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Forsan ISD may 'see green' from efficiency

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By STEVE REAGAN

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Staff Writer

FORSAN — School officials here are waiting to see if recent efforts to "go green" (become more energy efficient) will help the district "see green" — in other words, save money.

For more than a year, Forsan Independent School District crews have been installing systems designed to make campus buildings more energy



Johnson

Those steps ranged from installing light bulbs that use less energy to using motion detection sensors which allow lights to dim when spaces are not being occupied. "These systems cost us

\$160,000 in up front expenses," Johnson said. "Our consultants say these systems will save us \$23,000 themselves within eight years." The district recently received some

a year, so hopefully, they'll pay for

help in paying down that debt when Oncor Electric Delivery Co. announced it was awarding a grant for \$25,000 to the school district as a reward for its efforts to increase energy efficiency.

Oncor established the grant program to help school districts defray costs of switching to new energy sys-

"Once we completed our projects, we sent the information into Oncor, and they let us know it qualified for the grant," Johnson said.

All public schools receiving electric service through Oncor wires are eligible to apply for grant funding to help pay for energy efficiency upgrades.

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Set for a haunted weekend?

Make sure safety is a priority for everyone

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

As ghouls and goblins of all shapes and sizes get ready to take to the neighborhoods of Big Spring and Howard County to trick-or-treat this Halloween holiday, local officials are urging parents and guardians to stick to general safety guidelines to keep children safe.

According to Big Spring Fire Marshal Carl Condray, safety for trick-ortreaters begins with their costumes.

"You want it to be a fantastic costume, but you shouldn't forget about safety," said Condray. "One of the most overlooked issues, especially with homemade costumes, is whether or not the costume is flammable. You need to make sure that the costume will not catch fire if the material comes in contact with a flame, even for a very brief period. Keep in mind that your children will be going up on



HERALD photo/Ron Midkiff

Scenic Mountain Medical Center employees got a head start on the Halloween weekend celebration when they held a costume party Thursday at the hospital. Shown are the "Vicerol Vixens."

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Keeping a tradition a treat for youngsters Adult Probation schedules mandatory meetings for offenders

By THOMAS JENKINS Staff Writer

As little trick-or-treaters get ready

to hit Big Spring's streets in search of tasty surprises this weekend, District Adult Probation will once again do its part to protect the community with mandatory meetings for local sex offenders currently

on probation. Kent Minchew, director of adult probation for the

district, said sex offenders from Howard, Martin and Glasscock counties gather for a probation meeting at the Howard County Courthouse during traditional trick-or-treat hours Sunday.

"Most of these people are eager to comply with the meeting because it not only keeps the public safe, it keeps them safe as well," said Minchew. "They're

all for it because they can't be accused of violating their probation because we know where they are and what they're "If they don't attend, I alert the Big

Spring Police Department or the Howard County Sheriff's Office and have them pick them up. If they don't have an officer available, then I'll drive to their home and pick them up. Either way, they have to attend." Minchew said the meeting consists of

counseling, as well as a presentation by Victim Services, and marks the fourth year in a row the probation office has San Angelo.

held the mandatory gathering, which was based on a similar program used in "In the past, we would just drive to their homes and make sure their porch lights were off and they weren't doing

anything to encourage trick-or-treaters,

said Minchew. "It is much easier just to

have them all at one central location."

The District Adult Probation Office won't be the only local agency looking out for children this Halloween.

"We'll have our officers out in support of Adult Probation's program, just as we have in past years," said Sgt. Tony Everett, public information officer with the Big Spring Police Department. "We'll be keeping a close eye on the trick-ortreaters. Unfortunately, we can't be everywhere at once, so as always, it's extremely important for parents to make sure their children are well supervised and as visible as possible when they go out trick-or-treating" Everett said parents can find a list

of sex offenders and their addresses by going to www.bigspringpd.net and visiting the Texas Department of Public Safety portal.

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Big Spring quarterback DaVonte Anderson runs for a touchdown in the Steers' loss at Abilene Wylie last week.

Back to Basics

Steers focus on fundamentals on bye

BY ADAM COLEMAN

Sports Editor

The Big Spring Steers have gone back to basics on their off week. No preparation for Snyder, no injuries to worry about, no pondering on the loss at Abilene Wylie, just the basics.

It's worked out well for head coach Phillip Ritchey and the Steers, too.

Ritchey said this week has given the Steers a chance to bring players from the freshman and junior varsity teams into practice, with the goal being to expose the younger players to what goes on in a varsity practice.

It's somewhat new for the Steers, Ritchey said, but something coaches want to be able to do often.

"We worked everybody

kind of going through some two-a-day-type workouts, just fundamentals. Working the freshmen with the JV, with the varsity and everybody doing the same things. Worked out pretty good for

Snyder hasn't been too much of a focus on Big Spring's bye week. Coaches will be watching for the Wylie-Snyder game that will determine what's at stake in the Big Spring-Snyder game next week.

If Wylie beats Snyder tonight, then the Steers and Tigers would play for a playoff spot in the last week of the regular season, winner gets it. If Snyder beats Wylie, however, not only will Snyder or Big Spring

out together," he said. "Just have to win next week, but the point differential will be

key, as well. The Steers know how big next week's game is, but to make it plain and simple for the players. Ritchev said he's let them know that no matter what, they have to win if they want the playoff

"The thing that we know for sure is, we have to win," he said. "If it's by so many points, we don't know that. If it's just win and you're in, we don't know that yet, but we know that we're going to have to win that game."

The focus in practice will shift to Snyder Monday, considering coaches want one last look at the Tigers

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Giants have 2-0 **World Series lead**

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Fans jumped up and down, shaking orange pompoms, waving scarves and chanting "Sweep! Sweep!"

While the Giants are looking more and more like a baseball juggernaut, they're only halfway to their first World Series title in 56 years. They hope to wrap it up on the road.

"We've just got to take that confidence and some of the good approaches that we've had into these last two games and take them down to Texas with us," Matt Cain said after Thursday night's 9-0 win over the Texas Rangers gave San Francisco a 2-0 Series lead.

Cain pitched 7 2-3 innings and combined with his bullpen on a four-hitter, and Edgar Renteria reprised his October success with a home run and three RBIs.

While the Giants had the best ERA in the majors during the regular season, they were just 17th in runs — the fewest among the eight postseason teams. Yet San Francisco has outscored Texas 20-7 and outhit the Rangers .314 to .227. The Giants' offense is picking up speed faster than a cable car heading down Nob Hill.

"We've put ourselves in a good situation," said Cain, who hasn't allowed an earned run in the postseason.

After a day off, the Series resumes for the first time in Arlington, Texas. Colby Lewis starts Game 3 for the Rangers on Saturday night against Jonathan Sanchez.

Forty of the previous 51 teams to take a 2-0 lead have

gone on to win the title, including seven straight and 13 of the last 14. "I don't think we caught any

breaks yet," Rangers manager Ron Washington said. "We certainly don't feel like we're defeated. We're heading home. They took care of us in their ballpark, now we're headed to San Francisco improved to

11-0 against Texas at AT&T Park and got its third shutout in nine postseason wins. The Giants sent the high-octane Rangers offense to its first shutout since Sept. 23. Not bad for a team that

scored 19 runs in its six-game NL championship series win over Philadelphia. "Unbelievable," said Rente-

ria, who has just eight regularseason homers in the last two years. "You guys know I have power."

No team has overcome a 2-0 Series deficit since the 1996 New York Yankees against Atlanta. The Giants have won each time they took a 2-0 lead: in 1922, 1933 and 1954.

Cruz is 1 for 9. Josh Hamilton and Michael Young are each 1 for 8 with no RBIs.

"I think that more or less it has to do with the pitching we've been facing," Washington said. "We had some opportunities early in the ballgame to put some runs on the board, and we had the right people up there, and he made his pitch-

At this rate, team president and part-owner Nolan Ryan probably wants to grab a ball himself and get on the mound.

Home swimming meet on tap for Steers this weekend

BY ADAM COLEMAN

Sports Editor

The Big Spring swimming team gets a chance to show off its new squad, and new coach, with the Big Spring Invitational at 11 a.m. Saturday.

The event will take place at the YMCA swimming pool across the street from the Big Spring High School Athletic Training Center.

The story of the team this season may be first-year head coach Mackenzie Miles, who swam at Texas A&M. Big Spring swimmers said she has made a lot of difference, as far as working on technique, among other things.

Other stories include the boys' potential this season and the low number of girls on the

Sophomore Sydney Hernandez is just hoping to swim this weekend, let alone win a meet. With the low number of girls on the team, the Lady Steers weren't able to compete at the Abilene Invitational last week-

"Yeah, it's definitely tough," Hernandez said. "We don't have very many girls. Last weekend, we only had three girls. It'll definitely be excit-

Miles said it's a matter of getting more girls interested in the program early, but for now in her first season, Big Spring is going with whatever they

But the Steers could have the advantage at home with the meet being in Big Spring. Rick Garza on the boys side expects good, friendly competition and being used to

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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.

San Angelo Chaparrals tryouts

The San Angelo Chaparrals of the Texas Professional Basketball League are conducting tryouts from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday. The fee is \$25 per

player; be prepared to workout the entire time. For more information, contact coach Chris Cardenas at 325-374-2910.

Golf tournament

The Howard Hornsby Fall Golf Classic takes place Saturday at Comanche Trail Golf Course. Registration is at 7:30 a.m. The entry fee is \$60 per person. It is a four-person scramble with cash prizes and barbecue lunches for the golfers. For more information, contact Lynne at 432-268-3333.

Washer tournament

There will be a washer tournament Nov. 6 at La Vedra Club park, with trophies for first, second and third place. Registration is on Nov. 6 and the entry fee is \$20 per person. The deadline to register is noon and the tourney starts at 1 p.m. Every player must use their own washer. Call Larry at 466-9960 for details.

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Obituaries

Valerie Beth White

Valerie Beth White, 48, of Big Spring entered into rest Wednesday, Oct. 27, 2010. The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. Friday at



Nalley-Pickle and Welch Funeral Home. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, 2010, at the Nalley-Pickle and Welch Rosewood Chapel with Derrick Looney of Forsan Baptist Church officiating. Burial will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

She is survived by her loving and devoted husband, Alan White of Big Spring; brother, Vance Stevens and wife, Donna, of Deer Park; her mother, Marijann Stevens of Big Spring; her father, Don Stevens and step-mother,

Cheryl, of Carrollton; a nephew, Jared Stevens and wife, Randi, and children, Stokley and Landry, of Baird; and a great nephew, Charlie Stevens of Seabrook; an uncle, cousins and extended family and

She was preceded in death by her brother, Brad Stevens of Forsan; her grandparents, Walker and Wynelle Bailey of Big Spring and Houston and Ora Stevens of Brownfield; and a nephew, Jason Stevens

Valerie was born Feb. 9, 1962, in Big Spring, and married Alan White on June 25, 1994, in Big Spring. She graduated from Forsan High School in 1980 as salutatorian of her class. She was very involved in all school activities including cheerleading, UIL competition, band and her favorite — basketball where her "sweet touch" made opponents pay with a "swish" from beyond the three-point line. She attended San Angelo State University and Howard College. She worked for Big Spring State Hospital for 13 years and was a devoted employee of West Texas Centers for MHMR for the past 13 years.

Her devotion to family and friends was genuine and total — embodying the very spirit of life. She touched the lives of so many and those blessed to have known her are better people because of it. Her fighting spirit lives within us and will continue to provide strength in our continued journey that will one day unite us all.

The family asks in lieu of flowers, that donations be made to Home Hospice, 111 E. Seventh St., Big Spring 79720, or a charity of their of choice.

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

Paid obituary

Leota M. Gillit

Leota M. Gillit, 92, of Big Spring died Wednesday, Oct. 27, 2010, in a local nursing home. Graveside funeral services will be held at 4 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, 2010, at the Peaceful Gardens Me-



morial Park in Woodrow with the Rev. Mark Lindsey, pastor of First Bapist Church, officiating. Leota was born Sept. 23, 1918. in Silver City, N.M. She married

Oran Barker and he preceded her in death in 1955. She then married Lonnie Gillit and he preceded her in death in November 1998.

Leota had lived in Rotan and then in Lubbock for many years, before

had worked as a nurse for many years.

She was a Methodist.

Survivors include her son and daughter-in-law, Jerry and Annabel Barker of Big Spring; one sister, Ina Mae Lightfoot of Dallas; three grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grand-

She was also preceded in death by one son, Robert Barker, in March 1999; three brothers; and two

The family suggests memorials be made to the

Shriners Children's Hospital, 815 Market Street, Galveston, 77550-2725.

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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Cresencio (Chencho) Ontiveros

Cresencio (Chencho) Ontiveros, 73, of Sand Springs died Thursday, Oct. 28, 2010, at Midland Select Specialty Hospital. The family will receive



friends from 6 p.m. until 7 p.m. tonight at Myers & Smith Chapel. Vigil services will be held at 7 p.m. tonight at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral mass will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday at St. Thomas Catholic Church. Burial will follow in Coahoma Cemetery.

He was born April 18, 1937, to Juanita and Agustine Ontiveros in Austin. He married Lasara Rodriguez on Oct. 3, 1959, in Big Spring at Sacred Heart Catholic Church. He had been a res-

ident of Howard County most of his life. He worked on farms for Jessie and Rodney Brooks and Donnie Reid. He later became a truck driver for the City of Big Spring and City of Coahoma. He retired due to ill health. He was a member of Holy Trinity Catholic Parrish. He is survived by his wife, Lasara Ontiveros of

Sand Springs; three sons, Lorenzo Fabian Ontiveros Sr. and wife Cathy of Big Spring, Joel Ontiveros Sr. of Dallas and Ismael Ontiveros of Sand Springs; two sisters, Rufina Cepeda of Houston and Inez Islas and husband Valentine of Coahoma; seven grandchildren, Lorenzo Fabian Ontiveros Jr. of Midland, David Christopher Ontiveros of Big Spring, Priscilla Hope Ontiveros of Lubbock, Monica Victoria Ontiveros of Sand Springs, Stephanie Nicole Ontiveros of Lubbock, A.J. Ontiveros Jr. and Brandy M. Lopez, both of Big Spring; and ten great-grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one daughter, Dianna Ontiveros; one brother, Estevan Ontiveros; and two sisters, Susana Aguirre and Isabel Martinez.

Pallbearers will be Sam Gonzales, Eddie Gonzales, Louis Salazar, Ruben Rodriguez Jr., Noel Cepeda and Juan Cepeda.

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

Paid obituary

Randy Gamble

Randy Gamble, 48, of Big Spring died Thursday, Oct. 28, 2010, in Midland. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Mary Cunningham

Mary Cunningham, 89, of Big Spring died Thursday, Oct. 28, 2010, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Anita Lujan

Anita Lujan, 94, of Big Spring died Friday, Oct. 29, 2010, at Shannon Medical Center in San Angelo. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

coming to Big Spring in 2005. She Donald Max "Donnie" Overton

Donald Max "Donnie" Overton, 57, of Big Spring died Thursday, Oct. 28, 2010, at his residence. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

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- was arrested Thursday on a charge of driving while intoxicated. MICHAEL CLAY MCCUNE, 38, of 2622 Fairchild,
- was arrested Thursday on a charge of driving while license suspended/invalid – no insurance. SCOTT WAYNE HART, age not provided, of
- Midland, was arrested Thursday on a warrant for consumption of alcohol by a minor. ASHLEY LYNN WARD, 28, of 19 Chapman Rd., was arrested Thursday on a charge of possession of
- drug paraphernalia. • CLARA RAMIREZ RANGEL, 36, of 1902 S. Johnson, was arrested Thursday on a charge of no driver's license - when unlicensed.
- KRYSTAL LYNN DEHOYOS, 22, of 2529 Gunter, was arrested Thursday on warrants for failure to use safety seat system for child (two counts) and failure to appear.
- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported: In the 600 block of State Street. In the 400 block of State Street.

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- Gregg Street. • FORGERY was reported 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 74 inmates at the time of this BOBBY JOE LOPEZ, 24, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on a motion to revoke probation and a

 MICHAEL CLAY MCCUNE, 38, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on charges

charge of unlawful possession of a firearm by a

of driving while license invalid with a previous conviction or suspension and driving while license invalid. ALVIN **KENT**

MCCURLEY, 54, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on a charge of violation of parole. RICKY DALE HICKS.

was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on motions to revoke probation for theft (two counts). JONATHAN

BUSTAMANTE, 21, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on a judgment/sentence for a motion to revoke probation for burglary of a vehicle. STEPHANT CRAIG

ARPS, 41, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by Glasscock County Sheriff's Office on a

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the pool in Big Spring should help. He said the boys still need practice, but they've been close to taking a

meet. At the Abilene Invitational last week, the boys finished sixth with "The boys, we're pretty close to get-

ting first," Garza said. "We're just a few places away. I'm thinking if we work a little harder, maybe we could get first." Miles is hoping friends and fam-

ily come out and watch the team this weekend. Andrews, Seminole, Fort Stockton, Pecos and Monahans will be the teams joining Big Spring in the meet. She said the San Angelo Invitational is going on at the same time, so other schools in the area, such as Abilene Wylie, will be busy swimming this weekend, too.

"I'm really excited," Miles said. "We're going to have more kids swimming this weekend than we did last weekend. So I'm hoping to see times dropping and those kids that didn't swim last weekend, I hope their times improve from Andrews."

As far as competition is concerned, Miles said all the team are talented, but traditionally, Pecos has been a tough team to top.

"Pecos is our biggest one," she said. "They always have been. Monahans has a lot of good swimmers as well. We have some kids in the (50-meter freestyle and 100-meter freestyle) and some individual races that are real close. Our relays are probably going

to be really exciting."

Results from Abilene Invitational Boys (final times)

200-vard medlev relay 8th - Caleb McMahon, Trevor Shaw, Andrew Johnson and Drew Breckenridge, 2:05.90

200-yard freestyle 19th - Andrew Johnson 2:33.06

50-yard freestyle

3rd - Drew Breckenridge, 23.85 20th - Ricky Garza 26.63

25th - Layelle Montanez 27.64 33rd - Jesse Rodriguez 29.72

36th - Eli Castillo 30.19

51st - Trevor Shaw 34.53 54th - Auden Minijarez 37.37 55th - Toby Shubert 37.68

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100-yard freestyle

4th - Drew Breckenridge 54.36 6th - Caleb McMahon 55.45

35th - Eli Castillo 1:11.22

21st - Ricky Garza 1:03.07

100 yard freestyle

38th - Jesse Rodriguez 1:14.88 42nd- Auden Minjarez 1:20.63

45th - Toby Shubert 1:33.26

200-yard freestyle relay 7th - Caleb McMahon, Trevor Shaw, Andrew Johnson and Drew Breckenridge, 1:45.79

100-yard backstroke 4th - Caleb McMahon 1:10.66

100-yard breaststroke

22nd- Layelle Montanez 1:31.37 25th - Trevor Shaw 1:38.67

400-yard freestyle relay 11th - Caleb McMahon, Trevor Shaw, Andrew Johnson and Drew Breckenridge, 4:59.23

50-yard freestyle

19th - Meagan Grisham 32.31

100-yard backstroke 12th - Amanda Grisham 1:31 72

100-yard breaststroke 17th Sydney Hernandez 1:38.80

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STEERS

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against Wylie.

While the players haven't seen too much film on Snyder, Ritchey said coaches have made sure they familiarized themselves with the Tigers this week.

Ritchey also said the Steers are as healthy as they can be at this point after the injury to Dennis Merworth last week.

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Young Eagles grounded

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

The Young Eagles have been grounded — for this year, anyway.

The Hangar 25 Air Museum youth group was scheduled to take to the skies Saturday in free flights provided by area pilots, but a lack of available aircraft has grounded the program for this year, said Joe Hayes, executive director of the museum. "(Thursday), I spoke with Airport Director Jim

Little, who had been in communication with Steve Clinton of the Midland Experimental Aircraft Association," Hayes said. "Clinton's group would have been conducting the flights for our area youth. The reason given for the cancellation is the unavailability of aircraft at this time." Hayes said the EAA's pilots had been working to

have their planes ready for Saturday's event, but only one in four were available. "The pilots are absolutely correct in making this

call, because we are not going to take any chances

with airplanes that are not ready," he said.

The flights had originally been scheduled for May, but adverse weather conditions forced a post-

Hayes said the group will try again next Mav. "Hangar 25 Air Museum will look toward the

spring of 2011 for the next opportunity," he said. "It really is a big deal for us ... and it's one of the things we really look forward to." Up to 50 children participated in past Young Ea-

gle programs.

"The whole purpose of Young Eagles is to expose young people to aviation who might not otherwise have a chance to fly," he said. Children who have already registered will be con-

tacted before the next round of scheduled flights, Hayes said. For more information, call 264-1999.

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Take Note

- The Howard County Conservatives Tea Party members will be offering a "ride to vote" service on Nov. 2. If you need transportation to vote, call 394-
- Dell's Cafe, 1608 E. Fourth, is the United Way Dine Out Restaurant of the Week. A portion of the funds received this week by the restaurant will be donated to the United Way of Big Spring and Howard County.
- The Grady Sophomore Class will be serving a "Hamburger" meal at the Klondike varsity football game to be held Thursday. The meal includes a grilled burger with chips, drink and a dessert for \$6. Serving begins at 5 p.m. and after the game.
- An account has been set up to help Bob and Jeanine Fishback with Bob's medical and travel expenses: Bob Fishback Medical Account 915967, Big Spring Education Employees Federal Credit Union, 1110 Benton, Big Spring 79720. For more information, call 263-8393.

SHERIFF

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charge of driving while disqualified - commercial vehi-

• SCOTT WAYNE HART, 22, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of minor in consumption of alcohol.

• JIM BOB WHITE, 43, was arrested Thursday by DPS on charges of fugitive arrest – driving while license invalid, fugitive arrest – failure to appear, fugitive arrest - issuance of a bad check and driving while license invalid.

• ASHLEY WARD, 28, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of possession of drug paraphernalia.

CLARA RAMIREZ RANGEL, 36, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on charges of parent contributing to the non-attendance of a minor and driving without a license.

• KRYSTAL DEHOYOS, 22, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on charges of unrestrained child under 18 years of age (two counts) and violation of a promise to appear.

VALERIA MATA MONTEMAYOR, 34, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on charges of theft by check, failure to maintain financial responsibility and failure to appear.

 CARTER WESTLEY HAHN, 20, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on a charge of evading arrest or detention with a vehicle. • JOHNNY RAY PAYNE, 31,

was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while intoxi-• NATHAN PRESCOTT

RICHARDSON, 21, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on charges of evading arrest or detention, public intoxication and resisting arrest, search or transpor-

Fire/EMS

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

 MEDICAL was reported in the 1600 block of Lancaster.

One person was transported to SMMC.

 MEDICAL was reported in the 400 block of N.E. Ninth Street. One person was transported to SMMC.

• MEDICAL was reported in the 1800 block of N. Highway 87. One person was transported to SMMC.

• MEDICAL was reported in the 700 block of W. Interstate Highway 20. One person was transported to SMMC. MEDICAL was reported in

the 500 block of Westover Road. One person was transported to SMMC. MEDICAL was reported in

the 2000 block of Wasson. Service refused. MEDICAL was reported in

the 500 block of Birdwell Lane. One person was transported to

an adult.

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

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Ontiveros, 73, died Thursday. The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. tonight at Myers & Smith Chapel with a vigil service at 7 p.m. at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral mass will be at 1 p.m. Saturday at St. Thomas Catholic Church with burial in Coahoma Cemetery. Donald Max "Donnie"

Overton, 57, died Thursday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Randy Gamble, 48,

died Thursday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Mary Cunningham, 89, died Thursday.

Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Anita Lujan, 94, died

Friday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

SAFETY

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porches with pumpkins that have a lit candle. Children can brush against a pumpkin with long, flowing costumes. Using a non-flammable material is really essen-

"Make absolutely sure that the child can move freely and see well. Remember that children will be climbing steps and walking through yards. Make sure your child can be seen. Select costumes that are bright colored. If that is not possible be sure to decorate the costume with reflective tape or reflective fabric paint. Reflective tape can be incorporated into the costume. For instance,

if your child wants to be a witch with a black cape, cut stars out of reflective tape and put them all over the cape. Having an authenticlooking costume is nice, but it's never worth it to sacrifice the safety of our children." Condray also suggests

sewing a name tag into your child's costume, giving their name, address and phone num-According to experts

with Halloween-Safety. com, discussing rules for trick-or-treating and the bad things that can happen if they are not followed — with children is essential to their protection. The national Web site

offers the following guidelines for everyone to discuss before trickor-treating:

· Children should always go out trick or treating accompanied by a responsible adult. If you have a group of kids going, the parents should choose two or three of them to go along and keep an eye on things. • Plan a safe route so

parents know where their kids will be at all times. Set a time for their return home. Make sure that your child is old enough and responsible enough to go out by themselves. Make sure that they have a cell phone, as well.

• Let your children know not to cut through back alleys and fields if they are out alone. Make sure they know to stay in populated areas and not to go off the beaten path. Also, let them know to stay in well lighted areas with lots of people around. Explain to them why it can be dangerous for kids not to do this. · Instruct your chil-

dren not to eat any treats until they bring them home to be examined by you. This way you can check for any problem candy and get the pick of the best stuff. Instruct your child to

never go into the home of a stranger or get into their car. Explain why this is not a god idea and what to do if someone approaches them and tries to talk to them.

 Make sure your child carries a flashlight, glow stick or has reflective tape on their costume to make them more visible to cars.

 Let them know that they should stay together as a group if going out to trick-or-treat without

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OFFENDERS

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"That's really the best way for parents to protect their children from predators in a situation like this," said Everett.

Sheriff Stan Parker said he and his deputies will also be paying special attention to children trick-or-treating

FORSAN

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"Schools are part of

the fabric of the com-

munities Oncor serves,"

Oncor Area Manager

Jim Clemenhts said in

a statement released by

the company. "Oncor is excited about this unique grant program

that helps schools facing budget challenges to invest in energy efficiency

during the weekend. "We're not planning any special patrols Halloween night, but the deputies on duty will be paying special attention to the children," said Parker. "However, even with patrols looking after the children, there's a lot parents can do to help protect their children before they leave home.

"Flashlights, glow

improvements. We look forward to continuing to

work with districts like

Forsan to make these

much-needed projects

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

sticks, reflective tape, basically anything they can do to make them more visible to motorists," the sheriff continued. "Halloween is a lot of fun for the children, but as parents, we have to do everything in our power to make sure they

stay safe."

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"SHE SAID SHE WANTED TO MEET MY NEW FRIEND, SO I BROUGHT HIM IN."

LADY GAGA

LADY

WTBS (11)

KMLM (12)



"Oh no! ... It was ME, Daddy! Look! It's only ME, Daddy! ...'

I HATE IT WHEN WE ALL

COME AS THE SAME THING,



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ZOOK!



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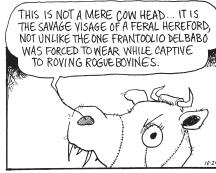


LADY GAGA!



AGNES









THE OTHER COAST









SNUFFY SMITH









This Date In History

Today's Highlight History: On Oct. 29, 1929, Wall Street

crashed on "Black Tuesday," heralding the beginning of America's Great Depression. On this date:

In 1618, Sir Walter Raleigh,

the English courtier, military adventurer and poet, was executed in London. In 1901, President William McKinley's assassin, Leon

Czolgosz (CHAWL'-gahsh), was

electrocuted. In 1923, the Republic of Turkey was proclaimed.

In 1940, Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson drew the first number ,Äî 158 ,Äî in America's first peacetime military draft.

In 1956, during the Suez Canal crisis, Israel invaded Egypt's Sinai Peninsula. "The Huntley-Brinkley Report" premiered as NBC's nightly television newscast.

In 1960, a chartered plane carrying the California Polytechnic State University football team crashed on takeoff from Toledo, Ohio, killing 22 of the 48 people on board. In 1966, the National

Organization for Women was formally organized during a conference in Washington, D.C. In 1967, Expo 67 in Montreal,

Quebec, Canada, closed after six months. In 1979, on the 50th anniversary of the great stock market

crash, anti-nuclear protesters tried but failed to shut down the New York Stock Exchange. In 1998, Sen. John Glenn, at age 77, roared back into space aboard the shuttle Discovery, retracing the trail he'd blazed for America's astronauts 36

yearsearlier.Today'sBirthdays: Bluegrass singer-musician Sonny Osborne (The Osborne Brothers) is 73. Country singer Lee Clayton is 68. Rock musician Denny Laine is 66. Singer Melba Moore is 65. Musician Peter Green is 64. Actor Richard Dreyfuss is 63. Actress Kate Jackson is 62. The president of Turkey, Abdullah Gul, is 60. Actor Dan Castellaneta ("The Simpsons") is 53. Country musician Steve Kellough (Wild Horses) is 53. Comic strip artist

Tom Wilson ("Ziggy") is 53 Actress Finola Hughes is 51. Singer Randy Jackson is 49. Rock musician Peter Timmins (Cowboy Junkies) is 45. Actress Joely Fisher is 43. Rapper Paris is 43. Actor Rufus Sewell is 43. Actor Grayson McCouch (mih-COOCH') is 42. Rock singer SA Martinez (311) is 41. Musician Toby Smith is 40. Actress Winona Ryder is 39. Actress Tracee Ellis Ross is 38. Actor Trevor Lissauer is 37. Actress Gabrielle Union is 37. Olympic gold medal bobsledder Vonetta Flowers is 37. Actress Milena Govich is 34. Actor Jon Abrahams is 33. Actor Brendan Fehr is 33. Actor Ben Foster is 30. Rock musician Chris Baio (Vampire Weekend) is 26.

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Newsday Crossword

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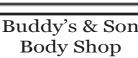
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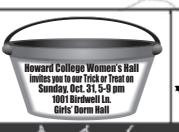


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BE THE FIRST TO REACH THE "SAFETY HOUSE" AND WIN.

 HAVE A FUN & SAFE HALLOWEEN! LEARN THE SAFETY RULES.

 Never Trick-or-Treat alone. Small Children
 Don't eat any treats until you get should be accompanied by an adult.

 It you do go Trick-or-Treating, only go to the houses of people that you know.

Show your manners ... say "Thank You." Only accept treats at the front door, never enter a stranger's home or car for any reason.

 Don't limit your vision with a mask, face paint is better, or a close fitting half-mask with large eye openings.

home and have them carefully inspected.

 White clothing or reflective tape will increase visibility. Costumes, wigs and beards should be flame resistant.

 Be careful around neighborhood pets. Although they may know you, your costume may scare or confuse them.

 Respect other people's property as well as your own.

 Observe all traffic rules. Only cross streets at intersections. Remember to look both ways before stepping off the curb.

 Trick-or-Treat in an area you know well. Cross only at corners. Never dart

between parked cars or in the middle of the block. Don't forget to look both ways.

 Don't share your chocolate candy with pets it may make them ill.

 Don't go to the homes that have the porch light off.

 DON'T EAT **ALL YOUR** TREATS AT ONCE!



Editorial

"Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances."

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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 plav

This week we salute:

- Justices of the Peace Kathryn Wiseman and Bennie Green, who were both recently inducted into the 2010 College of Justice Court Judges after obtaining 10 hours or more of education above the state-mandated requirements. Both completed a course of advanced study in justice court jurisdictional issues and were among 92 Texas justice court judges earning the honor.
- The Big Spring Symphony, which kicked off its 2010-2011 concert season Saturday night with "Fall Travels: Overtures from Around the World" at the First Baptist Church and featured guest conductor John Giordano.
- All those who took part in the Senior Fun Fest today at the Big Spring Senior Center. The event, that included several fun and informational activities, was sponsored by the senior center and the Retired Senior Volunteer Program and included a performance by the Goliad Intermediate School Choir during the luncheon.
- Goliad Intermediate School students Carmen Lopez, Nolan Otto, Nicholas Loveless, Aubrey Wright and Destiny Robles, who took the top five spots in the Goliad PTO fall candy sale fundraiser by selling the most candy bars. The Goliad PTO raised almost \$10,000 with the candy sale.
- Coahoma seventh, eighth and ninth graders Richie Ewing, Zachary Crabtree, Coley Rinard, Caleb Daniels, Shayla Martin, Cameron Crabtree and Brandon Coker, who have been named to the Region Honor Choir and will perform Nov. 6 at Midland Lee High School.

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 When we bring everything to You, Lord, through in."

prayer everything becomes clearer.

To be free and knot to be

he ability to tie knots can be a really big deal. When I was a kid, I was always amazed at how my step dad could tie knots which he learned how to do in the Navy.

I also remember Julius Reinach, an old German immigrant, teaching us Cub Scouts how to tie a slipknot. What a hard job that brother had! I didn't learn how

to tie my shoes until I was 34, so it took me a while to learn knots. I am still learning.

A Honda Knot is the knot all the cowboys use to form a lasso. It makes a nearly perfect circle. A Trucker's Knot is one of those knots that, once you learn to use, you wonder how you ever got a long without it.

If you go to netknots.com there are animated videos of more than 50 knots, and step-by-step instructions. You can also download an iPhone app and take several thousand years of rope knowledge with you everywhere you go.

Last week, a friend of mine sent me a poem she had written and I thought it good enough to include in this week's sip from the Carpenter's cup.

Rest is a weapon and anything we can do to help each other get untied and unbound is worth doing.

Enjoy.

Troy

BREWER

Dear GOD,

Please untie the knots that are in my mind, my heart and life.

Remove the have-nots, the cannots and the do-nots that I hang

Erase the will-nots, may-nots and might-nots that find a home in my heart. Release me from the could-nots, would-nots and

should-nots that obstruct my

Most of all, Dear God, I ask that you remove from my mind, my heart and all my life the amnots that I have allowed to hold

me back. Especially that thought that I am not good enough to go forward. Untie me Lord.

The Rev. Troy Brewer is the pastor of Open Door Ministries. and can be found on the web at www.freshfromthebrewer.com, www.troybrewer.com and www. opendoorministries.org.



Information overload.

n a recent Saturday, the morning newspaper TV schedule bulged with college football game listings from midmorning non-stop until the wee hours Sunday.

I planned to watch a couple of games intently, clicking in and out of others to check scores during commercial breaks.

It was not my plan to spend the better part of a half-hour with a "live" AT&T customer service guy who effectively



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Newbury

obligatory preliminary questions before I could pose mine. Some of them were so very pedestrian, such as my account number and home address verification. Then, there was a litany of questions designed, perhaps, to hearken sweet thoughts of bygone years, with strains of "Memories" wafting in the back-

You know the drill: Mom's maiden name, a favorite sport, place of birth, best-childhood friend's last name or perhaps the name of all-time favorite pet? After the usual "rat-atat-tat"

of questions, one is mired in a sickly funk, realizing that the "real live person" knife cuts both ways. On the other end of the line is a guy who has a "live one," too! And he's highly trained in the art of "reeling us

In the following minutes, my Amen question was lost in the back-

wash of the inquisitor with a boatload of questions to ask. And by hokies, he fully intended to

ask every last one of them. Do I still have two TV sets? Are there any problems with the volume on either set? Are pictures clear, devoid of "pixel issues?" Pausing for a quick draw of breath, he switched topics, honing in on our cell phones. Am I satisfied with coverage area? Ease of use? Do I realize there are numerous other cell phone plans, some of which ensure replacement if phones are dropped, lost or stolen?

I interrupted to remind him of my lone question: "Does my TV package include "the mtn?"

He was in no way perturbed and I don't think felt interrupted. The guy had selective hearing, but was determined that I "hear it all," including his pitch about other sports packages. He never once mentioned "the mtn."

With an icy tone, I countered that we rarely view more than a dozen or so of the 200 channels in our current package, and if there were to be adjustments, it would be to reduce channel choices, not add them.

He was undaunted, this "pitch man" masquerading as a customer service rep. Now he would "dangle the carrot" — offering an upgraded package FREE OF CHARGE for a whole month! I shared my disdain for carrots, citing as evidence the need for eyeglasses since second grade.

Perhaps stunned by my refusal of his offer, I aimed "rat-atattats" in his direction — followed by periods, not question marks.

I told him that I am weary of sales pitches.... Of restaurant waitpersons' spiels that begin with drink suggestions of spar-

kling iced tea or fresh-brewed

coffee, when all I want is wa-

ter with lemon. Of offers to be "started off" with an appetizer, and no, I didn't "save room" for

No, I don't want to guarantee late arrival, and no, I don't want trip insurance. I don't want "fries with that," and no, I don't want a new tie to complete the ensemble. I'll forego purchasing the extended warranty for the new toaster, spending a few dollars more for seats closer to the stage or anything to have on

hand "in case this one breaks." Then he interrupted — for the final time. "We're almost through," he promised. "Please answer some questions as to the helpfulness of this phone call. This will take no more than five minutes."

I flat out refused. As to my question about "the mtn," he confessed that he found nothing about it in any TV package. We joked about "Googling it." Alas, Google revealed nothing about AT&T packages. But I did learn that "the mtn" refers to the Mountain West Sports Network. (It was nestled between "taking the mtn to Muhammed" and the song, "Go Tell it on the Mtn.")

Glancing at my watch, I realized that I had missed kickoffs of both games I'd looked forward to all week.

Later, a ringing phone caused me to miss second half kickoffs, too. It was one of those automated surveys from AT&T to determine if my call to their customer service guy had been helpful.

I told the recorder that I'd sooner eat a carrot — and hung

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Church News

First Presbyterian, Coahoma

The friendly folks at First Presbyterian Church, Coahoma, invite anyone to come and worship with us. We meet at 11 a.m. Sunday to share the scriptures, sing, pray and worship, 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 Church, Big Spring, at 5:17 p.m. Wednesday.

The lectionary for Sunday is Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4; Psalm 119:137-144; II Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11=12; and Luke 19:1-10.

First United Methodist

Sunday, our pastor, the Rev. Sharon Wiese, will be preaching from Matthew with a sermon titled, "Building Big Faith." Following the first service of worship there will be fall congregational meeting during the Sunday school hour for adults. The children and youth will have their usual Sunday school classes.

The Garrett Hall kitchen is undergoing plumbing renovation and is presently out of commission. Family Fun Night, noon Bible study and lunch and any other activity that involves serving food will be held in Youth Hall.

Young Families Pumpkin Party will be Saturday from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. at the home of Ro and Valarie Cervantes. And Nov. 13 they will be traveling to Fiddlesticks Farm for a fun family outing. Be sure to mark your calendars; this energetic new group is sponsoring a church family pizza supper Friday, Nov. 12. It's for the entire congregation and the entertainment will be an hour filled with music, scripture, drama, conversation and laughter, Plus, you'll see clips from the family-friendly film, "The Voyage of the Dawn Treader."

It's time to start working on The Living Christmas Tree. This year will be our 32nd and Eddie Walker is working hard to meet his goal of filling the tree. The first rehearsal will be Saturday, Nov. 13, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.; lunch will be provided. If you have questions, give Eddie a call at 264-5145 or e-mail him at evandewalker@howardcollege. edu. This year's music includes many new arrangements of our favorite Christmas carols, plus exciting surprises, as well as the ever popular "Hallelujah Chorus."

"Walk Thru the Bible, New Testament" is coming to First Methodist on Sunday, Nov. 21. This seminar is education for both new and mature believers, young people and adults. For more information, call Leslie at 903-388-2418. The church office also has brochures describing the day's study and activities.

If you haven't made an appointment to have pictures made for the new church directory be sure to check with the church office regarding time slots

It's a busy and joyous time at First Methodist where we are all striving for the life that Christ would have us live. Come join us, we'd love to have you down here at the corner of Fourth and Scurry where we've been worshipping for more than 125 years.

First Presbyterian, Big Spring

The Lectionary Bible Study met at 5:17 p.m. in the church library; choir practice was at 6 p.m. The Youth Group met at St. Mary's Episcopal Church from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. A sign-up sheet is in the church office or the narthex for people who will volunteer to provide a meal for the youth when they meet at our church on Wednesday evenings during Novem-

Neva Green will provide refreshments for "Take

Ten" Sunday morning; Danny Kennemur is liturgist for October. Ushers for the month are Nancy and Jim Bill Little, John Yater and Susan Holst-

Presbyterian Women met in the church library for Bible study at 2 p.m. Tuesday.

Anyone wishing to participate in Christmas for Our Troops Inc. may pick up a list of articles to be sent to our soldiers in Iraq and Afghanistan at the church office. The individual articles may be dropped off at several places around Big Spring. Cash donations to acquire the correct size items and to pay postage may be given to Debbie Burrow, local coordinator, by calling 267-7165 or 270-8554 or sent to CFOT, P.O.Box 10549, Midland 79702. Donations are needed by Dec. 1.

The lectionary for Sunday is Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4; Psalm 119:137-144; II Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12; and Luke 19:1-10. The Rev. Craig Holstedt will deliver the sermon. We will collect the Noisy Offering during worship. The choir will offer the anthem "A Song for Saints and Sinners," by Michael McCabe, and "I Sing a Song of the Saints of God," by Michael Bedford, during the offertory. The children up to 5 years of age will have a costume Halloween party in the nursery from 11 a.m. to noon.

If you cannot attend worship, you may listen in on KBST-AM 1490 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 several recent sermons by the Rev. Holstedt.

Signal Mountain

Emmaus Community

The Signal Mountail 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 Nov. 11. Please mark your calendar.

At this month's meeting we will honor the 2009 Walks: Women's Walk 52, Terri Johansen, and Women's Walk 53, Raylene Daniels. 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

North Birdwell Lane **United Methodist**

The North Birdwell Lane United Methodist Church meets for worship each Sunday at 10:30 a.m. and 5 p.m.. Pastor Billy Bates leads both ser-

Sunday school for all ages meets at 9:30 a.m. with Nancy Wagner leading the youth and Lucy

Williams leading the elementary youngsters. The Adult Class discussion will be led by Linda Hall on "God's Presence Comforts and Assures," taken from Psalm 63.

Bible study meets the first and third Wednesdays of the month at 6:30 p.m. and we are studying the book of Romans. The United Methodist Women meet the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month at 4:30 p.m. and are continuing their study of "Do What You Have the Power to Do." This study is about the unnamed women in the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. Saturday we will have our Trunk or Treat for the

youngsters of our community. This will be held from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Immediately following the activity, a chili and soup supper will be held for all Angel Food delivery day will also be Saturday from 9:30 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. And once again, we

say thank you to all the community volunteers who come out to help unload the truck and distribute food. Remember, you do not have to bring a box, as everything now comes prepackaged. North Birdwell Lane United Methodist Church is

located at 2702 N. Birdwell Lane and we welcome all who wish to study and be in mission for the Lord. For more information, call 267-2203 or 263-2536. If there is no answer, please leave a message.

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. Sunday school for all ages begins around 11:15 a.m. following the morning service.

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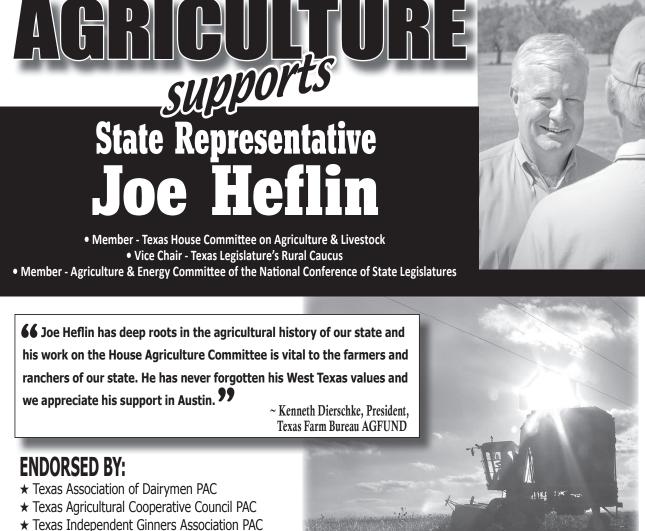
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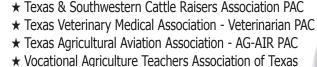
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CHURCH NEWS

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All youth from sixth through the 12th grades are encouraged to join us for our youth group at First Presbyterian Church from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednes-

The Episcopal Church Women will hold a courtyard sale Saturday, Nov. 6, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the church, located at 1001 S. Goliad St.

For more information about St. Mary's Episcopal Church, call 267-8201.

College Baptist

The Tabernacle Experience is here. The life size replica of the Tabernacle of the Wilderness is set up south of town on U.S. Highway 87 next to Buffalo Fina. You have most likely seen the signs all over town and maybe you are curious about it but haven't been out to go through it. This weekend is your last chance. Sunday will be the last day it will be here in Big Spring. There have been many church groups from other cities that have come here to go through it. A large group from Abilene came Tuesday morning and a group from Seminole came another day.

Volunteers from churches all over town have been working out there this week in four-hour shifts or longer. Some of the same people work every day and are very pleased to do it so that people from this area will have the opportunity to "experience the

This Sunday is high attendance day at College Baptist. We hope you will make an extra effort to get up and attend the church of your choice this Sunday or to make the Tabernacle your place of worship this week.

On Sunday, Nov. 7, from 12:30 p.m. to 2 p.m., our Women Walking in Ministry will be meeting in the fellowship hall. Lunch and childcare will be provided. Call the church if you plan to attend and need childcare. The number to call is 267-7429. The ladies will be discussing upcoming Bible studies, future meetings and retreats and mentoring programs.

On Nov. 6 our senior adults will be traveling to Post to the Ragtown Gospel Theater for the performance of ,"The Sermon on the Mount." The vans will leave the church at 10 a.m. Those wishing to attend, call the church office at 267-7429 or see Betty Cain at the church to sign up.

First Church of the Nazarene Join us Sunday from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the church

parking lot for Trunk or Treat. There will be a hay ride, train and lots of good family fun to go along with all the vehicles decorated and passing out can-Sunday service begins at 10 a.m. with coffee and

donuts in the commons at 9:30 a.m. Adventure Bay sets sail in the fellowship hall for second through sixtrh grades and Critter Land lifts off for those in the second grade to 4 years old with class in the Kindergarten room. The Critter Land Nursery for ages 3 and under from 8:45 a.m. until noon.

Sunday evenings, we have some new classes. Join us for Truth Seekers class (a leadership class developing people to strengthen, present and defend their faith) and "Each One, Disciple One" class begins for new Christians.

Join us Wednesday evening for Small Groups. A meal is served from 5:30 to 6:30 with groups meeting in various classrooms at 6:30. Children and youth classes are offered for all ages. Children sixth grade to nursery all meet in the sanctuary for opening with 10 minutes of praise and worship prior to going to class rooms.

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.

Coahoma United Methodist

Coahoma United Methodist Church, located at 401 N. Main, has Sunday worship services at 11 a.m. with the Rev. Sammy Espinosa delivering the pastor's sermon. Sunday school for all ages is at 10

Sunday will also be the church's annual Harvest

Festival.

We welcome all to come and share in the fun, fellowship and worship at the Harvest Festival. Contact the church for more details at 394-4432.

Holy Trinity Catholic Parish

Holy Trinity Catholic Parish, serving the Howard County Catholic faith community, has a church office located at 610 S. Main St. with office hours from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through friday. You can reach us at 432-714-4930, fax us at 432-714-4932 or email us at htcch@crcomnet.

Saturday service is at 5 p.m. at Sacred Heart of Jesus campus, 508 N. Aylesford St.

Sunday bilingual services are at 8:30 a.m. at Sa-

cred Heart of Jesus campus.

Sunday service is also held at 10:30 a.m. at Immaculate Heart of Mary campus, 1009 Hearn St.

Confessions are offered from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday at Sacred Heart of Jesus campus before mass.

It's fall harvest festival time again. This year's event promises to be fun, exciting and fantastic for all that attend. This year's event will be called Halloween Harvest Festival is is from 6 p.m. to 11 p.m. Friday and Saturday at the Immaculate Heart of Mary campus. We will have a Halloween costume contest, haunted house, food booths, game booths, cake walks, religious articles store, nightly bingo and live entertainment. Call the church office if you Which direction to steer

The late, Theodor Seuss Geisel, better known as Dr. Seuss, had a knack for twist-

words and tossing them out in the most applicable fashion. In, Oh, the Places You'll Go!, a children's book for



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young adults in transition, Dr. Seuss wrote, "You have brains in your head. You have feet in your shoes. You can steer yourself any direction you choose."

While steering ourselves in any direction that we choose appeals to most of us, we sometimes panic when we realize that we may steer ourselves off the road and into a ditch. As we navigate through life, we soon discover that believing all the tough decisions come when we are eighteen is just a myth.

Even after we have chosen or stumbled into options about education, careers, locations, marriage, children, and a gazillion other choices, there are still decisions to be made. Cars break down and have to be repaired or replaced. Houses get too small and must be expanded or abandoned.

Children grow up and move away. Hair turns gray, and knees start creaking. Retirement looms in the future. But there are still choices to be made. According to Dr.

Seuss, when we're going places, we sometimes get into a Slump, which he illustrated as a maze of canyon-like trenches, and we find un-slumping ourselves difficult. Whether we get "slumped" at an early age or on the downside of the hill, we still have to decide which direction to steer in order to get out of

In the Bible, Joshua, whom God chose to lead His people after the death of Moses, steered his life in a direction that changed the course of history for many Israelites and helped them avoid a slump. Calling for a decision, he instructed the tribes of Israel to choose whom they would serve: "If it is disagreeable in your sight to serve the Lord, choose for yourselves today whom you will serve: whether the gods which your fathers served which were beyond the

River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord" (Joshua 24:15 NASB).

Whether we are preadolescents or post-octogenarians, if we have brains in our heads and feet in our shoes, we have choices to make. Like Joshua, we can choose to serve God or steer our lives in a different direction.

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



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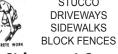
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The Coast Guard says nobody was injured Thursday. The accident forced temporary closure of the Intercoastal Waterway at the causeway.

CenterPoint Energy spokesman Keith Gray says crews were able to roll service over to another transmission line. Power was restored within about three hours.

The National Weather Service recorded gusts of up to 30 mph Thursday morning.

Funding could change for Texas higher education

AUSTIN (AP) — The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board has endorsed a revised method of funding public universities and community col-

Board members, during a meeting Thursday in Austin, also approved plans for a greater emphasis on merit for certain financial aid.

The cost-saving proposals go to Gov. Rick Perry and the 2011 Legislature.

The board wants 10 percent of the base funding for universities to be indexed to so-called "student outcomes," including graduation rates.

The Austin American Statesman reports 10 percent of community college funding would be on the basis of degrees awarded, certificates completed, college-level math course completions and other performance measures.

Current base funding is strictly linked to enroll-

Conviction of Dallas man in death of wife, girl

DALLAS (AP) — A Dallas man who confessed to police that he killed his estranged wife and drowned her 6-vear-old daughter has been convicted of capi-

The penalty phase begins Monday for 39-year-old Gary Green. He faces life in prison or the death penalty. Police say Lovetta Armstead, who was stabbed

more than two dozen times, was seeking to have their 2009 marriage annulled. Investigators say Green drowned Jazzmen Montgomery in a bathtub and forced his two stepsons,

who were 9 and 12 at the time, to view the corpses. The September 2009 attacks took place in the fam-

Green's videotaped confession was played in court. He did not testify.

New Braunfels man pleads guilty to killing cousin

NEW BRAUNFELS, Texas (AP) — A New Braunfels man has been sentenced to 40 years in prison for killing his cousin in an attack in which the vic-

tim was shot eight times.

A judge in New Braunfels on Thursday sentenced 26-year-old Juanito Correa, who pleaded guilty to murder in the 2007 death of Matthew Gutierrez. The victim was gunned down on a New Braunfels street after attending a fair.

The New Braunfels Herald-Zeitung reports investigators got a break in June when a witness came forward after police did a video reenactment of the crime and posted it on the Internet. Prosecutor Sammy McCrary says Correa, who

had felony drug and weapons convictions, told relatives "I can't even tell you why" he shot and killed his cousin.

New Braunfels is 25 miles northeast of San Anto-

Euless woman pleads quilty to killing husband

FORT WORTH (AP) — A Fort Worth-area woman accused of killing her husband and then buying a freezer to try to store the body has pleaded guilty to murder.

The penalty phase was scheduled to continue Friday for 51-year-old Patricia Jeffress of Euless.

Jeffress on Wednesday pleaded guilty over last year's fatal shooting of her 59-year-old husband, Joe, while he was asleep at their apartment.

The Fort Worth Star-Telegram reports the woman told police she had shot her spouse on May 12, 2009. but she didn't report the killing until three days

CHURCH NEWS

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Stop by and visit our pastor, Msgr. Bernard Gully, and his associate pastor, the Rev. G.C. Arockriaraj (Father Raj), anytime.

First Christian

This Sunday, from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m., our church will join together with St. Mary's Episcopal Church to host Trunk or Treat for the fifth consecutive year at 10th and Goliad streets. This event has grown each year because people realize it is a great way to keep Halloween safe. Last year, more than 500 children and their parents passed by our trunks so that our members could hand out candy and

other treats to the little ghouls, ghosts

and goblins of Howard County.

Starting Wednesday, our tri-church youth group will meet at First Presbyterian Church, located at Eighth and Runnels Streets. Each Wednesday's youth meeting will start at 6 p.m. with

a light supper.

Our congregation will continue donating items for Christmas for Our Troops. A collection box will be in the foyer for Sunday worshippers to donate items that will be packaged and sent as Christmas goodie boxes to men and women serving in Afghani-

The youth will collect items until next month, when they will take them to Midland to assemble and package the boxes for shipment.

Sunday, we will mark the 493rd anniversary of Martin Luther's posting his 95 Theses on the doors of the Wittenberg's Castle Church, an event that sparked the Protestant Reformation. Luther wasn't the only figure of the Baptist Church.

celebrate the spirit of one man who saw something wrong and offered a solution. Church starts at 10:50 a.m.

Reformation, but this Sunday we will

Church Women United Big Spring Unit

"Building and Serving the Beloved Community" — This last program of 2010 will be held Saturday at 11 a.m. at Spring Tabernacle Ministries, located at 1209 Wright St. Mona Lou Tonn will be the featured speaker. Fellowship will follow the hour-long

Officers will gather at 10:30 a.m. for a short business meeting. They are Gladys Thompson, president; Margie Hill, vice president; Joyce Davis, treasurer; Debbie Rupard, secretary; and Romona Molina, outreach.

CWU is a grassroots movement where Christian women pray, study and act together to create a safe and just world. Please join us and visit our web site http://www.churchwomen.org.

Life Chain

Life Chain, a time of public prayer for the unborn, is scheduled for 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday at the Birdwell Lane

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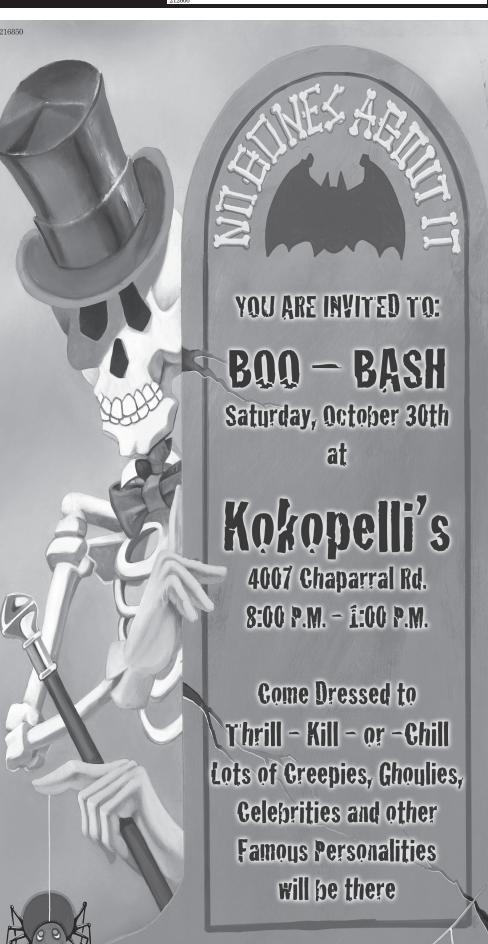
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Real Estate for Sale

The things we do for love... With the sun and Venus so close together in Scorpio, there is a growing intensity in romantic relationships. Many will be surprised by the strength of their own feelings. Smolder-ing fervent looks and

reactions along the lines of silent movie melodrama might seem overblown, and yet it is all very sincere.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You do your

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best. That's all you can do. And once it's done, give yourself credit. Whether or not attempt vour successful is beside the point. Give yourself an 'A" for effort.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). There is magic in the way you communicate wishes. You'll vour choose a willing subject and then hypnotize this person with your charm. Your requests will be eagerly followed.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Editing yourself too strictly will produce Have boring results.

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LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). When you are relaxed and not under pressure, it is easy to do the things you tell yourself to do. But when the pressure is on, it is harder to have self-discipline. How can you make things easier on yourself?

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

courage. Trust yourself, and then let the work fly. You will expose your feelings in the process. Others will relate to your openness.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). There's a mess to sort through. Taking it on alone would be setting yourself up for failure. Ask for help, and not only will this work become fun, but you'll also make a friend in the process.

Loved ones, colleagues and customers enjoy your insights. Just be sure thoroughly understand the nature of a problem before you offer any advice. Asking the right questions will be key.

22). Someone acts out in order impression on you. This person attention more than your money, but in some roundabout way, probably ask for both.

t21). Friends ask for your honest opinion. Sometimes this is a trap. But this time your truth

is what they really want to hear. Speak the truth you'll have no regrets.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Sit back and quietly watch how things naturally unfold. It is likely that all of your questions will answered by what you observe. If not, speak freely and directly about your concerns.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Over-talking is a danger. You will only be as convincing as you are brief. Think about the message you want to send others. Write it all out, and then condense it to its essence.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You are developing the selfdiscipline needed to stay in shape, but the change won't happen overnight. Pat yourself on the back

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. for any and every small victory. This will help you stay consistent in your efforts.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You are a team player — a fact that no one will dispute. And yet, you will still exhibit a certain amount personal independence in your attitudes about work.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Oct. 29). Your life is in alignment, and this year's action unfolds in a gentle, pleasing way. You respond well to praise and will get plenty of it for the work you do in November and December. communication Clear moves your family into a happy mode of operation. January brings additions to your group. Aries and Sagittarius people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 5, 10, 24, 39 and 47.

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By Steve Becker

Bidding Quiz

How many points does the opening bidder indicate by his rebid in each of the following sequences?

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1. Thirteen or 14, or 13 to 15 points, depending on the range of your opening one-notrump bids. (If you play 15- to 17-point notrump openings, you should not have more than 14 points when you rebid one notrump.) The one-notrump rebid shows a balanced hand (4-3-3-3, 4-4-3-2 or 5-3-3-2 distribution) of the minimum class and willingness to play at one notrump if responder has a balanced minimum (six to 10

2. Eighteen or 19 points. The jump to two notrump by opener shows a balanced hand containing 18 or 19 high-card points. It is not a forcing bid; responder may pass with minimum values (six points) for his one-spade response.

3. Sixteen to 18 points. The invitational jump-rebid promises at least six spades including two or more honors. Responder may pass with minimum values (six or seven points) for his one-notrump response. In most cases, the threespade bidder will have only 15 or 16 high-card points, with the rest of his count based on distributional values.

4. Thirteen to 18 points. The change of suit in this sequence might be based on minimum values, e.g., ♦ 94 ♥ AQ863 ♦ AQ752 ♣ 10, or on values well above a minimum, e.g., **↑** AQ8 ♥ KQ752 **♦** AQ104 **↑** 3. Because of the inherent ambiguity of the opening bidder's change of suit, the responder often finds himself awkwardly placed in choosing his next action. If he has only six or seven points and a preference for opener's second suit, he can pass, but with all other hands, he must bid again, and must use his judgment as to how to continue.

5. Nineteen or more points. This bid — a jump-shift — is 100 percent forcing to game, so responder must keep bidding until game (or slam) is reached. The bid tends to say that the combined hands contain enough points for game — even if responder has only six points — but opener is not yet sure where the best game lies.

Tomorrow: How bad can bad luck be?

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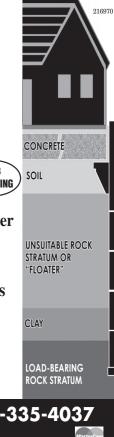
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Annie's Mailbox ®

Dear Annie: Our son recently informed us that our 7-year-old grandson has high-functioning Asperger's syndrome. I have extensive experience with children on the autism

spectrum.
"Jeremy's"
behaviors,
while
rowdy, are
not typical
of Asperger's.

or Asperger's.
What
we have
noticed,
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ety and numerous phobias in our daughter-in-law, "Lois." Jeremy is not allowed to play outside, have friends over or do any activities normal for a boy his age. Lois keeps him on a rigid schedule designed for a much younger child. He is not allowed to bathe alone, brush his own teeth or wipe himself after using the bathroom, even though he is capable of doing all these things. As a result, he acts out and has serious behavior problems at school.

When Jeremy is with me, he is a totally different child. Even his father has a better experience with the boy than his wife does. With his mother, however, Jeremy's behaviors are alarming and clearly meant to get attention. I actually saw waitresses cringe when we entered a pizza parlor. He is cruel to small animals and says he wants to kill the family cat.

Lois confessed that she had pressured a specialist into giving her son the Asperger's diagnosis. When I gently suggested getting a second opinion, she told me to leave her home and then had a screaming tantrum. My terrified grandson hid in the garage. My son admits his wife has a mental health problem, but he runs away to the office. He said Lois called him at work demanding that he come home if he ever wanted to see his son alive again. She once falsely accused him of molesting the boy. He told me that she locks herself in her room for days at a time, often keeping Jeremy in there with her. She even insists she can read the thoughts of others.

What can I do? — **Deeply Concerned**

Dear Concerned: Your daughter-in-law is mentally ill and is abusing her son emotionally. The fact that Dad permits this is reprehensible. Call Child Protective Services, and ask that someone check out the home situation. Talk to the principal and counselor at Jeremy's school. Then tell your son to stop hiding at work and contact the National Alliance on Mental Illness (nami.org) at 1-800-950-NAMI (1-800-950-6264) and ask for

help.

Dear Annie: My husband insists on blowing his nose at the dinner table. This includes when we eat out at restaurants with linen napkins. I've told him repeatedly that blowing one's nose into a napkin, especially a cloth one that our server will have to handle, is downright rude. He doesn't care and believes I am overreacting.

I would so appreciate it if you would please give us a lesson on nose-blowing etiquette. — **Too Mortified To Dine Out**

Dear Mortified: One should excuse oneself from the table when blowing one's nose and never, ever use a napkin. We suggest you bring along a handkerchief or travel pack of tissues for those moments when your husband feels the need to honk in public and see if it helps.

"Needing Advice," whose boss is having an affair with a co-worker. Yes, she should tell the wife.

Dear Annie: I read the letter from

Two years ago, I was that wife, and

no one told me. I was hurt to discover that everyone knew except me. Women I thought were my friends did not say a thing to me. I felt so betrayed.

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Please advise "Needing" to tell the
wife. I seriously doubt her job will be
jeopardized. His wife will make sure

it isn't. — Betrayed in New Mexico

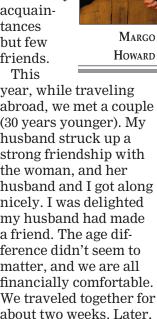
Dear N.M.: We understand your sense of betrayal, but a personal friend is not in the same position as the husband's employee. His love life is the employee's business only insofar as it affects the job — in which case, she should approach her employer, not his spouse.

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Dear Margo

Dear Margo: My experience has been that friendships are transitory and people don't put in the work to maintain them.

For this reason, my husband and I are pretty much loners. We have many acquaintances but few friends.



ference didn't seem to matter, and we are all financially comfortable. We traveled together for about two weeks. Later, they came to visit us. We took them on a road trip through national parks. It was a great vacation, and they sent us generous thank-you gifts. Then they went on to set up a new home in Canada. We've both e-mailed the wife a couple of times since then, which was about a month ago. We are

renting a two-bedroom

condo in Canada next

month, so yesterday my

husband e-mailed to ask if they'd care to join us. Neither of them is looking for work yet, as they await the birth of their first baby, so we thought they'd have the time. Yesterday we got an email back from her saying they could not make it, they are busy, and then the letter ended: "So please don't expect me to keep in touch on a regular basis. That just won't happen. Enjoy your boredom."

Enjoy your boredom?
What does that mean?
That we have no real
life because we are retired? She is Canadian,
he is German, and we
are American. Perhaps
this is some kind of
foreign expression?
We were really hurt
by this curt dismissal.
I fail to see why our
efforts to keep in touch
provoked this reaction.
— Feeling Dismissed

Dear Feel: In the very best light, "Enjoy your boredom" may have been this woman's way of saying, "Enjoy your retirement." What is more likely, I fear, is they felt you were taking them over and wanted to build in some distance, hence the announcement that the e-mails would no longer be regular. It is also possible that the husband might have

felt that the primary relationship was between his wife and your husband and he told her to cool it. I must tell you that because this couple lives in Canada, it does seem a bit odd that you would invite them to come live in your apartment ... in Canada. Just sayin'.

— Margo, intui-





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Freed death row inmate enjoys 'surreal' moment

thony Graves spent half of his adult life waking up inside a cage locked by steel doors. So when he awoke as a free man for the first time in 18 years on Thursday, he wasn't entirely sure whether he'd escaped the "hell" of Texas death

"It's just a surreal moment," Graves said at his lawyer's office less than 24 hours after walking out of the Burleson County Jail. "For

HOUSTON (AP) — An- the first few moments or few hours, I thought I would wake up and be right back in the cell. It just wasn't real to me. It's still not real to me."

Graves was convicted for the 1992 slayings of six members of a Sommersvillefamily, including four young children. But the only evidence tying him the fatal stabbings and shootings was the testimony of his codefendant, who recanted shortly before his execution ten years ago.

An appeals court eventually tossed Graves' conviction, and prosecutors — proclaiming Graves' innocence decided this week to drop the case.

"I never lost hope," Graves said. "Once you lose hope, you're just a dead man walking. I knew one day would come to this. I just didn't know when it would."

Graves, 45, spent two years awaiting his first trial, then another four in jail awaiting a second

trial. But those years followed a dozen on death row, which Graves described as "hell, hell, hell."

"Whatever your description of hell is, that's what it is," he said. "You don't even need to elaborate. Just hell. You think about hell, that's it."

Describing his first full day of freedom, however, was a bit harder. He said he'd become accustomed to waking up to "steel doors, sleeping on a steel bunk, on a plastic mattress. My own personal hell, for 18 years."

Then one day, he just walked out.

adjustment. It's hard to even process that," he said.

Graves and his codefendant, Robert Earl Carter, were convicted separately of the murders of Bobbie Davis, 45; Nicole Davis, 16; Denitra Davis, 9; Brittany Davis, 6; Lea 'Erin Davis, 5; and Carter's 4-year-old son, Jason Davis.

Court records showed Carter was upset that one of Davis' daughters, four days earlier, had named him in a paternity suit, a step toward seeking child support.

The six victims had been stabbed or shot, or both, and were dis-

"It's hard to make that covered by firefighters responding to a blaze at a home in Somerville in the early morning hours of Aug. 18, 1992. Their killer tried to burn the bodies to hide the deaths, prosecutors said.

An autopsy showed Bobbie Davis was stabbed 29 times in the head and beaten with a blunt object. Nicole Davis had been shot five times and stabbed in the head and chest. The other four victims were stabbed between seven and 13 times.

The 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans overturned Graves' conviction in 2006, ruling that prosecutors withheld evidence and elicited false testimony. Graves was removed from death row, then held in the county jail to await re-

"It's kind of a rare situation where a prosecutor without use of DNA or any other type of evidence that dispels guilt looks at a case and says there is no evidence," District Attorney Bill Parham said Thursday. "This man is not guilty."

Kelly Siegler, a former Harris County assistant district attorney hired by Parham as a special prosecutor to handle Graves' retrial, said she could find no credible evidence to tie Graves to the slayings.

Siegler said that Charles Sebesta, the now-retired district attorney, "handled this case in a way that would best be described as a criminal justice tem's nightmare.'

told Sebesta Associated Press on Thursday that the developments were "surprising, especially the part about having no evidence." He has said he believed a third person was involved in the murders, but there was insufficient evidence to

move forward. "All the evidence pointed to three people," he insisted.

"I still feel like there were three people involved. Until I have an opportunity to look at what (prosecutors are) saying, it's difficult to really address the is-

sue." One of Graves' attorneys, Katherine Scardino, said that while her client might not be angry, she was.

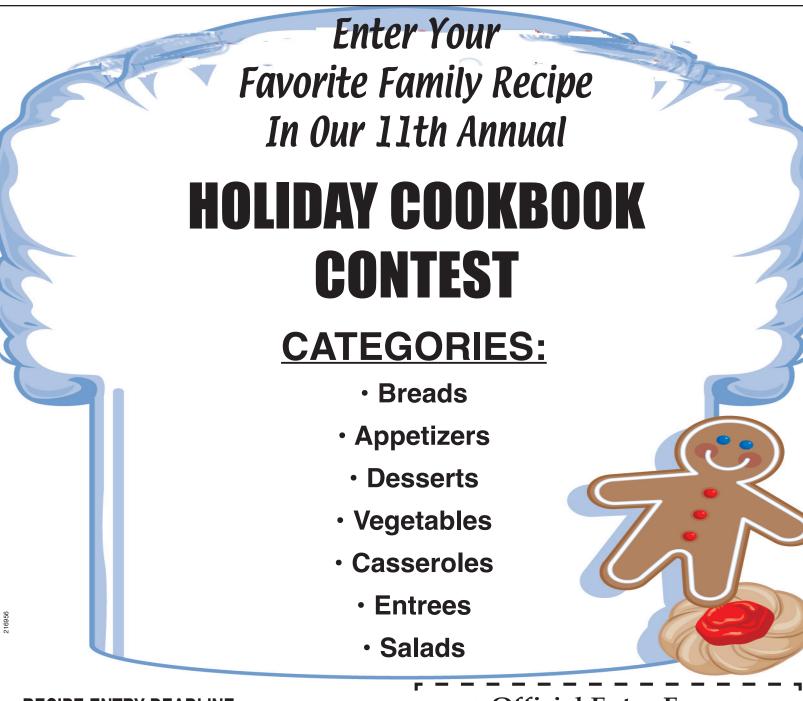
"I think this is a prime example for those who are anti-death penalty," she said. "To wonder if we really have a system that is flawed, that we have a system that's only not working, it's simply broken."

In 2007, a prosecutor disclosed that crucial evidence was missing and might never be found including the skull caps and clothing of the victims.

Special prosecutor Patrick Batchelor told a Burleson County judge then that other missing evidence from the original trial included fingerprints, bullets from the victims, a bloody hammer and a hunting knife.







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