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Here's lookin' at ya. The Big Spring Rattlesnake Roundup will be held Saturday and Sunday at the Howard County Fair Grounds.

Bite doesn't deter Texas Snake Man

By STEVE REAGAN

Apparently, it's going to take more than a serious snake bite to keep Jackie Bibby away from the Big Spring Rattlesnake Roundup.

Bibby, who holds several world records for snake-handling, was loading rattlesnakes for transport to a show in Brownwood earlier this month when he was bitten in the stomach by one of the creatures.

He was rushed to Brownwood Regional Medical Center and received several injections of anti-venom. At one point, he was listed in critical condition in the hospital's intensive care unit, the Brownwood News reported.

It seems, however, that Bibby made a speedy

"We saw that report, also, and naturally, we

were very concerned," said Ray Alexander of the Big Spring chapter of the American Business Club, which is hosting this weekend's roundup. "But we talked to him and he said he was fine and that he would be here."

Bibby's exploits are expected to be one of the major highlights of the 49th annual Big Spring roundup, which will be held Saturday



and Sunday at the Howard County Fair Barns.

The event begins with hunters bringing in their catches today, then opens to the public the next two days. Day passes are \$5 for visitors ages 12 and older and \$3 for younger children. Admission is free to the arts and crafts section.

Bibby Cold weather, which drove the

snakes further underground, is considered the major cause for a below-average number of snakes on display at last year's event, but Ray Alexander has reasons to believe this year's roundup will be more suc-

"We didn't have a whole lot of snakes last year, but it's looking better this year," Alexander said. "For one thing, the prices the snakes are bringing are better this year, plus the weather is expected to be warmer this time around. That would sure help our take."

Regardless of the number of snakes on display, however, organizers promise many

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Drunk drivers indicted by grand jury

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

A Howard County grand jury handed down more than two dozen indictments during Thursday's session in 118th District Court, many of them for driving while intoxicated and narcotics violations.

Among those true-billed were:

- Roy Marvin Collier, 38, of 1307 Mt. Vernon, driving while intoxicated (third-degree felony).
- Jason Randall Davis, 39, currently being held at the county detention center, driving while intoxicated (seconddegree felony, enhanced),
- Ramon Fierro, 48, of 607 N. Bell, driving while intoxicated (third-degree felony).
- Ruben Guerra Jr., 34, of Dallas, Texas, possession of a
- controlled substance (second-degree felony, enabled). • Ned Randal Hildebrand, 39, of 110 Holley, driving while

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Pops committee readies for July 3

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

The calendar says March, but July was much on the minds of Pops in the Park committee members during their meeting Thursday.

The committee met to continue laying the groundwork for the 16th annual Pops in the Park extravaganza at the city park amphitheater July 3. While few details have



"We haven't finalized our budget

yet, but we're not anywhere near where we need

thing is certain.

"We are in dire

mittee Chairper-

son Kelly Seales.

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To bond or not to bond?

FISD making case for new construction

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer ELBOW — Forsan Indepen-

dent School District officials made their case for a \$23 million construction bond before a large crowd of district residents at Elbow Elementary Thursday night.

In an almost-packed school gymnasium, FISD Superintendent Randy Johnson, school trustees, administrators and consultants made a presentation on plans for the bond money, which include building a new elementary campus to replace Elbow.

Considering the bond is projected to add 33 cents to the district's tax rate, it was not surprising that a lot of questions directed at officials had to do with the plan's price tag, but other concerns raised during the meeting ranged from transportation issues to what will become of the Elbow campus if a new elementary is constructed.

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Elbow Elementary Principal Randy Gartman (in blue) talks

with Forsan school district residents following a public meeting on the district's proposed \$23 million construction







3/25

Police blotter

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

- FREDDIE WILLIAMS, 39, of 2539 Gunter, was arrested Thursday on a charge of assault – family
- LACEY LEE, 18, of 1800 S. Monticello, was arrested Thursday on a warrant from another • ADAM MONTEZ VIERA, 28, of 1905 Wasson Rd.
- Apt. 67, was arrested Thursday on a charge of shoplifting – more then \$50 and less than \$500. • SHANE DOUGLAS SNOEN, 18, of 1804 State St., was arrested Thursday on a charge of theft – more
- than \$500 and less than \$1,500. • RONALD TERRY PARHAM JR., 31, of Colorado City, was arrested Thursday on two warrants from other agencies and charges of possession of mari-
- juana two ounces or less and possession of drug paraphernalia. • ANTHONY RAE YEAGER, 27, of Colorado City, was arrested Thursday on five warrants from other
- JULIAN JAY TORRES, 20, of 500.5 N.W. Seventh St., was arrested Thursday on a charge of public intoxication by a minor.
- THEFT was reported:
- In the 500 block of N. Lamesa Highway. In the area of Stadium and Manor.
- In the 200 block of W. FM 700.
- FORGERY was reported:
- In the 1100 block of N.W. Seventh Street.
- In the 3600 block of W. Highway 80. CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported:
- In the 1900 block of N. Highway 87.
- In the 1800 block of S. Benton.
- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported: In the 700 block of E. 17th Street.
- In the 1800 block of State.

Sheriff

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

Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 79 inmates at the time of this • LACEY NICHOLE LEE, 18, was booked into the

- county detention center Thursday by the BSPD on a Dawson County warrant for possession of a controlled substance – methamphetamine. • THOMAS ALLEN YOUNG, 17, was booked into
- the county detention center Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of delivery of marijuana in a drug free zone – more than a quarter-ounce and less than five
- ADAM VIERA, 28, was booked into the county detention center Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of theft of property – more than \$50 and less than • JOHN ALLEN KING, 27, was booked into the
- county detention center Thursday by the Sterling City Sheriff's Office on warrant for driving while • SHANE DOUGLAS SNOEN, 18, was booked into
- a county warrant for theft of property more than \$500 and less than \$1,500.
- ANTHONY RAE YEAGER, 27, was booked into the county detention center Friday by the BSPD on Ector County warrants for failure to appear – burglary of a vehicle (five counts).
- RONALD T. PARHAM, 31, was booked into the county detention center Friday by the BSPD on Clark County warrants for violation of a promise to appear, failure to display driver's license and charges of possession of marijuana – two ounces or less and possession of drug paraphernalia.
- JULIAN JAY TORRES, 20, was booked into the county detention center Friday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication – less than 21 years

Fire/EMS

The Big Spring Fire Department and Emergency Medical Services reported the following activity: • MEDICAL was reported in the 1800 block of

- Morrison. One person was transported to SMMC. MEDICAL was reported in the 1000 block of
- Stadium. One person was transported to SMMC. • MEDICAL was reported in the 1800 block of N. Highway 87. One person was transported to SMMC.
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- RUBBISH FIRE was reported in the 800 block of
- W. Interstate Highway 20.
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Take Note

- The Prom Closet, located at Christy's Salon, 100 E. Third, is making recycled prom dresses available to young ladies who might otherwise not be able to afford one. The closet is open from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday through Friday or you may call contact Christian Fair at 432-816-3537 to make an appointment or for more information.
- March 30, 1973, all U.S. troops withdrew from Vietnam under the terms of the Treaty of Paris. March 8, 2011, the United States Senate declared March 30 as "Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day." The West Texas VA Health Care System is proud to host the 2013 Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans program. The program will be held at 6 p.m. March 28 at the Big Spring Country Club, 2401 Driver Road. For more information or to RSVP, contact the Office of Community Relations at the West Texas VA Health Care System, 432-264-4824.
- The Howard County A&M Club is accepting scholarship applications from high school students who are graduating this May and have been accepted at Texas A&M University for the Fall 2013 semester. Students must be Howard County residents and will enroll for at least 12 semester hours. Application deadline is April 1. More information and the application may be found on the club's web site: www. westexags.com
- · Big Spring residents, past and present, are invited to a reunion picnic on the third weekend in April. On April 19, early arrivals will meet at 11:30 a.m. at the Comanche Trail Park Old Settler's Pavilion for a brown bag lunch and visiting. Around 6 p.m., participants will meet at the Wagon Wheel for burgers and more visitation. Saturday, the 20th, the reunion will move to the Eagles Lodge from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.. Entry fee to the Eagles Lodge event will be a single (more if you wish) non-perishable canned good. Proceeds to be donated to a local food bank and/or folks needing assistance. A silent auction will be going on at the lodge with donated items, proceeds to fund the group's events and assistance fund. There will be some snacks available at the lodge. However, those attending are responsible for their own meals. Bring it or come and go. It is after all a picnic.
- · Howard County Master Gardeners Club business meetings take place at 6 p.m. the third Tuesday of every month at 1604 W. Fourth St., between Brown and Jones streets. The meetings are open to the public. For more information, contact the county extension office at 432-264-2236.
- Big Spring State Hospital patients are in need of warm clothing. Clean items should be taken to the Community Relations Office near the south entrance of the hospital, 1901 N. U.S. Highway 87. Clothing that cannot be used by the patients will be taken to the hospital's Chalet Resale Shop for sale to raise money for patient needs. Men's clothing and larger-sized clothing are always in need. For more information, call Melissa Adams, BSSH program coordinator, at 432 268-7730.
- The Big Spring State Hospital Volunteer Services Council needs assistance in The Chalet Resale Shoppe, 115 East Second St. The Chalet Resale the county detention center Friday by the BSPD on Shoppe is a fast-paced retail shop specializing in gently worn clothing and small household appliance. Volunteers are needed to sort, price, check out and stock donated items. Volunteer hours are flexible. The Chalet is open 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday. For more information, contact Jamey Stegall at james.stegall@dshs.state.tx.us or 432 268-
 - An account has been established at Wells Fargo on behalf of the Linda Rena Torres family, whose vehicle was destroyed in a fire. A purse lost in the fire contained the family's income tax returns and child support. The vehicle, which was the family's only means of transportation, was not insured except for liability. To help, contact Wells Fargo at 268-6216 and mention account 2266054432.
 - An account has been established at Citizens Credit Union to help pay medical expenses for Jodi Schlipf Baird, who is being treated for Stage 4 cancer. For more information, contact the credit credit union at 267-6373 or Donna Whetsel at 432-466-9744.
 - Do you have a minute? An hour? How about making a difference in someone's life? Become a hospice volunteer. One hour a month can make a difference. Whether it's visiting a patient or working in the office or helping with a craft, you can make a difference. We can work around your schedule. If interested, please call Kara Daniels at Compass Hospice, 432-263-5999, or apply in person at 602 S. Main St.
 - Every Friday night from 7:30 p.m. until 10 p.m. is dance night at the Senior Citizen Center. The cost is \$8 per person.
 - Mobile Meals is in need of volunteer delivery

drivers. If you can donate one hour per week to help deliver meals to the elderly, call Macaria Cantu at 263-4016.

 Home Hospice is volunteers. seeking Volunteers are needed for in office duties as well as sitters, deliveries and crafts. To find out more information or to volunteer contact Manny Negron at Home Hospice by calling 264-7599.

Today's Weather Local 3-Day Forecast

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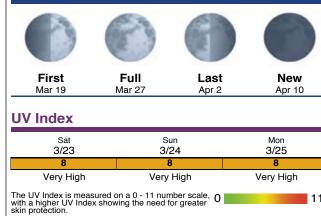


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Support Groups

- 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.
- 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 nonparticipating 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.
- VA Alcoholics Anonymous support group, 7-8 p.m., Veterans Healing Center.



Dorothy Garrett Coliseum For more info contact Amy Vidal 432-263-0007 ext. 256 March 22, 23-24

Rattlesnake Round Up Howard Co. Fair Barn For more info contact **Dennis Burns** 432-270-3409 or Ray Alexander 432-212-3533

March 23-24 **United Way Golf** Tournament Big Spring Country Club For more info contact the Country Club at 432-267-5354 or **Únited Way Office** at 432-267-5201

March 30 Big Spring Symphony presents: 'A Pops Celebration" Big Spring Municipal Auditorium 8pm - For more info contact 432-264-7223

Big Spring

ROUNDUP

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of the same attractions as in previ-

For starters, club members will go ankle-deep into the snake pit to give handling demonstrations and tips on how to avoid getting bitten if you happen across one of the creatures. "It really is an educational pro-

gram," Alexander said. "We show them that these snakes can be really dangerous ... and the best way to handle yourself when and if you come up

Handlers also will present a milking demonstration — venom extracted from rattlers is routinely used in medical research. Venom collected at this year's event will be sold to Bio-Tech, a medical firm.

But the major draw will be Bibby, the self-proclaimed Texas Snake Man, who hails from Rising Star. Bibby holds five Guinness World Records involving snakes and has been a handler for more than 40 years. He and his cohorts will perform a variety of stunts, including crawling into a sleeping bag full of snakes and putting several rattlers into his mouth (Bibby's record is 13). Bibby (reach him at www.jackiebibby.com) is also a regular on Rattlesnake Republic, which airs periodically on Animal Planet.

In addition, up to 50 vendors are expected for the arts and crafts show. There will be a mixture of items, ranging from jewelry to caps to cloth-For more information, contact Den-

nis Burns at 263-3409.

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INDICTED

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intoxicated (third-degree felony) and evading arrest (thirddegree felony, enhanced).

- Sammy Hernandez Limon, 30, of 1 Courtney Place, driving while intoxicated – third-degree felony).
- Joann Hernandez Lopez, 45, of 706 S. Goliad Apt. A, possession of a controlled substance (state jail felony). Michael Dewayne Norris, 39, of 3500 W. Interstate High-
- way 20 Apt. 14, unauthorized use of a motor vehicle (state jail felony). Laura Louise Partlow, 31, of 1501 Lexington, forgery
- (two counts, both state jail felonies). • Latron Lewis Perry, 23, of 304.5 W. 19th St., delivery of
- marijuana (state jail felony) and delivery of a controlled substance (first-degree felony). • Brandon Lee Sandridge, 25, of 1425 E. Sixth St. Apt. 108,
- credit card abuse (state jail felony). • Bryson O'Neil Vanderbilt, 28, of 506 Albrook, possession
- of a controlled substance (third-degree felony). Danielle Lorraine Vanecek, 22, of San Antonio, Texas,
- possession of a controlled substance (state jail felony). • Joel Brent Howard, 51, of 4200 Callahan, driving while
- intoxicated (third-degree felony). • Robert James Humphus, 32, of 511 S. Goliad, evading arrest (second-degree felony, enhanced).

Howard Brandon Johnson, 28, currently being held at

- the county detention center, evading arrest (third-degree felony) and failure to register as a sex offender (third-degree felony). • Aaron Charles Lustfeldt, 27, currently being held at the
- county detention center, indecency with a child exposure (third-degree felony) and failure to register as a sex offender (third-degree felony). • Robert Scott Ochoa, 33, currently being held at the coun-
- counts, both third-degree felonies). • Michael Dale Preston, 28, of 401 Young St., evading arrest (third-degree felony).

ty detention center, failure to register as a sex offender (two

- La Ticia Lanette Rainer, 43, of 103 Rainer Rd., theft more than \$1,500 and less than \$20,000 (state jail felony).
- Anthony Elizandro Solis, 21, of 1409 Oriole, abandoning/ endangering a child (two counts, both third-degree felo-

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President Obama arrives in Jordan

Barack President Obama arrived in Jordan on Friday for the final stop on his four-day visit to the Middle East and a day of meetings with King Abdullah II that are expected to focus on the influx of refugees from the civil war in neighboring Syria.

More than 400,000 Syrians have crossed the border into Jordan to escape the violence, crowding refugee camps and overwhelming aid agencies run by this important U.S. ally in the Middle East. Abdullah has voiced fears that extremists and terrorists could create a regional base in his coun-

Obama will also seek to bolster Jordan's efforts to reform its government as it seeks to stave off an Arab Spring-style revolu-

Before arriving in the Jordanian capital of Amman, Obama closed a three-day visit to Israel, another important U.S. ally in the region, by paying respects to the nation's heroes and to victims of the Holocaust. He also solemnly reaffirmed the Jewish state's right to Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and President Shimon Peres, Obama laid wreaths at the graves of Theodor Herzl, the founder of modern Zionism who died in 1904 before realizing his dream of a Jewish homeland, and former Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, who was assassinated in

He also toured the Yad Vashem Holocaust memorial, declaring after that the memorial illustrates the depravity to which man can sink but also serves as a reminder of the "righteous among the nations who refused to be bystanders."

Friday's stop at Herzl's grave, together with Thursday's visit to see the Dead Sea Scrolls, the ancient Hebrew texts, were symbolic stops for Obama that acknowledged that the rationale for Israel's existence rests with its historical ties to the region and with a vision that predated the Holocaust. Obama was criticized in Israel for his 2009 Cairo speech in which he gave only the example of the Holocaust as reason for justifying Israel's existence.

POPS

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to be in funding."

Last year's Pops event had a final price tag of close to \$45,000, said Debbye ValVerde, Chamber of Commerce executive director. While planning for this

year's event is still in the preliminary stages, many familiar features are planned, including a performance by the Big Spring Symphony and a — adding more contemporary music into the program, for example — and Seales said Symphony Director Keith Graumann was amenable to

As in past years, there will be food vendors and a fly-over by vintage military aircraft and the committee is debating bringing back Vocal Trash, which performed at Pops three years ago.

But the main focus of the event will be saluting area military personnel, veterans and their families.

"That's the entire reason for Pops," Seales said. "A lot of times with events like this, you get misconceptions about what it's all about, but the main focus of Pops ... is

to pay homage to our military personnel." The committee will meet

again in late April.

To donate to the event, contact the Chamber of Commerce at 263-7641.

Contact Steve Reagan at 263-7331 ext. 235 or by e-mail at reporter@bigspringherald.com

BOND

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FISD voters will decide May 11 whether to approve the proposal. Items to be financed by bond package the include:

- The new elementary campus, which will be located adjacent to the junior high/high school building in Forsan.
- A wastewater treatment plant
- Safety and security renovations at the secondary campus, including installation of a locking system for the exterior doors which can be operated remotely and a remake of the main entrance to enhance security against unwanted visitors.
- Expansion of the secondary campus to accommodate extra classroom, lab or storage Major plumbing and
- electrical renovation at the secondary campus.
- Renovation of the kitchen area at the secondary campus. Safety upgrades in
- the secondary campus' metal shop. • Expansion of the
- district's bus barns to accommodate vehicles currently parked at El-• A fire-suppression

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system for the new elementary campus.

- · Resurfacing of the track at the football sta-
- Replacement of one of the district's tennis courts.
- Increased storage area at the band hall. Jason Hughes of 1st

Southwest, the financial firm advising FISD on the bond issue, stressed the 33 cent increase in the tax rate is merely an estimate at this time. "Hopefully, that will

turn out to be a very conservative estimate and actually it will actually be lower," he said. FISD Trustee Lewis

Boeker said he understood people's hesitance to vote themselves a tax increase. "That's a lot of mon-

ey," Boeker agreed. "But we think it will end up being money well-spent and serve the district For Boeker, the deci-

sion to call for the bond election hinged on two

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fireworks display at the evening's conclusion. There has been discussion of spicing up the non-patriotic portion of the symphony's performance

looked at the overall pic-

ture, it just made more

sense for us to build a

new campus." A new elementary would cost \$14 million to construct, compared to approximately \$9 million to renovate the existing campus. Trustee Chris Evans said it

the same time. "Elbow is in need of major renovation," Evans said. "To me, if the community is going to invest that much money, it would be a good idea to move everything to Forsan. It makes sense

made more sense to sim-

ply spend the additional

money and address all

the district's needs at

A down side to relocating the elementary campus is that many district

both financially and for

security reasons.'

he said. "But when we students will have more

cational purposes." travel time to and from school. Johnson said that problem would be unavoidable to a large degree, but added the

As for questions about what would become of the Elbow campus if a new elementary is constructed, Johnson had no answers.

district would do every-

thing it can to smooth

out transportation is-

"It's too early for any of us to commit to specific plans for the campus," Johnson said. "All I can say is what we won't do — we won't let it fall apart — and we will try to use it for edu-

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Daily Prayer

Give us patience, dear Lord, to learn from our mistakes.

eration issues confronting the

A painful and personal tale

't was September 1995 when my friend and colleague Rob Saltzman told me what had happened to his sister's family. Tennis nuts. Her husband and their two boys died in a small plane crash on the way home from watching a tennis tournament. Did I mention that she had fought back breast can-

cer? That she was the principal at the elementary school both of her boys had attended? I am "good" at

dealing with loss. A lot of people run away from even the mention of it, thinking it is somehow conta-

some flowers, cry. As with so much of life, 90 percent is just about being there. But to lose your husband and young children... My own were 2 and 5 at the time. I could not my office for some book, some collection of something that

Susan

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gious. And sadness might be, but not loss. Loss just is. You face it. You say you're sorry. You give a hug, make a cup of tea, arrange

bear to think about it. I searched could offer comfort, if not to Rob's sister, Nancy, then to Rob. I lived through rape and wrote about it. Not to compare suffering, but it seemed like nothing.

How do you survive the worst thing in the world? I looked for my books about the Holocaust.

Eighteen years later, Dr. Nancy Saltzman has written the book I did not have on my shelves, the one you would wish on no one (and having read it, recommend to everyone), a book that — remarkably, truly remarkably — is as much about life as it is about death. I am not going to pretend it is

easy to read. I brought it home last week, and it moved from my desk to my nightstand and back to my desk. On the cover, there is a picture

of a beautiful, smiling woman, alive. She looks, in that moment, happy.

On the back, there is a picture of the same woman, younger, beautiful, smiling, surrounded by her handsome husband and two boys.

Inside is the story of how one woman survived a nightmare.

It is also a celebration of the lives of the three men she so loved, her husband and two sons.

I did not want to read that part, I must admit. Knowing she was going to lose them, why did I have to live the joy? Why did I have to come to love them with her? Couldn't I just start at the end, at the part where she has a fiance and two dogs? I have suffered from depres-

sion and anxiety my entire life. So did my mother. I know there are so many folks who have it so much tougher than I do. I try to remember that, but it doesn't really work. Depression is not a rational choice, much less a branch of game theory. Realizing how much more miserable things could be, things are, makes it worse, not better. Who am I to deserve to stay in bed if Nancy Saltzman can get up?

I was afraid to read this book for the usual reasons: that it would be the kind of book that makes you feel like a sinner in the company of a saint, the kind of book in which a writer's courage in the face of tragedy only leaves me with nightmares of catastrophe and shame at my own cowardice.

But I felt like I owed it to Rob to try. He is so proud of his sister. She signed it: "In comes love...'

In comes love.

Dr. Nancy Saltzman has written a moving tribute to her husband and sons and to the family and friends who helped her survive. She has written a painful and personal tale of death and grieving and acceptance and the small steps to a different kind of happiness.

But more than anything, she has written a book that is a celebration — at every level — of the power of love.

Accountability for prosecutors There must be more accountability for prosecu-

tors who withhold evidence in criminal cases in which the act results in wrongful convictions.

People make mistakes, of course, but we're speaking here of mistakes that result in loss of liberty or, potentially, in the case of capital cases, death. A recent Texas Tribune analysis revealed that

few prosecutors in cases in which errors resulted in bad outcomes face sanctions. A bill introduced by Sen. John Whitmire, D-Houston, is a step in the right direction in achieving bet-

It would amend the State Bar of Texas disciplinary rules to extend the statute of limitations for evidence-suppression offenses. Today the rules impose a four-year statute of limitation, with the clock starting when the offenses occur. Under this bill, the four years would begin when the wrongfully convicted person is released from prison.

Ken Anderson, the former Williamson County district attorney, is facing a court of inquiry in the case of Michael Morton, wrongfully convicted in 1987 for the beating death of his wife. Anderson allegedly withheld evidence in that case. In tandem with that court of inquiry, examin-

the State Bar of Texas has filed a disciplinary case against Anderson. But Anderson's attorneys contend that the statute of limitations has lapsed. Morton was released from prison in October

ing whether criminal misconduct has occurred,

Senate Bill 825 takes care of this issue at least in future cases. It increases the chances for a wrongfully convicted person to get a fair hearing.

This Legislature should approve this bill as a blow for more accountability.

SAN ANTONIO EXPRESS-NEWS

Pope evokes pride, questions

t first, all we felt was pride. Learning that the Vatican had selected its first Latin American pope gave Hispanic Catholics a sense of inclusion we had never felt before. I felt like scream-

ter chances of accountability.

ing "gooooal," but I was in a university faculty meeting, and my colleagues would have found it a little strange. Even "Viva el Papa" would have been disruptive, and so some emotions needed to be suppressed.



MIGUEL **Perez**

Nevertheless, the selection of Cardinal Jorge Mario Bergoglio — now Pope Francis — was a huge symbolic gesture to embrace the world's Hispanic Catholics, and it was received with tears of joy throughout the Americas. But then came the questions.

What can the former Bishop of Buenos Aires really do for Latin America? Better yet, what is he willing to do now that he is the pope? Can he become the driving

Can he do for Latin America what Pope John Paul II did for his native Poland and Eastern Europe? We know that he is the first

our hemisphere. But will he be the activist pope who brings freedom and human rights to the Americas? While the rest of the world is wondering how Pope Francis will respond to the social lib-

Jesuit and the first pontiff from

asking where he will stand on political liberation and totalitarian repression.

Will he have the courage of John Paul II, who was known for combatting political oppression and pressuring world leaders to be more tolerant of their opponents? Or will he be irresponsibly passive, as some of his critics claim that he was during the military dictatorship that ruled Argentina from 1976 to 1983?

We know he chose a name – Francis — that could signal a new direction for the Catholic Church, that perhaps he intends to become the champion of the poor. But does that make him a proponent of freedom and democracy or Christianized Marxism? Will he help bring down Communism, as John Paul II did in Poland and Eastern Europe, or will he condone dictators who accumulate massive personal wealth and still claim to speak for the poor?

We know that the last two popes have gone to Cuba and called for freedom.

And we know the new pope even wrote a book about the "Dialogues between John Paul II and Fidel Castro." But will Pope Francis be as outspoken as his predecessors?

We know that on social issues he is considered conservative, an outspoken critic of the liberal policies of the current Argentinian government. But how will Pope Francis deal with Cuba and all the left-leaning Latin American leaders who have been waging war on the Catholic Church?

Will he be preoccupied with spreading the church's message and fixing its many internal problems, or will he be the shepherd who leads Latin America to a much better place?

And when he comes to the United States, as we hope he does, what would Pope Francis say to U.S. Latinos? Would he speak out in defense immigrants with the same fervor as his pre-

decessors? After citing the words inscribed on the Statue of Liberty in a 1995 mass at Giants Stadium in New Jersey, John Paul had the guts to ask a controversial question: "Is present-day America becoming less sensitive, less caring toward the poor, the

weak, the stranger, the needy?" "It must not," he added. "Today, as before, the United States is called to be a hospitable society, a welcoming culture."

As the first Latino Pope, would Francis be willing to speak out against xenophobia in this country?

"We need to clarify the essential difference between an unhealthy form of nationalism, which teaches contempt for other nations or cultures, and patriotism, which is a proper love of one's country," John Paul told Americans in 1995. "Nationalism, in its most radical forms, is thus the antithesis of true patriotism."

Will Pope Francis lecture us this way, please?

He is not just the new pope. He is the first from Latin America, the first representing 40 percent of the world's 1.2 billion Catholics. And that comes with added expectations.

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Amen Catholic Church, Latinos are

Church News

First Presbyterian Church, Big Spring

The Lectionary Bible study, led by Craig Holstedt and Tom Koger, meets at 5:17 p.m. in the church library and the Chancel Choir practices at 6 p.m. Wednesday. The Children's Choir, which usually practices on Wednesday at 4:45 p.m. is off for spring

The Youth Group will meet at 6:30 p.m. Sunday. The Boy Scouts meet in the entrance room of the Fellowship Hall at 6 p.m. Monday.

The Presbyterian Women/Working Women meeting this month, set for Tuesday, March 26, will be a "working meeting." Women are to come at 10:30 for a clean-up day, followed by a pizza lunch while Marj Carpenter leads the Bible study from Lesson 7 in "The Children" study book, based on I John 2:1-

As part of Holy Week services, we are having a Seder Meal, recreating the Jewish Passover, in the Fellowship Hall on Maundy Thursday, March 28, at 6:30 p.m. Call the Church office by March 25 if you plan to attend so that we can prepare adequately.

Good Friday, March 29, worship service is at 6:30 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church of Coahoma, with the Rev. Craig Holstedt leading in worship.

Easter Day, March 31, we will collect the One Great Hour of Sharing offering, which is used to restore hope to those affected by natural disasters.

Sarah Burch is in charge of this week's "Take Ten." Liturgist for March is Helen Glass. The lectionary for the Palm/Passion Sunday is

Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29; Philippians 2:5-11; Luke 19:28-40 or Luke 22:14-23:56. The opening hymn, "All Glory, Laud and Honor,"

will be accompanied by the Youth Bell Choir. The Children's Choir will offer the anthem "Little Grey Donkey" by Natalie Sleeth. The Chancel Choir will present the cantata "The

Seven Last Words of Christ" by Theodore Dubois for the sermon. Soloists are Deborah Jones, Joseph Dawes, Craig Holstedt, Marguerite and Gabriel Durand-Hollis. The Choir will present the cantata again at First Presbyterian Church, Coahoma, af-

If you cannot attend worship, listen in on KBST 1490 AM., beginning at 11. If you wish to have a printed bulletin for Sunday services, call the church office at 263-4211. You may also see what's happening at the church by visiting our website: www.fpcbs.org. On our website, you can find a link that will enable you to listen to several recent sermons by the Rev. Holstedt.

First Church of the Nazarene

Get your Hop Ready! The First Church of the Nazarene is hosting their annual Easter Egg Hunt on March 30 at the Old Settler's Pavilion at Comanche Trail Park. The event will start at 11 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt is for ages 2-10. We will also have hot dogs, drinks, inflatables, etc. This event is entirely free to anyone wanting to attend. Tell your friends and family members to plan to make it a part of their Easter tradition. You are also welcome to join us for all of our ser

vices, classes and groups:

Sunday service at 10 a.m. in the Sanctuary Sunday Youth and Children's Classes at 9 a.m.

Sunday Children's Church at 10 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Sunday youth activities at 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday prayer at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary Wednesday Adult/Children/Youth Classes at 6:30

Unable to come to church on Sunday morning? Listen to KBST 95.7 at 10 a.m. and you can hear a live broadcast of our service. You can also view streaming footage inside the sanctuary by going to our webpage at www.nazfamily.org.

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

Forsan Baptist Church

As we near Easter we are continuing our study of Jesus' ministry as He marched toward His passion in Jerusalem. Sunday evenings we are conducting a verse-by-verse survey of the Book of Romans, and Wednesdays we have begun a verse-by-verse trek through the entire Bible.

Our target date for being back in the sanctuary after the remodel is Easter, March 31. We will be looking at a date for a dedication service sometime to follow. We will have 2 baptisms and Lord's Supper observances on Easter if we can make our target. Check out our Facebook page for pictures of the progress.

Our church is located at 201 Main in Forsan. Sunday school begins at 9:50, with worship services at 10:50 a.m. and 6 p.m. Wednesday youth activities will continue throughout the school year. We will provide a meal and refreshments for these activities. Wednesday services begin at 6 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.

Alive in Christ Lutheran Church LCMS Our pastor is Reverend Lannon Martin.

Our motto is "Celebrating and Sharing God's

Love and Grace in our lives."

Subdivision in Big Spring. The church phone num-

We are located at 2805 Lynn Drive in the Kentwood ber is 264-7818. Our website is http://www.aicbigspring.org. Our e-mail address is aliveinchrist@

Sunday service is at 9 a.m. with Bible study at

George von Hassell will present the readings this week. This week's sermon reference is Palm Sun-

Our Lenten Services will be held Thursday with the meal and fellowship following the Lenten Daniel Fast beginning at 5:30, Bible study classes at 6:15 and the Maundy Thursday Service at 7 p.m. Tune in to KBYG every morning for a devotional

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 these wonderful devotions: "Morning Meditation Thoughts.'

A website offered by The Lutheran Hour Ministries is available. The site, www.jcplayzone.com, promises fun and Christian educational based games and videos. Fun for all ages and offered in several languages, this safe internet site is something to check out.

Spring Creek Fellowship

You can now listen to the sermon from the previous Sunday at 9 a.m. every Sunday on KBYG 106.3 FM and 1400 AM.

"The Cure Connection," our Relay for Life team, will be hosting a Bowl-A-Thon on April 7 from 2-5 p.m. At Bowl-A-Rama. Contact John or Kim Cant-

"Men Will Be Men" — Sometimes guys just need to get away and have some fun with their brothers in Christ. April 13 the men will meet at SCF for the men's prayer breakfast, then head out to Circle 6 Ranch in Stanton. They will participate in activities such as paint ball, rock wall climbing, zip line and then gather on the rifle range to test their skills. Bring your sons and participate in any or all of the activities you choose. Lunch will be provided. The cost is \$15 per adult; sons under 18 are free. The first hopper of paint is included in the fee but additional refills will cost \$5. Circle 6 has all the equipment, but if you have your own paintball equipment, feel free to bring it. For more info on Circle 6 Ranch go to www.circle6ranch.org.

Join us April 6-8 for a regional conference with Overland Missions. Find out meeting times and more details by visiting www.springcreekfellowship.org or www.overlandmissions.com.

"Sewing Seeds of Hope" Connection group invites you to join us on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. A different skill will be taught each week of the month with new skills added as requested. Lessons will go from basic sewing and fiber arts to more complex skills as we progress in levels of experience. Bring a project you are working on or come learn something new. Anyone with an interest is invited to come and learn or teach if you are so led. Bring a friend.

Check out our Sunday School/Connection Groups with topic/subject-based studies ranging from six to nine weeks in length and relevant to today's Christian adventure. Classes are available for all ages and meet from 9:15-10:15 a.m.

Big Spring Classical Academy is in session with classes for Pre-K and kindergarten. Visit our website at http://bigspringclassical.org for more information. The Big Spring Homeschool Educational Co-op-

erative is offering classes for high school and junior high homeschool students. New classes have

The "Between the Lines" Women's Ministry Cookbooks are available. The cost is \$15. Call the church office to get a copy.

Weekly Happenings:

Sunday- 9:15-10:15 a.m.-Sunday School/Connection Groups; 10:15-10:45 a.m., "Holy Grounds Café" is open with snacks and fellowship: 10:45noon, worship service. You can listen to recent sermons on our web page at www.springcreekfellowship.org.; 5 p.m., Girls Bible Study.

Monday- 6:30-8:30 p.m., "Celebrate Recovery,"

Tuesday- 1:45, Praying Effectively for the Lost; "Wings" Dance Academy meets for girls ages 4-12. Wednesday- 5:30 p.m., Fellowship Meal; 6 p.m.,

Bible Study and youth and children's activities; 6 p.m., Boy Scouts.

Thursday-6:30-8:30 p.m., "Celebrate Recovery," Men; 7 p.m., "Crazy Love" college age Bible study by Francis

Saturday- 7:30 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast and Fellowship.

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

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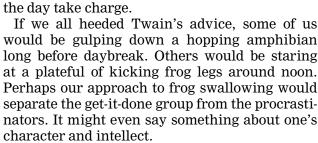
ark Twain, one of America's wittiest journalists, gives this admonition about starting one's day: "Eat a live frog first thing in the morning and nothing worse will happen to you the rest of the

I'll admit that eating a live frog for breakfast does seem like enough trouble for any day. However, I have endured a few

days when swallowing a frog would

have been the preferable choice. If "live frog" had been on the menu, I might have tried it. In spite of Mr. Twain's clever suggestion, most of us have dis-

covered our own way to start each day. Some require a couple of cups of coffee to jump start their minds and bodies. Others just hop out of bed and start the same routine over again every day. Still others manage to get their feet on the floor, and then let the dictates of



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However, frog swallowing isn't the only way to start the day. I have always admired my friends who crawl out of bed in the wee hours of the morning to spend some quiet time with the Lord. I marvel at their ability to read and comprehend the Scripture before the sun comes up. I am amazed that they can talk to the Lord without dozing off in mid sentence.

Yet, spending time with God early in the morning, or any other time of the day, does not guarantee that nothing bad will ever happen. Time spent with God prepares us for adversity. It doesn't prevent it. God never promises us that life will be easy, but He does promise that He will always be there when we need Him.

As the psalmist wrote: "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling" (Psalm 46: 1-3

Perhaps we shouldn't be concerned about eating frogs to ward off trouble. But when trouble does come our way, we can be assured that we have a refuge who will always be there.

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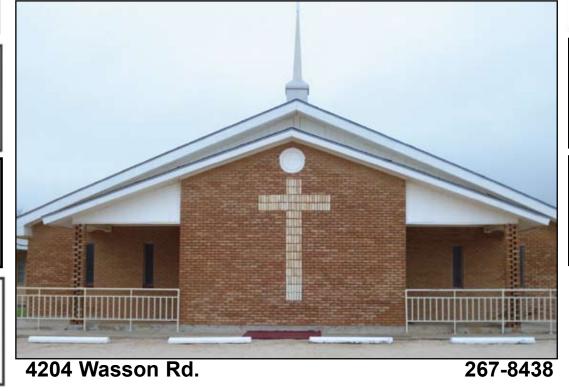
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Pope Francis builds bridges to other

Christian groups

Thite smoke curled from a chimney over the Sistine Chapel at 7:06 p.m. last Wednesday, March 13. After less than two days of deliberation, the 115 cardinal electors had chosen Cardinal Jorge Mario Bergoglio of Argentina as the new Pope. Within an hour he had selected his new name: Pope Francis.

In 2008 our family rented an apartment in Rome overlooking St Peter's Basilica. We strolled through St Peter's Square, the open plaza where a standing-room-only crowd of more than 100,000 gathered last week to welcome the new Pope. We visited the Sistine Chapel and stood beneath Michelangelo's images of the Last Judgment, where cardinals have gathered to choose the next Pope since 1846. The still fresh memories from that visit made the events seem close and per-



TINSLEY

Cardinal Bergoglio is the first Pope to choose the name Francis, in honor of St. Francis of Assisi. It is an interesting and perhaps significant choice. The man we know from history as St. Francis lived at the turn of thirteenth century. He grew up as a spoiled youth in a wealthy and influential Italian family. According to the Catholic Encyclopedia, "No one loved pleasure more than Francis; he had a ready wit, sang merrily, delighted in fine clothes and showy display ... the very king of frolic." By the time he was twenty, Francis became a mercenary, was captured in battle and spent more than a year in prison with a protracted illness. That experience seems to have started his spiritual journey that would set him apart. But his turning to Christ was neither sudden nor easy.

Once released he decided on a military career of conquest and glory, but a series of dreams began to redirect his journey. Through a series of missteps and, what appears to be a confusing period of solitude, prayer and clumsy efforts to serve God, Francis eventually came to a clear vision of God's will for his life. He found the focus for his life on February 24, 1208, when he heard a recounting of Jesus' instructions to go into every village, two by two, carrying no money, neither bag nor shoes, greeting everyone on the way with blessings of peace. To heal the sick and proclaim the Kingdom of God. (Matthew 10:7-11). From that moment forward Francis committed himself to a literal application of these instructions from Jesus, devoting himself to the poor and a joyful proclamation of the Kingdom. Francis is credited with being the first to celebrate Christmas with carols and many Christians still sing his hymn, "All Creatures of our God and King."

The new Pope is the first to choose the name Francis. The name emphasizes the transforming power of Jesus Christ, who can change a profligate mercenary into a joyful servant of the poor.

Bergoglio's selection as the new Pope is almost universally applauded. Luis Palau, the world famous South American evangelist from Argentina, greeted the news with enthusiasm. He said, "I've met him several times, gone to his place, we've talked, we've prayed together you know. He builds bridges to other Christian groups, like evangelical Christians ... He's a friend. He's a real friend."

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

Texas news in brief

Texas shootout may tie to Colo, prison chief death

DECATUR, Texas (AP) — Investigators from three Colorado police agencies rushed to Texas to determine if a man identified as a parolee, who was critically wounded by Texas police after a harrowing 100-mph car chase, is linked to the slaying of Colorado's state prisons chief.

The black Cadillac the suspect drove, with Colorado license plates, matched the description of a car spotted outside Tom Clements' home in Monument, Colo., just before he was fatally shot while answering his front door Tuesday evening.

Evan Spencer Ebel, 28, was gravely wounded in the clash with police Thursday. Authorities said he was not expected to survive and was hooked up to equipment for organ harvesting. Colorado investigators immediately headed to

Texas to determine whether Ebel was linked to Clements' slaying and the killing Sunday of Nathan Leon, a Denver pizza delivery man. Police in Colorado would only say the connection to the Leon case is strong but would not elaborate or say if they believe Ebel killed Clements and Leon. The Denver Post first reported Ebel's name, and

that he was in a white supremacist prison gang called the 211s. A federal law enforcement official confirmed his identity and gang affiliation to The Associated Press. The official was not authorized to speak publicly about the case and spoke to the AP on condition of anonymity. The killing of Clements, 58, shocked his quiet

neighborhood in Monument, a town of rolling hills north of Colorado Springs, for its brutality: He answered the door of his home Tuesday evening and was gunned down. Authorities wouldn't say if they thought the attack was related to his job, and all Clements' recent public activities and cases were scrutinized.

Texas House adds extra \$1B to schools in budget

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Public schools gutted of \$5.4 billion two years ago would recapture about half of that lost funding under spending plans offered by the Texas House on Thursday, and top Republicans have not ruled out restoring even more before Gov. Rick Perry signs a new state Teachers groups that have marched on the Cap-

itol, demanding the Legislature reverse historic classroom cuts that resulted in thousands of layoffs, applauded another \$1 billion for schools in a 2014-15 state budget plan approved by the House Appropriations Committee. School districts are hopeful lawmakers can

cough up even more money following the unexpected moves by the House, which came after education emerged as the dominant issue of the 140-day session. Republican Rep. Jim Pitts, the chief budget-

writer in the House, didn't dampen that opti-"It's not over 'til it's over," Pitts said.

Yet there are realities. Although the extra \$1 billion approved Thursday is on top of \$1.5 billion the House and Senate previously committed toward undoing the 2011 cuts, Pitts cautioned that it was unlikely that all funding slashed two years ago would be restored in the final two months of

Democrats and teachers say the money is there – notably in the projected \$12 billion socked away in the state's Rainy Day Fund. But Perry and Republicans who control the Legislature are opposed to tapping that piggybank for anything other than one-time expenses, and school fund-

The Senate did not include the extra \$1 billion in the budget plan it overwhelmingly passed earlier this week.

Man gets life in prison for 2011 Plano slaying MCKINNEY, Texas (AP) — A North Texas man

has been sentenced to life in prison for the 2011 fatal shooting of a man who was in a relationship with his mother. Prosecutors say the victim's daughter was also

shot — leaving her paralyzed from the neck down in the attack at their Plano home. The Dallas Morning News reports 22-year-old Edgar Alberto Romo of Plano was convicted

of murder and aggravated assault. A judge on Wednesday decided the life prison terms must be served concurrently. Prosecutors say Romo's motive was unclear when he shot 27-year-old Gabriela Torres in the

head and then fatally shot 50-year-old Ismael Torres. Further details about the mother's involvement with Ismael Torres weren't immediately available.

Another Lackland trainer convicted in sex scandal

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Another Air Force basic training instructor in South Texas has been sentenced to prison in a sex scandal and will be booted out of the military.

A military judge at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland on Thursday sentenced Master Sgt. Jamey Crawford to seven months of confinement for improper relationships with two female trainees. Crawford was accused of having sex with both women during 2011.

Crawford, who was also convicted of making false statements to investigators, must perform two months of hard labor and will have a badconduct discharge. He's been in the Air Force for 14 years and sought to remain in the military.

Dallas boy, 4, chokes on food at school, dies

DALLAS (AP) — A 4-year-old pre-kindergarten student has died after apparently choking on some food during lunch at a Dallas school.

The Dallas Independent School District says counselors were available Friday at Mount Auburn Elementary School.

A letter has been sent home to parents about Thursday's incident and the death of Manny

School officials say the boy was in the cafeteria eating with other children when he started coughing and choking. A school nurse managed to dislodge the food as others called 911 — then the boy suffered a seizure.

District spokeswoman Rebecca Rodriguez says CPR was performed but the boy died.

Autographed Sgt. Pepper album up for auction

DALLAS (AP) — What is described as a "pristine" copy of The Beatles' "Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band" album autographed by all four band members is up for auction.

A statement from Dallas-based Heritage Auctions says the bidding for the album has passed \$110,000 and could surpass \$150,000 by the time bidding is closed at March 30.

The Beatles signed the album jacket on the

gatefold above the pictures of their heads.

CHURCH NEWS

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Our Maundy Thursday Service and Good Friday Service will both begin at 5:30 p.m. March 28 and

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

College Baptist Church This is a week of prayer for the Annie Armstrong

Easter Offering, "Whatever it Takes, Reaching the One" is the motto for this offering. Many people do not like to hear the church talk about money but few of us can go out on the mission field ourselves, yet most of us can donate some money to send the ones who can go.

In order to obey God's command to go and tell others the good news of the gospel, it takes money. The money from this offering goes to reach people in our nation and none of it is used for administra-

tive costs.

In Sunday's sermon, pastor Ken McMeans preached on how the disciples were amazed after Jesus sent them out to find that, not only could they heal the sick in His name but even the demons were subject to them. They were able to cast our demons in His name.

We are often amazed at the things Jesus does that we have prayed for in His name even though we are to pray, believing that our prayers will be answered so why are we surprised when He gives us what we ask for?

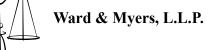
Saturday is a work day at College Baptist. All people of the church are invited to come and help. There are some unfinished projects that need to be done and some new projects to start. There is some deep cleaning needed in areas of the church.

Whatever you are able to do will be appreciated. Remember, we have Sunday school classes for all ages each week — from nursery babies to golden agers. Come and bring your family and stay for the excellent preaching of Pastor Ken McMeans.

—submitted by Dean Priest.

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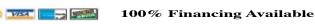
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Spokesman: 3 dead — including

shooter of self-inflicted wound at Marine Base Quantico in Va. QUANTICO, Va. (AP) — Three people, including

the suspect, were killed in a shooting at Marine Base Quantico, a base spokesman said.

It began with a shooting around 11 p.m. Thursday that left one dead, said Lt. Agustin Solivan. That shooting lead to a standoff between authorities and the suspect, who was barricaded in barracks at the Authorities entered the barracks early Friday

and found the suspect dead of a self-inflicted gunshot wound along with a second victim. Solivan could not say what prompted authorities to enter

No names were immediately released but Solivan said the suspect and both victims were Marines. Authorities believe the suspect was a staff member at the officer candidate school at the base, Solivan

Solivan said the shooting was an isolated incident and authorities were confident there were no other casualties. The base was put on lockdown after the shooting but the lockdown was lifted early Friday.

Syrian president vows to rid country of extremists after suicide blast killed top Sunni cleric

BEIRUT (AP) — Syria's president has vowed to rid the country of Muslim extremists whom he blamed for a suicide bombing that killed 42 people, including a top Sunni preacher.

Friday's statement by Bashar Assad came hours after the explosion ripped through a mosque in the heart of Damascus, killing Sheikh Mohammad Said Ramadan al-Buti.

It was one of the most stunning assassinations of the two-year civil war and the first time a suicide bomber struck inside a mosque.

Al-Buti was a staunch supporter of Assad. More than 84 were wounded in the attack.

In the statement carried by Syria's state news

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By Steve Becker

Bidding Quiz

You are the dealer and open One Heart. Partner responds Two Hearts. What would you bid now with each of the following four hands?

1. ♠ K106 ♥ KQ763 ♦ AQ5 ♣ 84 2. ♠ AJ42 ♥ K86432 ♦ — ♣ A93 3, ♠ QJ9 ♥ AQ853 ♦ KJ4 ♣ AJ 4. ♠ — ♥ Q97654 ♦ A ♣ AKQ432

1. Pass. Partner's raise shows six to 10 points and moderate to good

trump support. If partner has minimum values, you might not even make eight tricks, although that is unlikely. If partner has maximum values, you'll probably make nine tricks, but making 10 would most likely require a fair amount of luck. On balance, the winning action is to

2. Four hearts. This is the percentage bid, the one that figures to do best in the long run. Although you have only 12 high-card points, this hand offers far more potential for game than the previous one with 14 high-card points. The big difference is the distribution, which is very

attractive. Thus, you'd surely want to be in game if dummy came down

with any of these mediocre holdings: **♠** K̃7 ♥ QJ75 ♦ 98743 **♣** 65 **♦** Q86 ♥ AJ95 ♦ 9542 **♣** 74 ♦ 9873 ♥ A975 ♦ J863 ♣ 10

3. Two notrump. This shows 18 or 19 points and allows for the possibility that three notrump might be easier to make than four hearts. Partner cannot pass the two-notrump bid. If he prefers hearts to notrump, he will return to three hearts with a minimum, or bid four hearts with a maximum. If partner does bid three hearts, you should carry on to four. Bidding four hearts directly over two is also a reasonable choice.

4. Five notrump. This is an ideal hand for the grand slam force convention. The leap to five notrump (which has nothing to do with Blackwood) accepts hearts as trump and asks partner to bid seven hearts if he holds two of the three top trump honors, without regard to the rest of his hand. If partner has only one of the top honors (in this case, the ace or king), he simply bids six hearts.

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agency, Assad says al-Buti represented true Islam in facing "the forces of darkness and extremist"

Cyprus lawmakers look to hammer out plan to get rescue money to prevent bankruptcy within days

NICOSIA, Cyprus (AP) — Cypriot authorities were trying Friday to cobble together a plan they hope will convince international lenders to provide the money the country needs to avoid bankruptcy

As well as trying to forge an overall financing package, lawmakers were meeting to decide the fate of the country's second largest lender Laiki which was hardest hit from its exposure to bad Greek debt. The bank's restructuring is part of an alternative

plan aimed at raising up to 5.8 billion euros (\$7.5 billion) to secure a larger rescue package of another 10 billion euros from the other 16 countries that use the euro currency and the International Monetary Fund. A new package is necessary after Cyprus' parliament rejected a plan earlier this week to grab up to 10 percent of bank deposits. The country needs to have the plan in place by

Monday as the European Central Bank has said it will cut off emergency support to the banks. That could trigger their collapse and leave the Cypriot economy reeling. Many in the markets think that would mean the country would have to leave the euro with potentially damaging repercussions across the 17-country eurozone.

Worried Laiki employees gathered near parliament for a second day after the governor of the country's central bank announced that authorities would look to safeguard the bank's viable parts and isolate its toxic assets. The hope behind the plan is to staunch any possible contagion effects to the country's other lenders.

Obama ending Israel visit with stops at Holocaust memorial, wreaths for state heroes

JERUSALEM (AP) — President Barack Obama says Israel's Holocaust memorial illustrates the depravity to which man can sink but says it is also a reminder of the rescuers and the "righteous among nations who refused to be bystanders."

Obama visited the Yad Vashem Holocaust memorial Friday as he wrapped up a three-day trip to Israel. He said the memorial represents a call to confront bigotry and racism, "especially anti-Semitism."

Obama also laid wreaths at the graves of Theodor Herzl, the founder of modern Zionism who died in 1904 before realizing his dream of a Jewish homeland, and former Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, who was assassinated in 1995.

He was also touring the Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem

Senate Democrats on track to pass budget protecting **safety net and raising taxes**WASHINGTON (AP) — Democrats controlling

the Senate appear on track to pass their first budget in four years, promising a second, almost \$1 trillion round of tax increases on top of more than \$600 billion in higher taxes on the wealthy enacted in

The nonbinding but politically symbolic measure would protect safety-net programs for the poor and popular domestic priorities like education, health research and federal law enforcement agencies from cuts sought by House Republicans, who adopted a far more austere plan on Thursday morn-

The Democratic plan caters to party stalwarts on the liberal edge of the spectrum just as the House GOP measure was crafted to appeal to more recent tea party arrivals.

The \$1 trillion in new revenue would accrue over the coming decade and would be coupled with a net \$875 billion in spending cuts, generated by modest cuts to federal health care programs, domestic agencies and the Pentagon and reduced government borrowing costs.

The GOP budget proposal, similar to previous plans offered by Budget Committee Chairman Paul Ryan, R-Wis., demonstrates that it's possible, at least mathematically, to balance the budget within a decade without raising taxes. But to do so Ryan, his party's vice presidential nominee last year, assumes deep cuts that would force millions from programs for the poor like food stamps and Medicaid and cut almost 20 percent from domestic agency budget levels assumed less than two years ago.

Judge rules aggregator of AP content not allowed 'free ride' on newsgathering NEW YORK (AP) — A federal judge concluded

that an Internet news clipping service essentially resold stories from The Associated Press, saying in a decision released Thursday that the ability of news organizations to perform "an essential function of democracy" is jeopardized when a company merely redistributes the news of others. Media observers say the ruling against Meltwater U.S. Holdings Inc. and its Meltwater News Service,

tion for the news industry as it struggles to survive in an Internet age. U.S. District Judge Denise Cote rejected Meltwater's claims that its use of Web stories drawn from a scan of 162,000 news websites from more than 190

countries was a fair use of copyright-protected ma-

if upheld on appeal, could provide strong protec-

terial. "Through its use of AP content and refusal to pay a licensing fee, Meltwater has obtained an unfair commercial advantage in the marketplace and directly harmed the creator of expressive content protected by the Copyright Act," Cote said.

Tony Bennett honored at Amy Winehouse Foundation gala; Hudson, Belafonte attend

NEW YORK (AP) — Tony Bennett doesn't think Amy Winehouse's life was tragic. He believes the singer who died at age 27 lived a complete life because she was able to achieve her goal: becoming a respected musician.

"Her dream was to become famous and a beautiful singer and she accomplished that," he said Thursday night at the first annual Amy Winehouse Foundation Inspiration Awards and Gala, where he received the lifetime achievement award.

"Even though she had a short life, she had a great life because she ended up praying for the success that she wanted and it happened. This is what this night's about."

Bennett, 86, was honored at New York's Waldorf Astoria Hotel, where attendees included Winehouse's father, mother and brother, her ex-boyfriend Reg Traviss, Harry Belafonte, Jennifer Hudson, Sean Lennon and producers Mark Ronson and Salaam Remi, who was also honored.

Iraq seeks to revive ailing cultural life to heal war wounds, grim reality could dash hopes

васниаи (AP) — Sewing machines buzz inside the Iraq Fashion House as dressmakers work late into the night behind concrete blast walls readying intricately embroidered costumes. Models rehearse for an upcoming show upstairs.

The energetic atmosphere is in stark contrast to the nearby Iraqi National Museum, which remains closed to the public a decade after it was looted along with other government buildings following the U.S.-led invasion.

On Saturday, the Iraqi capital becomes this year's Arab Capital of Culture, and organizers are hoping to use the title to quicken the pulse of Baghdad's ailing cultural life. Manama, Bahrain, was the last capital to hold the honor bestowed by the Arab League under a program set up in 1995 with the help of the U.N. Education, Science and Culture Organization program.

Despite a staggering \$500 million budget for the yearlong initiative, security remains a worry and authorities have failed to renovate several cultural buildings that were damaged or neglected following the March 2003 U.S.-led invasion that toppled Saddam Hussein.

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Hawks eliminated from tourney with loss to Vincennes

By BRIAN MCCORMACK

Sports Editor

Hutchinson, Kan. — Another thrilling season of Howard College men's basketball is in the books.

The 13th seeded Hawks — who received an at-large bid to the National Junior College Athletic Association championship tournament — was eliminated Thursday by a scrappy Vincennes squad, 70-65.

It looked like business as usual for Howard in the opening minutes of play.

Point guard Rico Richardson hit a three-point bucket to start the scoring for the Hawks and Cameron Forte — who finished the season with an average of more than 23 points per game — helped control the tempo with consistent shooting inside the paint. Forte had 22 points, bringing his tourney total to 66, nearly a third of Howard's total offensive output.

"(Forte) played exceptionally well," Adams said of the season-leading scorer. "(Richardson) also had had a good

The seven-foot native of Serbia, Goran Huskic, sank three 3-pointers — two of which came with just under two minutes to play in the first half — then followed them up with a three-point play, giving the Hawks a 37-29 advantage at the intermission.

Vincennes battled back in the second half, while Howard's offense sputtered a bit.

The pivotal moment came when Forte picked up his fourth foul, forcing Head Coach Mark Adams to sit the 6'7" freshman briefly as well as alter his offensive game plan.

"The fourth foul changed the momentum," Adams said. "We couldn't use (Forte) as the go-to guy on offense, but Vincennes played real well. They stuck to the game plan and they outshot and out-rebounded us. The last six or seven minutes could have gone either way. They made some free throws at the end and we missed some."

And shooting from the line became the majority of the offensive output for both teams down the stretch.

Following Forte's big foul, Jacob Thomas — who was quiet from three-point range after nailing nine againt Hutchinson in the previous game — committed a foul of his own. The Trailblazers made both shots from the line to bring them within one point of the Hawks, who led by as many as 12 in the same stanza.

It was a back-and-forth battle from the foul line for the duration of the game. Howard only connected for six-of-21 baskets from the field goal range in the second half.

With under seven minutes on the clock, the Hawks and the Trailblazers traded leads when Richardson made a huge three-pointer, putting HC up by four.

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Howard College's Marcus Fuggins snags a rebound during Thursday's 70-65 loss to Vincennes College in the quarterfinal round of the NJCAA national championship tournament in Hutchinson, Kan. The Hawks won the WJCAC title before losing to NMJC in the Region V final. They finished with an overall record of 30-6.

Area Sports Calendar

TODAY

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 Howard College at South Plains College (through Saturday), Level-

Howard College at New Mexico Junior College (doubleheader),

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- Sweetwater at Big Spring, 7 p.m., Steer park.
- Colorado City at Coahoma, 7 p.m.
- Forsan at Miles, 5 p.m.

Softball

Baseball

- Odessa College at Howard College, 1 p.m. & 3 p.m.
- Sweetwater at Big Spring, 5 p.m.
- Colorado City at Coahoma, 6:30 p.m.

Track

- Big Spring at San Angelo Relays.
- Coahoma at Wildcat Relays, Wink.
- Forsan at San Angelo Relays.

SATURDAY

Powerlifting

 Big Spring at State (boys), Abilene.

Softball

 Howard College at Odessa College (doubleheader), 1 p.m. & 3 p.m.

To submit a calendar item, please call 263-7331, ext. 237, or e-mail sports@bigspringherald.com



Stanton senior Jennifer Henley

at Sul Ross State University

Henley signs with **Sul Ross University** By BRIAN MCCORMACK Sports Editor **STANTON** Jennifer Brenda Henley, a senior at Stanton excited, School, game." committed to play basketball

in Alpine. The 6'1" Henley is the daughter of Puncher and Brenda Henley of Stanton and the granddaughter of Larry and Bobbie Nix of Big Spring.

Henley — who plays the post — was a big part of the Lady Buffaloes' hoops squad and was named to the All-District team for three consecutive seasons.

A basketball player since first grade, it's only logical she takes her skills to the

"She feels blessed to have opportunity," "She's Henley. loves she the

Stanton Basketball Coach Jim Kinnear thinks Henley could have a great career at the collegiate level.

"She's been on varsity for three years," he said. "She's worked extremely hard and tremendously. improved Now, all the hard work is starting to pay dividends and it's taking her to the next level."

Division III colleges don't award athletic scholarships, but Henley did earn tuition assistance as a recruit by way of academic grants.

Pony League to hold sign-ups Saturday at Roy Anderson Complex

Big Spring Pony League sign-ups are set to be held Saturday from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. at the Roy Anderson Softball Complex. An additional registration will be held Saturday April 6, also from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. at the Roy Anderson Sports Complex.

Ages 13-16 are welcome. A birth certificate is required, as well as a fee of

theletes — is the largest in the nation,

\$80 per person. The Big Spring Little League organization — with more than 700 young al-

per capita.

• Temple vs. North Carolina State in Dayton, Ohio, 12:40 p.m. (TBS).

(truTV).

3:40 p.m. (TNT).

(TBS).

- Pacific vs. Miami (Fla.) in Austin, 1:10 p.m. (TNT).

NCAA Men's Second Round:

in Kansas City, Mo., 11:40 a.m.

phia, 11:15 a.m. (CBS).

· Albany vs. Duke in Philadel-

Mississippi vs. Wisconsin

- · Cincinnati vs. Creighton in Philadelphia, 1:45 p.m. (CBS).
- La Salle vs. Kansas State in Kan-
- sas City, Mo., 2:10 p.m. (truTV).
- · James Madison vs. Indiana in Dayton, Ohio, 2:10 p.m. (TBS).

town in Philadelphia, 5:50 p.m.

• Iona vs. Ohio State in Dayton,

- Colorado vs. Illinois in Austin,
- Florida Gulf Coast vs. George-

Today's NCAA Men's tourney schedule

in Philadelphia, 8:20 p.m. (TBS). • Iowa State vs. Notre Dame in Dayton, Ohio, 8:45 p.m. (CBS).

in Austin, 6:27 p.m. (truTV).

• Villanova vs. North Carolina in

Northwestern State vs. Florida

Oklahoma vs. San Diego State

Kansas City, Mo., 6:20 p.m. (TNT).

Ohio, 6:15 p.m. (CBS).

- · Western Kentucky vs. Kansas in Kansas City, Mo., 8:50 p.m. (TNT).
- Minnesota vs. UCLA in Austin, 8:57 p.m. (truTV).

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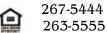
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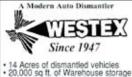
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discussed and compromises are not reached. She need not do things for him that he can do for himself. Ask that he remove his shoes at the door for a week and have a pair of slippers there. Thank him. You see where this is going? Dirty socks? If they don't make it into the hamper, they don't get washed. — Len

I was surprised at your advice to Neatnik. She is telling you of her frustrations, and you tell her to just clean up after him, "which would make it a non-issue." What kind of logic is that? Are little boys allowed to track in grit and leave socks around, with the little girls required to pick up after them? If not, then why would we pick up after grown men? — Granny of Five Boys

I think we might be able to offer a bit more support to Neatnik. While it's true that compromise is sometimes the best course, it would seem unfortunate to miss the opportunity early in a marriage to establish shared responsibilities. Simply picking up after her messy husband will leave one spouse feeling entitled and the other dispirited — not a good recipe for a long and marriage. happy recommend that the couple make a list of all the household tasks, from trips to the dry cleaner to washing the dishes to paying the bills, and then determine which spouse is better suited to which task. The outcome, while mathematically perfect, will provide both of them with a sense of stewardship for the home they share. — *Mame*

I did, however, have two letters of support:

I actually agree with advice. House your chores have never been equal. There are things my guy does well; cleaning is not one of them. I am always picking up after him. Many years ago, it bothered me because I thought marriage should be equal. Our marriage is equal. It's just not divided equally in terms of who cleans what, who

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contributes how much financially, who does the yard work, etc. If you appreciate the qualities each of you brings to the relationship, you will begin to appreciate each other more. — Another Neatnik

You were right on. Pick your battles! Try to incorporate a "no shoes in the house" policy.

That will help, and it is less individualized and personal. If he is happy, you will be happy. If he is miserable from the nagging, your life will be awful. — *Sue*

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

Mars, Uranus and **Pluto Rumblings**

Troublemakers Mars and Uranus meet up. Throw a Pluto square into the mix, and it's time to take precautions. Inspect your tools to make sure they are in good working order. Get up to date with car, house and health maintenance. motives Check your before you leave the house. Doing things for the right

reasons keeps you in the clear.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). How will lull you someone your world? Good

news! Right now, you

don't even have to try. The planets are on your side, so just show up and make your

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MATHIS

offer. TAURUS (April 20-May 20). By tracking what happened before, you'll make a good guess as to coming next. what's You're excellent

will use this skill to your between a pro and an advantage.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You like complicated people because they have an interesting point of view and usually add a spark of beauty, intellect or humor to your world. You also know better than to get too close. CANCER (June 22-July

22). You may feel that what's required of you is unfair. But the fact is that you are asked to do more because you are capable of more. Others see greatness in you, and they want to develop it. **LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22).

The requests that are made of you may initially seem difficult to fulfill, but instead of protesting or waffling, you'll show your confidence by just Jan. 19). Most of us want saying yes. You'll figure to it out as you go.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Your live-and-let-live policy is interrupted by someone who really does seem to need your insight and help. Tread carefully here. An egoless assist could make a huge difference in the life of another.

amateur is that the pro won't use as many words. explanations Excuses, and complaints aren't a part of the repertoire. SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov.

21). Nothing good will come of forceful tools, attitudes and ways. A warm, soft style will help you stay connected to the people and things that make you feel safe. **SAGITTARIUS** (Nov.

22-Dec. 21). Some people think that cheerful, relatable small talk is not intelligent. They're wrong. We're all affected by the weather, and talking about it might be the smartest way to build rapport. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-

avoid highmaintenance people and situations. If you want help, make it easy for others to get involved in what you're doing. If a task is too involved, it won't get done.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). If you find yourself thinking that you can do it later, that's called flinching. Flinching causes people

to drop the ball. Use the moment in front of you. Assume you won't get another chance. PISCES (Feb. 19-March

20). Your creativity may get in the way of the logical statement you are trying to make. Let it interfere. There is a deep and trustworthy intelligence in imagination. TODAY'S BIRTHDAY

(March 22). Dance when you're asked, sing along, and when in doubt, say yes. Responses like these will hold you in good stead, as the year produces many spur-ofthe-moment opportunities that are not to be missed. April and May bring new business and financial betterment. Your focus on one relationship makes June special. Aquarius and Scorpio people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 17, 35, 48, 20 and 11.

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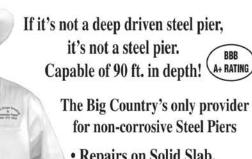
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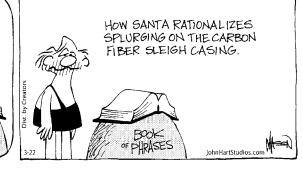
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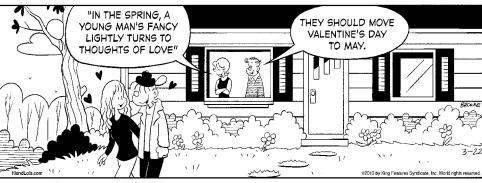








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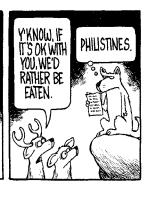
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In History Today is Friday, March 22,

This Date

the 81st day of 2013. There are 284 days left in the year. Today's Highlight

History: On March 22, 1963, The Beatles' debut album, "Please Please Me," was released in the United Kingdom

Parlophone. On this date: In 1312, Pope Clement V

issued a papal bull ordering dissolution of the Order of the Knights Templar. In 1638, religious dissident

Anne Hutchinson was expelled from the Massachusetts Bay Colony for defying Puritan orthodoxy. In 1765, the British

Parliament passed the Stamp Act of 1765 to raise money from the American colonies, which fiercely resisted the tax. (The Stamp Act was repealed a year later.) In 1820, U.S. naval hero

Stephen Decatur was killed in a duel with Commodore James

Barron near Washington, D.C. In 1894, hockey's first Stanley Cup championship game was

played; home team Montreal

In 1933, during Prohibition, President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed a measure to make wine and beer containing up to 3.2 percent alcohol legal.

defeated Ottawa, 3-1.

In 1941, the Grand Coulee hydroelectric dam Washington state went into operation. In 1943, the Khatyn Massacre

took place during World War II as German forces killed 149 residents of the village of Khatyn, Belarus, half of them children. In 1958, movie producer Mike Todd, the husband of actress

Elizabeth Taylor, and three

other people were killed in the crash of Todd's private plane near Grants, N.M. In 1978, Karl Wallenda, the 73-year-old patriarch of "The Flying Wallendas" high-wire act, fell to his death while

attempting to walk a cable

strung between two hotel towers in San Juan, Puerto Rico. In 1988, both houses of Congress overrode President Ronald Reagan's veto of the Civil Rights Restoration Act.

In 1993, Intel Corp. unveiled the original Pentium computer chip.

Today's Birthdays: USA Today founder Allen H. Neuharth is 89. Composerlyricist Stephen Sondheim is 83. Evangelist broadcaster Pat Robertson is 83. Actor William Shatner is 82. Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, is 79. Actor M. Emmet Walsh is 78. Actor-singer Jeremy Clyde is 72. Singerguitarist George Benson is 70. Writer James Patterson is 66. CNN newscaster Wolf Blitzer is 65. Composer Andrew Lloyd Webber is 65. Actress Fanny Ardant is 64. Sportscaster Bob Costas is 61. Country singer James House is 58. Actress Lena Olin is 58.

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NCAA Upset of the day: Harvard ousts New Mexico

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Some people may have heard of the school that's suddenly generating a bit of March Madness buzz.

Harvard.

Yep, Harvard —the school known for producing U.S. presidents, Supreme Court justices and Nobel Prize winners earned its first NCAA tournament victory Thursday night with a 68-62 upset of No. 3 seed New Mexico.

Wesley Saunders scored 18 points and Laurent Rivard made five 3-pointers to give 14th-seeded Harvard (20-9) its first tournament victory in only three measly trips.

"It's unbelievable," guard Christian Webster said. "We're still in disbelief. This is as good as it gets for us right now."

He had no doubt the scene at Harvard Square was as crazv as the one inside the Crimson locker room, where noise from Harvard's postgame celebration carried down through the concourse.

The Crimson put the clamps on New Mexico's Tony Snell, holding him to nine points on 4-of-12 shooting after he dominated in the Mountain West Conference tournament. They banged inside with Lobos big men Cameron Bairstow and Alex Kirk, whose 22 points provided New Mexico's only consistent offense.

Mostly, they showed none of the jitters that marked their trip to the tournament last year, a 79-70 loss to Vanderbilt in the Crimson's first NCAA appearance since 1946.

Next up for Harvard: a meeting with sixth-seeded Arizona. In the other part of the West

Region bracket, top-seeded Gonzaga got a scare from Southern before pulling out a 64-58 victory. The Zags will play No. 9 Wichita State, 73-55 winners over Pitt. Gonzaga barely escaped to

keep No. 1 seeds undefeated against No. 16s since the NCAA tournament field expanded to 64 teams in 1985. That doesn't mean it was

easy for the Zags, who ran into a No. 16 seed that wasn't playing like one.

Gonzaga coach Mark Few was almost ready to jump on the Southern bandwagon.

"Everyone was so moved by their effort, their resilience, their confidence," Few said. "If I wasn't coaching on the other sideline, they'd be a tough team not to root for."

Gonzaga's next opponent slowly pulled away from Pitt, ending the Panthers' season at 24-9.

Wichita State's Tekele Cotton did such a good job shutting down Pitt's leading scorer, Tray Woodall, that Woodall was in tears after the game. He managed only two points while the Shockers guard came up with five steals and a key 3-point bas-

At the news conference after the game, Woodall broke down and had to be comforted by teammate Dante Taylor, who wrapped an arm around his teammate's shoulder. "It's a bitter taste in my

mouth to end my career with one of the worst games I've ever played," said Woodall, who came into the game aver-

aging 11.8 points. "I'm sorry. I let my team down."

The game was a physical one, with players receiving an occasional elbow in the mouth or to the head.

Malcolm Armstead Wichita State (27-8) with 22 points. Cleanthony Early added 21 and Carl Hall had 11. Freshman Steven Adams led Pitt with 13 points and 11 rebounds.

Harvard's next opponent, Arizona, beat 11th-seeded Belmont 81-64.

Arizona (26-7) had been knocked out of the Pac-12 Conference tournament by one Bruins team — UCLA and these Bruins, from Nashville, Tenn., were a trendy pick to upset Sean Miller's sixth-seeded Wildcats in the NCAAs. Instead, the Wildcats made

a believer out of Belmont coach Rick Byrd. Mark Lyons scored 23 points and Arizona used its size to dominate from start to finish. "I was more impressed with

the team I saw tonight than I was scouting them," Byrd

acknowledged afterward. "I thought they were more engaged and focused and I think

if they play that way, they can beat a lot of people.' The thought was almost enough to wipe the smile from Crimson coach Tommy Amaker after Harvard's big

win. "Off the top of my head, I can't imagine any team being more talented than they are," Amaker said of Arizona. "I'm not sure they have any weaknesses based on size, the bodies they can play up front, the guards, and their quickness, making plays off the dribble."

The Wildcats held a 44-18 edge on the boards, outscored Belmont 36-18 in the paint, blocked five shots and outshot the Bruins from 3-point range. Arizona made nine of 17 3-pointers and shot 57 percent overall.

Solomon Hill ended up making as many 3s as Ian Clark, who entered the game shooting better than 46 percent for Belmont but was 3 of 8 from beyond the arc.

Top-seeded Louisville stays above upset fray Marquette was still try-Louisville Ky.

(AP) — No matter where he's coaching or who his team is facing, Rick Pitino has never liked playing the first game of the NCAA tournament as a top seed. "Normally your guys

get a little tight, say, 'We're a 1 seed, uhoh, we could lose this game," the Louisville coach said. "And you start playing not to lose rather than to win." Look at fellow No. 1

Gonzaga, nearly leveled by little Southern out in the West Region. Or third-seeded New Mexico, which got schooled by Harvard.

Heck, just look next door at Rupp Arena, third-seeded

ing to figure out how it pulled off the comeback of the day Thursday. The Golden Eagles rallied from seven points down with less than two minutes to go for a 59-58 victory over 14thseeded Davidson.

Marquette now faces sixth-seeded Butler, a 68-56 winner over Bucknell in the day's first game at Rupp Arena. Louisville gets eighthseeded Colorado State, which dismantled Missouri 84-72.

"Sometimes you get the wrong opponent," Pitino said. "We just got the right opponent."

Or maybe the Cardinals are just really, really good.

erased any doubts there may have been about the Cardinals' worthiness of being the tournament's overall top seed with a 79-48 rout of North Carolina A&T. The Aggies like to

press and trap just as Louisville does, but Russ Smith, Peyton Siva and the rest of the Cardinals never gave them the chance. The Big East champs set an NCAA tournament record with 20 steals, had 67 deflections and held the Aggies (20-17) to 42 percent shooting. Smith set a Louisville record for the NCAA tournament with eight steals, and his 23 points gave him double figures for a fourth-straight game. Siva added eight assists, four steals and six points.

The destruction was so complete that Pitino pulled Smith and Siva with about seven minutes to go, and the only Louisville players that went scoreless were the guys who came in for mop-up duty.

"I told Rick that I'm pulling for him to win the national championship," A&T coach Cy Alexander said. "He's got a Final Four-quality team. They made shots and they're as good as anybody in the country when they're going."

Pitino isn't ing out space in the trophy case just yet,

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ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) life with an eagle on the He didn't miss a putt inside 15 feet. He watched good shots and answered with better ones. He ran off a string of birdies to pull away.

That's how Tiger Woods won his last tournament.

This time, he was merely a bystander.

Justin Rose has been working hard on his putting since the U.S. Open last summer, and it paid off in a big way Thursday at the Arnold Palmer Invitational. After struggling at the start in chilly, breezy conditions, Rose came to 16th hole, four straight birdies on his back nine and a 7-under 65 at Bay

That gave him a twoshot lead over John

Rose took only 25 putts and he was the best in the "strokes gained" category, though most impressive about his flat stick was this: He made six birdies and an eagle, and only one of those putts was inside 10 feet.

"Not everything was perfect today," Rose said. "But the putter was really, really hot. And those are fun days.

Angels' Hamilton homers against former team

SURPRISE, Ariz. (AP) — Josh Hamilton knows there will be some boos when he returns to Arlington the first week of the

If he performs the way he did during his first game against Texas on Thursday night, they will be well earned.

Hamilton hit one of four home runs for Los Angeles in the top of the fourth inning off Derek Lowe, but the Angels lost 10-9 to the Rangers.

"The guys already have a poll on the team, if I'll get more claps or boos," Hamilton said before the game.

"I can't worry about it. There are people that clap and people that will boo. I think it's funny. I got booed when I played there, why wouldn't I get booed when I play for the Angels and play

Hamilton isn't the first player to move from the Rangers to their division rivals on the West Coast. C.J. Wilson switched

the Trailblazers stole

the ball from HC and

laid it up, making it a

68-65 game. With 30 sec-

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as tossed up his seventh

three of the game, but it

A pair of free throws

by Vincennes in the

final seconds put the

Huskic finished with

14 points - 12 of which

was no good.

game away.

teams before last season after signing a free-agent deal and went 13-10 with a 3.83 ERA for the Angels.

But Wilson didn't have the same cache as Hamilton. He overcame drug addiction to win an MVP award become one of the games biggest stars.

In five seasons with Texas, Hamilton hit .305 with 142 home runs and 506 RBIs with another six homers and 22 RBIs in the Rangers' two World Series runs.

The Angels rewarded him with a five-year, \$125-million contract. Though expectations are high, Hamilton said he's not feeling any additional pressure.

"Somebody told me to think about the contract you sign now, but you're really getting paid for what you've done in the past," said Hamilton, who finished 1 for 3. "So don't put extra pressure on yourself to perform. Just go out, have fun, play the game and contribute any way you can."

Earlier this spring, a minor

firestorm broke out when Hamilton said the Dallas-Fort Worth metroplex was more of a football town. But he said Thursday he wasn't questioning the priori-

ties of the Rangers fans. "When you start thinking about having 50,000 out on a Friday night instead of high school football games, that's fun," he said. "I'm glad the fans came out. Everybody loves a winner. Everybody comes out to watch a

winner. "I spent so much time with the fans, not because I wanted to get them to like me but because I wanted to," he added. "When we go back there, if there's somebody ragging me, cussing me or whatever the case may be, it's still not going to stop me from signing autographs and spending time with them."

Hamilton, Albert Pujols, Howie Kendrick and Hank Conger homered during the Angels' sixrun fourth inning against Rangers starter Derek Lowe.

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LOSS Huskic fouled out in the second half. Scor-Continued from Page 9 ing seven points apiece for the Hawks were Vincennes wouldn't Rico Richardson, Jacob go away. Thomas and Phillip With 90 second to go,

Miller. DaShaun Wiggins, Marcus Fuggins and Ladon Carter combined for eight. "It was a great experience," Adams said..

came in the first half.

"We'll reload and hopefully get back to the national tournament next year." Adams cited his soph-

omores for their roles in another successful season.

"We're real proud

of the sophomores," Adams added. "To get to the Elite Eight and nationall ranked all year. Credit goes to those guys and the work they have put in." The No. 11 Hawks fin-

ished with a 30-6 record overall and won the

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