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## Grand jury hands down indictments

*Attempted robbery, DWI, burglary, sexual conduct among the allegations*

**By THOMAS JENKINS**  
Staff Writer

A Howard County grand jury handed down more than a dozen indictments in 118<sup>th</sup> District Court Thursday afternoon, including true bills for first-degree felony charges of attempted robbery and

sexual assault of a child. Among those indicted Thursday was 51-year-old Randy Joe Hurrington, currently being held at the Howard County Detention Center, who was true billed on a charge of attempted robbery, a first-degree felony (enhanced).

Hurrington was arrested May 10 after law enforcement officials allege he entered the Stripes convenience store on the Lamesa Highway and tried to steal the cash register. According to Sgt. Tony Everett, public information officer with the Big Spring Police

Department, the store clerk was able to wrestle the register away from Hurrington, who then left the store on foot. If convicted on first-degree felony charges, Hurrington could face five to 99 years to life in prison. Also indicted by the grand

jury were:  
• Carlos Alvarado, 37, of San Angelo, Texas, driving while intoxicated with child passenger (state jail felony).  
• Emil Martin Duran Jr., 33, of 302 Circle, burglary of a habitation with the  
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## Sky's the limit Saturday

**By THOMAS JENKINS**  
Staff Writer

Area residents will get an opportunity to enjoy the rings of Saturn this weekend — compliments of the Big Spring State Park — as the local facility prepares to host its annual Stargazing Party atop Scenic Mountain Saturday.

**What:** Stargazing Party.  
**Where:** Big Spring State Park.  
**When:** Dark-thirty Saturday.  
**Admission:** By donation.

"Sunset is approximately 9 p.m. and there will be a program as soon as it gets dark enough to see the projection, which is usually between 9:20 and 9:30 p.m.," said Park Manager Ron Alton.



"I'm going to ask the astronomy club members to bone up on their constellations so we can point some of them out." Slated for 8:30 p.m. until 11 p.m. near the park office at the top of Scenic Mountain, the program will offer something for everyone in the family, according to Alton.

"It's one of the bigger events of the year for us," said Alton. "It's a fun and educational way to spend a Saturday night outdoors with your family. You can take a tour of the night sky with area amateur astronomy clubs.

"It's a great chance for families to spend

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## BSHS graduate among the best

**By CLINT ADAMS**  
Special to the Herald

Ending high school as a member of the top 10 percent of your class is the aspiration of many students. Ending your high school career in the top 10 percent in the nation is beyond most people's reckoning.



Big Spring High School Speech and Debate team member Seth Trevino did exactly that by finishing in the top 30 in Prose Interpretation at the National Forensic League National Tournament held last week in Indianapolis.

"I can't believe I did so well," Trevino said "especially considering this is the first year I tried prose interpretation."

Trevino was Big Spring's lone entrant in Prose Interpretation.

"We have had students who did well at the national tour-

namment," coach Jennifer Adams' said, "but this is the best we have done in prose."

Trevino was among more than 350 students entered into a double elimination style tournament.

"What Seth did is extremely difficult," Adams added. "Everyone at the national tournament had to qualify just to get there."

"The competition is truly the best of the best."

BSHS debate team member Shamilia Kher, who also qualified and attended the National Tournament, finished the year in the top 100 of all students in career National Forensic League points. Kher also qualified as a National Forensic League Academic All-American.

To be an Academic All-American, Kher had to be a high point holder and have a high ACT score. Kher also is a National Merit Scholar who is attending the University of Alabama.

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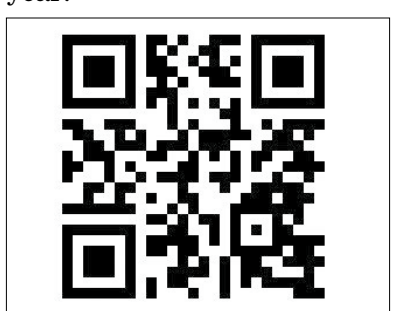


## End of course tests send bunch to summer school

*Situation not just local, principal says, but statewide*

**By STEVE REAGAN**  
Staff Writer

For a lot of Big Spring High School freshmen, summer vacations were delayed this year.



Instead of sleeping in and hanging with friends, slightly more than 100 BSHS freshmen are hitting the books this month in summer school.



The reason students are studying instead of relaxing is they did not meet standards on the new state-mandated end of course tests, BSHS Principal Mike Ritchey said.

Ritchey said summer

school was mandated for the students after receiving sub-standard test scores in one or more of five subject areas — reading, writing, biology, Algebra I and science.

Ritchey said there are two reasons behind the notable increase in students attending summer school this year.

"First, this is the first year students were required to take remediation if they didn't make standards on the (end of course) tests," Ritchey said.

"Under the old test, if they didn't meet passing standards, it was recommended they take summer school, but it wasn't required. This year, it is."

"And, secondly, there were more tests for the students to take," Ritchey added, pointing out this was the first year freshmen were required to take five state-mandated end of course exams, instead of the one all-inclusive Texas

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## Obituaries

### Olivia Gonzales



Olivia Gonzales, 64, of Big Spring died Tuesday, June 19, 2012, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Vigil services will be held at 7 p.m. Friday, June 22, 2012, at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church with Deacon Johnny Arguello officiating.

She was born Aug. 4, 1947, in Batesville, Texas, to Concepcion and Margarito Gonzales. She married Francisco Gonzales on Nov. 22, 1963, in Batesville, Texas. She worked at the Winnebago Factory in Four City, Iowa. She was a resident of Big Spring since 2001, coming from Lamesa. She was a Catholic.

She is survived by her husband, Francisco Gonzales Sr. of Big Spring; six daughters, Criselda Gonzales and spouse Joe Gomez, Gracie Mojica and spouse Robert Cortez, Stella Gonzales, Adela Gonzales, Olivia Schenck and spouse Johnny and Ofelia Gay and spouse John, all of Big Spring; four sons, Frank Gonzales Jr., Jaun Gonzales and spouse Josie, Jesse Ray Gonzales and spouse Jennifer, all of Big Spring and Joe Luis Gonzales and spouse Amanda Enriquez of Lometa, Texas; one sister, Amelia Baltazar of Lamesa; 17 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by one brother, Daniel Diaz; and one sister, Victoria Quesada.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at [www.myersandsmith.com](http://www.myersandsmith.com)

### Felix Rodriguez Sr.

Felix Rodriguez Sr., 60, of San Angelo passed away Tuesday, June 19, 2012, at his residence.

Funeral services will be Friday, June 22, 2012, at 2 p.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church. Burial will follow at Lawnhaven Memorial Gardens. Arrangements are with Robert Massie Funeral Home.

He is survived by his wife, Emily Rodriguez; daughters, Kristy Rodriguez, and Amy Rodriguez; son, Felix Rodriguez Jr. all of San Angelo; brothers, Cruz Rodriguez, Nicholas Rodriguez, and Victor Rodriguez Jr.; sisters, Irene Jackson, all of Big Spring, Susie Ramirez of Houston and Yolanda Franco of Lubbock.

### William 'Bill' Warner

William "Bill" Warner, 70, of Big Spring died Thursday, June 21, 2012, at his residence. His services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

## 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](http://www.cccbigspring.org)

• Stepping Stone Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at the Gold Rush Tobacco Shop, 800 E. Third Street. Open meeting at 7 p.m.

**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.

**MONDAY**  
• Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, noon-1 p.m., 615 Settles.

• PEP — Parent Education Program for CPS participating and non-participating parents, single parent, grandparents, adoptive or fostering parents. Every first and fourth Monday of the month from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Northside Community Center. Classes are free. For information, call 263-2673.

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June 21-24  
**Pride of Texas Carnival** College Park Shopping Center For more info contact the chamber 432-263-7641

June 23  
**Settlers Reunion** Heritage Museum For more info contact the museum at 432-267-8255

June 23  
**Stargazing Party** Big Spring State Park stargazing begins at dark. For more info contact **Ron Alton** at 432-263-4931

June 29-30  
**Alon Funtastic Fourth Festival** Heart of the City Park, Downtown Big Spring. Music, Food and Craft vendors and much more. For booth info contact **Isaac** at 432-270-7305

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## Police blotter

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

• **JEAN LOUISE NOGGLER**, 41, of 800 Settles, was arrested Thursday on warrants for stop, stand or park within an intersection and failure to maintain financial responsibility.

• **BOBBY HAROLD DAVIS**, 37, of 3303 Cornell, was arrested Thursday on a charge of manufacture/delivery of a controlled substance.

• **MANUEL ROMERO LOZANO III**, 39, of 2504 Chanute, was arrested Thursday on a charge of possession of drug paraphernalia and a warrant from another agency.

• **SUE ELLEN RODRIGUEZ**, 30, of 1207 E. 16th St., was arrested Thursday on warrants for driving while license invalid and failure to appear.

• **DIANA CELINA ZAVALA**, 35, of 301 E. 19th St., was arrested Thursday on a warrant from another agency.

• **RICHARD BRADLEY RICHARDS**, 44, of Lubbock, Texas, was arrested Thursday on charges of possession of drug paraphernalia and public intoxication.

• **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 2200 block of Nolan.

• **THEFT** was reported in the 500 block of N. Lamesa Highway.

## Sheriff

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

Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 66 inmates at the time of this report.

• **RICHARD BRADLEY RICHARDS**, 44, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on charges of public intoxication and possession of drug paraphernalia.

• **JEAN LOUISE NOGGLER**, 41, was booked into the county detention center Thursday by the BSPD on municipal warrants for parked within an intersection and failure to maintain financial responsibility.

• **BOBBY HAROLD DAVIS**, 37, was booked into the county detention center Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of manufacture/delivery of a controlled substance.

• **SUE ELLEN RODRIGUEZ**, 30, was booked into the county detention center Thursday by the BSPD on a municipal warrant for driving while license invalid.

• **DIANA CELINA ZAVALA**, 35, was booked into the county detention center Friday by the BSPD on a municipal warrant for failure to appear and a Nolan County warrant for theft by check.

• **MANUEL ROMERO LOZANO III**, 39, was booked into the county detention center Friday by the BSPD on a Travis County warrant for parole violation and a charge of possession of drug paraphernalia.

• **DANNYE JOLENE STANSBERRY**, 37, was booked into the county detention center Friday by the BSPD on a Jefferson County warrant for theft by check and a charge of possession of marijuana — two ounces or less.

## Fire/EMS

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

• **MEDICAL** was reported in the 300 block of N.E. 10th Street. One person was transported to SMMC.

• **MEDICAL** was reported in the 1100 block of N. Aylesford. One person was transported to SMMC.

• **TRAUMA** was reported in the 300 block of S. Gregg Street. One person was transported to SMMC.

## Take Note

• Big Spring High School's officials have changed the campus' summer hours because of ongoing construction. The new hours are 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Thursday. For more information, call the school at 264-3641.

• Chorus rehearsals for Pops in the Park will be held from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. June 26 at First United Methodist Church. Those interested are asked to attend all four rehearsals. Anyone can participate. Rehearsals are held in the chorus rehearsal room, upstairs. Enter in the alleyway north door. Pops in

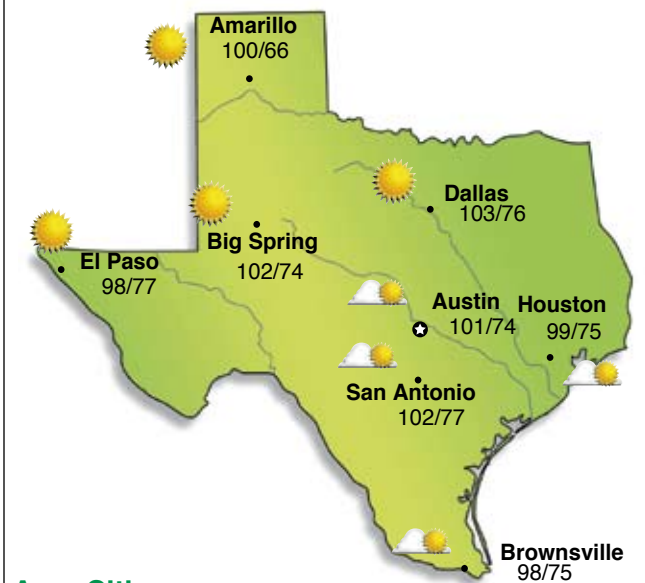
## Today's Weather

### Local 5-Day Forecast

Sun 6/24	Mon 6/25	Tue 6/26	Wed 6/27	Thu 6/28
<b>102/74</b> Abundant sunshine. Highs 100 to 104F and lows in the mid 70s.	<b>105/76</b> Abundant sunshine. Highs 103 to 107F and lows in the mid 70s.	<b>106/77</b> Sunny. Highs 104 to 108F and lows in the upper 70s.	<b>107/76</b> Sunny. Highs 105 to 109F and lows in the mid 70s.	<b>107/78</b> Times of sun and clouds. Highs 105 to 109F and lows in the upper 70s.
<b>Sunrise:</b> 6:41 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 8:56 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 6:41 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 8:56 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 6:41 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 8:57 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 6:42 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 8:57 PM	<b>Sunrise:</b> 6:42 AM <b>Sunset:</b> 8:57 PM

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#### Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
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Amarillo	100	66	sunny	Livingston	100	71	pt sunny
Austin	101	74	pt sunny	Longview	98	73	sunny
Beaumont	98	74	pt sunny	Lubbock	100	69	sunny
Brownsville	98	75	pt sunny	Lufkin	100	74	pt sunny
Brownwood	103	74	sunny	Midland	101	75	sunny
Corpus Christi	98	78	pt sunny	Raymondville	98	74	pt sunny
Corsicana	101	74	sunny	Rosenberg	99	75	pt sunny
Dallas	103	76	sunny	San Antonio	102	77	pt sunny
Del Rio	103	80	mst sunny	San Marcos	101	75	pt sunny
El Paso	98	77	sunny	Sulphur Springs	100	73	sunny
Fort Stockton	97	71	sunny	Sweetwater	101	74	sunny
Gainesville	100	72	sunny	Tyler	98	75	sunny
Greenville	100	73	sunny	Weatherford	101	72	sunny
Houston	99	75	pt sunny	Wichita Falls	103	71	sunny

#### National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	91	71	pt sunny	Minneapolis	82	58	mst sunny
Boston	82	65	mst sunny	New York	84	70	pt sunny
Chicago	87	59	t-storm	Phoenix	103	83	pt sunny
Dallas	103	76	sunny	San Francisco	57	50	pt sunny
Denver	96	65	pt sunny	Seattle	65	49	rain
Houston	99	75	pt sunny	St. Louis	100	74	sunny
Los Angeles	75	59	sunny	Washington, DC	90	73	mst sunny
Miami	84	79	t-storm				

#### Moon Phases



#### UV Index

Sun 6/24	Mon 6/25	Tue 6/26	Wed 6/27	Thu 6/28
<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>
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# Around the Area

## 'Fiddler' opens in Odessa

The Permian Playhouse in Odessa will debut the classic musical "Fiddler on the Roof" beginning tonight, at 8 p.m. Featuring Carl Moore as Tevye, the show will be onstage Friday and Saturday nights and 2:30 p.m. Sundays through July 8. Tickets are \$14 for adults, \$12 for seniors and students, and \$7 for children 12 and under. Tickets can be purchased by calling 432-550-5456, or online at www.permianplayhouse.com. A complimentary reception featuring assorted food and drink will be held tonight. The Permian Playhouse is located at 310 W. 42nd in Odessa.

## Senior Citizens Dance

Mitchell County Senior Citizens Dance will be held from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. June 28 at the Colorado Civic Center in Colorado City. Fee is \$5 per person. Bring snacks to share. Mike Porter and Kevin Rainwater will perform. Everyone is welcome.

## 'Anything Goes' in Alpine

Friday marks the opening week for the

47th season of the Theatre of the Big Bend in Alpine, Texas.

Cole Porter's "Anything Goes" will play three weekends through Sunday, July 8 with a special holiday performance Thursday, July 5. Performances are at 8:15 p.m. June 22, 23, 24, 29, 30, July 1, 5, 7, and 8. Tickets are \$9 for general admission; \$7 for seniors and children. Tickets are on sale now by calling 800-722-SRSU or visiting online at www.sulross.edu/theatre.

## Flower Grove reunion

The Flower Grove Reunion Committee has set its reunion for July 7 in the Lamesa High School student center, located in the 600 block of N. 14th.

Registration will begin at 10 a.m. and a catered meal will be served at 1 p.m. Cost will be \$12 per person. Pay at the door.

The Flower Grove School opened in 1922. Any student, teacher, school board member and staff who attended Flower Grove at any time is encouraged to attend and bring friends and family. For more information on the reunion, contact Lawana Webb at 806-462-7475.

## STARS

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some quality time together, as well. It doesn't matter how old you are, seeing the stars and the different heavenly bodies through a telescope is just amazing."

Alton said the West Texas Amateur Astronomy Club from Midland will provide several high-powered telescopes for those attending to get a better look at the

heavens.

"They've been really great in helping us put the stargazing event on each year," said Alton. "They really love doing this. Most people who are into astronomy love to teach others about it, so there will be plenty of knowledgeable people to answer questions during the presentation.

"From the look of things right now, we should have a crescent moon that night. Saturn and Mars should also be within view, as well as

M13, a bright globular, and possibly M31, which is a really nice galaxy to view."

Alton said the Stargazing Party is a great chance for area residents to learn about astronomy, but it also serves an important purpose when the state of Texas begins looking at the park's budget, several of which are currently on the legislature's chopping block.

"We invite everyone to come out," said Alton. "These events keep

the state park finances going, especially in these times when budgets are under such a tremendous strain. Our state park is already being subsidized by the county and city and without their help, well, we wouldn't even have a state park right now. The state looks at attendance at these types of events when they decide how much to allocate, and those numbers are more important than ever."

Alton said he plans to

set up an alternate date, just in case Mother Nature decides not to cooperate Saturday.

"If the weather doesn't cooperate with us — we have too many clouds or it rains — we'll reschedule the Stargazing for July," he said.

Alton said no admission will be charged for the stargazing, but donations will be accepted. The park is located at No. 1 Scenic Drive, just off FM 700 near Wasson Road. For more information about the

stargazing event, contact Alton at 263-4931.

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

## BSHS

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Assessment of Knowledge and Skills (TAKS) of previous years.

"The (freshmen) who are attending summer school are getting specific help in the areas they need," Ritchey said. "Some need help with writing, some need help with biology and some need help with the other test areas ... so, instead of having to take one (state-mandated) test, the students had to take five."

Freshmen were the only high school students required to take the new EOC tests as the State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness (STAAR) is

being phased in to replace TAKS as the state barometer of student performance.

Next year, freshmen and sophomores will be required to take the EOC tests, with juniors joining in the following year.

"Instead of remediating students for their scores on one test, we're having to remediate for five tests, and the next year it will be 10 tests and 15 tests the year after that," Ritchey said. "So, naturally, you'll have more kids taking summer school. This is a state-wide thing, not just Big Spring High School."

Despite the increased numbers of students taking summer remediation work, Ritchey has little doubt both the district and its students

will meet the increased demands posted by the new tests.

"I'm very confident that by the time these students are seniors, they will have completed all the necessary course work and be ready to graduate," he said.

Coahoma High School had roughly 25 freshmen who were required to take remediation for failure to meet EOC standards, said Amy Jacobs, superintendent of Coahoma Independent School District.

Instead of two or three weeks of half-day summer school classes, however, CHS students received their remediation during five full days of instruction immediately following the end of the 2011-2012 school year, Jacobs said.

"We utilized flex

days to provide accelerated instruction for the students who didn't meet standards for the STAAR end of course tests," Jacobs said. "We had that built into our schedule ... and it worked out really well for our students."

The first opportunity for students to retake the EOC exams will be between July 9 and July 13.

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

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- Travel league Titans for continuing their winning streak and taking home another championship from their most recent match-up in the Lubbock area.

- Troy Hyden for returning a long lost ring to Lyle Moore and Danine Smith for returning a lost ring to Cody Rosenbaum. Both connections were made on Facebook recently.

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- The 16 agencies which will be supported by the United Way of Big Spring and Howard County for the 2013 campaign.

- Heritage Museum for hosting another successful Legends and Legacies event. Also, to all those who came out and supported the event.

- All Relay For Life committee members who helped make the 2012 event a success.

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## A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

May we be an active member, Lord,  
of Your word.

Amen

# An Orwellian concern or a remote controlled disaster?

It maybe a bit cliched to compare our nation with Oceania. After all, it seems every political columnist since the advent of surveillance cameras has lamented the death of our collective privacy and referenced Orwell's glimpse into a utopian nightmare in the landmark novel "1984" — which deals with life during the implementation of a totalitarian government after a great nuclear war ravages the planet.

Winston Smith, the protagonist in "1984", reluctantly accepted the new landscape of his state, and even belonged to the ruling party, which is headed by "Big Brother" — the shadowy figure (who may or may not even exist) which reminds citizens to stay in line or face the consequences.

Eventually, Smith begins to question the powers that be, despite the threat of punishment or death for doing so.

We, the people, have slowly been giving up privacy for decades. Under the guise of security and protection from terrorists, drug dealers, armed robbers and other ne'er do wells, the usually vigilant American public has allowed our own version of Big Brother to permeate our society.

Our cell phone conversations can be recorded if too many suspect terms are used over the course of a conversation. Social media sites mine data — including personal information — then it is sold to advertisers (and God knows who else) to strengthen their marketing demographics. Cameras adorn street corners and stop lights in small towns and big cities the world over. Computers that photograph and catalog facial recognition images are being installed everywhere from Madison Avenue to Las Vegas casinos. We are willing participants in this constant surveillance. Very few of us question it, let alone try to fight it.

I am just as guilty as everyone else. I log into Facebook daily, I talk on a cell phone and even the main streets I drive in Big Spring are equipped with

video cameras. In case Al-Quada passes through town to attend a rodeo or watch a sunset from Scenic Mountain.

Of course, I am joking — Middle Eastern terrorists have their own stubby, rock encrusted hills to visit and there is usually a public beheading going on to make an appearance at. (And if you think rodeos offer white-knuckle entertainment, you have never seen the live stoning of a woman whose spouse committed adultery.)

For the sake of brevity I will cut to the chase — I am finally speaking out about the loss of our personal liberty through increased surveillance.

The catalyst for this sudden concern, you ask? Drones.

Unmanned aircraft with innocuous names like Reapers, Predators and Global Hawks — among others — have been around used for a while now.

I have turned my attention to drones not because the federal government is ramping up the use of these flying death machines to carry out covert assassinations in geopolitical hotspots around the world (we aren't concerned with the safety of foreign civilians, anyway — this is America), but because these drones are now fully authorized to fly the blue skies and apple pies of the good ol' U.S.A.

Drones can be as large as a personal aircraft, or small enough to fit in the palm of your hand. The larger models can be armed with a variety of missiles. The smaller ones are geared toward spying on anyone plotting to revolt against the increasingly paranoid politicians and alphabet institutions that are in charge of keeping us sheep grazing lazily in the barnyard.

There are at 64 bases drones are operated from and hundreds of drones themselves.

There are legitimate uses for drones. When executing discretionary wars, it's easier to fly a jumbo-sized model airplane into a contested area and mistakenly take out a school or hospital without risking the life of a soldier.

Law enforcement agencies, disappointed with simple warrantless wiretaps and continually expanding lethal and non-lethal technologies invented to incapacitate unarmed protestors have been singing the praises of

of the potential good that could come out of commanding a fleet of drones.

As usual, I have been snarky and condescending in my commentary. The government brings that out in me these days.

But, to be fair, there are no confirmed (domestic) victims of "Dronegate" as of yet. But like everything similar that is introduced, the inherent abuse is just around the corner. Though technically not authorized to spy on unsuspecting citizens (yet), the drones can inadvertently, or, "accidentally" record information which sits around for months and can be used to incriminate those they eavesdrop on.

The Federal Aviation Administration, as well as the Pentagon, insist no armed drones would ever be used against Americans. It would violate the Posse Comitatus Act (which states that it is illegal for the U.S. Military to take action against American citizens).

So, the dilemma is simple: Where there is power, there is abuse of power. Most authorities contend that these drones are no threat to everyday Americans. They profess that drones are just another logical step in the progression of modern crime fighting and combatting foreign enemies.

Well, that's fine and dandy.

As for me, I have seen the astonishingly complacent masses allow politicians to torch the Bill of Rights in the aftermath of 9/11. The freedom mangling Patriot Act signed into law by President Bush, and the continuation of these nefarious policies by President Obama, have made me step back and seriously evaluate where we are headed as a nation.

My conclusion? Oceania.

Which is fitting, because we never seem to heed the warnings of the Winston Smiths among us.

I remain a cynic. If there is one thing both of our political parties have proven to us, it's that they have no problems wielding their immense power that happens to be funded by the taxpayers.

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## A statement in just 37 words

It was 40 years ago that Congress passed the Education Amendments of 1972.

Tucked into the bill was an amendment sponsored by then-Sen. Birch Bayh, which provided:

"No person in the United States shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any education program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance."

It sounds innocuous. But as Bayh recounts the story, it met with substantial opposition from the all-male Senate Judiciary Committee at the time. "They would say things like giving women equal rights to things like jobs and pay would be disruptive to the home if women were out working instead of being mothers," he told reporters in a recent interview. "But it didn't make sense because there were women already that were working jobs to support their families just fine."

What turned the tide was the testimony of Rep. Shirley Chisholm, the first African-American woman elected to serve in Congress. "Gentlemen, you know that I'm discriminated against all the time because I'm black. But that's nothing compared to how much discrimination I get for being a woman."

One year later, tennis great Billie Jean King defeated Bobby

Riggs in the tennis match billed "The Battle of the Sexes."

This week, 40 years after the passage of what became Title IX of the law, King went to Capitol Hill along with Dr. Mae Carol Jemison, the first woman of color to go into space, Olympic gold medalist Nancy Hogshead-Makar, and Superintendent of the U.S. Coast Guard Academy Rear Admiral Sandra L. Stosz to talk about how Title IX changed lives, theirs included.

Before the passage of Title IX, one in 27 girls participated in high school sports. Today, two out of five do. The number of women playing varsity sports in college has increased some 500 times. Title IX, by ending discrimination in athletic scholarships, opened the door to college for countless American girls.

It has helped them to develop the strength, confidence and leadership skills that accomplished men with backgrounds in high school and college sports have long pointed to as factors in their success.

Back in 1984, when I was working for presidential candidate Walter Mondale, I always looked for opportunities to insert what we called "women's issues" into his stump speech. That summer, the Olympics in Los Angeles captured the imagination of the nation. Why not? I wrote a few lines pointing to the great success of the women at the games, and how many of them had played sports in high school and college — thanks in no small part to Title IX. To everyone's surprise, myself included, it was a huge applause line. I looked at the crowd and

realized that many — or most — of the parents in the audience were the fathers and mothers of girls. They got it. It's easy to feel skeptical and cynical about almost everything that happens in Washington, to think that it doesn't matter who wins and loses because nothing really changes. But that's not true.

Because of the courage of the men in the United States Senate back in 1972, including Birch Bayh and Walter Mondale, because of the courage of Shirley Chisholm, because of those 37 words, the lives of girls and women changed. Yes, there are proponents of men's sports who claim that the less popular (read: profitable) male sports have been shortchanged as a result of Title IX. But the studies don't bear it out. If you insist on victims for cutbacks, blame football (which eats up so many athletic scholarships), not women's basketball or volleyball.

One of my research assistants, who just graduated, is a woman of unusual maturity, strength and character. She is wise beyond her years. She has wonderful parents, but they don't take the credit. She was captain of the women's volleyball team at Cornell. No, she's a lawyer now, not a volleyball player. But if you ask her, if you ask her parents, if you ask me, her years playing sports in high school and college made her the leader she will be for the rest of her life.

Thirty-seven words were all it took.

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# Church News

## Forsan Baptist Church

Vacation Bible School will begin July 8 at 6 p.m. at the Forsan Pool. Hot dogs will be provided and swimming will be available. VBS will be Thursdays from July 8 through July 29, at 6-8 p.m.

The "Fruit of the Spirit" study is under way Wednesday at 6 p.m.

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 have been suspended for the summer, but will resume in August. Wednesday services are at 6 p.m.

Our youth are leaving for Camp Eagle this Sunday at 12:30 p.m. Rides for all youth activities are available if arranged ahead of time. Call the church at 432-457-2342 or Pastor Darren Weaver at 432-213-2348.

## 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. Sunday, the Rev. Claude McKiddy will deliver the message while the Rev. Kenneth McIntosh is on vacation.

The board will meet at 12:15 p.m. following the morning worship. Samaritan Counseling is available for anyone Thursdays from 11 a.m. until 8 p.m. and Fridays from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m. You do not have to be a member of the church to use their services.

Volunteers are needed at Isaiah 58 to help unload the truck Monday mornings and to assist clients. Client hours are from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Mondays and 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesdays. Isaiah 58 is located at 107 Runnels. Call 268-9530 or the church office for more information.

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

## Spring Creek Fellowship

"Bug Zone" Vacation Bible School — for ages pre-K through the completion of 5th grade — begins Sunday and continues through 6 p.m. Friday.

Offerings will go to "Mission India." Lots of music, arts and crafts and recreation fun. Volunteers are still needed and registration is going on now. Contact Donna Wennik or the church office.

Spring Creek Fellowship youth will be operating the "Mr. W" Fireworks Store located on South Highway 87. Hours of operation will be as follows:

Sunday, June 24 from 1 p.m. to 9 p.m.  
Monday, June 25 through Saturday June 30 from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Sunday, July 1 from 1 p.m. to 10 p.m.  
Monday, July 2 through Wednesday, July 4 from 9 a.m. to midnight.

"Girls Bible Study" meets at 5 p.m. for girls ages 13-19 and is led by Rachel Jo Eckert. "Between the Lines" women's ministry meets the third Friday of the month. The next meeting is 6 p.m. July 20. Call the church office for more details.

Spring Creek prayer ministry meets at 1:45 p.m. Thursdays at the church. Childcare for those 4

years old and under is available.

Sunday school classes/connection groups meet from 9:15-10:15 a.m. Holy Grounds Café is open from 10:15 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. with snacks and fellowship. Worship is scheduled from 10:45 a.m. until noon.

Wednesdays, a meal is served at 5:30 p.m. Bible study and youth and children's activities are at 6 p.m.

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

"October Baby" will be our movie for family movie night Saturday, July 21 at 6 p.m.

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

## First Baptist Church

During a called business meeting last Sunday, the congregation approved a bid for repairs to the church building at approximately \$145,000. A fund has been established for raising the money and gifts should be designated for this purpose in addition to budget giving.

Jonathan and Rebekah Raffini were elected as delegates to the Southern Baptist Convention in New Orleans. The church approved a partnership with Charles River Church in Boston as they reach out to their community in setting up an AWANA program and Upward Basketball.

A prayer walk has been organized by Lisa Dunnam, and anyone may sign up with her to pray Sunday morning at 9 a.m. in and around the sanctuary. A schedule is being set up and different teams will be involved each Sunday.

The youth are preparing for their mission trip to Canada. This is a joint venture with Stanton Baptist youth.

Children from first to sixth grade are encouraged to get registered for summer camp.

Sunday school is at 9:30 a.m. and morning worship is at 10:50 a.m. Sunday evening will be prayer time in the Family Life Center. Thursday at 7 p.m. the professional portrayal of Acts the 3 Man Show will be held at the church. Tickets may be purchased in the church office for \$12 with children younger than five free. On the day of the show the price will be \$15.

## St. Mary's Episcopal Church

St. Mary's Episcopal Church will have a morning prayer service at 9:30 Sunday.

The Daily Grind with God — Coffee Hour meets Wednesday at 10 a.m. in the parish hall.

The Brown Bag Book Bunch will meet Wednesday from 6 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. The Wind in the Willows by Kenneth Grahame will be discussed. Bring a sack lunch.

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

## North Birdwell Lane United Methodist Church

North Birdwell Lane United Methodist Church meets Sunday for worship at 10:30 am. Pastor Billy Bates leads the ser-

vice and Jacque Mauch leads the music.

Sunday school is at 9:30 a.m. We will discuss the last lesson in "Justice Defined." Jacque Mauch will be the discussion leader on "The heart of the law" taken from Deuteronomy 10:1-22; 16:18-20.

A burn ban is still in place, so pray for our fire fighters not only in our own community, but for those fighting fires in other states.

Remember those in need of fans to help them through these hot days of summer. Pray for rain.

North Birdwell Lane United Methodist Church is located at 2702 N. Birdwell. To contact the church, call 267-2203 or 267-3241. The food pantry is still available to those in need by contacting the above numbers.

## Alive in Christ

### Lutheran Church LCMS

We are located at 2805 Lynn Drive. Our church 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. with Sunday school at 10:15 a.m.

Pastor Lannon Martin received a call and accepted and will begin July 15, 2012. An installation service is in the planning stages. Pastor Martin will also be at the service Sunday.

Dr. Alan Able will conduct the worship service Sunday. This week's sermon is entitled "Crying In The Wilderness."

George vonHassell will be reading the liturgy Sunday. The readings are Isaiah 40:1-5, Psalm 85: (1-6) 7-13, Acts 13:13-26 and Luke 1:57-80.

Pastor Carroll Kohl is on KBYG every morning for a devotion sponsored in part by the Lutheran Hour. Tune in to 106.3 FM or 1400 AM between 6:45 and 6:50 each morning for "Morning Meditation Thoughts."

## Christ in the Country Fellowship

Sunday fellowship is at 10:30 a.m. Coffee and doughnuts will be available before.

Leslie Jones from Covenant Ranch Fellowship will join us Sunday morning.

Christ in the Country Fellowship is located at 5100 E. FM 846 in Luther.

## St. Paul Lutheran Church

St Paul Lutheran Church is located at 810 Scurry.

Sunday worship, with Pastor Don Rosentreter, is at 9 a.m., followed by fellowship and Bible study in our fellowship hall.

Wednesday Bible study class is studying Francis Chen's book, Crazy Love, Overwhelmed by a relentless God. We meet for one hour beginning at 10:30 a.m. in the pastor's office enter from Scurry Street.

Wednesday we meet at 6 p.m. to discuss the previous Sunday's scripture readings. The group meets in the fellowship hall, enter from Gregg Street.

## 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 chancel choir will practice

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# Breaking out of prison

Prison — the chains that bind, the bars that confine, and the walls that define — is a foreign concept for many of us and a reality for others.

My husband and I have only been inside the chain-link fences and razor wire of a prison a few times. Fortunately, we were allowed to sign in on the guest book instead of the resident list. When we finished the presentation we had given inside a controlled-entrance classroom, we were escorted back to the entrance, our car keys and driver's licenses were returned to us and we were free to walk outside.

Even though our experiences inside a prison have been short-termed and positive, I will never forget the ominous feeling of hearing automatic doors lock behind me and walking into the unfamiliar world of captivity. Just knowing my safety and my freedom depended on someone else was overwhelming.

In reality, however, many of us are incarcerated in some kind of prison. Former President Harry S. Truman once declared, "The White House is the finest prison in the world."

The disillusioned 33rd President of the United States also said, "If you want a friend in Washington, get a dog."

Like President Truman, we sometimes find ourselves trapped in a prison of our own making. Our desires and ambitions

may become a snare of isolation and responsibility. Fame and achievement increases the demand for privacy and security.

While most of us may never be caged by high position, we may live behind self-imposed bars of fear and anxiety or find ourselves shackled by impossibly high expectations. We may hide behind locked doors of guilt and shame, or blame others for our imprisonment when we carry the keys to freedom in our own pockets.

In the scripture, Jesus, who referred to himself as the way, the truth, and the life (John 14:6) also said, "And you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free" (John 8:32 NASB).

When we trust Jesus as the truth which leads to salvation, we have freedom from sin. That freedom also includes release from the psychological trappings which imprison us. The best way to break out of our self-imposed prisons is to ask Jesus to show us how to use the keys that he made available to us from the cross.

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



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## Summer Youth & Adult Programs

### SUMMER SOCCER:

Sign-ups - June 23rd-July 14th

@ The Big Spring YMCA

Coaches Meeting: July 16th @ Big Spring YMCA @ 7:00pm

Games Begin - July 24th, 2012

Cost: \$50.00 per kid

Ages: 3-15



### SUMMER DODGE BALL:

Sign-ups - June 23rd-July 6th

@ The Big Spring YMCA

Coaches Meeting: July 9th @ Big Spring YMCA @ 7:00pm

Games Begin - July 16th, 2012

Cost: \$25.00 per kid

Grades: (1st-4th), (5th-8th), (9th and up)



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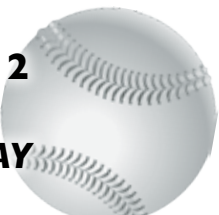
Sign-ups - June 30th-July 8th

Coaches Meeting: July 10th @ Big Spring YMCA @ 7:00pm

Games Begin - July 22nd, 2012

Cost: \$100.00 per team

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## Reflections

## Celebrating diversity

We are all different in the way we look, the way we talk, the way we think. This is especially clear in Nuremberg where we are spending the summer.

Last week we attended an African festival that packed the park. African music echoed through the trees, strange fragrances drifted on the breeze and multiple ethnicities melted into the crowd. The major cities of the world are cosmopolitan. More than 90 languages are spoken in Houston. In Dallas, every ethnicity is a minority, including Anglo.

Last week, I left my wife in the lobby of the theater while I went off to secure a video rental. When I returned, she had struck up a conversation with a young man with several days growth of beard. He was from Algiers, working as a chef at a Cuban restaurant in Nuremberg. Later, when traveling on the bus trying to find the Ikea store, we encountered a helpful woman who led us to our destination.

She spoke fluent English, lives one month of the year in Nuremberg and the rest in India, though she recently spent three months in China.

God must like difference and diversity. There is so much of it. If we all looked alike, spoke alike and thought alike, it would be a boring and shallow world. God has splashed His creation with rich and wondrous diversity, from the fish of the sea and the stars in the heavens to the people of the earth.

Why is it, then, that we are so prone to make other people conform to our own way of life? Why do we feel it necessary to argue until others adopt our point of view? Why do we want them to dress like us, look like us and talk like us?

What should a Christian look like?

It seems to me that most Christians think other Christians should look like they look. But they don't. I am reminded of a visit I made several years ago to the Harley Davidson Factory in Kansas City. A young man stood up to address the group and introduced himself as a disciple of Jesus Christ disguised as an executive at Harley Davidson. Disciples of Jesus Christ come disguised in the clothing and customs of every culture on the globe.

Like our 21<sup>st</sup> century world, first century Rome was an empire of wide cultural diversity. Writing to Christians who lived in this diverse cultural context, the Apostle Paul gave these instructions: "The one who eats everything must not treat with contempt the one who does not, and the one who does not eat everything must not judge the one who does, for God has accepted them." And "One person considers one day more sacred than another; another considers every day alike.

"Each of them should be fully convinced in their own mind. Whoever regards one day as special does so to the Lord.

"Whoever eats meat does so to the Lord, for they give thanks to God; and whoever abstains does so to the Lord and gives thanks to God. For none of us lives for ourselves alone, and none of us dies for ourselves alone."

Paul's instructions for living in a diverse world have two primary threads. First, be willing to accept different customs and cultures without judging them. Second, live out your faith in Christ so that you are consistent with your conscience and so that you promote the best interest of others.

*Bill Tinsley reflects on current events and life experience from a faith perspective. Visit [www.tinsleycenter.com](http://www.tinsleycenter.com). Email [bill@tinsleycenter.com](mailto:bill@tinsleycenter.com).*



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## 'Fortnight for Freedom'

Prayers, organized events in support of religious freedom, June 21-July 4

## Special to the Herald

Along with bishops throughout the United States, San Angelo Bishop Michael D. Pfeifer, OMI, is asking the people of the diocese to join in "Fortnight for Freedom," a 14-day period of prayer, education and action in support of religious freedom, June 21-July 4.

"I encourage our priests and all the people of our parishes to offer special prayers, organize events, especially ecumenical events with other Christians and all who wish to defend our most cherished freedom, our religious freedom," Pfeifer said.

The 14 days from June 21 — the vigil of the Feasts of St. John Fisher and St. Thomas More — to July 4, Independence Day, are dedicated to this "Fortnight for Freedom" — a great hymn of prayer for our country.

The Catholic liturgical calendar celebrates a series of great martyrs who remained faithful in the face of persecution by political power — St. John

Fisher and St. Thomas More, St. John the Baptist, SS. Peter and Paul, and the First Martyrs of the Church of Rome. Culminating on Independence Day, this special period of prayer, study, catechesis and public action emphasizes both the Christian and American heritage of liberty.

For more information, visit the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' website at [uscbb.org](http://uscbb.org) and the document, "Our First, Most Cherished Liberty," outlining the bishops' concern for freedom as Americans deal with the insurance mandate of the Health and Human Services Department of our country.

Pfeifer has also included a prayer in English and Spanish to be prayed at the end of each mass during these 14 days of prayer.

For more information, contact Jimmy Patterson, director of communications for the Diocese of San Angelo, at [jimmyleepatterson@gmail.com](mailto:jimmyleepatterson@gmail.com), or by cell, at 432.889.6640.



Courtesy photo

Acts 3 Man Show will be at First Baptist Church for a time performance June 28 at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$15 at the door and \$12 in advance with children younger than 5 years old receiving free admission.

## CHURCH

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room of the fellowship hall.

Everyone is asked to remember in prayer our youth group as they participate in a "Week of Hope" Mission Trip in St. Louis, Mo.

Louise Hitch is in charge of "Take Ten" refreshments. Liturgist for June is John Farquhar. Ushers for the month are Jo Dell Myrick, Ann Sinclair, Nancy and Jim Bill Little.

The lectionary is I Samuel 17:32-49; Psalm 9:9-20; II Corinthians 6:1-13; Mark 4:35-41. The chancel choir will present "An Irish Blessing" by Becky Slagle Mayo and "Shout for Joy!" by Allen Pote as the offertory anthem. 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

at 6 p.m. and then take a month off.

The Boy Scouts met Monday, June 11, at 6 p.m. in the entrance

a printed bulletin for Sunday services, call the church office at 263-4211. Visit our website [www.fpcbs.org](http://www.fpcbs.org).

## First United Methodist Church

There will be a new member fellowship Sunday morning, June 24 at 9:45 a.m. The gathering will take place in the church parlor, adjacent to Garrett Hall. Pastor Ivins will share a bit of the church's story and where he sees the church headed in the future. There will coffee and light refreshments. The nursery and Sunday school classes will be available for children if needed.

"The Power of Introduction" will be Pastor Bill's sermon topic at the 8:30 a.m. and 10:50 a.m. service of worship. Children are reminded to bring their special surprises for "Sermon in a Sack" at Little Church which is before children's church in the youth hall.

Mondays and Wednesdays we have Children's Day Out as well as Kids With A Purpose. Both meet from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. Wednesday at noon we have a Bible study taught by the pastor as well as a luncheon. This weeks meal will be catered by Just Peachy with serving at 11:50 a.m.

EPIC youth meets at 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays. This week they will be making final plans for the senior high group's trip to Colorado and the Desperation Conference. There will be 16 students plus leaders attending. They will leave June 26 and return June 30.

The junior high youth will be going to ROTC (Reaching Others Thru Christ) in Canyon July 9-13

to build wheelchair ramps for the elderly and disabled. Donations are need to help feed the youth and adults involved. First Methodist Big Spring is gathering cookies, individual variety pack cereals and lunch size bags of chips. Drop your donations off at the church office. Stacy Sheppard is in charge of food for this endeavor and she can be reached at 432-816-9409 for further information.

Chorus rehearsals for Pops in the Park will be held from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. June 26 in the choir rehearsal room, upstairs, at First Methodist.

Senior Adult Ministry, better known as SAM, will hold the Annual Air Conditioned Independence Celebration at noon July 4 in Garrett Hall. There will be hotdogs, hamburgers, Bingo and ice cream. Doors open at 11:30 a.m.

A fall brunch, for ladies of all ages, is scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 20. Guest speaker will be Mrs. Zoe Elmore of Proverbs 31 Ministries who will bring a light-hearted message entitled "A Ladies' Survival Kit." Those of you interested in hosting and decorating a table for this event, contact Becky Woodall.

First United Methodist Church is located in the heart of downtown Big Spring at Fourth and Scury Streets.

## First Presbyterian Church, Coahoma

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

The lectionary is I Samuel 17:32-49; Psalm 9:9-20; II Corinthians 6:1-13; Mark 4:35-41.

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# Despite rain, rodeo's opening night draws crowd

## Rodeo Results

### BAREBACK RIDING

- 1) Jake Brown, Hillsboro, TX, 79 on C57 Patron
- 2) Bill Tutor, Huntsville, TX, 72 on 5 Buck Wild
- 3) Marvin Alderman, Idabel, OK, 71 pts on 911 Good Times

### STEER WRESTLING

No qualifiers

### TIE DOWN ROPING

- 1) Vin Fisher, Andrews, TX, 10.2
- 2) Matt Kenney, Midland, TX, 10.3
- 3) Josh Timm, Robert Lee, TX, 10.5
- 4) Jake Brown, Stephenville, TX, 10.6

### SADDLE BRONC RIDING

- 1) Cody Taton, Mud Butte, SD, 84 pts on 81 High Lonesomed
- 2) Travis Sheets, Hyannis, NE, 71 pts on 610 Faded Blood
- 3) Isaac Diaz, Roswell, NM, 68 pts on 6 Main Squeeze

### TEAM ROPING

- 1) Quisto Lopez, Beeville, TX, 7.9  
Boogie Ray, Mabank, TX
  - 2) Jake Brown, Stephenville, TX, 16.0  
Kirt Jones, Hobbs, NM
- Only qualifiers

### BARREL RACE

- 1) Lisa Ogden, Gail, TX, 16.78
- 2) Tracey Austin-Ivy, Sanger, TX, 17.14
- 3) Caren Lamb, Tucumcari, NM, 17.17
- 4) Julie Hardcastle, Crane, TX, 17.28

### BULL RIDING

- 1) Roy Dunn, Snyder, TX, 75 pts on 849 Backlash
- 2) Cody Graves, George West, TX, 72 pts on Just John



HERALD photo/Brian McCormack

The 79th Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo kicked off Thursday at the rodeo bowl. Cole Bruce (above) of Weatherford, Texas is shown bareback riding. The rodeo will resume tonight at 8 p.m. and the final night's events will begin at 8 p.m. Saturday, with concerts to follow both evenings.

# James gets triple-double, Miami wins title after taking four straight

## BRIAN MAHONEY

AP Basketball Writer

MIAMI — Music blared and confetti fell, the only celebration LeBron James really wanted in Miami.

Not that one two summers ago, the welcoming rally where he boasted of multiple titles, perhaps without realizing how hard it would be to win just one.

He dreamed of this moment, with teammates surrounding him and the NBA championship trophy beside him.

"You know, my dream has become a reality now, and it's the best feeling I ever had," James said.

James had 26 points, 11 rebounds and 13 assists, leading the Miami Heat in a 121-106 rout of the Oklahoma City Thunder on Thursday night to win the NBA Finals in five games.

Ripped and ridiculed for the way he announced he was leaving Cleveland and taking his talents to South Beach, it's all worth it now for James.

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"I'm happy now that eight years later, nine years later since I've been drafted, that I can finally say that I'm a champion, and I did it the right way," James said. "I didn't shortcut anything. You know, I put a lot of hard work and dedication in it, and hard work pays off. It's a great moment for myself." And for his teammates, who watched the Dallas Mavericks celebrate on their floor last year.

James left the game along with Dwyane Wade and Chris Bosh for good with 3:01 remaining for a round of hugs and the start for a party he's been waiting for since arriving in the NBA out of high school as the No. 1 pick of the 2003 draft. James hopped up and down in the final minutes, shared a long hug with opponent Kevin Durant, and then soaked in the "MVP! MVP! chants during the raucous postgame.

"I wanted to become a cham-

pion someday," James said. "I didn't know exactly when it would happen, but I put in a lot of hard work."

He was a choker last year, the guy who came up small in the fourth quarter, mocked for "shrinking" in the moment while playing with what he called "hatred" in trying to prove his critics wrong.

He came to Miami seeking an easier road to the finals but found it tougher than he expected, the Heat coming up empty last year and nearly getting knocked out in the Eastern Conference finals this time by Boston. Facing elimination there, James poured in 45 points on the road to force a Game 7 and the Heat won it at home.

"It was the hardest thing I've ever done as a basketball player," James said. "You just put a lot of hard work into it and you hope that one day it will pay off for you."

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# Leaf to return to West Texas, judge could revoke probation

CANYON, Texas (AP) — Former NFL quarterback Ryan Leaf could return to West Texas as early as next week to face a judge who could revoke his probation on drug-related charges.

Leaf pleaded guilty in Montana after his arrest for breaking into a house and illegally possessing painkillers. A Montana judge on Tuesday gave Leaf at least nine months in a drug treatment center.

Leaf received 10 years

of probation in Texas in 2010 after pleading guilty to felony drug charges stemming from a burglary while he was a coach at West Texas A&M.

Randall County, Texas, District Attorney James Farren said Thursday that Leaf has waived extradition and could be picked up within a few days. Farren has indicated he will seek jail time for Leaf.

Leaf's attorney did not return a phone message.

# Spurs' Parker sues NYC nightclub over eye injury

NEW YORK (AP) — San Antonio Spurs guard Tony Parker is suing a New York City club and its operators for \$20 million over a scratched retina he says he suffered during a fight involving singer Chris Brown and members of hip-hop star Drake's entourage.

The suit was filed in State Supreme Court in Manhattan on Thursday. It says the W.i.P club in SoHo and its operators were negligent in secu-

rity and supervision, which allowed the fight to take place.

Chris Brown, his girlfriend and his bodyguard were among eight injured during the fight inside the club last week. Police say members of Drake's entourage stopped Brown as he was leaving. The fight escalated and bottles were thrown.

There was no answer at phone numbers listed as affiliated with those named in the lawsuit.

# Schilling: 'Company cost me baseball fortune'

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (AP) — Former Boston Red Sox pitcher Curt Schilling said Friday that the collapse of his 38 Studios video game company has probably cost him his entire baseball fortune, and he placed part of the blame on Rhode Island officials, including Gov. Lincoln Chafee.

Schilling said during a 90-minute interview on WEEI-FM in Boston that he put more than \$50 million of his own money in the company and that he's had to tell his family that "the money I saved during baseball was probably all gone."

Schilling said he hopes to return to work soon as an analyst for ESPN. He took a leave

of absence from the network after 38 Studios filed for bankruptcy protection on June 7. The firm was lured to Providence from Massachusetts in 2010 after Rhode Island offered a \$75 million loan guarantee.

The state is working to determine how much it's on the hook for after the company's collapse.

While he conceded that he "absolutely" was part of the reason the company failed, he said public comments made by Chafee last month questioning the firm's solvency were harmful as the firm tried — but failed — to raise private capital to stay afloat.

"I think he had an

agenda," Schilling said about Chafee.

Chafee vocally opposed the state's loan guarantee to 38 Studios when he was running for governor in 2010. But after it was a done deal, he was the company's "biggest cheerleader," Chafee spokeswoman Christine Hunsinger said Friday. She had no other immediate comments on Schilling's interview.

Schilling also accused Chafee of failing to work with an investor who was willing to put \$15 million to \$20 million into the company to help it succeed. He said the investor walked away because of Chafee's inaction.

38 Studios laid off its entire workforce

— nearly 300 employees in Providence and more in Maryland — last month. That move came after it was more than two weeks late on a \$1.1 million payment to the state; officials have said that was the first indication the company was in financial trouble.

The firm had sought millions of dollars in tax credits from Rhode Island as it struggled to stay afloat, but Schilling said Friday that he wasn't looking for a bailout.

State and federal authorities, meanwhile, are investigating 38 Studios' finances. Citizens Bank also has sued Schilling to recover \$2.4 million in loans it made to 38 Studios.



# Djokovic begins Wimbledon defense against Ferrero

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Associated Press

WIMBLEDON, England — Top-ranked Novak Djokovic will begin the defense of his Wimbledon title Monday against Juan Carlos Ferrero, the former No. 1 player and 2003 French Open champion.

Djokovic and Ferrero last played five years ago and have split their two matchups.

Friday's draw also slated Djokovic to meet 2010 finalist Tomas

Berdych in the quarter-finals then possibly six-time champion Roger Federer. That would be their sixth semifinal in the last eight Grand Slams. Djokovic leads them 4-1.

Federer opens against Albert Ramos of Spain.

Second-seeded Rafael Nadal and fourth-seeded Andy Murray were in the bottom of the draw.

Nadal, the two-time champion, will meet Thomaz Bellucci of Brazil first up, and Murray plays former

top-five player Nikolay Davydenko.

On the women's side, Maria Sharapova, who is the top seed for the first time, has a first-round match with Anastasia Rodionova of Australia, and defending champ Petra Kvitova plays Akgul Amanmuradova of Uzbekistan.

Sharapova and Kvitova could meet in the final for a second straight year.

Also in separate halves of the draw were Venus and Serena Williams,

who share nine Wimbledon titles and met each other in four finals.

Serena (No. 6) was seeded to meet Kvitova (No. 4) in the quarterfinals.

Williams beat Kvitova in the semifinals in 2010 en route to her fourth Wimbledon title and 13th and last Grand Slam victory.

Venus, unseeded for the first time since her tournament debut in 1997 and struggling with an autoimmune disease, plays Elena Vesnina of

Russia, then could run into No. 3 Agnieszka Radwanska in the second round.

Kim Clijsters, unseeded and counting down to her retirement in September, was drawn against another former top-ranked player, Jelena Jankovic, in the first round. Clijsters has been sidelined for most of the year with injuries and withdrew from the Unicef Open semifinals in the Netherlands on Friday because of a stomach muscle strain.

The draw also gave hope to extending the long-running Wimbledon saga: John Isner vs. Nicolas Mahut.

The pair played the longest match in tennis history, more than 11 hours over three days, in the first round in 2010. Isner won a second time — in about two hours — in the first round last year. The American and Frenchman could meet in the second round this year. Isner could run into Federer in the quarters.

# Sandusky jury reviews testimony in Penn State sex abuse case

BELLEFONTE, Pa. (AP) — Jurors in Jerry Sandusky's child sex abuse trial listened again to testimony from a key prosecution witness Friday as they began their second day of deliberations in the former Penn State assistant football coach's high-profile case.

The jury deliberated for more than eight hours Thursday before adjourning at the end of a long session that featured dueling portrayals of Sandusky as a "predatory pedophile" or the victim of a conspiracy between investi-

gators and his accusers.

Sandusky is accused of sexually abusing 10 boys over a 15-year period, using his charity for at-risk youth, The Second Mile, as a source of victims who would be dazzled by gifts, grateful for his attention and — perhaps most importantly — unlikely to speak up.

Sandusky has repeatedly denied the allegations. The defense portrayed him as the hapless victim of a conspiracy to convict him of heinous crimes. They explain the 48 charges against him as the re-

sult of an investigatory team out for blood and accusers who willingly played along in hopes of securing a big payday.

Judge John Cleland said jurors would take a couple of hours Friday to listen again to testimony from Mike McQueary and Dr. Jonathan Dranov. The testimony was being read out loud from transcripts.

McQueary told the court he saw Sandusky engaging in a sex act with a young boy in a Penn State

shower in 2001. Dranov later testified that McQueary told him a different version of the story that didn't include the then-graduate assistant seeing sexual contact.

However, McQueary testified that he hadn't told Dranov all that he saw.

Shortly after the jury began deliberations Thursday, attorneys for Sandusky's 33-year-old adopted son, Matt, dropped a bombshell, saying he'd been sexually abused

by the former coach and had been prepared to testify against him if called to the stand.

Sequestered during deliberations, the jury was under orders from Cleland to ponder only the case placed in their hands.

The jury heard from eight accusers who claim Sandusky engaging in sexual contact ranging from kissing and fondling to forced oral or anal sex.

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This time, with a chance to clinch, the Heat took control in the second quarter, briefly lost it and blew the game open again in the third behind their role players, James content to pass to wide-open 3-point shooters while the Thunder focused all their attention on him.

The disappointment of losing to Dallas in six games a year ago vanished in a blowout of the demoralized Thunder, who got 32 points and 11 rebounds from Durant.

Bosh and Wade, the other members of the Big Three who sat alongside James as he promised titles at his Miami welcoming party, both had strong games. Bosh, who wept as the Heat left their own court after losing Game 6 last year, finished with 24 points and Wade scored 20. The Heat also got a huge boost from Mike Miller, who made seven 3-pointers and scored 23 points.

That all made it easier for James, the most heavily scrutinized player in the league since his departure from Cleveland, when he announced he was "taking his talents to South Beach" on a TV special called "The

Decision" that was criticized everywhere from water coolers to the commissioner's office. James has said he wishes he handled things differently, but few who watched the Cavs fail to assemble championship talent around him could have argued with his desire to depart.

In Miami he found a team that didn't need him to do it alone, though he reminded everyone during this sensational postseason run that he still could when necessary. He got support whenever he needed it in this series, from Shane Battier's 17 points in Game 2 to Mario Chalmers' 25 in Game 4.

In the clincher it was Miller, banged up from so many injuries that he limped from the bench to scorer's table when he checked in. He made his fourth 3-pointer of the half right before James' fast-break basket capped a 15-2 run that extended Miami's lead to 53-36 with 4:42 remaining in the first half.

The Thunder were making a remarkably early trip to the finals just three years after starting 3-29, beating the Mavericks, Lakers and Spurs along the way. With Durant, Russell Westbrook, Serge Ibaka and James Harden all 23 or younger, the Thunder have the pieces in place for a lengthy stay atop the Western Conference.

But their inexperience showed in this series, a few questionable decisions, possessions and outright mistakes costing them in their franchise's first finals appearance since Seattle lost to Chicago in 1996. Westbrook scored 19 but made only four of his 20 shots, unable to come up with anything close to his 43-point outing in Game 4, and Harden finished a miserable series with 19.

"It hurts, man," Durant said. "We're all brothers on this team and it just hurts to go out like this. We made it to the finals, which was cool for us, but we didn't want to just make it there. Unfortunately

we lost, so it's tough."

Nothing they did could have stopped James, anyway.

Appearing fully recovered from the leg cramps that forced him to sit out the end of Game 4, he was dominant again, a combination of strength and speed that is practically unmatched in the game and rarely seen in its history.

Wade skipped to each side of the court before the opening tip with arms up to pump up the fans, then James showed them nothing wrong with his legs, throwing down an emphatic fast-break dunk to open the scoring. He made consecutive baskets while being fouled, showing no expression after the second, as if he'd hardly even known he was hit. Drawing so much attention from the Thunder, he started finding his wide-open shooters, and the Heat built a nine-point lead before going to the second up 31-26.

Oklahoma City got back within five early in the third before consecutive 3-pointers by Chalmers and Battier triggered a 27-7 burst that made it 88-63 on another 3-pointer by Miller. James didn't even score in the run until it was almost over, hitting a pair of free throws after he was flagrantly fouled by Derek Fisher while powering toward the basket.

Gone was the tentative player who was mocked for shrinking on the big stage last year, too willing to defer to others who didn't possess half his talents.

This time, he was at peace off the court and attacking on it, vowing to have no regrets and playing in such a way they wouldn't be necessary.

Miami had outscored Oklahoma City by just 389-384 over the first four games, but the Thunder were buried under a barrage of 14 3-pointers, tying the NBA record.

"They just hit 3s after 3s. They got it going and we couldn't stop them," Thunder center Kendrick Perkins said. "Things just didn't go our way."



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**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). Human decency is the fabric that holds society together. You give your trust to unseen people, and things work well for you. And when you're the trusted "unseen," you make sure things turn out right.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). You'll probably have to alter your plan in order to accommodate new circumstances this afternoon. Your flexible attitude is the biggest contributor to your success.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). You're calm and centered, so you have more choices than the person who is emotionally all over the place. You can choose your best response to the world from a range of possibilities.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). It will take time to understand how obstacles contribute to your creativity. Right now they just seem like problems you're not so keen on handling. But handle them you will, and you'll prevail, too.

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**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You look forward to what the day will bring, though you're not expecting or demanding any particular outcome. The excitement you feel keeps your energy light and bright.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). A demand is made of you that is perhaps doable, but not at all reasonable. Stand up for yourself. Don't accommodate others at the expense of your own comfort and well-being.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You let the emotions flow through you so they don't get stuck inside. Stuck emotion would slow you down at this point. It takes courage and emotional intelligence to feel your feelings to the extent that you do.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Love has a way of adjusting your chemistry to support your immune system. Thinking about, witnessing and giving love are all acts that will relax you and also make you healthier.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You may be dissatisfied with some aspect of your life, but to blame yourself or anyone else won't help at this point. Instead, offer yourself some kindness and wish everyone around you happiness.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Sooner or later, everyone discusses the topics on the "Do Not Discuss" list. As long as you don't start out there, it's probably fine to follow the conversation where it wants to go naturally.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). Instead of struggling with a certain pattern or habit, consider giving up the fight. What if you accepted who you are right now instead? Try it and see if things naturally improve.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY** (June 22). It's a fulfilling year. You sense that by leading just one person to be more loving you make a remarkable difference in the world — but you find it impossible to stop there. Many will experience your kind heart. A change in your living arrangement makes life easier in September. You'll join a new team in October. Gemini and Taurus people adore you. Your lucky numbers are 4, 2, 12, 39 and 16. © 2012 CREATORS.COM

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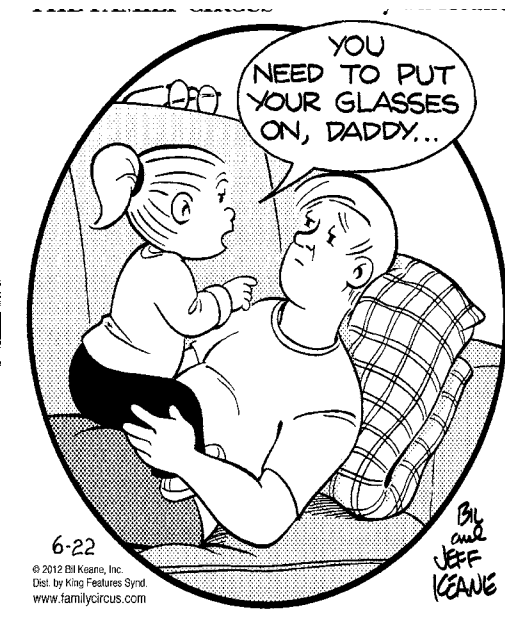
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DENNIS THE MENACE



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THE FAMILY CIRCUS



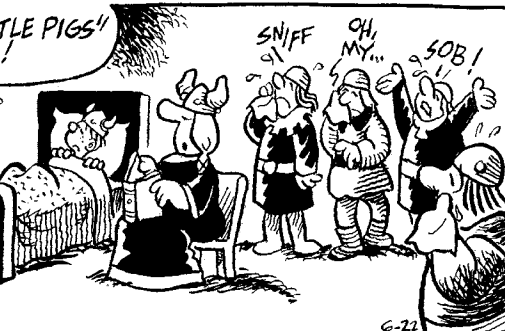
"... so I can recognize who I'm talkin' to."

HAGAR



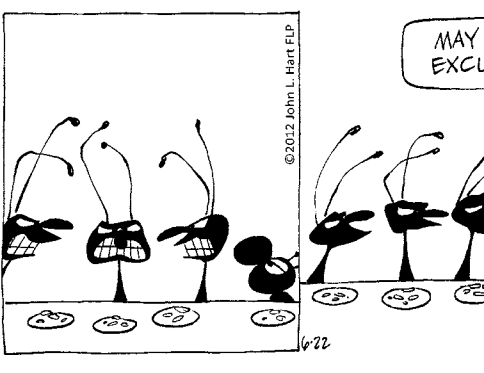
NO ONE READS "THE THREE LITTLE PIGS" BETTER THAN HELGA!

BLONDIE



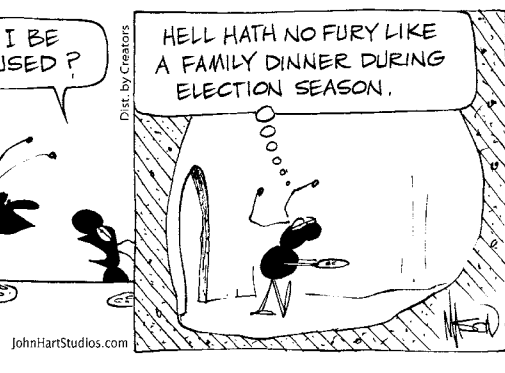
YOU COULD INSTALL HD FLAT-SCREEN TV'S ALL AROUND SO YOUR CUSTOMERS COULD ENJOY SOME GAMES WHILE THEY EAT!

BC



MAY I BE EXCUSED?

WIZARD OF ID



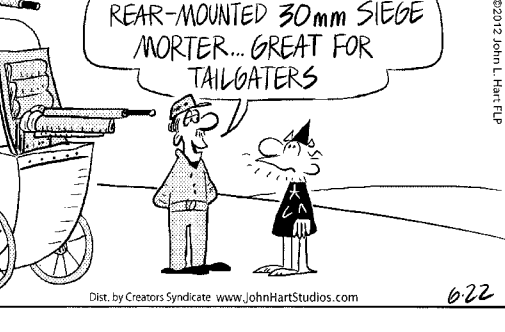
HELL HATH NO FURY LIKE A FAMILY DINNER DURING ELECTION SEASON.

AGNES



Dear Readers, I swear most between my third and second toe, so most of the sock lint collects there.

HI AND LOIS



GOOD HEAVENS, NO! THAT WOULD BE EXTREMELY GROSS!

THE OTHER COAST



THOSE ARE OUR FINAL REPORT CARDS.

SNUFFY SMITH



MY TEACHER SAID I WAS "ON THE BUBBLE."

BEEBLE BAILY



WE'RE ENTERING ENEMY TERRITORY, SO KEEP YOUR WITS ABOUT YOU, MEN

BEETLE BAILEY



SEZ HERE IT TOOK BILLIONS OF YEARS T'CHANGE A MONKEY INTO A MAN !!

BEETLE BAILEY



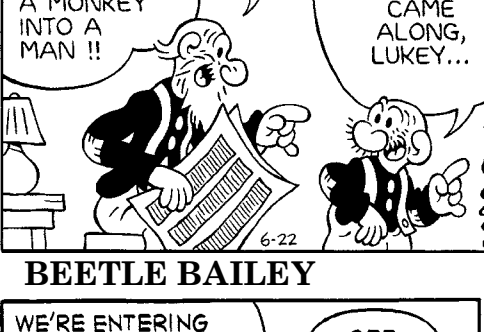
HEY, BABY, WANNA GO OUT WITH A YOUNG, VIRILE PUREBRED BORDER COLLIE?

BEETLE BAILEY



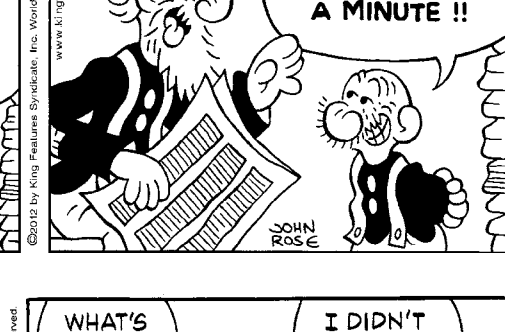
YOU'RE A FIFTEEN-YEAR-OLD BORDER COLLIE/LAB MIX, YOU'VE HAD WORMS TWICE, RINGWORM ONCE... AND YOU'RE NEUTERED.

BEETLE BAILEY



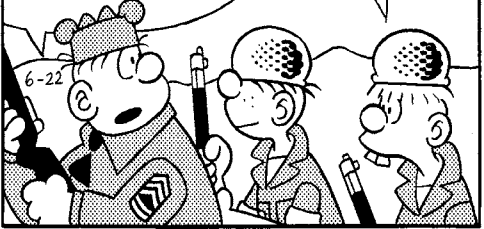
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BEETLE BAILEY



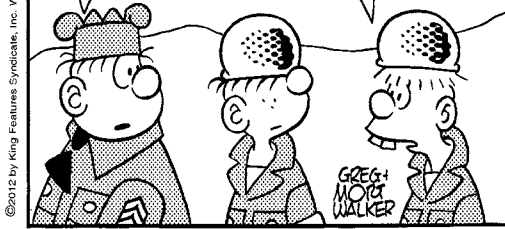
AN' REVERSED TH' PROCESS IN LESS THAN A MINUTE !!

BEETLE BAILEY



WHAT'S WRONG, ZERO?

BEETLE BAILEY



I DIDN'T BRING ANY WITS

This Date In History

Today is Friday, June 22, the 174th day of 2012. There are 192 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On June 22, 1912, the Republican National Convention in Chicago nominated President William Howard Taft and Vice President James Sherman for second terms of office (however, Sherman died just days before the election, which Taft lost to Woodrow Wilson).

On this date:

In 1611, English explorer Henry Hudson, his son and several other people were set adrift in present-day Hudson Bay by mutineers aboard the Discovery; their fate remains unknown.

In 1870, the United States Department of Justice was created.

In 1911, Britain's King George V was crowned at Westminster Abbey.

In 1937, Joe Louis began his

reign as world heavyweight boxing champion by knocking out Jim Braddock in the eighth round of their fight in Chicago.

In 1938, Joe Louis knocked out Max Schmeling in the first round of their rematch at Yankee Stadium.

In 1940, during World War II, Adolf Hitler gained a stunning victory as France was forced to sign an armistice eight days after German forces overran Paris.

In 1944, President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944, more popularly known as the "GI Bill of Rights."

In 1962, Air France Flight 117, a Boeing 707, crashed while on approach to Guadeloupe, killing all 113 people on board.

In 1969, singer-actress Judy Garland died in London at age 47.

In 1977, John N. Mitchell became the first former U.S. attorney general to go to prison as he began serving a sentence for his role in the Watergate cover-up. (He was released 19 months later.)

In 1987, actor-dancer Fred Astaire died in Los Angeles at age 88.

Answer to previous puzzle

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Newsday Crossword

SIMPLE AT HEART by Fred Piscop Edited by Stanley Newman www.stanxwords.com

- ACROSS**
- 1 Peloponnesian War victor
  - 7 Exercise target
  - 11 Help for the stranded
  - 14 Ump's cry
  - 15 Smidgen
  - 16 Blotter letters
  - 17 Place to get well
  - 19 "Close that window!"
  - 20 Even once
  - 21 White Monopoly bills
  - 22 Wrap-up
  - 24 Places for recliners
  - 25 Classic war game
  - 27 Before, to Brutus
  - 29 On a bias
  - 32 Prickly pears
  - 35 Wordsmith of old
  - 38 Leave in stitches
  - 39 View from Nice
  - 40 Researcher's wear
  - 43 Address abbr.
  - 44 Uttered
  - 46 Telly network, with "the"
  - 47 Did galley work
  - 49 Judge's order, at times
  - 51 Audio-speaker stats
  - 53 Miss the intro
  - 56 Line at the airport
  - 60 Locket feature
  - 62 Qatar leader
  - 63 Green sci.
- DOWN**
- 1 Render
  - 2 Tick off
  - 3 Visibly frightened
  - 4 Berates loudly
  - 5 Dairy-case container
  - 6 Without markup
  - 7 More powdery
  - 8 A ton of
  - 9 Absorbed, as a loss
  - 10 Far from arable
  - 11 Dress-shirt feature
  - 12 Caribbean cuisine staple
  - 13 LP flaw
  - 18 Ugandan city
  - 23 Diner delivery
  - 26 "I did it!"
  - 28 Zip
  - 30 Rainwater diverter
  - 31 Turned blue, perhaps
  - 32 "Move it!"
  - 33 Dynamic prefix
  - 34 Baltimore entrée
  - 36 Do superbly on
  - 37 Unemotional
  - 41 Up to it
  - 42 Pig thief of rhyme
  - 45 Myanmar neighbor
  - 48 T-bar trips
  - 50 Stick on a spindle
  - 52 Medal-worthy
  - 54 Take a powder
  - 55 Color after green
  - 57 Be a brat
  - 58 Held up
  - 59 Less forthright
  - 60 Get wound up
  - 61 Vacation spot
  - 66 Quarrel
  - 67 Spanish article

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