
Dble Pass Pass Pass

North leads the king of spades, which you ruff. When you lead the ace of diamonds, South discards a spade. How would you play the hand?

**WEST**  
♠—  
♥10  
♦AKQ10743  
♣AKQ62

**EAST**  
♠8654  
♥98732  
♦52  
♣93

1. The best way to avoid a spade loser is to try for a dummy reversal. Ruff the second heart with the king of diamonds and cash the J-9 of trumps.

If the adverse trumps are divided 3-2, ruff the eight of hearts (assume the ace does not fall). Then lead a club to dummy's jack and ruff the

heart king with your last trump. Now lead a club to the queen and cash the queen of trumps, discarding your spade loser, and the rest of the tricks are yours.

All told, you score six trump tricks (dummy's Q-J-9 and the three heart ruffs in your hand), two spades and four clubs. This type of play is called "dummy reversal" because declarer reverses the usual procedure of ruffing losers in dummy and instead ruffs dummy's losers in his hand.

2. The correct lead at trick three is the ten of hearts! This seemingly aimless play offers the best chance for the contract, since the North hand probably looks something like:

♠AKJ92  
♥KJ  
♦J986  
♣J4

If you don't lead the ten of hearts and instead play the A-K of clubs, planning next to ruff a low club in dummy, North can defeat you by trumping the third club, leading the heart jack to his partner's ace and trumping a club return by South.

The purpose of the early heart play is to remove South's heart entry prematurely and thus assure the contract even if North has only a doubleton club. If you make the heart play at trick three, the only tricks you can lose — assuming North has a hand similar to the one shown — are a heart and a diamond.

Tomorrow: Step-by-step reasoning.

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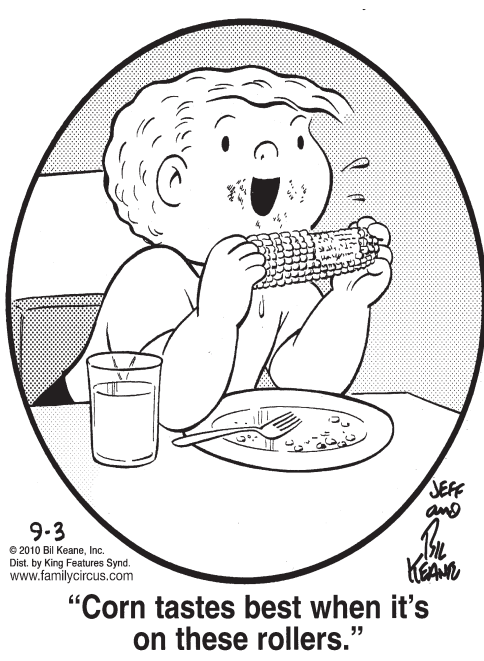
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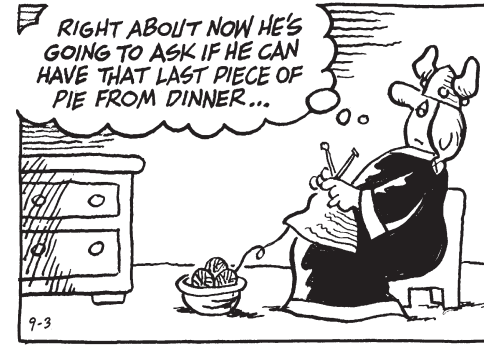
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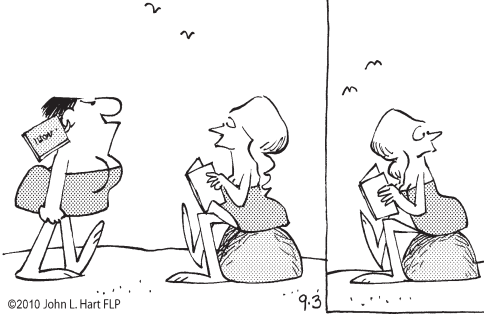
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Today is Friday, Sept. 3, the 246th day of 2010. There are 119 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Sept. 3, 1939, Britain, France, Australia and New Zealand declared war on Germany, two days after the Nazi invasion of Poland. A German U-boat torpedoed and sank the British liner SS Athenia some 250 miles off the Irish coast, killing more than 100 out of the 1,400 or so people on board.

On this date:

In 1189, England's King Richard I (the Lion-Hearted) was crowned in Westminster Abbey.

In 1609, English explorer Henry Hudson and his crew aboard the Half Moon entered present-day New York Harbor and began sailing up the river that now bears his name. (They reached present-day Albany before turning back.)

In 1658, Oliver Cromwell, the Lord Protector of England, died in London.

In 1783, representatives of the United States and Britain signed the Treaty of Paris, which officially ended the Revolutionary War.

In 1940, Artie Shaw and his Gramercy Five recorded "Summit Ridge Drive" and "Special Delivery Stomp" for RCA Victor.

In 1943, the British Eighth Army invaded Italy during World War II, the same day Italy signed a secret armistice with the Allies.

In 1967, Nguyen Van Thieu (nwen van too) was elected president of South Vietnam under a new constitution. Motorists in Sweden began driving on the right-hand side of the road instead of the left.

In 1970, legendary football coach Vince Lombardi, 57, died in Washington, D.C.

In 1976, America's Viking 2 lander touched down on Mars to take the first close-up, color photographs of the planet's surface.

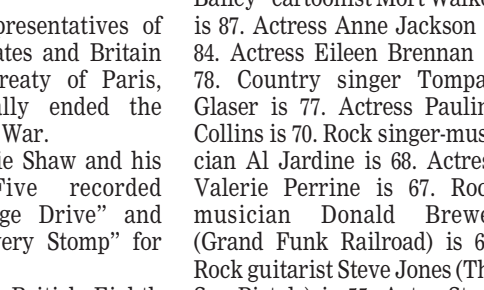
In 1978, Pope John Paul I was formally installed as leader of the Roman Catholic Church. (However, he died less than a month later.)

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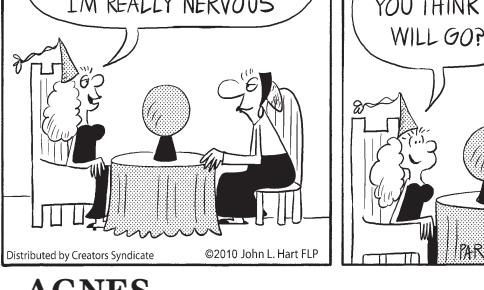
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AGNES



HOW DO YOU THINK IT WILL GO?

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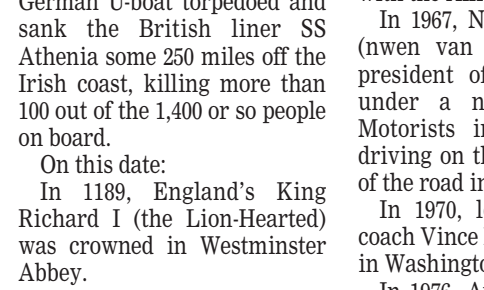
WHAT ARE YOU WATCHING?

THE OTHER COAST



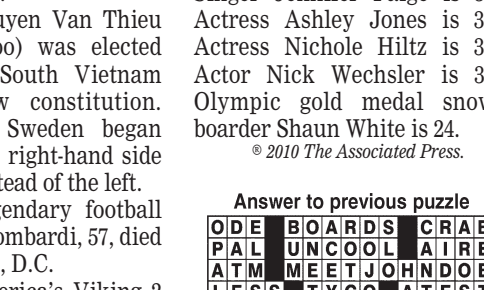
I'M SO EXCITED! WE'RE THE FIRST LIFE-FORMS TO EMERGE FROM THE PLANET'S OCEANS!

SNUFFY SMITH



DRAT, HERE COMES OL' BRAGGIN' MABEL PUTTIN' ON TH' DAWG AG'IN' !!

BEETLE BAILEY



SEE ANYTHING?

Answer to previous puzzle

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Newsday Crossword

- ACROSS
- 1 Excellence
  - 6 "Good" person
  - 9 Molten material
  - 14 Norwegian skating star
  - 15 Urban-pavement warning
  - 16 Caustic
  - 17 At an angle
  - 18 Business biggie
  - 19 Cologne's river
  - 20 With 53 Across, "stuck" phrase
  - 23 Place for pampering
  - 24 Lobster eggs
  - 25 Small strings
  - 26 With 43 Across, "stuck" phrase
  - 32 Musical transition
  - 35 Turn down
  - 36 Polynesian paste
  - 37 9 Down alternative
  - 38 Flamingo-like
  - 40 Basted, perhaps
  - 41 Clot
  - 42 Had been
  - 43 Capital of Belarus
  - 44 See 26 Across
  - 48 "... iron bars a cage"
  - 49 Shucker's unit
  - 50 '70s home-entertainment innovation
  - 53 See 20 Across
  - 58 Fancy wheels, for short
- DOWN
- 1 Mass confusion
  - 2 Ease
  - 3 Singer O'Day
  - 4 Grain holder
  - 5 Release
  - 6 Stay away from
  - 7 High spirits
  - 8 Flub
  - 9 Big name in cosmetics
  - 10 More tender
  - 11 Pleased look
  - 12 Chinese dynasty
  - 13 Suffix for block
  - 21 Rug rat
  - 22 Prone to drip
  - 26 Hair style
  - 27 Nosed out
  - 28 Brain-wave test: Abbr.
  - 29 Free of obstructions
  - 30 Barn bunch
  - 31 Rope twist
  - 32 Long story
  - 33 Equally divided
  - 34 Alchemy objective
  - 38 Take in
  - 39 Flub
  - 40 Hospitable invitation
  - 42 Response to a bell
  - 43 Strikers' demand
  - 45 Shakers' founder
  - 46 Come to terms
  - 47 Oom-\_\_ band
  - 50 Like some modern marketing
  - 51 Brittle
  - 52 Is still
  - 53 Apple or pear
  - 54 View from Innsbruck
  - 55 Liquefy
  - 56 Overly smooth
  - 57 #1 choice
  - 58 Umbrella part

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game, but we weren't disciplined."

Besides big performances by Barkley and Johnson, Marc Tyler finished with 154 yards on 17 carries.

While his players racked up career numbers, Kiffin pointed to a different stat: 11 penalties for 100 yards.

"I'm really disappointed with everything in general, but more important than anything was the (lack of) discipline," said the 35-year-old coach.

The players, however, were thrilled with the victory after going through a tumultuous offseason.

"It's huge for our whole team, for coach Kiffin, for the program, for all of the guys, it's big time," Barkley said. "It's awesome, but it's just a start."

# Wort brings British flair to No. 7 OU

NORMAN, Okla. (AP) — Football is king where Oklahoma linebacker Tom Wort is from. Just not American football.

Wort's father would regularly bring footballs back to England from his business trips to the U.S., feeding his son's obsession with the game played an ocean away. Wort would promptly get them confiscated by the headmaster. No room

for that at recess.

"I'd be playing around with it on the playground, I'd be playing catch and he came and took it away from me because he said that because of the point, if it hits someone, it might hurt them," Wort said.

Wort kept inflating the \$2 footballs his dad would bring home and kept playing the sport with his friends. He's finally found

a much more football-friendly place to do it.

On Saturday night, the British-born Wort is expected to play for the first time for No. 7 Oklahoma, starting against Utah State at middle linebacker in place of the injured Austin Box in a debut that was delayed a year by an injury of his own.

STATS LLC doesn't keep

complete stats on college football players born outside the U.S., but he is one of at least five active Division I players born in England. One who will be on the opposite sideline: Tariq Polley, an offensive lineman who started eight games for Utah State last season.

Wort sports a mohawk like another Oklahoma middle linebacker, Brian Bosworth.

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