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Warriors of Hope, a Relay For Life team with West Texas Centers, held their fifth annual hot dog sale Thursday. Members of West Texas Centers dressed up as condiments and hot dogs while they served those who came out in support. In addition to the hot dogs, there were homemade treats

Coming Sunday

**2012
Progress &
PROFILE**

CISD approves 2012-13 calendar, teacher contracts

By **STEVE REAGAN**

Staff Writer

COAHOMA — School trustees here approved the calendar and teacher contracts for the 2012-2013 school year during their monthly meeting Thursday night.

The coming school year at Coahoma will begin Aug. 27 and conclude May 30, 2013, and includes the following student holidays:

- Sept. 3 — Labor Day holiday.
- Oct. 8 — Staff development (student holiday).
- Nov. 21-22 — Thanksgiving holiday.
- Nov. 26 — Staff development (student holiday).
- Dec. 20-Jan. 2, 2013 — Christmas holiday.
- March 11-15, 2013 — Spring break.
- May 24, 2013 — Bad weather make-up day.
- May 27, 2013 — Memorial Day holiday.
- May 30, 2013 — Last day of instruction.
- May 31, 2013 — Bad weather make-up day.

See **CISD**, Page 3

Artist Hight to be featured in college's speaker series

By **CINDY SMITH**

Special to the Herald

The Howard College Foundation Speaker Series, in partnership with Wells Fargo Bank, will host inspirational speaker and artist Richard Hight for the spring series selection at 7 p.m. Monday, April 2, in the college's Hall Center for the Arts.

"We are very excited about our presentation this semester," said Dr. Cheryl T. Sparks, college president. "Mr. Hight will bring a new component of artistry to the series that we haven't seen before and I am certain the audience will be entertained as well as informed."

Hight's work has graced museums, corporate and private collections and he has been featured on ABC, NBC, CBS and FOX networks.

As he draws the artwork, which is choreographed to selected pieces of music, Hight communicates positive, life-changing messages of positive attitude, leadership, inspiration and motivation.

The event is free to the pub-



Hight

lic, but a ticket is required for admission due to limited seating. Tickets can be obtained by calling the college at 264-5063 or by visiting the reception desk at the Old Main building on campus.

Tickets will be distributed on a

first-come, first-serve basis.

Each semester, the Howard College Foundation provides free events to the public to bring new cultural opportunities to the area and support the creation of a college-going culture.

Contact Cindy Smith at 432-264-5034 or csmith@howardcollege.edu.



HERALD photo/Amanda Moreno

Tammy Schrecengost checks on the baby chicks waiting to hatch in the incubator, which is part of the Easter Greetings exhibit at Heritage Museum. The exhibit will be on display until May 1.

Museum hosts Easter exhibit

By **AMANDA MORENO**

Staff Writer

New life, new hope and a trip down memory lane is what Heritage Museum is offering with its Easter Greetings exhibit. The exhibit is open to the public until May 1 and is located in the museum lobby.

"Easter hasn't changed much. It is still focused around family for the most part and the traditions have pretty much stayed the same, but there are a few details that have transformed over the years," Museum Curator Tammy Schrecengost said.

Displays in the exhibit include scenes from Easter in the late 1800s and early 1900s. One of the displays features a child's dress from the early 1900s and another features a dress from the 1950s donated

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Coming up in Big Spring

Saturday, March 24:
What: 48th Rattlesnake Roundup
When: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Where: Howard County Fairgrounds
Cost: Adults: \$5, Children: \$3

Snake shows, demonstrations, races and free arts and crafts show.

What: 3rd annual Three-Man Scramble United Way Golf Tournament
When: 1 p.m. shotgun start

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Obituaries

Donna N. Smith



Donna N. Smith, 86, of Midland passed away Wednesday, March 21, 2012. She was born in Duchesne, Utah, on March 27, 1925, to Alonzo C. and Fern (Gordon) Fitzwater. Donna had a passion for flowers and was a longtime member of the Green Thumb Garden Club.

She is survived by her husband, Darrell E. Smith; her children, D. Craig Smith, Kirk E. Smith and wife Debbie, Shelley F. Smith and husband Russell Erwin and Christine H. Vest and husband Steve; her seven grandchildren, Ann Marie Smith, D. Bryan Smith, James G. Smith, Micheal K. Smith, G. Ryan Peckham, S. Keith Vest and Donna Nicole Vest; and five great-grandchildren.

Also left to cherish her memory are her brothers, Jay Gordan Fitzwater and wife Henrietta, Stan Smith and wife Leola and Ted Smith and wife Beverly.

Special thanks to the Carlos and Yolanda Jimenez family for all of their love and support.

Family will welcome friends at Ellis Funeral Home (801 Andrews Highway) Friday, March 23, 2012, from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. Graveside services are planned for Saturday, March 24, 2012, at 11 a.m. at Resthaven Memorial Park (4616 N. Big Spring Street). Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home of Midland. Condolences may be made at: www.ellisfunerals.com.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to Hospice of Midland, P.O. Box 2621, Midland, Texas 79702.

Paid obituary

Eunice Fay Durkee



Eunice Fay Durkee passed away Tuesday, March 20, 2012, at her home in New Boston, Texas. She was 68.

Eunice was born Sept. 10, 1943, in Big Spring, Texas, to Floyd and May Jones. She graduated high school in Ackerly, Texas, and attended college in New York state. She worked in the Howard County Courthouse as a stenographer for many years.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Floyd and May Jones; a sister, Wanda Minex; and two brothers, Jimmy Jones and Gene Jones.

She is survived by two sisters, Jeannie Wise of Malta, Texas, and Lilly Teel of Hobbs, N.M.; two brothers, Vernon Jones of Jasper, Ga., and Steve Jones of Dodd City, Texas; and several nieces and nephews.

Services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 24, 2012, at Bates Family Funeral Home with Robby Bates officiating. Interment will follow at Magnolia Cemetery in New Boston, Texas.

Online registration is available at www.bates-familyfuneralhome.com

Jonnie Gunnels

Jonnie Gunnels, 87, of Big Spring died Thursday, March 22, 2012, in a local nursing home. Her services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Deborah A. Puente

Deborah A. Puente, 37, of Big Spring died Thursday, March 22, 2012, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Jerelene Bell



Jerelene Bell, 89, of Big Spring died Sunday, March 18, 2012, at Parkview Nursing Home.

Jerelene was born Sept. 14, 1922, in Pittsburg, Texas, to Augusta Turner and Arthur Bell. She lived for a short time in Levelland before moving to Big Spring to be close to her brother. She was loved by many and loved playing Pitty Pat card game, collecting dolls and stuffed animals. She loved living life to the fullest and enjoyed many visitors. Jerelene was a feisty woman of small stature, but she loved cats and staying active in her youth.

Jerlene became a devoted follower of Jesus and attended Mt. Bethel Baptist Church and the Senior Center until her health declined.

She leaves to mourn her passing, her brother, the Rev. J.B. Hardeman of Big Spring; four nieces, French L. Haywood and husband Joe II of Fort Worth, Phyllis Moore and husband Herbert of Big Spring, Jacquelyn Hardeman of Las Vegas, Nev., and Cynthia Hardeman of Houston; one nephew, Johnny Hardeman of Fort Worth; two great-nieces, Tymeshia Haywood and LyShawn Haywood, both of Fort Worth; three great-nephews, Joe Haywood III of Fort Worth, Jefery Hardeman of Round Rock and Wendell Moore of Houston; four great-great-nieces; one great-great-nephew; and many friends.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 24, 2012, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Elder William T. Hickman officiating.

The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. until 7 p.m. Friday, March 23, 2012, at the funeral home.

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

Paid obituary

Patsy Evans



Patsy Evans, 82, of Big Spring died Thursday, March 22, 2012, at Hospice Unit of Midland Memorial. The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. until 7 p.m. Friday March 23, 2012, at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Graveside services will be held at 3 p.m. Saturday at Mount Olive Memorial Park with the Rev. Billy Bates officiating.

She was born Feb. 9, 1930, in Oilton, Okla., to Mabel and Maynard Mize. She married Milton C. Evans on July 5, 1953, in Caldwell, Kan. He preceded her in death Feb. 6, 1991.

She moved to Big Spring in 1960 from Cushing, Okla. She retired from Big Spring State Hospital in 1993 after 24 years of service. She was a member of Birdwell Lane Methodist Church.

She is survived by one son, David Evans of Big Spring; two daughters, Rhonda Stephens and husband Harvey of Denton and Susie Jones and husband Chris of Big Spring; four grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; one grandson; and two brothers, Gene and Ronnie Mize.

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

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Today's Weather

Local 5-Day Forecast

Sun 3/25	Mon 3/26	Tue 3/27	Wed 3/28	Thu 3/29
90/59 A few clouds. Highs in the low 90s and lows in the upper 50s.	83/60 Partly cloudy, chance of a thunderstorm.	84/59 Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 80s and lows in the upper 50s.	84/57 Isolated thunderstorms. Highs in the mid 80s and lows in the upper 50s.	85/54 Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 80s and lows in the mid 50s.
Sunrise: 7:43 AM Sunset: 8:01 PM	Sunrise: 7:41 AM Sunset: 8:02 PM	Sunrise: 7:40 AM Sunset: 8:03 PM	Sunrise: 7:39 AM Sunset: 8:03 PM	Sunrise: 7:37 AM Sunset: 8:04 PM



Police blotter

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

• **JAMES DAIL RIERSON**, 53, of 3302 W. Front St. in Midland, was arrested Thursday on a charge of public intoxication.

• **LEONA JEAN RADASA**, 30, of 1413 Wood, was arrested Thursday on charges of public intoxication and failure to identify.

• **CALEB LEE HALLFORD**, 18, of 10 Kenley Lane, was arrested Thursday on a warrant from another agency and a warrant for use or possession of illegal smoking paraphernalia.

• **KAYLA JAYCE FULLER**, 20, of Ozona, Texas, was arrested Thursday on a charge of making a false report to a peace officer or law enforcement employee.

• **RUBEN CISNEROS**, 36, of 1115 Lloyd, was arrested Thursday on a charge of public intoxication.

• **ASSAULT** was reported in the 1000 block of S. Birdwell Lane.

Sheriff

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

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

• **CALEB LEE HALLFORD**, 18, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on a motion to adjudicate — indelicacy with a child and a charge of possession of drug paraphernalia.

• **JAMES DAIL RIERSON**, 53, was booked into the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

• **RUBEN CISNEROS**, 36, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a charge of public intoxication.

• **KAYLA JAYCE FULLER**, 20, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a charge of filing a false report with a police officer or law enforcement employee.

• **LEONA JENE RADASA**, 30, was booked into the county jail Friday by the BSPD on charges of failure to identify and public intoxication.



March 24-25
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March 27
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For more info call **432-263-7641**

March 29
Healthy Woman presents: "You Are Not Alone"
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March 30
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News briefs

Army Sgt. Robert Bales to be charged with 17 counts of murder

WASHINGTON (AP) — Army Staff Sgt. Robert Bales is expected to be told he faces 17 counts of murder and six counts of attempted murder, along with other charges, in connection with a shooting rampage in two southern Afghanistan villages that shocked Americans back home and further roiled U.S.-Afghan relations.

The charges come almost two weeks after the massacre in which Bales allegedly left his base in the early morning hours and shot Afghans, including women and nine children, while they slept in their beds, then burned some of the bodies.

Bales will be read the charges on Friday at the military prison at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., where he has been held since being flown from Afghanistan last week, a U.S. official said.

In addition to murder and attempted murder, the charges will include six counts of aggravated assault as well as a number of other violations of military law, said the official, who spoke on condition of anonymity to discuss the charges before they were announced.

The 38-year-old soldier and father of two, who lives in Lake Tapps, Wash., faces trial under the Uniform Code of Military Justice, but it could be months before any public hearing.

Demand for arrest grows in shooting death of Florida teen

SANFORD, Fla. (AP) — The investigation into last month's shooting death of an unarmed black teenager in an Orlando suburb is out of the hands of the beleaguered police chief and the county prosecutor with the Justice Department looking at pos-

sible civil rights violations and a grand jury perhaps considering charges.

Until admitted shooter George Zimmerman is led away in handcuffs, the parents of 17-year-old Trayvon Martin and the civil rights activists and others who have rallied for their cause say they won't be satisfied.

"We cannot allow a precedent when a man can just kill one of us ... and then walk out with the murder weapon," said civil rights leader Al Sharpton, flanked by Martin's parents and a stage full of supporters at a rally in Sanford on Thursday night. "We don't want good enough. We want George Zimmerman in court with handcuffs behind his back."

Police Chief Bill Lee said earlier in the day that he was stepping down temporarily to try to cool the building anger that his department did not arrest neighborhood watch volunteer Zimmerman, who has said he shot Martin on Feb. 26 in self-defense. Hours later, the governor announced that the local state attorney, Norman Wolfinger, had recused himself from the case.

Cocaine revelation in Whitney Houston autopsy show the high toll drugs took on singer

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Drugs took many things from Whitney Houston — her pristine voice, clean image and her career — and coroner's officials revealed Thursday that cocaine also played a role in the Grammy winner's death in the bathtub of a luxury hotel nearly six weeks ago.

Houston drowned accidentally at the Beverly Hilton Hotel on Feb. 11, and autopsy results revealed heart disease and her recent and chronic cocaine use were contributing factors.

CISD

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The new school year will have 175 instruction days, including 36 days set aside for state standardized testing, CISD officials said.

In addition, trustees approved renewing the contracts of 53 CISD teachers for the coming school year. Administration Secretary Judy Dobbs said three teachers have submitted their resignations, while one is retiring.

In non-action items, school officials reported enrollment at the three campuses changed only slightly between January and February.

At the end of February, elementary enrollment was at 444, up two students from January, junior high enrollment stood at 135, down one student, and high school enrollment was 215, down two students from January.

Total enrollment stands at 794, down one student from January. School officials also

reported that the average daily attendance through the fourth six-week period was 759, compared to last year's final ADA of 734. The in-district transfer number stands at 158, up three students.

The filing period for the May 12 school trustee election ended March 5. Six candidates filed for three positions on the board — incumbents Brian Moore, Jody Reid and Alan Wright, along with Leslie Tindol, Gerald King and Paul Lewis.

April 12 is the deadline for registering to vote in the trustee election.

School officials reported the track resurfacing and roof replacement projects are proceeding on schedule and should be completed within the week.

The next board meeting is scheduled for April 16.

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

EXHIBIT

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by Joe Pickle — former editor of the *Big Spring Herald* — and a soldier's uniform from the late 1940s or early 1950s donated by William Bonner.

"We are hoping we will be able to bring back some of those special memories of Easter's our visitors had as a child and how magical it was," Schrecengost said. "Everyone has that special Easter they

remember. We want people to be able to say, 'I remember when ...'"

The core of the holiday is still, for the most part, centered around the family, going to church and hunting Easter eggs.

"The Easter holiday back then was different in the fact it made the meaning of family a little more important due to the turbulent time caused by the war," Schrecengost said.

Another exhibit brought in to draw the attention of children is

live chicks. Two cases have been set up which will hold baby chicks and several eggs have been placed in an incubator with baby chicks expected to hatch the week of Easter.

"We are hoping the kids will come by and visit and help keep an eye on the eggs in the incubator," she said. "We are expecting them to hatch a few days before Easter."

While museum visitors wait for the chicks to hatch, they can visit the museum and see a

pictorial display of the different stages of a baby chick before it hatches.

The exhibit will also include vintage postcards. Postcards were invented in the late 1870s and used from the late 1800s through the 1900s.

"Postcards were a popular form of communication in the early 1900s," Schrecengost said. "We will have a few enlarged postcards on display as well as a few vintage ones in a case for our visitors to look at."

March 31, there will be an Easter celebration held at the museum.

"We will have Peter Cottontail on hand for photos," Schrecengost said.

During the reception there will be refreshments. Peter Cottontail will be available from 10 a.m. until noon.

Admission to the museum is \$3 for adults and \$2 for children and seniors. Museum hours are 8:30 a.m. until 4 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays.

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Where: Big Spring Country Club
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Sunday, March 25:
What: 48th Rattlesnake Roundup

When: Noon to 5 p.m.
Where: Howard County Fairgrounds

Cost: Adults, \$5, Children \$3

Snake shows, demonstrations, races and free arts and crafts show.

What: 3rd annual Three-Man Scramble United Way Golf Tournament

When: 1 p.m. shotgun start

Where: Big Spring Country Club

Cost: \$70 per person

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Tuesday, March 27
What: State of the Community Series Luncheon

When: 11:30 a.m. serving starts/ Noon: speakers

Where: East Room at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum

Cost: \$12
Speakers will include representatives from BSEDC, city of Big Spring, CRMWD and Howard County.

Thursday, March 29
What: Healthy Woman — "You are not alone" Sexual assault awareness.

When: 5:30 p.m.
Where: Scenic Mountain Medical Center 4th Floor Activity Room

RSVP to Kim Howell at 268-4842 or Anita

Cline at 268-4721.

Friday, March 30
What: Hoop, Goals and Dreams

When: Starts at 9 a.m.
Where: Dorothy Garrett Coliseum

Cost: Free admission

Saturday, March 31
What: Big Spring Symphony presents 'Pops Celebration' with special guest Paul Williams

When: 8 p.m.
Where: Municipal auditorium

Cost: \$15 for adults, \$10 for seniors, \$5 for

students

Tickets can be purchased at Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, KBST, KBYG, Big Spring Herald, Heritage Museum, Blum's Jewelry, Faye's Flowers and Western Banks.

What: Koko Loco Arts and Crafts Bazaar

When: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Where: Kokopellis, located at 4007 Chaparral Rd.

Cost: Free admission

Sunday, April 1
What: Koko Loco

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Church News

Forsan

Baptist Church

Pastor Darren Weaver and his family come most recently from Calvary Baptist Church in Post. He has pastored at Oakwood Baptist Deaf Church in Lubbock as well. He, his wife Holly and their 1-year-old son Matthew came to Forsan in early February.

Our church is located at 201 Main in Forsan. Sunday school begins at 9:50 a.m. with worship services at 10:50 a.m. and 6 p.m. Wednesday devotional and prayer services are at 6 p.m. Wednesday activities including a meal are at 5:30 p.m. and devotional time is at 6 p.m.

Our youth are planning a trip to Camp Eagle this summer. Rides for Wednesday youth activities are available if arranged ahead of time. Call the church at 432-457-2342 or Pastor Darren Weaver at 432-213-2348.

Spring

Creek Fellowship

Associate Pastor Lloyd Wells will be giving the message Sunday.

Spring Creek Fellowship has formed a 'Relay For Life' team called "The Cure Connection." Sunday, March 25 from 2-5 p.m. we will be helping sponsor the second annual Relay For Life "Bowl-A-Thon" at Big Spring Bowl-A-Rama. Bowl for three hours (including shoes) for a donation of any size. Help us "knock down" cancer once and for all.

"Unplugged Church" begins Saturday, March 31 at 7 p.m.

"Prom dress for princesses" ministry is asking for your old prom dresses, bridesmaid dresses or other formals to be given to girls in our community. Contact Kim Cantrell 517-4751 for pick-up.

Lyrical Dance Academy classes for girls ages 4-12 will begin Tuesday. Contact the church office for more information.

Calling All "Pray-ers." Spring Creek has begun a new prayer ministry and invites you to participate at 1:45 p.m. Thursday at the church. Come and spend an hour interceding for our fellowship and our community. Childcare is available for those four and under.

"The School of the Spirit" and "Financial Peace University" "Weird: Because normal isn't working" and "The Secret to the marriage you want" are meeting weekly. Contact the church office for more information.

Sunday school classes/Connection group meet from 9:15-10:15 a.m. "Holy Grounds Café" is open from 10:15 a.m.-10:45 a.m. with snacks and fellowship. Worship is scheduled from 10:45 a.m.-until.

Wednesday a meal is served at 5:30 p.m. Bible study, youth and children's activities are at 6 p.m. and praise team practice is at 7:15 p.m.

Men's prayer breakfast and fellowship is scheduled at 7:30 a.m. Saturday in the dining room at the church.

"Between the Lines" women's ministry will meet Friday, April 20. They are planning a garage sale to benefit "Manna House" in April. To help our "Manna House" food pantry, contact the church office for more information.

If you would like further information regarding any of our ministries or events, contact the church office.

Spring Creek Fellowship meets at the College Park Shopping Center at 501 Birdwell Lane. Contact us at 432-714-4584 or visit our website at www.springcreekfellowship.org

First

Baptist Church

We are located on West FM 700. Come worship with us on Sunday morning at 10:50 with

Sunday school is at 9:30 a.m. and Sunday at 6 p.m. along with Saturate Youth. AWANA begins at 5:30 p.m. It is robot night.

Mark Lindsey will continue the series leading up to Resurrection Sunday with "The Proof of Acceptance" from John 19:29-30. Joe Whitten will lead the worship in music including "How Great Thou Art" and a special remembering the fourth word from the last words of Christ.

Mission activities include a SWCID luncheon and an open house at the Mission Center on Sunday afternoon from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. with more information from Melody Rogers on Sunday morning.

Sign up to pray for the youth as they prepare to spread the gospel in Canada.

First

Christian Church

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) is located at 911 Goliad St. Sunday fellowship is at 9:30 a.m. Sunday school is at 9:45 a.m. Worship service is at 10:50 a.m. March 25 the Rev. Kenneth McIntosh will deliver the message "In order of Melchizedek" from Hebrews 5:5-10.

First Christian Church will celebrate its 125th birthday March 25 with a luncheon after the morning worship. The board will also meet.

The March 28 Lenten Luncheon will be at First Presbyterian Church at noon.

The choir and youth group will meet at 6 p.m. Wednesday. Samaritan Counseling is available each Thursday from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Isaiah 58 needs volunteers. Client hours are Mondays from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. and Tuesdays from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Isaiah 58 is located at 107 Runnels. Call 268-9530 or the church office.

For questions, call 432-517-4821, email fcbs125@yahoo.com or view the website at www.fcbsbig-spring.org.

Gateway

Baptist Church

Gateway Baptist Church is located at 2302 Gatesville Rd. Sunday service is at 10 a.m. for Sunday school and 11 a.m. for worship service with Pastor Jim Mills leading the service.

Sunday night service starts at 6 p.m. and Wednesday service at 6:30 p.m. A fellowship meal follows both services.

Easter Sunrise service is at 7 a.m. A pancake

breakfast will follow.

Gateway has a clothing ministry and food pantry for individuals needing assistance with these items. They are open Thursdays from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Gateway's Praise Team will be singing at Canterbury (North) from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. on the fifth Thursday.

First United

Methodist Church

Sunday, Pastor Bill Ivins will be bringing his message, "Matters of the Heart" at the 8:30 a.m. and 10:50 a.m. service of worship. His scripture text will be from Jeremiah 31:31-34 and John 12:20-34.

The Covingtons, our missionary family, will also be in both services as well as in Garrett Hall during Sunday school hour meeting with some of our adult classes. At noon we will have an all-church covered dish dinner in Garrett Hall with another opportunity to meet and visit with the Covingtons before their next term of service in India.

Children's Sunday school classes begin a new series of lessons titled, "Good news" on Sunday under the direction of our children and young families director, Becky Woodall and crew of great teachers. Classes begin at 9:45 a.m.

Monday is the deadline for turning in your orders and money for Easter lilies. Order blanks will be inserted into Sunday's bulletins or the information is available in the church office.

The last of the community Lenten lunches will be held Wednesday at First Presbyterian Church with the Rev. Barbara Kirk-Norris as guest speaker. During Holy Week, Wednesday, April 4, we will hold our regular noon Bible study and luncheon in Garrett Hall.

There will be a Good Friday tenebrae service at First Methodist on April 6 at 7 p.m. The church van will pick those up who do not drive at night. Call the church office to make your van reservations.

The family and parish life committee is sponsoring an Easter brunch beginning at 9:30 a.m. Easter in Garrett Hall. Your breakfast finger foods will be welcome and the children will be having an exciting Easter egg hunt with more information forthcoming.

Joan Beil and the worship committee remind our membership to bring fresh flowers for the cross Easter morning.

As the wedding date for our youth minister, Beau Niewoehner and his fiancée, Shanna rapidly approaches, our congregation is hosting a "bride and groom shower" Saturday morning, April 14 in the church parlor. Plan to attend as we "shower" this outstanding young couple with our gifts and blessings.

Mark your calendar for May 19 as we honor our confirmation class. There will be a dinner for the

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The pitfall of self-sufficiency

Self-sufficiency, that long sought for quality that makes us feel independent and overconfident, has been the goal of men and women since the Garden of Eden. Although theologians are still debating the significance of Adam's fall and Eve's temptation, there is something in our human nature that makes us believe we can take care of ourselves, solve our own problems, and be totally independent of God and our fellow man.

Perhaps no one has expressed this spirit of independence better than Louisa May Alcott, a young American writer from the Civil War era. Alcott, who is best known as the author of "Little Women," said, "I'm not afraid of storms, for I am learning to sail my ship."

While on the surface, learning to sail one's own ship seems like an admirable thing to do, the plan may have a pitfall. Even a novice like me knows that sailing a ship normally requires a crew of well trained individuals who are skilled in controlling the destiny of their vessel.

When we try to sail our own ship, we eliminate the need for a support crew and find ourselves drifting in the winds of self-sufficiency. Reaching our destination becomes more difficult when we try to chart our own course.

However, there is an even greater consequence of sailing one's own ship. Self-sufficiency alleviates dependence on God. When we sail alone, we make our own decisions, direct our own actions, and rely on our own devices to handle the storms of life. We ignore God's voice in the thunder and fail to see his hand in the lightening that flashes before us.

Other than Christ himself, no one mentioned in the Bible seems to have been pelted by more storms than the apostle Paul. Yet he wrote, "We want to remind you, friends, of the trouble we had in the province of Asia. The burdens laid upon us were so great and so heavy that we gave up all hope of staying alive. We felt that the death sentence had been passed on us. But this happened so that we should rely, not on ourselves, but only on God, who raises the dead" (2 Corinthians 1:8-9 TEV).

Sometimes, we also have to give up all hope of staying alive before we are willing to let God have control of our ships. But thankfully, when we find ourselves sinking in the pitfall of self-sufficiency, we can reach out to God for help.

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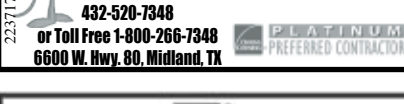


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Reflections

Words

It is not the well thought out words that give us trouble, words that we wrestle with before writing them down, words that we edit a dozen times before finally putting it in print. The words that trouble us and cause our difficulty are the careless words, the thoughtless words, the words that escape our lips without thinking. These words cannot be called back. Unlike escaped animals from the cage, they cannot be hunted down and returned to captivity.

Sometimes the careless words run rampant causing unknown damage without our knowledge. We don't even remember what we said, or when we said it. But the damage is done nonetheless.

We try to bury our careless words beneath repeated apologies. "I'm sorry." Or "I didn't mean it." Sometimes we are forgiven. Sometimes others claim to overlook them. But they are rarely forgotten. They lodge in the memory and cast a shadow on everything else.

Jesus said, "I tell you that men will have to give account on the Day of Judgment for every careless word they have spoken." (Matt. 12:36) Jesus was apparently referring to our final judgment before God. Ultimately, when we stand before Him we will be required to give account for every careless word. But, perhaps he had something else in mind. Perhaps He was drawing our attention to the reality of human rela-

tions. Careless words destroy relationships.

We have seen prominent careers come to an abrupt end due to careless words spoke in the public arena. Like the classic movie, A Face In the Crowd, few are able to overcome racial slurs and arrogant expletives caught on an open microphone. But more damaging to us all are the careless words spoken in the privacy of our homes each and every day. Careless words chip away at relationships between husbands and wives, parents and children leaving families fractured and psyches shattered. On the other hand, an encouraging word, the right word spoken at the right time, can make an enormous difference. The opposite of careless words is not careful words, words that are guarded and self-serving, but caring words, words that are spoken in the interest of others.

Nothing is more important than learning the discipline of our speech. James compared the tongue to the small rudder that turns a huge ship, or the bit placed in the mouths of horses, able to harness their strength. Careless words, he said, are like sparks that ignite an uncontrollable fire that consumes everything in its path. "If anyone is never at fault in what he says, he is a perfect man, able to keep his whole body in check." (James 3:2).

Bill Tinsley reflects on life experience and current events from a faith perspective. For more information visit www.tinsleycenter.com. Email bill@tinsleycenter.com.



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CHURCH

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class and their families following the late service of worship on that day.

Remember our Relay For Life team. The big event is April 20 at Blankenship Field.

First Presbyterian Church,
Big Spring

The Lectionary Bible study, led by Craig Holstedt and Tom Koger, meets Wednesdays at 5:17 p.m. in the church library. The children's choir meets at 4:45 p.m. Wednesday. The chancel choir practiced Tuesday at 5 p.m. and will meet next Wednesday at 6 p.m.

The final ecumenical Lenten lunch Wednesday will be at First Presbyterian Big Spring with the Rev. Barbara Kirk-Norris, St. Mary's Episcopal, speaker.

All Presbyterian women are invited to help in the annual church cleanup Tuesday gathering in the parlor at 10:30 a.m. where we will divide into work groups. We will have a pizza lunch in fellowship hall and conclude with Marj Carpenter leading the Bible study on Lesson 7: "Greatly honored are the peacemakers." The offering will go to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance.

Pam Morgan is in charge of "Take Ten" refreshments this week. Liturgists for Sunday are the youth.

The lectionary is Jeremiah 31:31-34; Psalm 119:9-16; Hebrews 5:5-10; John 12:20-33. The chancel choir will offer the anthem "A Hymn of supplication" by Don McAfee and sing "If thou but suffer God to guide thee" by Jody Lindh the offertory. The noisy offering will be collected during the service. The Rev. Craig Holstedt will deliver the sermon.

Listen on KBST 1490 AM at 11 a.m. To have a printed bulletin for Sunday services, call the church office at 263-4211. Visit our website at www.fpcbs.org.

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Wednesday lunch will be at First Presbyterian

Big Spring, Barbara Kirk-Norris, speaker.

The lectionary is Jeremiah 31:31-34; Psalm 51:1-12; Hebrews 5:5-10; John 12:20-21-33.

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Palm Sunday weekend is March 31 through April 1. Blessing of the palms for all the weekend masses will take place at the 5 p.m. mass.

Holy Thursday, April 5, mass will be at 7 p.m. with foot washing adoration for Holy Thursday until midnight.

Good Friday, April 6, will include Stations of the Cross at 3 p.m., Procession of the Cross at 6 p.m. and Service of the Lord's passion at 7 p.m.

Easter Vigil mass is Saturday, April 7 at 8 p.m.

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Richard Knocke will be reading the liturgy. The readings are Jeremiah 31:31-34, Psalm 119:9-16, Hebrews 5:1-10 and Mark 10:(32-34) 34-45. Anyone interested in reading, contact Doline Budke.

The flowers on the altar are given by Shyrlee and Phillip Reid in honor of all March birthdays.

Sunday will be the last day to order Easter lilies. Complete the form located to the left of the bulletins and give both the order form and the money to Janette Bentley.

Sunday there will be a pot luck hosted by the Board of Assimilation, followed by our quarterly voters' meeting.

The theme for our Lenten services will be "God's gift of forgiveness" and will be based on what are known as "Penitential" Psalms.

The last of our Lenten services will be Sunday at 6:30 p.m.

The remaining sermon titles for Lenten services are Lent 5: "Teach me to do your will, for you are my God" from Psalm 143; Maundy Thursday: "Delivered" from Psalm 116; Good Friday: "Divine Forgetfulness" from Psalm 130; Easter Vigil: "Destroying the enemy" from Psalm 118 and Exodus 14; and Easter: "The path of life" from Psalm 16 and Mark 16:1-8.

The Board of Assimilation will meet 7 p.m.

Church Briefs

Calk featured speaker

Pentacostals of Big Spring will meet on the corner of 11th Place and Locust. The guest speaker will be Chris Calk. The service will be 10:30 a.m. Sunday.

Church Women United meeting

Church Women United will be hosting their meeting March 31 at 11 a.m. at Spring Tabernacle, located at 1209 Wright St. Come join us for fun, fellowship and the word of God.

Relay For Life Bowl-A-Thon

The 2nd Annual Relay for Life Bowl-A-Thon will be Sunday at Big Spring Bowl-A-Rama from 2-5 p.m.

The community is invited to come join the fun and help raise money for Howard/Glasscock County Relay For Life!

Any donation at the event includes three hours of bowling with shoes included.

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Submit church news to
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Tuesday at the church.

Wednesday mid-week school is for all ages. Join us from 6-6:30 p.m. for the meal and from 6:30-7:15 p.m. for Bible studies.

March 31, there will be a prayer vigil between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. This will be hosted by the Board of Elders and the Board of Assimilation. There is a sign up sheet on the door leading into the kitchen and special prayer requests need to be turned into the church office.

Good Friday services are 7:30 a.m. and Easter sunrise service at 7 a.m. A pancake breakfast will follow the sunrise service and the traditional service scheduled for later that morning.

Saturday, April 7 between 10:30 a.m. and noon, the Board of Education will have its Easter egg-extravaganza.

A women's conference has been scheduled for Saturday, May 19 from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Howard College Cactus Room. "Be still and know I am God", is a free event for women of all faiths. A meal will be available for purchase for \$8 through Howard College. RSVP for the meal by calling Bean's World Cafe at 432 263-1133 by noon May 11.

April 9, the LWML will serve coffee/juice/refreshments at the VA. The Board of Education will meet April 10 at 7 p.m. at the church. The LWML will meet April 12 at 7 p.m. at the church. The elders meet April 19 at 7 p.m. at the church. The Board of Assimilation will meet April 24, at 7 p.m. at the church.

First Church of
the Nazarene

First Church of the Nazarene is having an Easter egg hunt Saturday, April 7 at 11 a.m. at the Old Settlers Pavilion in Comanche Trail Park. Come hunt for 30,000 candy-filled eggs, bounce house, games, etc. Also, the Easter Bunny will be making an appearance. Come enjoy a special Easter Sunday the following day.

Biker Sunday is May 6 and Baby Day May 20.

Church prayer time Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. and our adult/children/youth groups meet at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday evening.

Sunday morning youth and children's classes begin at 9 a.m. with children's church following. Adults are welcome for fellowship with coffee and snacks prior to 10 a.m. service. Kaylha Martin also keeps the youth energized with IMPACT with Sunday evening activities at 6:30 p.m.

First Church of the Nazarene is located at 1400 Lancaster. For more information, contact the church office at 432-267-7015. You can visit us on the web at www.nazfamily.org where you can view a live service. We are also on Facebook and Twitter.

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Big Spring's Roberts to debut at State Powerlifting Championship



By BRIAN MCCORMACK
Sports Editor

Powerlifting is not for the faint of heart.

Just ask Sawyer Roberts, Big Spring High School's qualifier for the state championship meet, which will begin Saturday at the Taylor County Expo Center in Abilene. Weigh-ins begin today.

Roberts, a senior, will compete in the super heavy-weight class, and will try to set a new personal record — 650 pounds — in his best event, the dead lift.

There will be three categories of competition: the squat, the bench press, and the dead lift, and Roberts will get three lifts per event, with the officials entering the best lift from each station, then totaling the amounts for a final score.

It obviously isn't easy to lift more than a quarter-ton of weight, but Roberts is more than ready to make his first appearance at the state championship level.

"The past four years of hard work have finally paid off," said Roberts, who barely missed qualifying for state last year as a junior.

Working with Roberts has been BSHS Powerlifting Coach Reg McConnell, who is proud of Roberts' accomplishments over the years.

"He really made a commitment two years ago to become a better athlete," McConnell said. "He has transformed himself and his body and it's starting to show now. He reached his goal of making it to state."

Roberts said he has had plenty of support in his corner since he set his lofty goal.

"I have to thank the whole Roberts family," he added. "I also have to give a shout-out to coaches McConnell, Wright, Rawlings, and Tuttle."

Roberts will be headed to state with confidence, having placed first in all five

HERALD photo/Brian McCormack

Sawyer Roberts smiles as he lifts over 300 pounds at the Big Spring High School Athletic Training Center. Roberts will be appearing at the state powerlifting championship in Abilene Saturday.

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Gomez signs letter of intent to attend HC

By BRIAN MCCORMACK
Sports Editor

When life as an athlete throws you a curveball, you have two options: take the strike, or hit it out of the park.

The latter tactic was chosen by Mai Gomez, a former Big Spring High School softball and volleyball player who suffered a series of ankle injuries which put her sports career on the sidelines, but opened up a potential career.

Gomez, a senior this year at BSHS, signed her letter of intent Thursday to attend Howard College on a full scholarship, majoring in what she knows

best — sports medicine.

A student trainer for the past three years under the tutelage of Jim Campbell, BSHS' head athletic trainer, Gomez worked closely with the varsity track and football squads.

Her previous injuries, Gomez said, served as the catalyst for her becoming a student trainer.

"I had two ankle sprains, and I saw what (Campbell) did, and became interested," she said. "I decided to make it my focus instead of athletics. Then, after doing it, I really wanted to make it my career."

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HERALD photo/Brian McCormack

Big Spring High School senior Mai Gomez, signs her letter of intent to attend Howard College. Gomez received a full scholarship to attend HC, and will be majoring in sports medicine.

Syracuse, Ohio State to meet in East Finals

HOWARD ULMAN
AP Sports Writer

BOSTON — Get ready for another Big East vs. Big Ten matchup in the NCAA East regional.

So far the conferences are tied at one victory apiece.

But the ways the winners got to Saturday night's game with a berth in the Final Four at stake were very different Thursday night.

Top-seeded Syracuse edged Wisconsin 64-63 when the Badgers had the ball for the final 18 seconds but couldn't score. Then second-seeded Ohio State dominated Cincinnati 81-66 in the other semifinal as Jared Sullinger and DeShaun Thomas combined for 49 points and 19 rebounds.

It shouldn't be that easy for the Buckeyes against Syracuse's zone defense, which stymied Wisconsin inside.

"I know we're going to face a 2-3 zone. There's no hiding that," Sullinger said. "We're going to have to try to control

the tempo and also we're going to have to score and execute our offense even though they're playing 2-3 zone. We can't just sit back and let them punch us. We've got to throw the first punches. Not literally, but ..."

Syracuse (34-2) will be facing an opponent with more offensive ability than Wisconsin, which likes to slow the ball down. That nearly worked — along with outstanding 3-point shooting — for the Badgers (26-10).

They made 14 of 27 shots from 3-point range.

"I don't think anybody's ever made 14 3s against us and we beat them," Orange coach Jim Boeheim said. "That's a lot of 3s to overcome."

But Syracuse shot 55 percent from the field, well above the 38.5 percent Wisconsin gave up this season, and the Orange were 5 of 9 from 3-point range, much better than the 28.8 percent the Badgers allowed.

"Syracuse just has too many athletes that can do so many things, and it's hard to prepare

for that on the defensive end. You think you're getting things done, but you're a step behind," Wisconsin coach Bo Ryan said. "So we did the best we could, and I thought we played great defense. Not everybody on the court agreed with that, but I thought we played unbelievable defense for the most part."

They even had trouble controlling C.J. Fair. He scored 15 points for Syracuse after totaling just 20 in his previous six games.

"It was a nail-biter," Fair said, "but we made some plays down the stretch and got a couple of stops."

Syracuse had the win when Jordan Taylor missed a 3-point shot with 3 seconds left and Josh Gasser's toss after getting the rebound was off the mark at the buzzer.

"It was on line, and I felt like I got my legs into it," Taylor said. "I knew it was a deep 3, but it felt good, and then to see it kind of come up short was

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Sports Calendar

TODAY

Baseball

Brownwood at Big Spring, 7 p.m., Steer Park.
Howard College at Midland College (DH), 3 p.m..

Softball

Brownwood at Big Spring, 6:30 p.m.
Slaton at Forsan, 5:30 p.m.
Colorado City at Coahoma, TBA.
Howard College at El Paso CC (DH), 1:00 p.m. & 3 p.m.

Boy's Track

San Angelo Relays, (Through Saturday).

SATURDAY

Baseball

Midland College at Howard College (DH), noon.
Colorado City at Coahoma, TBA.
Slaton at Forsan, noon.

Softball

Howard College at El Paso CC (DH), 1 p.m. & 3 p.m.

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The Abilene District is composed of the following counties: Borden, Callahan, Fisher, Haskell, Howard, Jones, Kent, Mitchell, Nolan, Scurry, Shackelford, Stonewall and Taylor. TxDOT will host two meetings at the following locations and times:

Tuesday, April 3, 2012
Dora Roberts Community Center
100 Whipkey Drive (Ballroom)
Big Spring, Texas
6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Thursday, April 5, 2012
Jones County Courthouse
101 Courthouse Square
(District Courtroom)
Anson, Texas
6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

TxDOT staff will be on hand to present, discuss, and solicit comments concerning project selection. Written comments concerning project selection should be addressed to:
Blair W. Haynie, P.E., CFM
Director of Transportation Planning & Development
Texas Department of Transportation
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Persons interested in attending the meeting who have special communication or accommodation needs, or require language interpreters, are encouraged to contact the TxDOT at (325)676-6810 at least one week prior to the meeting. We will make every reasonable effort to accommodate those needs. We value your input and ideas on transportation needs. Comments will be accepted through April 16, 2012 until 5:00 p.m. #7299 March 23, 2012

Mercury enters Pisces. And if you've been reading closely, you might think, "Again?" Yes, ladies and gentlemen, for the second time this year, Mercury slips into the imaginative, creative and dreamy realm of Pisces. However, this time he's backing into it — that retrograding scoundrel!



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This transit will come with communication glitches.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You are a leader, and being a leader requires a certain amount of audacity. You'll make claims and assessments. You'll direct people. You'll take responsibility for the good (and bad) that comes of your direction.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). There's a vast landscape of knowledge inside you, and you'll be trimming, weeding and planting new seeds there today. In the evening, people want more from you. You'll be asked to give your word.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). There's a fire in your belly as you approach an exciting prospect. Something like this

Tomorrow's Horoscope

doesn't come along every day. Then again, if you don't make your mark today, tomorrow will offer you another chance.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You will bring people together. The ones who resist your direction don't know how wise you are. The ones who heed your advice will be forever changed by the connection they make because of you.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). The luxuries you experience are organic. If you have to pay for it, it doesn't count as one of life's great gifts. You're able to feel — really feel — the grandeur of nature now.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Your relationships are so important to you that you are willing to subvert your own interests in order to promote the interests of a friend. Temporarily, that is. Eventually, you'll have to come back to what "you" want.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You may drift in the morning, unsure of where you should put your attention and why. But the afternoon brings clarity. You'll know what matters most.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Your influence counts for more than you think it does. Therefore, it will be important to cast your vote, whether it be in the form of money, a political vote or a testimony.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). There are thoughts that distract you repeatedly and for good reason. There's something important that your subconscious needs to tell your conscious mind, and you'll benefit from figuring it out.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). A past event is on your mind. You initially had a strong reaction, but those intense feelings have faded. You're almost ready to accept the situation and move past it. This afternoon you'll feel noticeably lighter.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Out of sheer compassion, you'll come up with ways to help the people who have been affected by unfortunate circumstances, even though you had nothing to do with the creation of those circumstances.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Take advantage of the improved sense of focus you have now. You deserve it. Your

concentration is good because your conscience is clean and you hold no ill feelings or grudges against anyone.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (March 23). To celebrate your birthday, you'll seal a deal and start a new chapter. The next 10 weeks bring many laughing hours with friends. April features romantic intrigue. A summer training program or educational pursuit will be rigorous. It all pays off when you find a way to make money with very little effort at the end of the year. Libra and Virgo people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 5, 32, 10, 8 and 35.

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SHERIDAN PRODUCTION COMPANY, LLC, 200 N. LORRAINE, SUITE 530, MIDLAND, TEXAS is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil and gas. The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the San Andres formation, in the Glasscock, Howard W. (G-S) Unit Lease Well Number 619W. The well is located 15.1 miles north of Garden City, TX in the Howard Glasscock Field in Glasscock County. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 2000 to 2700 feet. LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil & Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas. Requests for 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 & Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P. O. Box 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, TX 78711-2967 (Telephone (512) 463-6792). #7309 March 23, 2012

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Dear Margo: Demon rum and demon mum

Dear Margo: My husband has custody of his three sons from his first marriage. The boys' mother is an alcoholic, and at the time of the custody battle, she was also addicted to meth. Her current husband shares her addictions. Visitation with the mother was limited by court order to four hours a week, and she rarely shows up. Last year on Mother's Day, after not seeing them for months, she did pick the boys up and took them to a local lake. During the visit, her husband, in a fit of anger, physically assaulted one of the boys. We filed and received a protective order against their stepfather the next day. Since that day, the mother has been verbally and emotionally abusing the boys on a near daily



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basis via telephone. She calls, drunk, dozens of times a day to tell them they don't love her, that they'll be sorry one day for the way they "treat her." (They are actually respectful, but tired of her abuse, they are starting to stand up for themselves.) If the boys turn off their cell phones, the messages escalate into the hundreds. When she calls to talk to one of us, she accuses us of taking her boys from her, as well as causing her addictions and problems. We spoke to our lawyer about terminating her rights. We were told that as long as she shows up, even if sporadically, and pays her child support (garnished by the state for the first two years when she did not pay), there's nothing we can do. (Though she did lose her job yesterday for regularly showing up drunk.) We cannot make her stop. We cannot make her change. We cannot make her face reality. We can only be there for the boys and try to comfort and counsel them

through the anguish. If you happen to have any advice about how to make the situation better, I am all ears. — *Helpless Stepmom*

Dear Help: Isn't alcoholism a terrible and destructive thing? One thing you can do is send your boys to Al-Anon so they can gain understanding and get support from people who have "been there." On a practical level, because this woman has lost her job, there will be no child support, meaning that you may be able to stop the visits. Regarding the drunk dialing, you all might consider changing your numbers.

The good news is that the visits are sporadic. And ... though you don't say how old the boys are, there comes a time when kids can make their own decisions about seeing or not seeing a parent. Good luck. The turmoil will at some point be over. — *Margo, thornily*

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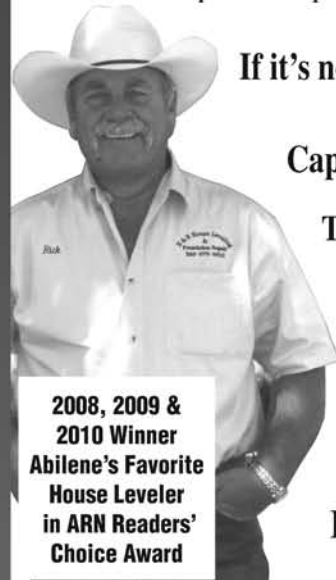
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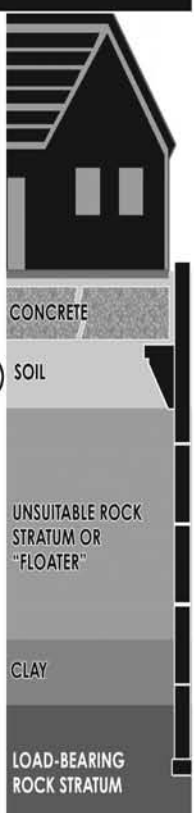
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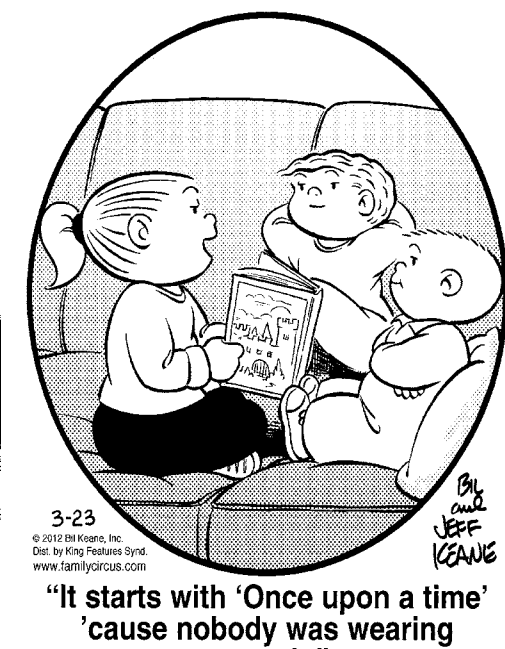


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6:PM	Jeopardy!	Una Familia con Suerte (SS)	Big Bang	2012 NCAA Basketball Tournament	Caso Car-rado	News Millionaire Who Do You	2012 NCAA Basketball Tournament	Dr. Denis Upd	PBS News-Hour	Seinfeld	Bering Sea Gold		UFC Un-leashed	Law & Order		The Princess and the Frog	NBA Basketball: Boston Celtics at Philadelphia 76ers.		
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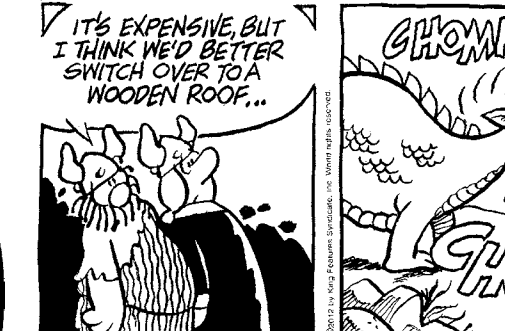
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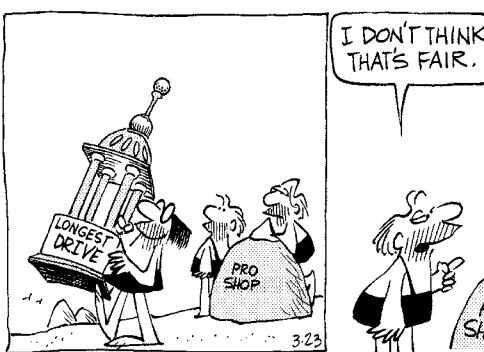
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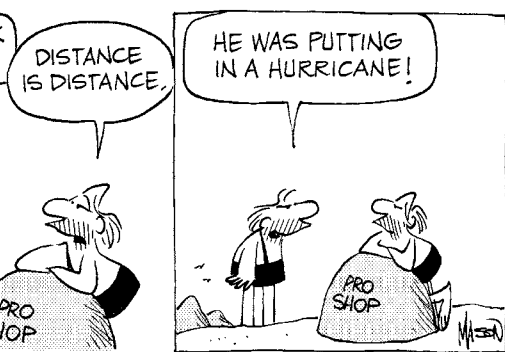
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This Date In History

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Today's Highlight in History:

On March 23, 2011, Academy Award-winning actress Elizabeth Taylor, the violet-eyed film goddess whose sultry screen persona, stormy personal life and enduring fame and glamour made her one of the last of the classic movie stars, died in Los Angeles of congestive heart failure at age 79.

On this date:

In 1775, Patrick Henry delivered an address to the Virginia Provincial Convention in which he is said to have declared, "Give me liberty, or give me death!"

In 1792, Joseph Haydn's Symphony No. 94 in G Major (the "Surprise" symphony) had its first public performance in London.

In 1806, explorers Meriwether Lewis and William Clark, having reached the Pacific coast,

began their journey back east.

In 1912, Wernher von Braun, the scientist who helped develop the V-2 combat rocket for the Nazis and the Saturn V booster rocket for NASA, was born in Wirsitz, Germany.

In 1919, Benito Mussolini founded his Fascist political movement in Milan, Italy.

In 1933, the German Reichstag adopted the Enabling Act, which effectively granted Adolf Hitler dictatorial powers.

In 1942, the first Japanese-Americans evacuated by the U.S. Army during World War II arrived at the internment camp in Manzanar, Calif.

In 1956, Pakistan became an Islamic republic.

In 1965, America's first two-person space flight began as Gemini 3 blasted off with astronauts Virgil I. Grissom and John W. Young aboard for a nearly five-hour flight.

In 1983, President Ronald Reagan first proposed developing technology to intercept incoming enemy missiles — an idea that came to be known as the Strategic Defense Initiative.

Dr. Barney Clark, recipient of a Jarvik permanent artificial heart, died at the University of Utah Medical Center after 112 days with the device.

In 1994, Luis Donaldo Colosio, Mexico's leading presidential candidate, was assassinated in Tijuana. Wayne Gretzky broke Gordie Howe's National Hockey League career record with his 802nd goal.

In 2010, President Barack Obama signed a \$938 billion health care overhaul, declaring "a new season in America."

Today's Birthdays: Comedian Marty Allen is 90. Sir Roger Bannister, the runner who broke the 4-minute mile in 1954, is 83. Movie director Mark Rydell is 78. Motorsports Hall of Famer Craig Breedlove is 75. Singer-producer Ric Ocasek is 63. Singer Chaka Khan is 59.

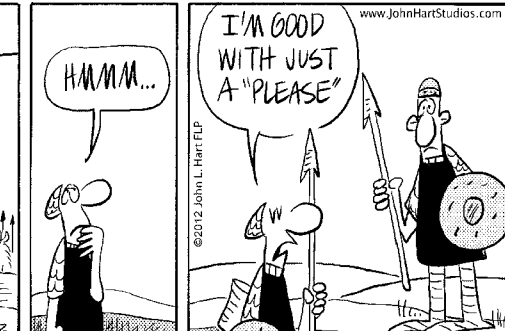
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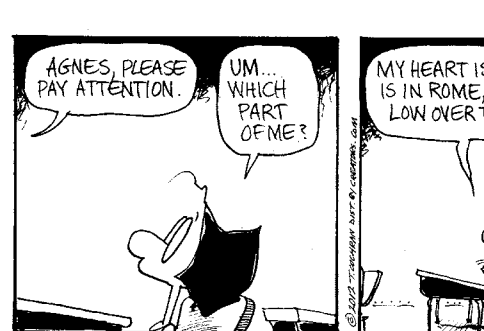
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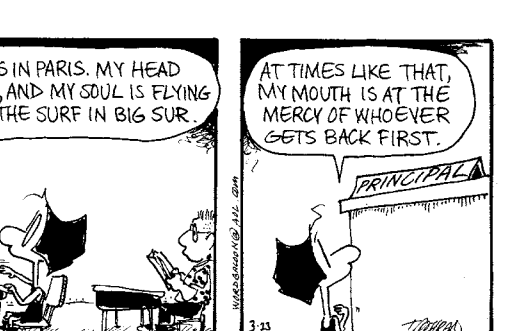
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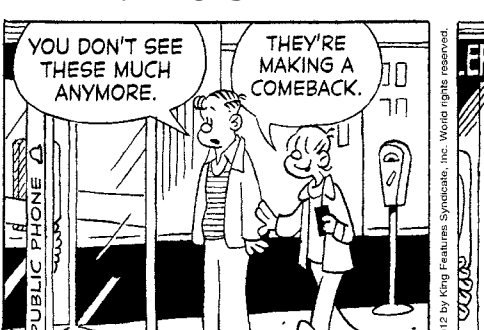
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Newsday Crossword

- ACROSS
- Utter indistinctly
 - City south of West Palm
 - Watch from hiding
 - Cupid's realm
 - Austrian city
 - With 32 Across, Atlantic city casino
 - Water, in Juárez
 - Jessica of Hollywood
 - Place for a crown
 - Little marsupial's big knife?
 - Slowpoke
 - Major Spanish river
 - Encouraging words to a newly walking toddler?
 - See 16 Across
 - Boosted
 - Person's middle name
 - Wolf (down)
 - The Biggest Loser network
 - I Love Lucy landlady
 - Vampire's curfew
 - Computer document with lyrics?
 - Slender instrument
 - Not quite right
 - Outfit for a slugging nun?
 - Elder First Daughter
 - Mambo king Puente
 - Grain to be ground
- DOWN
- Sandwich sides
 - Boston airport
 - Soft-palate attachment
 - True-to-life genre
 - Spill it
 - Slick
 - Closing Bell network
 - Flowering shrub
 - Church setting of a Crosby film
 - University official
 - Nose wrinkler
 - One with great authority
 - Fine cuts
 - Valley with vineyards
 - Maltreat
 - Tree-trimming time
 - Actor Epps
 - Home of All Things Considered
 - Utah ski resort
 - Full away
 - Quizzical sounds
 - Prospector's tool
 - Cutting edge
 - Sound quality
 - Largest of the Tuscan Archipelago
 - Quick kiss
 - Nail settings
 - In the con camp
 - Gospel writer
 - Oldest military fliers
 - Memo heading, maybe
 - Altruist's opposite
 - Experimental runners
 - Lacking pizzazz
 - Defeated champ's demand
 - Fluffy accessory
 - "Kungy James" of the NBA
 - Spanish island
 - Indian instrument
 - Atmospheric disturbance
 - Singer's title
 - VII x VI
 - Verdi title character
 - Word in an octagon
 - University founder Cornell
 - UK autos

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FINALS

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kind of heartbreaking.”

Taylor and Jared Berggren led Wisconsin with 17 points each.

There was far less drama in the second semifinal, which Ohio State (30-7) led 37-25 at halftime.

“Our intensity level wasn’t where it needs to be for us to have success.” Cincinnati coach Mick Cronin said. “We were too conservative defensively.”

But the Bearcats (26-11) outscored their in-state rivals 27-11 in the first 8½ minutes of the second half and led 52-48.

Then they fell apart, committing seven turnovers the rest of the game.

The Buckeyes went on a 17-1 run to take a 65-53 lead with just under six minutes remaining and never were threatened again.

Thomas had 26 points, Sullinger 23 and Aaron Craft 11, all in the second half.

“The game plan was never to let them get some consecutive scores,” Ohio State coach Thad

“We stay right there level-headed. We believe in each other. When you’ve got a team like that, no matter what, we’re capable of winning games no matter who we’re playing against or what the circumstances are in every game”

Scoop Jardine
Syracuse guard

Matta said. “When we did that, they had the momentum going on their side, and we weren’t able to control it. It affected us a little bit offensively, as well. We had some costly turnovers there.”

Not as costly as Cincinnati’s.

The Bearcats began the night averaging 10.7 turnovers per game, 15th fewest in the nation, but committed 18 against Ohio State.

“We got down early, made a

tremendous comeback,” Cronin said. “At the end of the day, we didn’t take care of the basketball. ... With 18 turnovers, we really just gave ourselves no chance.”

Cincinnati was led by Cashmere Wright with 18 points and Sean Kilpatrick with 15.

The Buckeyes led by five when Thomas hit back-to-back 3-pointers and Ohio State scored 10 of the last 13 points in the half to open a 37-25 lead. But Cincinnati opened the second half with a run of its own, tying it 41-all on JaQuon Parker’s baby hook in the lane.

The Bearcats led 52-48 on Gates’ three-point play with 11:34 left, but Ohio State responded by scoring 17 of the next 18 points to put it away.

Now the Buckeyes face a tougher Big East opponent.

“We stay right there level-headed. We believe in each other,” Syracuse guard Scoop Jardine said. “When you’ve got a team like that, no matter what, we’re capable of winning games no matter who we’re playing against or what the circumstances are in every game.”

GOMEZ

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Campbell, who has served as a mentor for Gomez, believes the choice to attend HC is a good fit.

“I think (Gomez’s) injuries kind of piqued her interest,” he said. “Through the rehabilitation process, things just connected. She became a trainer, and was a tremendous help in track and football.”

Gomez said she thrived on the new challenge, and made learning the techniques of on-the-spot first aid her priority.

“In track, proper stretching is important,” she explained. “In football, it is knowing how to use the proper procedures if anything happens. Once, a football player broke his neck. We had to know what to do — how to handle it, how to stay calm.”

John Overton, athletic trainer for HC, is excited for Gomez as she prepares to graduate and enroll at the local junior college.

“Howard College will give her a great opportunity to advance, get a degree, and change her life,” he said. “I take (Campbell’s) recommendations, and he says (Gomez) has done a good job working for him.”

Gomez ultimately plans to go beyond Big Spring. “I want to eventually go to Texas Tech University, and get my doctorate in sports medicine,” she added.

Gomez’s dream job? To work with her favorite pro sports team — the Dallas Cowboys.

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By Steve Becker
Bidding Quiz

You are South, with neither side vulnerable, and the bidding has gone:
South West North East
1♠ Pass 2♠ 3♥
?

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

1. ♠AJ842 ♥75 ♦984 ♣AK5
2. ♠AKJ92 ♥A ♦742 ♣Q963
3. ♠AQJ652 ♥K63 ♦K8 ♣K7
4. ♠A10982 ♥K109 ♦AK9 ♣82
5. ♠AQJ543 ♥3 ♦K5 ♣AKJ2

1. **Pass.** You have a minimum opening bid you could hardly open with less — and the easiest way to apprise partner of this is to pass. You don’t know whether East can make three hearts or whether you can make three spades, so your best move is to pass the buck to partner and let him decide what to do. That’s what partners are for.

2. **Three spades.** This is a far more promising hand, and you should show it by bidding three spades. You can’t jump to four spades with so many losers in the minor suits, but you nevertheless should have a reasonably good chance for nine tricks. You expect your partner to pass three spades in this competitive situation, but he is not completely barred from bidding again.

3. **Four spades.** Your chances of making game are excellent, espe-

cially when your three kings sit squarely behind East, who is likely to hold whatever aces your side is missing. Taking into account your distribution, partner’s spade raise, the location of your honor cards and the inferences you can legitimately draw, your hand is worth about 20 points.

4. **Double.** You have four probable defensive tricks, and partner is likely to have one or two more, so the best solution is to let East play the hand, doubled. The alternatives are to pass or to bid three spades, but neither of these actions is quite as attractive as the double. If partner’s two-spade bid was based almost entirely on distributional values, he will retreat to three spades, but that is his decision, not yours.

5. **Four clubs.** This is an unequivocal slam try, because you would simply bid four spades if your only goal was to get to game.

You hope partner’s response will be four diamonds, showing not only the ace but also a willingness to cooperate in getting to a slam. You could then, either immediately or eventually, bid six spades. Partner doesn’t need much of a hand for the slam to come home. The king of spades, ace of diamonds and either the queen of clubs or shortness in clubs are almost certain to do the trick.

Tomorrow: The power of positive thinking.
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sudoku

Fill in the grid so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 through 9 with no repeats. That means no number is repeated in any row, column or box.

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Senate looks into bounties

HOWARD FENDRICH

AP Pro Football Writer

WASHINGTON — The Senate wants to grill the NFL about bounties.

And the NBA, NHL, NCAA and Major League Baseball are invited, too.

Sen. Dick Durbin is setting up a Judiciary Committee hearing about bounties in professional football and other major sports in the wake of news that New Orleans Saints players received extra cash for hits that hurt opponents.

The assistant Senate majority leader, an Illinois Democrat, said Thursday he wants to examine whether federal law should make such bounty systems a crime.

“Let’s be real basic about it here. If this activity were taking place off of a sporting field, away from a court, nobody would have a second thought (about whether it’s wrong). ‘You mean, someone paid you to go out and hurt someone?’” Durbin said in a telephone interview before raising the issue on the floor of the Senate.

“It goes way beyond the rules of any sporting contest, at least team contest, to intentionally inflict harm on another person for a financial reward,” he said.

His announcement came a day after the NFL took a harsh stand on bounties, suspending Saints head coach Sean Payton for all of next season, and indefinitely banning their former defensive coordinator, Gregg Williams. Saints general manager Mickey Loomis was barred for half of 2012, an assistant coach got a six-game ban, and the team also was docked two second-round draft picks and \$500,000.

“I am encouraged by what the National Football League did. What they came down with as a penalty on the New Orleans Saints was decisive and historic,” Durbin said, adding that he thought the league was “taking this very seriously.”

But moving forward, the NFL and other leagues must “come up with standards to make sure this isn’t going to happen again,” he said.

ROBERTS

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invitationals this year, and finishing second at regionals.

Aside from being a powerhouse in the gym, Roberts’ character also is first-rate, McConnell

said. “On top of all he has achieved, he’s a good kid,” the coach said. “And he’s a good leader for us.”

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