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Yee-Haw!

Young cowpokes ride in annual Coahoma Rodeo

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

COAHOMA — They were ropin' and ridin' — and singin' and dancin', for that matter — Thursday in Coa-

The "they" in question were 60 or so tiny cowboys and cowgirls who entertained a large crowd at the elementary gym during the $34^{
m th}$ Coahoma Kindergarten Rodeo.

There were clowns and bronc riders and ropers and racers and just about everything you expect to see at a grown-up rodeo. Stick horses were substituted for

actual livestock, but that did nothing to lessen the entertainment factor.

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Clowns Raven Ham and Conner Holt prepare to enter the arena during the 34th annual Coahoma Kindergarten Rodeo, held Thursday at Coahoma Elementary. Look for more photos from this event in Sunday's edition of the Herald.

Familiar venue, familiar artist to greet concert goers

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-New CISD Supt. Amy Jacobs

By BILL McCLELLAN

Managing Editor

A familiar setting and a familiar artist will mark a fitting conclusion to the 2011-2012 Big Spring Symphony season Saturday evening.

After two years, the symphony will return to the Municipal Auditorium, joined by Oscar and Grammy award

auditorium undergorenovations ing primarily to comply with the Disabilities Act -

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the symphony performed in a number of different venues, including churches, the coliseum and high school. Direche is appreciative for the use of those facilities, but equally

"The entire experience has shown how strong our Symphony Association, Guild

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Weekend activities

Today:

What: Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans

When: 6 p.m.

Where: Lone Star Aviation Hangar, 3500 Airpark Drive.

Cost: Free

Saturday, March 31

What: Easter Celebration

When: 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Where: Heritage Museum

Cost: Free

Refreshments will be provided and Peter Cottontail will be on hand for photos from 10 a.m. until noon.

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glad to be back "home."

and community support has

Remains appear to be elderly male

However, local investigators still waiting on confirmation from medical examiner

By THOMAS JENKINS Staff Writer

According to officials with the Tarrant County Medical Examiner's Office in Fort Worth, the human remains found March 20 on the McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark belong to an elderly man. Linda Anderson, public in-

formation officer for the Tarrant County Medical Examiner's Office, said this week the remains appear to belong to a fully-clothed, elderly man, according to a story released this week by examiner.com In the interview, Anderson said the age of the body has

not yet been established and

a positive identification of

the corpse may not come for

some time — if at all — due to the condition of the remains, which were discovered in an



Drive, south of the Hangar 25 Air Museum. Anderson also

area of the air-

no other items were found on the remains. According to Sgt.

Tony Everett, public information officer with the BSPD, the lead law enforcement agency in the investigation, the information released by Anderson hasn't yet been submitted to the police department. "We were made aware this week of the information released by the Tarrant County Medical Examiner's Office online, but at this time we haven't received any of that in a report," Everett said. "Therefore, I really can't comment as to the validity of it. All I can tell you at this point is we have calls in to

their office to try to confirm these comments as to the remains being fully clothed and from an elderly man, but we haven't yet heard back from them." The remains were recovered from the scene last week by an evidence recovery team from the Federal Bureau of

Investigation's Dallas office,

according to investigators,

and then shipped to the Tar-

rant County Medical Exam-

iner's Office for autopsy.

Within hours of arriving in Fort Worth, investigators were able to determine the remains belonged to a male subject, a determination Everett said is normally fairly easy to make if the pelvic bones are still intact.

"The differences between

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Obituaries

Sheila Mae Fryar Welch



Sheila Mae Fryar Welch passed from this earth March 28, 2012, after an extended stay at Shannon Hospital in San Angelo, Texas.

Sheila was born Jan. 1, 1948, to W.C. and Edith Fryar. She was baptized at the Prairie View Baptist Church in the summer of 1956. She graduated from Sands High School in 1967. While attending Howard Payne University, she met and married Edward Allen Welch on

June 3, 1978.

Sheila was a member of the North Birdwell Lane United Methodist Church and the Beauceant Assembly #211, serving as president in 2011.

Sheila was preceded in death by her parents, W.C. and Edith Fryar; and her husband, Allen Welch.

She is survived by a brother, Jim Fryar and wife Connie of Ballinger; two nephews, Matt Fryar and wife Erin and Mark Fryar and wife Makenzie; two grand-nephews, Rylan Fryar and Harrison Mack Fryar; and two grand-nieces, Harper Fryar and Taylor Rae Fryar.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 31, 2012, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel in Big Spring, Texas. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park in Big Spring.

The family will receive friends from 7 p.m. until 8 p.m. Friday, March 30, 2012, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home in Big Spring.

The family suggests memorials be made to North Birdwell Lane United Methodist Church, 2702 North Birdwell Lane, Big Spring, Texas 79720; or to the Methodist Children's Home, 1111 Herring Ave., Waco, Texas 76708.

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

Police blotter

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

• AUDREY LAYNE SHERRILL, 27, of 1007 S.

Nolan, was arrested Thursday on charges of driving while license suspended/invalid with a previous conviction.

• LARRY WILSON STEIGER, 28, of Fort Worth,

was arrested Thursday on charges of driving while license suspended/invalid with a previous conviction, failure to appear and speeding.

• RAYMOND LEE SHOOK, 26, of Electra, Texas, was arrested Thursday on a charge of public intoxication.

• JOE ERNEST VALENCIA, 28, of 1615 Canary, was arrested Thursday on warrants for failure to appear and hindering officers discharging official duties.

• DAVID WAYNE HOLSENBECK, 43, of 108 Cottonwood, was arrested Thursday on warrants

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- MICHAEL BOYD BAKER, 52, of 322 St. Johns St. in San Angelo, was arrested Thursday on a charge of disorderly conduct exposing genitals/anus in public.
- BRANDON THOMAS LANDO, 25, of 3200 Avenue C, was arrested Thursday on a charge of assault by contact.
- DUSTIN JAMES SAUCEDO, 22, of 1412 Tucson, was arrested Thursday on warrants for public intoxication and assault family violence.
 - THEFT was reported:
 - In the 2500 block of W. 15th Street. In the 2300 block of Wasson Road.
 - In the 1000 block of E. 14th Street.
- CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 3600 block of W. Highway 80.
- BURGLARY OF A BUILDING was reported in the 2700 block of Carol.
- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 1000 block of Ridgeroad.

Sheriff

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

Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 63 inmates at the time of this report.

• MICHAEL BOYD BAKER, 52, was booked into the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of disorderly conduct – exposing anus or genitals.

• JOE ERNEST VALENCIA JR., was booked into the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on municipal warrants for hindering a police officer and failure to appear.

• WELDON RAY RUNKLES, 33, was booked into the county jail Thursday on a charge of theft by check – more than \$20 and less than \$500.

• JAIME RIOS TORRES, 52, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on a motion to revoke probation for driving while intoxicated – third or more offense.

• DAVID WAYNE HOLSENBECK, 43, was booked into the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on charges of driving while license invalid with a previous conviction or suspension, resisting arrest, search or transportation and Stephens County warrants for insufficient bond order – theft of a firearm and fraudulent use or possession of identifying information – bond.

• JAMIE RAE NELSON, 35, was arrested Thursday by DPS on charges of possession of a controlled substance (two counts).

• BRANDON THOMAS LONDO, 25, was booked into the county jail Friday by the BSPD on a charge of assault by contact.

Support Groups

FRIDAY

- AA open discussion meeting from noon until 1 p.m. at 605 Settles. Open Big Book study meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.
- Celebrate Recovery, a Christ-centered recovery program, is held at Cornerstone Covenant Church, 706 E. 12th St. at 6:30 p.m. For more information, call at 264-0015 or visit www.cccbigspring.org

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SATURDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. Open podium/speakers meeting 8 p.m. until 9 p.m. Open birthday night, no smoking meeting the last Saturday of each month at 8 p.m. Covered dish supper at 7 p.m.

SUNDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous closed meeting from 11 a.m. to noon at 615 Settles. Open meeting 7 p.m. until 8 p.m.





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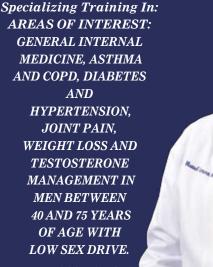
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News briefs

Record \$540 million Mega Millions jackpot has people buying tickets

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — With the multistate Mega Millions jackpot set to reach a world-record \$540 million Friday, lottery players across the country are wondering if there's a way to guarantee becoming an overnight mul-

The answer: Not unless you already are one and own a

The jackpot is so large, someone with enough money could theoretically buy up every single combination of winning numbers, thereby guaranteeing a winning ticket — but only if you suspended the laws of physics.

A \$540 million jackpot, if taken as a \$390 lump sum and after federal tax withholding, works out to about \$293 million. With the jackpot odds at 1 in 176 million, it would cost \$176 million to buy up every single combination. Under that scenario, the strategy would win \$117 million — less if your state also withholds taxes.

But there are too many limitations. First, if it takes five seconds to fill out each card, you'd need almost 28 years just to mark the bubbles on the game tickets. You'd also use up the national supply of special lottery paper and lottery-machine printing ink well before all your tickets could be printed out.

WEEKEND

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What: Big Spring Symphony presents 'Pops Celebration' with special guest Paul Williams

When: Instrument petting zoo begins at 7 p.m., concert at 8

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 Arts and Crafts Bazaar When: 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

RODEO

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In addition to roping and riding, the children also serenaded the crowd with several rodeothemed songs and put on a square-dancing demonstration for good measure.

The rodeo began as the brainchild of famed rodeo clown Quail Dobbs in 1978,

The tykes were joined by adult rodeo counterparts like long-time announcer Ben Clements, clown Jim Bob Feller and Miss Rodeo Texas, Lauren Graham, and it was obvious the grownups had just as much fun as the kids during the

"This is something I wouldn't miss for the world," Clements said. "I did my first (kindergarten rodeo) about 12 years ago. The announcer they had scheduled couldn't come, so Quail asked me to fill in. I came here about half-prepared — I wasn't expecting the great event that this is.' Aside from the fun factor, however, Clements

believes the kindergarten rodeo is a great ambassador for the sport that has been his profession and passion for so long. "Rodeo is my livelihood, but there are so many

people out there who don't understand the sport," he said. "This helps the kids understand rodeo ... events like this just make the sport bigger and better." New Coahoma Independent School District

Superintendent Amy Jacobs had a unique prospective at Thursday's event — not only was she attending her first kindergarten rodeo, but her son, McCray, was a participant. "This is something I've been hearing about since I first came here," Jacobs said. "It didn't

just meet my expectations, it exceeded them. It's

just amazing how everything came together. It was pretty phenomenal ... and my kindergartner gave it rave reviews, also." The star of the show — aside from the children, of course — was Dobbs, but he said the real stars were the children and kindergarten teachers

cari and aide Larinda Harrison, who organized 'The kindergarten teachers do everything. All I do is show up," Dobbs said. "Somehow, I get all the credit, but the teachers deserve it."

Sheila Holt, Connie Twillegear and Jennifer Bac-

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CONCERT

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been for the Big Spring Symphony, for not only the last two seasons but also for the 30 years of its existence," Graumann said. 'During our two seasons away from our Municipal Auditorium home, we have had standing room only audiences on at least three occasions. We have hosted a number of world class guest artists and experienced wonderful financial support as well. We have many new Symphony fans who will make our return to the Municipal Auditorium even more exciting.

Saturday's concert will begin at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$10 for seniors and \$5 for students. Ticket outlets are the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, KBST, KBYG, the Big Spring Herald, Heritage Museum, Blum's Jewelry, Faye's Flowers and Western Banks. They will also be available at the door, unless the concert is sold out — a strong possibility since the symphony is returning to the auditorium and has Williams as its guest artist. "We are especially looking forward to

cert in the Municipal Audtorium," said Graumann. "He is a delightful entertainer so we expect a capacity audience. Home is where the heart is, but how nice it will be to be back home." Many in the audience will recognize some of Williams' hits, such as "An Old

hosting Paul Williams in our return con-

Fashioned Love Song," "Evergreen," Rainy Days and Mondays" and "We've Only Just Begun." His work has been covered by Elvis, the

Carpenters, Barbra Streisand and Willie Nelson, to name a few. It will be the second time Williams has

performed with the Big Spring Symphony. He was here two years ago at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

Prior to the concert, the Symphony Guild will be hosting an instrument "petting zoo," where the pubic is invited to see various instrument up close and ask questions about them. The "zoo" will be held in front of the stage, beginning at 7 p.m.

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REMAINS

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the male and female pelvic bones is very pronounced," Everett said. "Once the remains were delivered to the medical examiner's office, determining the gender came rather quickly."

Unfortunately, the remaining questions in the case — especially the identity of the unknown subject and how they may have died — will be much harder to answer, according to Everett.

"It could be three or

four weeks, or it could be two or three months. There's really no way to know how long it will take to get results back at this point," Everett said. "There are DNA tests that have to be completed, records searched and there are no guar-

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antees the answers are going to be there. All we can do right now is wait for the remaining reports."

The discovery of the remains gained national attention due to ongoing missing person cases in the Crossroads area, including the plight of Colorado City teen Hailey Dunn, who disappeared from her home Dec. 27, 2010.

However, since the gender of the remains has been established as male and Dunn ruled out, law enforcement officials said national focus seems to turned away from the case.

At least two other high-profile missing person cases have also been spotlighted by various news outlets, including that of Arlin Bynum, who was 40 years old when he disappeared

Aug. 14, 2003, and Bobby Marquez Jr., who has been missing approximately 14 years.

And while the medical examiner's determination the remains belonged to an elderly man would seem to rule out both Bynum and Marquez, that hasn't stopped the slew of speculation from the media and other sources from having a long-reaching effect for the families and friends of those still missing.

"You can't help but let it get to you. It just all comes rushing back," said Deanna Hartford, Bynum's 71-year-old mother. "I have to imagine it's the same way for that young girl's family, the Marquez family and anyone else who is dealing with a missing loved one."

While Hartford, who

moved away from Texas several years ago, said it's tough to once again have her hopes of finding her son and giving him a proper burial dashed, it won't stop her — and the rest of Bynum's friends and family — from praying for an end to their nearly decade-long nightmare.

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Joe Jones, Sr., 75, died Saturday. The family will receive friends from 7:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. today at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral Services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

Brenda Robertson, 63, died Monday. Funeral services will be at 5:30 p.m. today at Myers & Smith Chapel.

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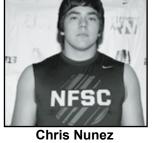
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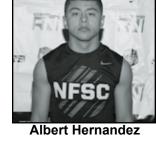
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Big Spring High School Athletes Attend *Dallas Nike Combine*





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Chris and Albert are juniors at Big Spring High School.



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Saturday, March 31, 2012 8:00 p.m. Big Spring Municipal Auditorium

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We salute:

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

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

This week we salute:

- Scenic Mountain and Healthy Woman for bringing attention to the issue of sexual assault and educating the public on the signs to look for.
- Mayor Tommy Duncan, Howard County Judge Mark Barr, Big Spring Economic Development Corporation Executive Director Terry Wegman and Colorado Municipal Water District general manager John Grant for taking the time to speak during the first part of the State of the Community series held at Howard College on Tuesday.
- · Forsan High School students who were part of the One Act play, "Tevya and His Daughters," that recently advanced to district competition.
- All supporters, especially the AMBUCs, for helping with another successful year at the Rattlesnake Roundup.
- M. Douglas Walton for taking the time to make the featured presentation at the monthly Big Spring Art Association meeting.
- Tumbleweed Smith for taking the time and speaking during the 42nd annual Heritage Museum meeting.

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

Lord, please send a heavenly opportunity our way.

Amen

A situation of finding grace

opened the garage to back my car out on Saturday morning and silently cursed at the car blocking part of my driveway, making a difficult task (backing out onto a busy street, something I never thought about when I rented this house while renovating mine)

so much harder. I eased out a foot or two and saw what had just happened in front of my house. A bicyclist was down on the pavement, alive but not moving, flat on his back. The man who hit him had pulled over (halfway into my driveway) and



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was standing there, undone by his utter misery and helplessness. The paramedics were just pulling up, and then the ambulance and the tow truck and the

It is a busy street, a five-lane road up the Pacific on which cyclists pedal fast and cars drive faster. If you're pulling over, you pull into the bike lane, and if you judge it just a little bit wrong the speed of the cyclists or the cars behind you — this is what happens.

I was on my way to get a manicure. Lucky me. But I was feeling lonely and overwhelmed, facing a weekend of work, a weekend with my children away at school, my children whom I love more than life, whom I depended on for so many years to give me life. I am so proud of them. I am blessed. I am silly and lonely and feeling sorry for myself.

I got out of the car, and I saw the poor cyclist and the poor man. And there but for the grace of God go I.

Lucky me. Silly sad me. Stupid me. Living in a rental house by the ocean, about to move back to my beautiful home. Life staring me in the face, news of this or that person I know sick or struggling stoking my fears. Grace staring me in the face, blessing

I am reading, devouring, Anne Lamott's newest book; it's about the first year of her grandson's life. She is one of my favorite writers because of the beauty of her prose and, even more, her unwashed honesty. She has found God and faith and a church she loves.

Lucky her. But she is still wracked with anxiety and has trouble letting go; some days she is devoured by her flaws and fights sadness and the rest. She has loved her son so, held on to him so, and now that he is a father, she must let go even more.

As she finds such joy in her grandson, she struggles not to hold on too tight, not to impose her will and try to solve every problem and make them go to the ER when she fears he has croup. She struggles to let go and rails at herself. She touches my soul. We flawed humans, who want to spare our children the pain that is life and can't, must let them go and face our own pain and loss and sadness and the rest.

I read my book while the young man paints my nails pink. Lucky me, with my good job and my nice house and my wonderful children. Lucky me, who does not look around hoping

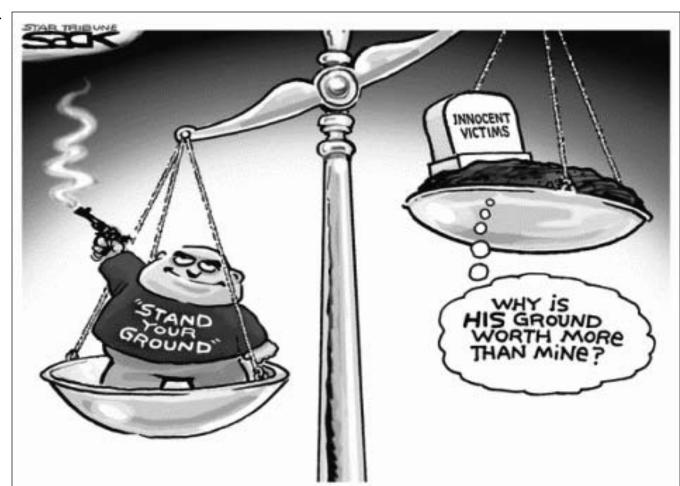
more customers will come in, turning the other cheek, as I see Kenny doing, at the ones who treat these hardworking men and women like objects. Lucky me, with two beautiful children in college, making their way. (Kinehora, we say in Yiddish; keep the evil eye away.) Lucky me, selfish me, wallowing in my fortune.

Lamott is in India. She is surrounded by poverty and beggars she must shoo away because they don't get to keep the money anyway (it goes to a pimp) and because if she gives to one (a mistake made once), she starts a riot. India is a land of beauty and of life, where mothers cremate their children and children their mothers, all younger than me, than mine, where bodies float down the Ganges and families live on the street. Lucky me, with my house and my supermarket and my car and my clean linens and good doctors.

Why do I cry as I read? By the time I get home, with my perfect pink nails, the cyclist is gone, and the man is gone, and the car and the fire department are gone. Another car is there, parked a few inches back. I don't even try for the garage. I watch the cyclists, I drive slowly, I am thankful when I park.

All of the signs of the tragedy of an hour ago are gone. But I try to hold them in my heart and follow the road they point out for me. To grace.

To find out more about Susan Estrich and read features by other Creators Syndicate writers and cartoonists, visit the Creators Syndicate website at www. creators.com.



Time to go back to the basics

ractice makes perfect. The more you write whether it be a note, a list or a story — the better you get. At least that's what my sixth grade teacher told us.

I remember every day as part of our writting assignment we were charged with reading the quote on the board, pulling out our notebook and writing continuously for five minutes.

Each day there would be a different quote on the white board and

our job was to simply tell what it meant. There was no right or wrong answer, but there was one catch. Once we started writing,

we could not stop. We were not supposed to think, erase or try to make it perfect ... we were simply supposed to write. Several of the other kids would grumble and complain about having to do this each day, but

for some reason it was the one

would sometimes find it difficult

thing I looked forward to. I

to keep the writing going continuously, but at the same time I would find myself thinking and stumbling upon relizations I probably never would have come across otherwise.

For the past few months I have found myself falling deeper and deeper into writer's block. I figured why not go back to the basics and take the challenge I was given in sixth grade ... find a random quote and simply write.

So, here it goes:

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"Life is like a game of cards. The hand that is dealt you represents determinism; the way you play it is free will." Jawaharal Nehru.

Each day we wake up we are starting with a fresh hand. Sometimes the hand is better than others, but it is our hand and our hand alone. There are some who may have had that hand, but that only shows it is a situation that can be survived. There is no telling what each day will bring, but the blessing in that is we have another day. We have the ability to experience the good, the bad and the indifferent. There are some who once they lay their hand

down are never allowed to pick

up another. It is up to us to be thankful for the continuance and ability of being able to pick up a new hand each day.

However, even though we were dealt a certain set of cards, that does not mean it is what we are stuck with. We may be tied to those cards for a little while, but there is always an opportunity coming up to change the cards we have.

The way we play a hand, whether it be a good one or a bad one, is purely our decision.

Any good hand can be beat with the right type of move or destroyed by a single moment of unclear thinking. At the same time, any bad hand can be turned into a positve one with a little luck, positive thinking and understanding of what is still out there.

It is important for us to remember, no matter what life may bring, the decision is always ours — we either play the hand we are dealt or we fold.

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Church News

First United Methodist Church

Sunday at First United Methodist Church will be Palm/Passion Sunday. The beginning of the service will feature a procession of palm branches by our children, led by our youth. The chancel choir will present a special anthem focused on Palm Sunday events. As the service progresses, the focus will turn to the Passion story and the service will end with the choir singing a powerful song that involves some drama and a solo drummer ending with the audience being asked to leave in silence.

Wednesday we will return to our regular schedule with noon Bible study and luncheon in Garrett Hall. Al's Barbecue will be catering the meal. Serving begins at 11:50 a.m. Real LIfe Wednesday begins at 5:30 p.m. with the meal followed by an adult Bible study, Beth Moore study and man alive as well as crafts and music for the children and Youth EPIC. Be sure to make reservations if you plan to be there

Good Friday, we're having a Service of Darkness at 7 p.m. The highlight of the service will be the reading of the Passion story. At various points during the reading, 12 men portraying the disciples will extinguish candles to symbolize thee falling away of the disciples. When the reading is finished, the sanctuary will go dark as the congregation contemplates the death of Christ and the agony of the cross. Also during that time, persons dressed in black will remove any items which evoke a sense of celebration. All the crosses will be draped in black before the lights are raised. Once the lights have been raised the congregation will read in unison the Song of the Suffering from Isaiah 53. At the conclusion of the reading, we will then be dismissed in

For those who do not drive at night, the church van will pick up and take you back home following the service. Call the church office to make reservations to be picked up by the van.

Easter morning there will be an all church brunch in Garrett Hall at 9:30 a.m. There will also be an Easter egg hunt for the children held on the courthouse lawn at 10 a.m. Each child participating should bring 12 filled eggs to the church before Sunday or not later than 9:30 a.m. Sunday morning so they can be hidden.

Remember to sign up and support our Relay For Life Team. The big event is April 20-21 at Blanken-

The worship committee reminds the congregation to bring fresh flowers for the cross before each of the morning services.

First **Baptist Church**

We are located at 507 W. FM 700. Sunday services are at 9:30 a.m. with Sunday school and morning worship at 10:50 a.m. Our children continue to learn scriptures in AWANA at 5:30 p.m. Our evening service is at 6 along with Saturate Youth.

Wednesday night services begin with a meal in the Family Life Service at 5 p.m. followed by children's activities. Bible study is in the chapel at 6 p.m. as we continue the study of "Why the Righteous Suffer" found in the Book of Job. Lilies are our Lord at 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. available for \$10 in memory or in honor of a loved

one to be placed in the sanctuary Easter. Call the church office at 267-8223, to order your lily.

The Mission Center will be open Thursday for serving the needy with food and clothing. Spiritual needs are emphasized with volunteers telling how to accept and trust Jesus.

Mark Lindsey will complete the series on the Seven Sayings from the Cross with "The power of commitment" found in Luke 23:44-46 Sunday.

Gateway **Baptist Church**

Gateway Baptist Church is located at 2302 Gatesville Rd. Sunday service begin at 10 a.m. for Sunday school and 11 a.m. for worship service with Pastor Jim Mills leading the service. Sunday night service is at 6 p.m. and Wednesday

service is at 6:30 p.m. Both evening services are followed by a fellowship meal. Join us at 7 a.m. April 8 for Easter sunrise ser-

vice. After the service there will be a pancake breakfast. Gateway has a clothing ministry and food pantry for individuals who need assistance with these

items. They are open Thursdays from 9 a.m. until The fifth Thursday of each month Gateway's praise team will be singing at Canterbury (North)

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Baptist Church

from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.

The Spring Revival will be Easter Sunday through Thursday, April 12. Service times will be 7 p.m. except for Sunday which will be at 6 p.m. A native of Big Spring will be our preacher for the week. Dr. Darrell Robinson will preach for us. Evangelist Sam Craig will lead the music for the revival. There will be special times for youth and children Monday and Tuesday before the services.

Monday, youth will have pizza at 6 p.m. After the services Wednesday and Thursday there will be fellowship time with sweets and Blue Bell Ice crème.

A community block party at the church, located at 4204 Wasson Road, will be Saturday, April 7 from 4 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. Food will be served, popcorn, snow-cones and other refreshments. Bounce houses and additional games will be available for all ages. We will have clowns, balloons, party favors and special prizes for those who register with us. Prizes will include gift cards to H-E-B and Wal-mart.

Holy Trinity Catholic Church

Palm Sunday weekend is March 31 through April 1. Blessing of the palms for all the weekend masses 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. Easter masses, April 8, are the Resurrection of

Staying on the train

t seems that wisdom is often the outgrowth of suffering and pain. Corrie Ten Boom, a devout Dutch Christian and prolific writer, tells of her World War II prison experiences in her autobiography "The Hiding Place" and her other writings. Ten Boom, whose immediate family was arrested for helping Jews escape the Holocaust, spent several years in a German concentration camp where she was badly mistreated.

After her release from bondage, Miss Ten Boom

spent her remaining years speaking and writing about her faith in God and the power of forgiveness. Although she is no longer living, Miss Ten Boom is still loved, and her words are often quoted.

In a pithy analogy, Miss Ten Boom stated, "When a train goes through a tunnel and it gets dark, you don't throw away the ticket and jump off. You sit still and trust the engineer."

It requires only a small amount of reflection to extract several implica-

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tions from this famous quote. In our high-speed world of instant gratification, it is hard to imagine sitting on a train for hours or perhaps days. But when God, the engineer, is in charge of the trip, we can't adjust the schedule. He controls the speed of our trip. We either learn to sit patiently or fret about something we can't change.

Staying aboard the train also means staying on track. When we drive our own vehicles, we have the options of changing our plans and changing our routes. Staying aboard the train means adhering to God's plan for the trip. We forfeit our possibility of getting delayed, extending the trip, or getting lost when we travel with God as the engineer.

In Miss Ten Boom's analogy, staying seated through the darkest tunnels of life, means trusting God when we have limited sight or no vision at all. Staying seated until we have passed through the tunnel helps us keep our balance. When we hear the engineer's voice, we know it is safe to stand. Even steps taken in the darkness are solid when they are taken in obedience to God's command.

Another great servant of God, the apostle Paul, wrote: "— for we walk by faith, not by sight" (2 Corinthians 5:7 NASB).

Whether we are sitting on a train or walking down the road, the test of our faith is how much we trust God when all we can see is darkness.

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First

Christian Church

(Disciples of Christ), located at 911 Goliad. Each Sunday starts with fellowship at 9:30 a.m. before Sunday school at 9:45 a.m. Church starts at 10:50 Sunday, Palm Sunday in the Christian Calendar

You are invited to attend First Christian Church

— the Rev. Ken McIntosh's message is "The Three G's of Jesus" from Luke 19: 28-40. Elders will be Paul Smith and Shirley Beau-

champ. Deacons will be Mary Terrazas, Shelane Roberts, Eulaine McIntosh and Mariah McIntosh. Worship leader will be Stacia Aldridge and communion prep will be Mary Terrazas and Eulaine McIntosh. Greeter will be Shelane Roberts and homebound communion will be Paul Smith. ISAIAH 58 is open at 4:30 p.m. Mondays and 9:30

a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Tuesdays. We need workers Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. sorting and cleaning items from Wal-mart. Wednesday at 6 p.m. there will be choir practice in the choir room. Youth will meet at the church at

The Samaritan Counseling takes place at our church Thursdays from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday we will have Maundy Thursday service

at 6:30 p.m. at the church. Friday is Good Friday and the church office will

be closed. Saturday, April 7 we will have an Easter egg hunt and hot lunch after the egg hunt in the fellowship hall at 11:30 a.m.

For questions or further information, call the church office 432-517-4821 or view our website at www.fcbs125@yahoo.com or email to fcbs125@@ yahoo.com

Coahoma First Presbyterian Church

We meet at 11 a.m. Sunday to share the scriptures, sing, pray and worship, led by Commissioned Lay Pastor Tom Koger.

Following worship Sunday, we will have our regular monthly covered dish meal, which will be followed by the cantata "On the Passion of Christ" by David H. Williams, to be presented by FPC Big Spring Chancel Choir, directed by Mike Mitchell.

Services for Holy Week, some of which will be shared with FPC Big Spring, are as follows: Maundv Thursday communion at 6:30 p.m. at FPC Big Spring; Good Friday Tenebrae service is at 8 p.m. at FPC Coahoma; Saturday, April 7, Breakfast, prepared by the men, will be at 9 a.m.; Easter vigil service is at 8 p.m. in Coahoma.

Easter there will be a 7:30 a.m. sunrise service. We will have regular worship service at 11 a.m.

The lectionary for Palm/Passion Sunday is Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 31:9-16; Philippians 2:5-11; Mark 14:1-15:47.

Chapel of Faith

The Chapel of Faith, located at 14th and Goliad, has worship service each Sunday at 10:30 a.m. and Sunday School classes at 9:30. an informal study of God's word.

Saturday, March 31st the Chapel will host the Annual Chili Supper. Homemade chili, hot dogs, Frito pie, and desserts will be served to everyone. There is no charge to anyone who comes to share this time with us. It is our gift to anyone who enjoys a good meal! Serving will start at 5:30 and continue until 7:00 p.m.

Each 1st and 3rd Thursday evening from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., Bob and Marla Rainwater host Karaoke at the church. This is an opportunity for those who enjoy singing to come to a smoke-free, drink-free, drug-free enviornment and have a good time. There will be hot dogs and sodas available. The Rainwaters have a lot of music available for you to select from or you may bring your own music. The last 30 minutes of each session will be devoted to Gospel music. Come out and have a good time - whether you sing or not.

Chapel of Faith is non-denominational and all study is based on God's word. Our text book is the Holy Bible. The pastor is Rev. Joel Miller, adult Sunday School is taught by Paul Miller, children's classes are taught by Sharon Cofferen. Music is led by Bob Rainwater. You are invited to join us each Sunday.

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

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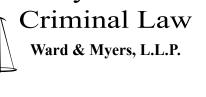
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Reflections

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hen Jesus approached his final days, he entered Jerusalem to a chorus of praise. Men, women and children spread palm branches across his path and lifted their voices, singing, "Blessed is the One who comes, the King in the name of the Lord, Peace in Heaven and Glory in the Highest."

But some of those who were present were skeptical. The Pharisees among them spoke to Jesus addressing him as "Teacher," imploring

him to rebuke his followers. Such praise and adoration, they contended was blasphemous. Jesus' response was clear. "If these remain silent," he said, "the very stones will cry out."

All of creation praises Him. If we open our eyes we will see it. If we listen we will hear it. The early

CHURCH

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FPC Coahoma at 8 p.m.

11 a.m.



at 4:45 p.m. Wednesday. The chancel

choir practiced Tuesday at 5 p.m., but

Holy Week services, in which we

will be joining with First Presbyte-

rian Church, Coahoma are as fol-

lows: Maundy Thursday communion

at FPC Big Spring at 6:30 p.m.; Good

Friday tenebrae at FPC Coahoma at 8

p.m.; Saturday, April 7, Easter vigil at

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classes will meet in the theater room

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and planets unknown to the humar mind. All of creation is a cathedral of praise. The stones cry out! We add our voices, amplified and

accompanied with guitars, drums, organs and pianos. We lift our choruses and sing the compositions of the masters in an attempt to join with what God has already established. And when we do, we feel the exhilaration. Something in our nature affirms that this is right. This is who we are. We are made in his image and he desires our praise just as he inhabits the praise of everything He has made.

David wrote in the Psalms, "Let the sea resound, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it. Let the rivers clap their hands, let the mountains sing together for joy; let them sing before the Lord." (Ps. 98:7-9). "Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad; let the sea resound, and all that is in it. Let the fields be jubilant, and everything in them; let all the trees of the forest sing for joy. Let all creation rejoice before the Lord, for he comes." (Ps. 96:11-13). Isaiah wrote, "You will go out in joy and be led forth in peace; the mountains and hills will burst into song before you, and all the trees of the field will clap their hands" (Isa. 55:12).

The stones will cry out!

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

Katie Grimes is in charge of "Take Ten" refreshments this week. Liturgist for March is Jamie Walker. Ushers for the month are Lucy and Paschal Odom and David and Susan Wilson.

The lectionary for Palm/Passion Sunday is Mark 11:1-11; Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29. The chancel choir will present the David H. Williams cantata "On the Passion of Christ" during the worship hour. The children's choir will offer as introit "Antiphonal Hosanna" by G. Alan Smith.

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.

Forsan Baptist Church

Easter Sunrise Service is planned

for April 8 at 7:15 a.m. at the Evans Ranch. Call the church or Pastor Darren Weaver for more information or for directions. We will have a pancake breakfast at the church at 9 a.m. Easter following the sunrise service.

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

The Sermon series "CSI: Jerusalem" continues. Pastor Derrick Looney will be giving the message Sunday.

"Unplugged Church" begins Saturday 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 for prom. Contact Kim Cantrell 517-4751 for pick-up.

The Lyrical Dance Academy classes for girls ages 4-12 years old meet Tuesday evenings. 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. Childcare for those 4 years old and under is available.

Our next blood drive is scheduled

Our next blood drive is scheduled for Saturday, April 21, 11 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. Contact Barbara Harkness for details or sign up at www.bloodhero.com

"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

groups are available for all ages. Classes meet from 9:15-10:15 am. "Holy Grounds Café" is open from 10:15 a.m. until 10:45 a.m. Worship is scheduled from 10:45 a.m. until noon.

Join us Wednesdays for a meal at

5:30 p.m., Bible study, youth and children's activities at 6 p.m. and praise team practice at 7:15 p.m.

Man's prayor breakfast and follows

Men's prayer breakfast and fellowship is scheduled at 7:30 a.m. Saturday.

"Between the Lines" women's ministry will meet Friday, April 20. They are planning a garage sale to benefit "Manna House" in April. 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

Alive in Christ Lutheran Church LCMS

We are located at 2805 Lynn Drive. Our phone number is 432-264-7818. Our website is www.m2ctexas.org/chweb/aliveinchrist/. Our e-mail address is aliveinchrist@crcom.net.

Sunday service is at 9 a.m. Sunday school is at 10:15 a.m.

Pastor Carroll Kohl will conduct the worship service. His sermon title is "Following Jesus."

Bobby Roever will be reading the liturgy. The readings are Zechariah 9:9-12, Psalm 118:19-29 or Psalms 31:9-16, Philemon 2:5-11 and John 12:12-19 (or Mark 14:1-15:47 or Mark 15:1-47 or John 12:20-43).

The palms on the altar are given in honor of Palm Sunday.

Saturday, 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 signup sheet on the door leading into the kitchen and special prayer requests need to be turned into the of-

Wednesday mid-week school has a meal at 6 p.m. and at 6:30 p.m. is Bible study.

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The theme

for Lenten

services

"God's Gift of forgive-

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ness" and is based on what are known as "Penitential" Psalms.

The remaining sermon titles for Lenten services are 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-

and Easter sunrise service at 8 a.m. The pancake breakfast will follow the sunrise service and the traditional service is scheduled for 10 a.m. Pastor Carroll Kohl will be preach-

Good Friday service is at 7:30 p.m.

Pastor Carroll Kohl will be preaching Good Friday, April 6. His sermon title is "Divine Forgiveness." Join us for the service at 7 p.m.
Saturday, April 7 between 10 a.m.

and 11:30 a.m., the board of education will have its Easter egg-festival. There will be several activities: cross toss, egg walk, cookie decorating, coloring Easter eggs, crafts and the Easter egg hunt which will begin at 11:15 a.m. The public is invited to bring your children.

Last Sunday's voters' meeting was

Last Sunday's voters' meeting was very informative and the pot luck afterwards had many delicious dishes. Thank you to all who brought dishes as well as attended to meeting.

The LWML spring workshop will be held Saturday, April 14 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, located at 5110 N. Garfield in Midland. The speaker is Susie Mauldin, director of volunteers, Hospice of Midland. Her topic is ministering to others in times of crisis. All attending need to bring a recipe of a dish you would prepare for a family facing a difficult time.

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. This conference, "Be Still and Know I am God", is a free event. A meal will be available for purchase for \$8 through Howard College. RSVP for the meal by calling Bean's World Café 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.

St. Mary's Episcopal Church

Adult Sunday school is at 9:30 a.m. followed by Holy Eucharist at 10:30 a.m. The service will start in the courtyard.

St. Mary's Holy Week and Easter schedule:

Maunday Thursday liturgy is at 6 p.m. Good Friday liturgy is at noon and 6 p.m. Easter communion service is at 10:30 a.m. Easter reception and fun will follow morning service.

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

St. Paul Lutheran Church

Worship is at 9 a.m. in our sanctuary at 810 Scurry with Pastor Don Rosentreter. Sunday school is in the fellowship hall after. The last Sunday of each month we share a pot luck lunch after Sunday school.

Wednesday, Bible study is studing Francis Chen's book, "Crazy Love." at 10:30 a.m. in the pastor's office.

Wednesday we meet at 6 p.m. to discuss the previous Sunday scripture. The group meets in the fellowship hall.

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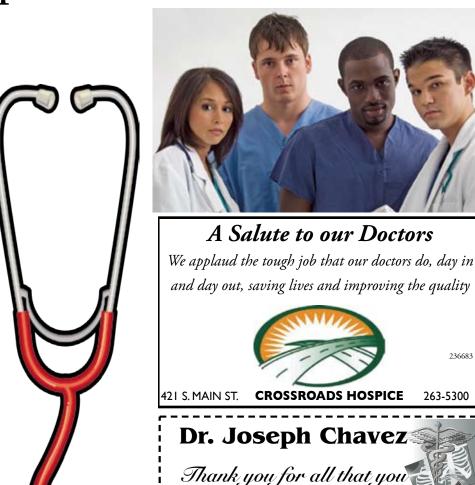
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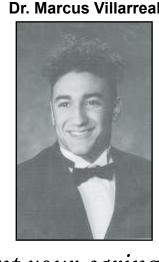




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News in brief **Ex-FLDS** leader convicted

of bigamy awaits sentence MIDLAND, Texas (AP) - A Texas

jury that found a former polygamist leader guilty of bigamy is expected to begin deciding his punishment.

Wendell Loy Nielsen could be sentenced early as Friday. He is the former president of the

Fundamentalist Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints and was once a top lieutenant to Warren Jeffs in the polygamist sect. Nielsen was found guilty Wednes-

day of having multiple marriages, and testimony in the trial's sentencing phase ended Thursday.

The 71-year-old faces up to 10 years in prison.

Nielsen could have avoided jail altogether.

But he renounced his original plea deal with prosecutors last year because he felt the probation conditions were too restrictive.

Fort Bliss soldier convicted of murder

FORT BLISS, Texas (AP) — A soldier at Fort Bliss has been convicted of murder for the shotgun slaving of a fellow soldier at an El Paso sports bar last year.

Spc. Saleel Zareef Qaasim begged for forgiveness at his court-martial before a military jury sentenced him Thursday to life in prison. He also was dishonorably discharged.

Qaasim was charged with the February 2011 killing of Spc Alex Gabriel Jaime. The jury that convicted him ruled the shooting was not premedi-

The El Paso Times reports Quaasim cried on the witness stand, apologized to his family and the military and said he wished he could take back his actions.

His lawyer, Leonard Morales, had hoped for a reduced charge, describing the shooting as two young men "getting into a regrettable situation."

Review exposes Texas DPS contract problem

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — A state audit shows the Texas Department of Public Safety improperly used nearly \$1 million in federal stimulus money when it overpaid a private border security contract in 2010 but returned the money to the federal account the following year.

The review by the Compliance and Oversight Division of the governor's office was obtained by the Austin American-Statesman under a Freedom of Information request. The newspaper reports Friday the

contract went to a Virginia company and exposed a problem that the agency's grants department didn't keep copies of contracts to vendors.

Department of Public Safety officials say they're putting procedures in place to ensure it doesn't happen again.

Woman charged with hate crime in cane assault

RICHLAND HILLS, Texas (AP) -A 71-year-old suburban Fort worth woman has been charged with a hate crime for beating a man with a wooden cane because she believed he's gay and has AIDS.

Police in Richland Hills say Wanda Derby assaulted the man Wednesday night as her son was moving into the man's apartment. She apparently was upset with her son's decision to move in with him.

The Fort Worth Star-Telegram reported Thursday Derby posted \$11,500 bond and has been released from jail.

She's charged with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon and the charge is enhanced as a hate crime. She's also charged with assault causing bodily injury.

2 men arrested for Texas moving company scheme

HOUSTON (AP) — Two men are charged in Houston with running a scam moving company that's victimized at least 20 people in Houston, Dallas, San Antonio and Austin.

Harris County court records show 37-year-old Anthony Fanelli and 33-year-old Andy Bueno ran ads online offering inexpensive moves and then held customers' goods hostage when they inflated the prices and customers couldn't or wouldn't pay.

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volunteers worked on the effort and more than 230 members made contributions toward its success. The church was assisted in the effort by Walsh and Associates, Church Fundraising Specialists, a Burnsville, Minn. based fund raising consulting firm.

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Sports Calendar

FRIDAY

Baseball

- Andrews at Big Spring, Steer Park, 7 p.m.
- Clarendon College at Howard College (DH),
- Forsan at Colorado City, 7 p.m.

Softball

- Howard College at Midland College (DH), 1 p.m.
- Big Spring vs. Alpine at Monahans, TBA.
- Post at Coahoma, TBA.
- Forsan at Colorado City, 5:30 p.m.

Tennis

- Big Spring at Abilene Eagle Invitational Tournament, TBA.
- Forsan at Greenwood

SATURDAY

Baseball

- Clarendon College at Howard College (DH), noon.
- Post at Coahoma, TBA.

Softball

Midland College at Howard College (DH), 1 p.m.



Herald photo/Tony Claxton

Howard College's Paul Hendrix gets a hit during a game earlier this season. The Hawks will host Clarendon College at Jack Barber Field Saturday for a doubleheader. Game time is slated for noon.

In brief

Local students named to 2012 FCA All-star squa

Sawyer Roberts, son of Michael and Jennifer Roberts of Big Spring; and Justin Coker, son of Richard and Tiffany Coker of Coahoma, have been chosen to participate in the 13th Annual Fellowship of Christian Athletes Myrle Greathouse All-star Classic on June 2 in Abilene.

Coker and Roberts are two of the 134 area students selected to play in the football game which benefits the Big Country Area Office of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

Nominations were submitted by head coaches.

Two-a-day workouts will begin May 30, and the students chosen will be honored at a Victory Banquet on April 22 at the Abilene Civic Center.

Ladies Golf Association news

The Comanche Trail Ladies Golf Association held

a 9-hole team scramble Thursday.

Placing first with a score of four under par were Jimmy and Deanna Foresyth and Bill and Bobbie Holden.

Martin and Lenita Fryar and Howard and Trish Gabbard tied with Jerry Roach and Annie Ward for second place.

Jimmy Foresyth shot closest to the pin on hole No. 3, while Annie Ward shot closest to the pin on hole No. 6.

On March 22, two teams tied for first place, shooting one under par.

Cliff and Sue Balzar and Howard and Trish Gabbard were one team and the second team was comprised of Kirby Brown, JoAnn Hilger and Jimmy and Deanna Foresyth.

Third place went to Bill and Bobbie Holden and Martin and Lenita Fryar with an even par.

Martin Fryar shot closest to the pin on hole No. 3 with Lenita Fryar shooting closest to thepin on hole No. 6.

Big Spring High School Golf squads open district play

The Big Spring Golf teams opened district play this week with the boys traveling to Abilene Wednesday where they placed first as a team, putting them in first place in the district standings as well. The girls competed in Snyder Thursday. Kelsie Guinn, who is currently ranked 3rd in individual district standing, led the girls squad to a fourth place finish.

BSHS Golf Coach Chris Joslin was pleased with his teams performances.

"It is a tough district," he said. "I am glad we got off to a good start and did what we needed to do." Individual results are as follows:

• Boys — Tate Kennedy, 77; Tyler Bryan, 79; Jason Guevera, 80; Devin Roberson, 81; and Ryan Pollard, 87

• Girls — Kelsie Guinn, 84; Mariah McIntosh, 103; Brianna Cobos, 104; and Gabby Fair, 110. Junior varsity results were: Nolan Beal, 92; Sam Harris, 101; Stormy Emery, 102; Tobyn Tannehill, 102; Tyler Hester, 109; and Matt Davila, 114.

BSHS' girls will host the next leg of the District 5-3A tournament Monday at Big Spring Country Club. Tee offs are slated for 10 a.m.

The boys will travel to Sweetwater Tuesday for their next round of district action, which will begin at 10 a.m. at the Sweetwater Country Club.

Wright hits grand slam as Mets down Houston

PORT ST. LUCIE, Fla. (AP) — David Wright is just about ready for the season.

The Mets third baseman hit a grand slam and Mike Pelfrey had his best outing of the spring and as New York beat the Houston Astros 9-1 on Thursday night.

Wright, who missed all but three games this spring while recovering from a torn rib cage muscle, drove a 3-2, two-out pitch from Livan Hernandez over the left-field wall.

"Livan, he can be a nightmare," Wright said. "We saw that first-hand when he was with us (in 2009). He just goes and he exploits your weak-

Wright played six innings Thursday and will be back in the lineup for the Mets on Friday, when they play an afternoon game against the St. Louis Cardinals.

"It will be good test for me," said Wright, who expects to play four or five innings Friday. "A day game after a night game, it's my last chance for me to do that. I think it will be a good test for me, but I'm not expecting any problems."

Pelfrey came into the game with an 11.49 ERA in four spring starts, but gave up just one run on three hits in 6 1/3 innings.

"I look at a couple things like the ball coming good again," Pelfrey said. "Command was by far the best it's been all spring training. I thought I did a good job of keeping the ball down. Obviously, (there were) a lot

of groundballs from that. "But it is spring training. At the end of the day, I felt good, I felt strong and I thought it was pretty good."

Pelfrev had allowed at least four runs and six hits in each of his first four starts this spring. Pitching coach Dan Warthen even encouraged Pelfrey to alter his mechanics last week, having the 6-foot-7 righthander bring his hands over his head during his delivery.

Pelfrey had three strikeouts and didn't issue any walks Thursday.

While Pelfrey said he hasn't been worrying about the results this spring, Mets manager Terry Collins had a different take.

"I think any time you have a good outing, you have to feel good about," Collins said. "He's a pro and he's been here a long time and he might downplay it, but I was real happy with what I saw. I saw all the things today that I've heard about.

"I saw a power sinker that had great movement, beating it in the dirt. He threw his curveball for strikes. (Catcher) Josh (Thole) said his splitter was outstanding. ... I thought it was really a step forward for him."

The Mets' offense certainly did their part, including a seven-run fourth inning that was capped by Wright's first home run of the

Hernandez, a non-roster invitee, allowed eight runs — four earned on seven hits in 3 2/3 innings.

He threw a total of 38 pitches in the first three innings, but threw 44 in the fourth alone. Astros manager Brad Mills lifted Hernandez after Wright's slam.

"It was a long inning, but I felt fresh after I came out," Hernandez

Heat win finals rematch, defeat Mavericks 106-85

MIAMI (AP) — No fourth-quarter collapse this time against Dallas. These days, everything seems to be going right at home for the Miami Heat.

LeBron James and Chris Bosh each finished with 19 points and nine rebounds, Dwyane Wade and Udonis Haslem scored 16 apiece and the Heat extended the league's longest home winning streak this season to 15 games with a 106-85 win over the Mavericks in an NBA finals rematch on Thursday night.

Mario Chalmers scored 12 points and Norris Cole added 10 for Miami. which swept its two games with Dallas this season and snapped a twogame losing streak.

"We just worked our habits," James said. "The best thing about tonight, we didn't take another step backwards like we did the last two games. And it was good to see."

Dirk Nowitzki scored 25 for Dallas, but was held to 1-for-9 shooting in the second half. Lamar Odom had 12 for the Mavericks, who were outrebounded 44-29 and were held to only two fast-break points. Miami outscored Dallas 26-13 in

the fourth quarter to cap the win.

"You have to give them credit," Nowitzki said. "They stepped up their pressure on both ends of the floor. In the first half everything came a little too easy for us. We got some good looks, got some rolls, had everything going. Then they really picked up their pressure and we

didn't have many good looks." It was Dallas' first time playing at Miami since winning Game 6 of

the NBA finals last June, a series

that turned after an epic late Game

2 comeback by the Mavs in Miami and eventually became the ultimate pavback — hoisting a championship trophy in Miami, five years after Wade and the Heat celebrated win-

ning their title in Dallas. Still, Dallas insisted this trip wasn't about revisiting memories.

"Just another day at the office," Mavs owner Mark Cuban said.

Well, not an altogether friendly day at the office — particularly late.

In the fourth quarter alone, Nowitzki had the bridge of his nose bloodied, James got hit in the mouth and Wade spent a few minutes grabbing at his right index finger in obvious discomfort. Adding to Miami's discomfort: Dallas being within 90-83 with 4:37 left after Nowitzki made

four free throws in a 27-second span. Any angst existing at that point dissipated quickly.

"I felt like we were in control," Wade said. "They got a couple things to go their way. It was just about settling down and running offense."

Simple as that. A 9-0 run sealed it for Miami, with Wade quarterbacking the charge. His two-handed dunk pushed the

Heat lead back to double figures, then he found Bosh to set up a three-point play and set up James for a slam that pushed the lead to 99-83 with 3:03 left. The Mavs called time out, took Nowitzki and three others off the floor for the night, and the Heat slide was soon over.

Vince Carter and Brandan Wright each scored 11 for Dallas. "It's tough," Carter said of facing

the Heat. "When they're rolling

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Baylor Coach Mulkey diagnosed with Bell's palsy

<u>STEPHEN HAWKINS</u>

AP Basketball Writer

WACO, Texas (AP) — Kim Mulkey is enjoying another trip to the Final Four and the pursuit of her second championship at Baylor, even if she doesn't want to smile.

"Don't let anybody tell you I'm not happy because I'm not smiling," the coach said Thursday after revealing she has been diagnosed with Bell's palsy, a usually temporary form of facial paralysis. "I'm not smiling because I don't want people to see my crooked smile."

The ailment also affects Mulkey's hearing, especially when she raises her voice. And it makes her left eye droop, something she tried to allevi-

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ate by using her left index finger to prop open her eyelid while sitting at a podium.

That won't keep her from coaching the undefeated Lady Bears, or alter how she is on the bench.

"It's not going to keep me from hollering," she said. "This isn't going to change how I coach, it isn't going to change anything. I'll just be another ugly coach with a crooked face."

Mulkey disclosed her diagnosis before the Lady Bears held their last on-campus practice and then left for Denver, where they play Stanford on Sunday night.

When on the court for practice in the Ferrell Center, the coach's voice echoed loud and clear while she

shouted instructions and encouragement to her players.

Baylor is two wins from its second national title and the NCAA's first 40-win season.

The other national semifinal Sunday also features a pair of No. 1 seeds, Connecticut and Notre Dame. The Lady Bears beat

both of those teams at home earlier this season, and the victory over the Irish came in the preseason WNIT championship game. The 49-year-old

Mulkey, being now treated with medication, first noticed a strange feeling in her tongue while in Des Moines for the NCAA regional last weekend.

She initially thought that was caused by some outdated toothpaste she had used.

Things got worse Wednesday when the coach had what she

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> Kim Mulkey Baylor coach

described as a weird feeling in her mouth while eating, then saw in a mirror on her way to practice that her eye was drooping and her smile was crooked. Concerned that the symptoms could

be the onset of a stroke, Mulkey checked with team trainer Alex Olson, and he advised her to get immediate attention.

The diagnosis of Bell's palsy came after she saw two doctors and had an MRI that ruled out a tumor or a stroke. "I know that I will recover," Mulkey

said. "It will take some time to recover and it may get worse before it gets better." Baylor advanced to its second NCAA

Final Four in three years with a 77-58 win over Tennessee and coach Pat Summitt on Monday night. Summitt announced in August she

had early onset dementia, Alzheimer's type. It is unclear if the 59-year-old Sum-

mitt, whose 1,098 career victories are the most by any coach in NCAA basketball history, will return for a 39th

Baylor officials said Bell's palsy is caused by a dysfunction of the facial nerve, resulting in the inability to control facial muscles on the affected side.

It usually has a rapid onset of partial or complete paralysis that often occurs overnight. Many doctors believe the inflammatory condition is caused by a virus. "I don't obviously have a severe

case of it," Mulkey said. "Because I've seen the worst. I've seen people who have it where their face is totally drooping." Mulkey is being treated with antiviral medication and oral steroids to

reduce the inflammation of the facial nerve that causes the problem. But it can take weeks or months for symptoms to subside.

Olson said most people taking steroid medication will begin to see some improvement within about 10 days. The trainer said Mulkey is being

monitored to make sure there aren't any adverse effects from the medicine. "You sure?" Mulkey yelled while

turning toward Olson, inducing some humor into the explanation. "And y'all (reporters) need to look out because they tell me these steroids make me irritable." Mulkey said she is concerned about

possible inner ear problems because of the mile-high elevation in Denver, and that doctors will have medicine for her if that becomes an issue. The public disclosure of her diagno-

sis came after players Brittney Griner, Odyssey Sims and Destiny Williams — with Mulkey also sitting at the podium — talked about the Final Four, then left the room to get ready for practice.

The players already had been told about the coach's ailment but they didn't address it.

Mulkey missed Baylor's NCAA tournament opener in 2009 after surgery to remove a kidney stone, though she returned to the bench two days later.

"I learned then your health keeps you in the game or it doesn't, and we have really no control over health issues a lot of times," she said.



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Test Your Defensive Play

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You have to don your thinking cap securely for this one. The first problem is whether to win the club, but before deciding this, you should try to construct the kind of hand declarer must have for the contract to be

You start by brushing aside those

hands where the contract is indefensible. You can't win by conceding defeat. All your thoughts should be concentrated on hands where South might have four losers. You know from the bidding and

East's high-low in trumps (indicating three of them) that South started with six trumps. He therefore has 10 tricks six spades, two clubs, a heart and a diamond - after you take the ace of clubs, assuming you give him a chance to cash them.

However, you may be able to score four tricks before South can score 10 if the cards are divided as you must hope they are. Since you are obviously limited to one trick in clubs and one in diamonds, your only chance is to win two heart tricks. This is possible in only one case, namely, if East started with specifically the J-5 of hearts. Since this is your only hope, you should defend

Accordingly, you win the club at trick five and return a low heart. You are rewarded when East wins with the jack and returns a diamond to your ace, and you cash the queen of hearts to put the contract down one.

In the actual deal, South had: ♦ QJ9873 ♥ A82 ♦ Q5 ♣ K3 and was defeated by the low heart return.

Tomorrow: Accidentally on purpose.

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Cain solid in Giants' victory over Rangers

SURPRISE, Ariz. (AP) — Two of the three hits Matt Cain allowed left the park Thursday night. In the end, it didn't matter.

Cain allowed two runs in seven innings and the San Francisco Giants rallied to beat Texas 6-2, snapping the Rangers' three-game winning

"I threw some good sliders and threw some bad ones," said Cain, who has allowed four earned runs in 20 2/3 innings for a 1.74 ERA. "I think I need to think about what I need to do to throw more good

Mike Napoli and Mitch Moreland hit consecutive home runs to start the second inning for the Rangers, but Cain didn't allow another hit until Josh Hamilton doubled to lead off the seventh.

"After that, he really settled down and pitched great," Giants manager Bruce Bochy said. "It's good for him to have a game like this as we get close. Matt's ready."

Cain retired the first three batters he faced, and

then 17 of his final 19.

Cain will be the Giants' third starter behind Tim Lincecum and Madison Bumgarner.

"He's not a No. 3 starter," Bochy said. "That's just the way things fell in our rotation. He's one of the better pitchers in the game."

Matt Harrison was equally as effective for the Rangers, allowing a run on six hits in six innings. He struck out seven and walked one.

Harrison has allowed only 11 hits and two walks in 16 innings across four starts this spring.

"I think I've been really consistent in terms of pounding the strike zone and getting ahead of guys," Harrison said. "I've got the attitude that I'm coming right at you and being aggressive with every pitch I have. It's paying off."

Yoshinori Tateyama came in for Harrison and promptly surrendered three straight singles to begin a three-run, four-hit Giants rally.

Joaquin Arias, a one-time Rangers farmhand, homered to lead off the ninth for San Francisco.

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they're rolling."

Miami's offense has sputtered for nearly a month, but the Heat scored 60 points by halftime for the first time in 11 games. James, Bosh and Wade shot 12 for 21 by halftime, and Miami's bench — Haslem and Cole, mostly — connected on 10 of 13 shots before inter-

> mission. Haslem m a d e all four

of his shots in the half and Cole was 4 for 6 after making four shots in his last seven games.

Even with all that, the lead was only 60-53 at the break, in large part because Nowitzki was 8 for 10 from the field.

Miami's offense cooled bigtime in the third, the Heat shooting an abysmal 5 for 23. And the lead actually grew by a point in the period, thanks to what went on at the other end.

An 11-2 run gave the Heat their first double-digit lead, after holding Dallas without a field goal for more than 6 minutes.

Miami led by as many as 13 in the third, before Odom scored Dallas' final seven points of the period to get the Mavs within 80-72 going into the final quarter.

"It was disappointing," Mavs coach Rick Carlisle said. "Our start to the third quarter was strong and then they answered back."

And now, Miami hits the road for games in Toronto on Friday and Boston on Sunday. The Heat have lost six of their last eight away from home.

"It's time for a response on the road," Heat coach Erik Spoelstra

"We will take this win. This is a great team win against a very good team. But we have to move on and now let's take care of business on the road."

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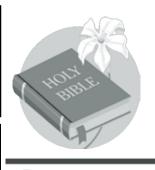


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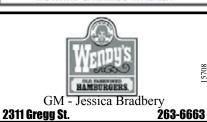
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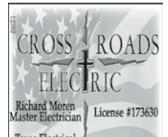
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most aggressive and powerful planet our solar system? If your communication

system

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be broadcasting what you're feeling, you know whom to blame.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You are so charming now that you could sway the even

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disagreeable people. Your something important is smile and the intriguing happening. glint in your eyes are powerful tools. One might even call them weapons.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You still feel alone in many regards, but you can't deny that in most ways you're not. The people who love and depend on you are a touchstone — so touch it already!

you may have a greater than usual curiosity regarding their whereabouts. Take this as a signal to increase the action in your creative

CANCER (June 22-July You may be wondering how to find someone to sponsor your dreams. Take matters into your own hands for a while, and soon there will be people in your midst to help you take the next step.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Typically, a person is not aware of the process of self-discovery as it's occurring. You don't point out, "Wow, I'm this about learning myself right now." Yet today you'll sense that the lesson of the day.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). The ones who think you are exciting are in for an even bigger than surprise they expected. You not only deliver on the thrills; you also challenge, push and encourage people to do more than they thought they could.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. **GEMIN**I (May 21-June 23). Matters of self-control 21). You'll wonder what will have a bearing on the others are doing, and how things turn out today. You'll meld your particular brand of steely resolve with a certain novel interest. You'll seek others looking for and find it.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). A classic piece of will culture be prominent influence on you now. Your opinion will echo age-old wisdom. Something that has been right for centuries will still apply now.

SAGITTARIUS 22-Dec. 21). You are such a strong and able person that it's highly unlikely, if not impossible, that you would ever do something against your will, even under heavy persuasion or hypnosis. So trust yourself. That's

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CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You'll give in to the young and old, recognizing that they need you to bend the rules for them. The special care you afford the less able will add to your stellar karma.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You see through the one who pretends to care, all the while noting that it's really not this person's fault. Being preoccupied with one's own life is not a crime, though it can be mighty annoying to others.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You think of your future in the present tense — a most effective technique that comes naturally to you now, as you have one foot in the present and the other rather optimistic appendage in tomorrow.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (March 30). You'll wield influence, though that's not what you're after. You just want to know that you've made a difference in the world, and you'll be sure that you've done that. June brings an exciting relationship. August is your time to shine in the workplace. Push for your ideas in September; do an recognize

campaign! Cancer and Pisces people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 11, 18, 20, 29 and 30.

WEEKEND FORECAST: ARIES: The end is never truly the end. You'll walk through a new door and like where it leads. TAURUS: Your charms work on a variety of people, but only a select few really get you on the deeper levels. GEMINI: Your appreciation is something that dear ones are working for on a daily basis. Give it freely. CANCER: There nothing like holding the one you love. You have idea how much no someone needs that from you now. LEO: You'll enjoy sharing a creative process with someone you love. VIRGO: Have you ever experienced someone's tears falling into your eyes? Something equally astounding and intimate will happen to you this weekend. LIBRA: The best choice will not be the first choice. Investigate to make your time more special. SCORPIO: A lame effort is still an effort. You'll that

marketing people are not confident enough to really show you the depth of their feelings for you. SAGITTARIUS: You want your date to show you a whole new world. It's too much to ask, but you'll probably get it anyway. CAPRICORN: Family culture will affect the way you interact with a love. AQUARIUS: You'll "yes"! PISCES: hear You'll change your mind.

COUPLE OF THE WEEKEND: The sun is in Aries, and the moon is in Cancer, inspiring these signs to regard each other with great interest. Unsure of how they might connect, these two circle each other in a ritualistic dance. Aries is the warrior, and Cancer is the healer. So there's a natural simpatico, but how will it play out? Both signs are willing to experiment this weekend. It won't be easy, but it will be interesting.

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Dear Margo: Is this geezer creepy? Yes he is.

Dear Margo: I am dating a 57-year-old of this. — *Greatly Confused* man who is quite wonderful in some ways, but he sometimes says disturbing things. Today, he reported that he walked down to the beach and studied "40 or 50 teenagers" to see what they were wearing.

He wanted to tell me all about the current state of teen fashion at the beach. I told him

I did not want to hear it. Conversation over dinner was awkward because I could not get this strange conversational overture out of my head, and he seemed not to be able to think of anything else to talk about.

He has not shown any particular interest in fashion until now. I know that many older men check out teenage girls, but isn't it kind of a wouldn't tell your girlfriend

creepy activity, and one you about? wondering whether I'm

he inappropriate proclivities. He also asked me once if it was odd for him to check out his daughter's boyfriend's female friends on Facebook. I said yes. He responded by defending his decision to do so ... and then

He also told me his wife (now deceased) slept with their daughter until she was 10. About a year after the daughter got her own bedroom, she stopped speaking to him for seven years. He has no explanation for any

Dear Great: Unless your 50-plus fella works for Women's Wear Daily or a garment manufacturer, his interest in teenagers' beach attire — with a sample size of 40 to 50 — is a signal that there is some psychosexual screw loose.

And the fact that the subject was of no interest to you and he was stuck for conversation confirms my "diagnosis." This man sounds like he's come from a strange place with secrets and dysfunction. I would head for the hills and look for a man who is wonderful in other ways. — *Margo, honestly*

School daze

Dear Margo: Three weeks ago. I moved to rural Mississippi with my family: wife, three kids all under 9, and my mother. We decided to send our kids to public school instead of private school, as we had before the move.

This decision was based on our kids' wish for "more kids to play with" and my wife's idea that this will be a good way for us to acculturate the children.

Despite our thorough research of the school system, we are uncovering many unsavory surprises.

Even with a zero-tolerance bullying policy, our oldest son has come home crying multiple times.

Our middle child, a girl, says her teachers are mean and never listen to her. Our youngest seems fine, but then again, he was never much of a complainer.

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So now my wife and I are debating switching back to private school. Our hesitations come from our hope that if we wait out the rocky beginning, our kids will get stronger and more able to cope, but we hate to see them unhappy. What do you think we should do? — *Undecided Dad*

Dear Un: First, three weeks is not a very long time for kids to fit in anywhere, let alone with children who have most likely been in school together from kindergarten. And when you say you're considering private school again, is there even one in a rural area? (And, of course, private schools are not bully-free zones.)

I would wait until the end of the year before making any decisions. In the meantime, you and your wife might go to school and talk with the teachers. Explain that the kids seem to be having trouble, and see what information you get back. Between giving your kids more time to get acclimated and taking a measure of the teachers, I think the answer you are looking for will become clear. — *Margo*, *patiently*

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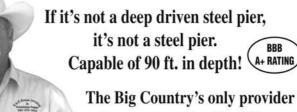
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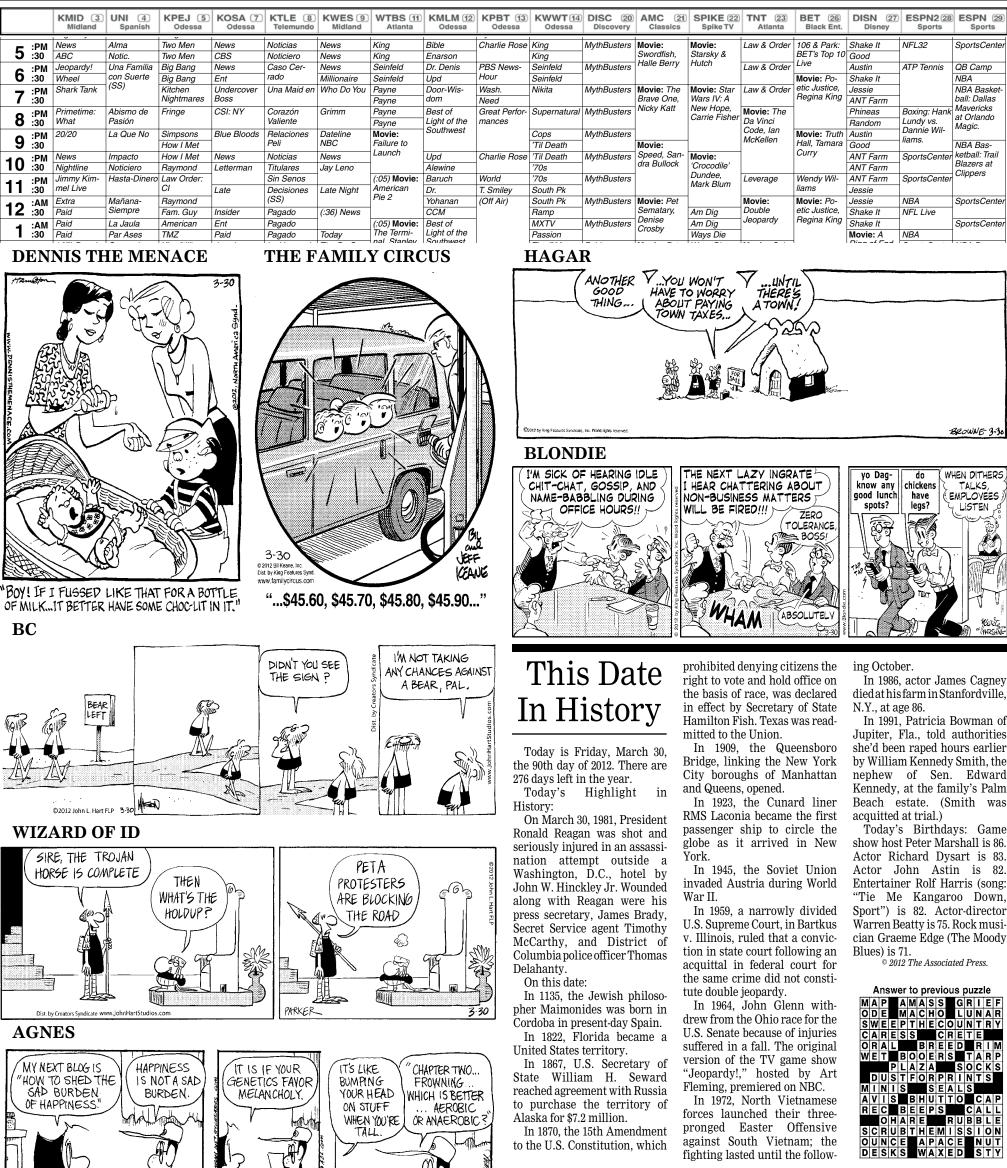
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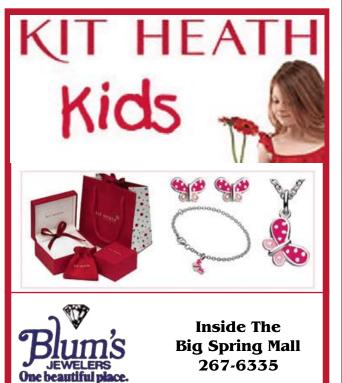
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