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Various artwork created by Big Spring High School students is now on display at Heritage Museum. The exhibit runs through May 17. See additional photos, Page 14.

Young artists show their stuff

More than 100 pieces on display

By **STEVE REAGAN**
 Staff Writer

The future of art — at least, in Big Spring — is on display at Heritage Museum. More than 100 pieces of artwork, representing the best efforts of Big Spring High School students, will be exhibited at the museum through May 17, Director Nancy Raney said. Students whose work is on display and their family members will be admitted for free to the museum through the exhibit's run, Raney added. The exhibit, now in its third year, is the brainchild of BSHS Art Teacher Judy Tereletsky. "Judy came to us a few years ago and asked us if we could

showcase some of her students' art," Raney said. "And we were more than happy to do that." Aside from giving the public a chance to see the state of art at the local high school, the exhibit also is a thrill for the students, she noted. "The kids are excited to see their work displayed in our gallery," Raney said. Tereletsky said the exhibit includes at least one piece of art from every art student at the high school. The museum is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday-Friday and from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday. For more information on the exhibit, contact the museum at 267-8255.

Wind-damaged Texas Tech light tower coming down

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — Crews will bring down a wind-damaged light tower at Texas Tech's football stadium and keep people away from the site for safety reasons. School officials in Lubbock planned to use a crane today to lower the tower at Jones AT&T Stadium and examine the damage. Winds topping 40 mph Thursday damaged part of the southeast light tower at the stadium that seats more than 60,000. Nearby structures were evacuated as a precaution. Nobody was hurt. Workers at the south end zone office building, the football training facility and the athletic training center were told not to report to those sites today until the area has been certified as safe.

The elderly: It's everyone's business

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
 Staff Writer

It's everyone's business. That's the message Adult Protective Services (APS) is trying to drive home with Texans during the month of May, which just happens to be Elder Abuse Prevention Month and Older Americans Month. "APS is reminding Texans that stopping elder abuse is truly everyone's responsibility," Marleigh Meisner, public information officer with the agency, said. "No one knows exactly how many

"In 2012, Texas APS, a division of the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS), completed 87,487 investigations of abuse, neglect or exploitation involving adults living at home."

older Texans are being abused, neglected, or financially exploited. Many victims are too embarrassed to ask for help, and their suffering can be shrouded by secrecy. "As our population ages, statistics show the problem is a growing concern, and nationwide studies estimate that three to five million seniors age 65 and older have experienced abuse, with only one in five cases reported. In 2012, See APS, Page 3

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Pastor Michael Willard, pastor of Cornerstone Covenant Church in Big Spring, speaks to a group gathered Thursday in the Howard County Courthouse for a National Day of Prayer program.

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Obituaries

Art Blassingame



Art Blassingame was born Sept. 22, 1922, in Fannin County, Texas. He died Dec. 19, 2012, at Lamun-Lusk-Sanchez Texas State Veterans Home in Big Spring, Texas.

Art served in the United States Air Force for four years in the South Pacific Theater during World War II. He farmed in Howard and Martin counties after the end of the war. Later, Art worked at Pollard Chevrolet for 25 years and made many life-long friends in the community.

Art was a true Texas outdoorsman. He enjoyed hunting anything with feathers or fur. From his lease on the Spade Ranch to the stock tank at the farm, Art welcomed his friends and family to hunt with him. Art also loved to fish for crappie and catfish and spent a good deal of time at his cabin on Lake Colorado City.

Art had a wonderful sense of humor and loved to play practical jokes with his friends and family. He especially enjoyed drinking coffee with the girls at Sherry Wegner's insurance office. Art was also elected mayor of Luther, Texas, by a 3 to 0 margin.

Art is survived by one brother, Robert Wayne Blassingame and wife Lil of Big Spring, Texas; and three sisters, Marjorie Larson of Memphis, Tenn., Betty Driver of Big Spring, Texas and Bobbie Webb of San Angelo, Texas. He also had 11 nephews and nieces who were very special to him.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Arthur Vivian Blassingame Sr. (Dutch) and Daisy Bell Blassingame; and two brothers, W.C. Blassingame and Joe Blassingame.

The family will host a memorial service in honor of Art at Nalley-Pickle and Welch Rosewood Chapel at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 4, 2013.

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

Paid obituary

Byron B. Smith Jr.

Byron B. Smith Jr. of Pittsburg, Texas, died April 30, 2013, in Tyler, Texas, following a short illness. He was 82 years old.

Byron Braxton Smith Jr. was born in Odessa, Texas, to Byron B. Smith Sr. and Anna Hall Smith on Jan. 23, 1931. He was the oldest of five children. The Smith family moved to Arkansas, where, at age 16, Byron enlisted in the Army. He served in the Army, then re-inlisted in the Air Force. He was a staff sergeant and a medic during the Korean War, stationed in Ashiya Japan.

Byron married Opal Taylor on Sept. 10, 1948. He worked at Cosden Oil Refinery in Big Spring, Texas, for 35 years. Byron and his family were members of Phillips Memorial Baptist Church and College Baptist Church in Big Spring. He was a Mason and Shriner.

He was a member of First Baptist Church in Pittsburg.

Byron B. Smith is survived by his first wife, Opal Taylor Smith of Mena, Ark., and their four children, Donna Smith Bouldin of Houston, D. Doug Smith of Magnolia, Denise Smith of Campbell and Dawn Smith Fowble of Del City, Okla.; his sister, Mae Smith Neisler of Arlington; brother, F. Farrel Smith and Sue Smith of Houston; his aunt, Dorothy Hall Polourde of Rosenberg; current wife, Dorothy Smith; and numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Byron B. Smith was preceded in death by his parents, Anna Hall Smith and Byron B. Smith Sr.; and two sisters, Letha Smith Williams and Ann Smith Huggins.

Memorial services for Byron Smith will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, May 4, 2013, at the Camp County Senior Center in Pittsburg, Texas. Services with military honors will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, May 6, 2013, at the Dallas Fort Worth National Cemetery in Dallas, Texas.

Kimberly Genice Peacock



Services for Kimberly Genice Peacock, 19, a student at Tarleton State University, will be held at 2 p.m., Sunday, May 5, 2013, at Holy Trinity Catholic Parish in Big Spring, Texas, with Father Gully officiating. Arrangements are by Lacy Funeral Home, Stephenville, Texas.

Kimberly was born in Big Spring, Texas, on Aug. 29, 1993, to Jeremy Peacock and Valorie A. Hoard. She was a member of Cottonwood Baptist Church in Dublin, Texas, and a member of Phi Mu sorority.

Survivors include her mother, Valorie Hoard and husband Daniel, of Big Spring; father, Jeremy Peacock of Fort Worth; maternal grandmother, Theresa Conley of Big Spring; maternal great-grandfather, Alberto Aguirre of Midland, Texas; paternal grandfather, Dale Peacock of Big Spring; paternal great-grandmother, Lucille Arney of Big Spring; two sisters, Delilah Gonzales and Sophee Acosta, both of Big Spring; and a nephew, Gavin Thornhill of Big Spring.

Online condolences can be made at www.lacyfuneral.com.

Ethel Louise Riley

Ethel Louise Riley, 83, of Midland, passed away on Thursday, May 2, 2013.

Survivors include daughter, Pam Rinehart and husband Snooky of Midland, Texas; two granddaughters; a grandson; and four great-grandchildren.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Midland.

into by the HCSO Thursday on a charge of assault causes bodily injury family member.

• KURT ANTON MIRANDA, 32, was booked into the county detention center Thursday on a charge of public intoxication.

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

• MEDICAL was reported on the 300 block of Veteran's Blvd. One person transported to

SMMC.

• MEDICAL was reported on the 1300 block of Lamar. One person transported to SMMC.

• MEDICAL was reported on the 100 block of Cottonwood.

Billye June Crownover Rogers

Billye June (B.J.) Crownover Rogers passed away April 11, 2013. She was born in Electra, Texas, on Oct. 24, 1930, and will be laid to rest at 2 p.m. Saturday, May 4, 2013, in the Loraine cemetery near other members of the Crownover family. She was formerly from Big Spring and Loraine, Texas, but has most recently resided in Portland, Texas, until her death.

B.J. graduated from Crane High School where she was a drum majorette, attended Sul Ross University and acquired several certifications in accounting as well as counseling for drug and alcohol abuse. She retired from the Texas Department of Criminal Justice in 1998.

She was a member of Grace Parish Episcopal Church in Port Lavaca, Texas, where she served as church secretary for years. She also had worked for Calhoun County Emergency Fund, Red Cross and Crisis Hotline.

She was a proud member and past president of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority. Meemaw, B.J. or June was an angel flying close to the ground. Known for living life to its fullest, in her later years she chose to guide countless souls down a path of recovery from drug and alcohol abuse, showing them choices of love and light. She was a safe haven to many, loved very much and will certainly be missed by those who truly knew her.

B.J. was preceded in death by her parents, William Riley (Bill) and Gladys Josephine (Joan) Crownover; brother, Ronny Wayne Crownover; and son, Charles Lee Crawley.

She is survived by a sister, Jana Kay Lanceley; children, Antonia J. Hawke, Jana Kim Crowley and Jamie Carol Armstrong; grandchildren, Kasey Lynn Cross, Stephanie Renee Boen, Sara Ryan Crowley, Justin Scott Crowley, Courtney Leigh Armstrong, Charles Evan Crawley and Anita Nolle Crawley; 10 great-grandchildren; and several cousins (locally, Doris Henderson of Loraine and Susan Farr of Colorado City), nieces and nephews.

Paid obituary

Madrid Luene Anderson Robinson

Madrid Luene Anderson Robinson, 92, formerly of Big Spring died Thursday, May 02, 2013, at Brian Center of Statesville, N.C.

She was born Nov. 12, 1920, in Slaton, Lubbock County, Texas, and was the daughter of William Jesse and Dolly Mae Barnett Anderson. Before relocating to Statesville in 1996, she was a long-time resident of Big Spring, Texas, where she was a legal secretary for 33 years for the John A. Coffee firm and was a member of Trinity Baptist Church.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in

death by her husband, William Henry Robinson, whom she married on April 8, 1939; and a son, Floyd Neil Robinson of Houston.

Luene is survived by her daughter, Dorothy "Dottie" Westmoreland of Statesville; a daughter-in-law, Dolly Schacter of Houston, Texas; a granddaughter; two grandsons; three great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

Services and interment will be held at a later date at Trinity Memorial Park in Big Spring.

Condolences may be sent to the family online at www.bunchjohnsonfuneralhome.com.

Bunch-Johnson Funeral Home is entrusted with the arrangements.

Police/Sheriff/EMS

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 7 a.m. May 2, 2013 and 7 a.m. today:

- HENRY TREVINO FRANCO JR. 21, of 1700 E. Fourth, was arrested Thursday on charges of failure to appear and criminal mischief under \$50.
- GARY D. ALLYN, 49, of 999 W. Amador Ave., Las Cruces, New Mexico, was arrested Thursday on a charge of public intoxication.
- NINFA MORENO GARCIA, 57, of 1501 Sycamore, was arrested Thursday on charges of public intoxication.
- KURT ANTON MIRANDA, 32, of 4100 Bilger St., was arrested Thursday on a charge of public intoxication.
- CASEY COLLEEN BYNUM, 27, of 1217 Scenic Drive, was arrested Thursday on a charge of public intoxication.
- CHRISTOPHER EMILE KELEHAN, 24, of 2506 Fairchild, was arrested Thursday on a charge of assault, aggravated causes serious

- bodily injury.
- ELI EDWARD REYES, 38, OF 104 E. Hoover Ave., Coahoma, was arrested Thursday on a charge of assault, family violence causes bodily injury.
- CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported on the 700 block of E. 11th Place.
- CITIZEN ARREST was reported on the 700 block of Johansen Rd.
- BURGLARY OF A BUILDING was reported on the 500 block of FM 700.
- THEFT was reported on the 3600 block of W. Hwy 80.
- FORGERY was reported on the 2100 block of S. Gregg.
- THEFT was reported on the 1100 block of S. Benton.
- INTOXICATED SUBJECT was reported on the 1500 block of E. Fourth St.
- HIT AND RUN was reported on the 1000 block of S. Gregg.
- THEFT was reported on the 3600 block of W. Hwy 80.
- UNWANTED SUB-

- JECT was reported on the 1500 block of Sycamore.
 - CITIZEN ARREST was reported on the 2500 block of S. Gregg.
 - DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported on the 500 block of S. Second St., Coahoma.
 - MAJOR ACCIDENT was reported on the 800 block of W. IH 20.
- The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following activity:
- Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 85 inmates at the time of this report.
- CHRISTOPHER EMILE KELEHAN was booked into the county detention center Thursday on a charge of assault causes serious bodily injury.
 - RUBEN GUERRA, JR., 34, was booked into the county detention center Thursday on a

- charge of speeding 90 mph in a 70 mph zone.
- ED COVINGTON, no information, was booked into the county detention center Thursday on a judgment of the district court on charges of no driver's license, failure to appear and possession of a controlled substance. Sentenced to four years.
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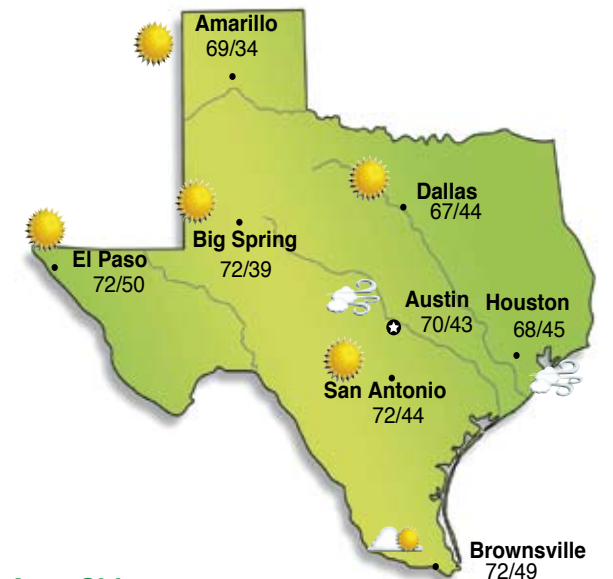
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Sunrise: 6:58 AM Sunset: 8:28 PM	Sunrise: 6:57 AM Sunset: 8:29 PM	Sunrise: 6:56 AM Sunset: 8:30 PM



Texas At A Glance



Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	70	41	sunny	Kingsville	75	47	sunny
Amarillo	69	34	sunny	Livingston	68	41	windy
Austin	70	43	windy	Longview	64	41	windy
Beaumont	67	45	pt sunny	Lubbock	70	36	sunny
Brownsville	72	49	pt sunny	Lufkin	69	43	windy
Brownwood	71	42	sunny	Midland	70	44	sunny
Corpus Christi	73	50	sunny	Raymondville	73	48	windy
Corsicana	65	41	sunny	Rosenberg	69	44	windy
Dallas	67	44	sunny	San Antonio	72	44	sunny
Del Rio	74	47	sunny	San Marcos	71	43	windy
El Paso	72	50	sunny	Sulphur Springs	64	43	windy
Fort Stockton	70	42	sunny	Sweetwater	71	41	sunny
Gainesville	64	39	mst sunny	Tyler	66	41	windy
Greenville	64	41	windy	Weatherford	66	40	sunny
Houston	68	45	windy	Wichita Falls	68	39	sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	64	54	rain	Minneapolis	45	38	rain
Boston	58	43	mst sunny	New York	62	49	sunny
Chicago	56	49	rain	Phoenix	89	60	sunny
Dallas	67	44	sunny	San Francisco	80	56	sunny
Denver	58	34	mst sunny	Seattle	71	51	sunny
Houston	68	45	windy	St. Louis	52	47	rain
Los Angeles	90	61	sunny	Washington, DC	67	50	mst sunny
Miami	82	70	t-storm				

Moon Phases



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Take Note

- Kentwood Early Childhood Center will hold pre-registration for its pre-kindergarten classes from 9 a.m. to noon May 1-15 at the ECC, located at 2500 Merrily. For more information, contact the school at 264-4130.
- A benefit fund for the April Martinez family, who recently lost everything in a fire, has been set up at Prosperity Bank. Donations can be made to account number 3013914734. Ms. Martinez has four children ages 5 to 12.
- Crossroads Hospice is in need of volunteers. Volunteers are the backbone of the hospice team, by bringing light and love into people's lives. For more information on joining, contact Eva Robison at 432-263-5300 or come by 421 S. Main.
- Howard County Master Gardeners are preparing for this year's annual spring plant sale to be held May 11 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Green Thumb Cottage, 1604 W. Fourth between Jones and Brown Streets in Big Spring. Plants of all kinds, from trees to flowers, will be on display and reasonably priced. All will be clearly marked with information to aid in their care and Master Gardener's will be available to answer questions. Howard County Master Gardeners Club business meetings take place at 6 p.m. the third Tuesday of every month at the cottage.

APS

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Texas APS, a division of the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS), completed 87,487 investigations of abuse, neglect or exploitation involving adults living at home. Of those, more than 59,590 cases were confirmed, with most cases including physical or medical neglect.

APS also investigated 10,803 allegations in institutions like state hospitals and state supported living centers and confirmed abuse, neglect, or financial exploitation in 1,259 of those cases. The results of 3,091 of those investigations were forwarded to law enforcement for further review.

Meisner said the perpetrators are often family members — ranging from adult children to spouses and grandchildren — and one of the keys to preventing these crimes is education.

“This marks the seventh year of APS’ It’s Everyone’s Business campaign,” Meisner said. “It’s a statewide effort to educate Texans about the pervasive problem of abuse, neglect and exploitation of the elderly and adults with disabilities, and to encourage

citizens to get involved in making a positive difference.

“Throughout May, APS employees across Texas will distribute brochures and information kits, as well as participate in conferences, information fairs, and ceremonies honoring those who work on behalf of vulnerable adults.”

According to Beth Engelking, DFPS assistant commissioner for Adult Protective Services, there are plenty of signs to watch for, the most common being isolation.

“Everyone needs to know how to recognize the signs of abuse, neglect and financial exploitation and to report them when you see them,” Engelking said. “We also need community resources to help the people who are older or who have disabilities when they can no longer

help themselves.”

The most common threat to the elderly and disabled are often those who are closest to them, Meisner said.

“The most common threats are self-neglect — people who cannot or will not meet their own basic needs — and adult children who abuse or take advantage of their own parents,” Meisner said. “APS referred 5,826 of the cases it completed last year to law enforcement.”

According to Meisner, Texas has more than 2.8 million residents 65 or older, with almost 1.7 million people with a disability.

“In 2010, APS complet-

ed 82,802 investigations of abuse, neglect or exploitation involving adults living at home,” she added. “Of these, more than 56,056 were confirmed. As a comparison, in 2007 APS completed 64,459 investigations and confirmed in 45,934 cases. In the last decade, the number of in-home cases investigated by APS has more than doubled.

“The message is simple but important. If you believe an elderly person is being abused, neglected, or exploited, report it by calling 1-800-252-5400. For more information about preventing elder abuse, and to download public awareness materials, visit Everyone’sBusiness.org.”

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EDITORIAL

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-FIRST AMENDMENT

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OUR VIEW

Touching a nerve

You never know when you are going to touch a nerve. I've done it many times, but then, in this business, it's bound to happen.

A few weeks ago I wrote a column about lessons I had learned in dealing with credit card companies, insurance companies, etc. after the death of my wife. By the way, thank you to those who responded with cards, letters or emails either about my wife or to thank me for the column.

At the end of that column, I wrote about an upcoming rant — yep, this one. I said it would be:

"A rant on my pet peeve — people who type information about their event, fundraiser, engagement, etc. using a computer, then print it off and mail it or carry it to the Herald. Really folks, what's the point? Just email it! It gets here faster and it doesn't have to be retyped. And if you don't know how to use email, learn. It's simple. Quit making excuses."

Well, with that, I touched a nerve. One of our regular letter writers took offense.

First of all, let me make it clear that the Herald accepts letters, stories, births, weddings, engagements — you name it — no matter what form they arrive in. Many are hand written. We do not, nor have we ever, or will we ever, turn those away. To assume anything different because of what I wrote above is ... well, I'll leave that alone.

My pet peeve — and I didn't go into detail with that "preview" in the last column — deals with the fact that so many people just give up on using email. They try it, don't understand how it works, and think "Well, I'm too old school" or "I am too dumb to understand." Hogwash.

Can you operate a television remote? It's more difficult than learning to send an email.

Can you drive a car? It's much, much more difficult than learning to send an email.

Can you operate an alarm clock? It's about the same, difficulty wise, as sending an email.

Can't type? Whoa! I'm not talking about you. I am only addressing those who type their letters on a computer and then print them out and walk them in instead of emailing them.

If you can type a single sentence on a computer keyboard, you've already done more moves with your fingers than it takes to send an email to New York City, Dallas, or the stupid, classless editor at the Herald.

But don't be concerned about the Herald. Learning to send email can result in something as simple as typing a short "Happy Birthday" to a friend, exchanging recipes or as complex as paying your bills online. Emailing saves you time and opens up a whole new world of possibilities. Just think, one day you might go so far as to put down the computer, pick up the phone and text your grandkids — which is about the only way you can get through to them these days.

Our letter writer wrote, "Since I prefer to hand carry my typed letters to the Herald, I shall cease to write."

Dear letter writer, we have always published your letters, and if you decide to change your mind, we will continue to do so. I sincerely hope that you do continue writing and I apologize for offending you.

As for the rest of you, it takes about 5 minutes to set up an email account if you don't already have one. It's free. If you've tried before and threw your hands up in frustration, call me. If I cannot help, I'll find someone who can.

But please, don't stop sending your letters and other information to the Herald, no matter what form it is in. That was never my intent.

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DAILY PRAYER

Please Lord, help us get through the day with peace and laughter.

Amen

Finally, a gay man in sports

It is almost unbelievable that this is a first.

But it is. Jason Collins is the first male athlete playing in a major sport to "come out."

Yes — the first in any of the five major leagues.

The president applauded him for his courage. Chelsea Clinton, his college classmate, and her dad both spoke out in support of him. So did Kobe Bryant, who two years ago was fined \$100,000 for making an anti-gay slur to an official. NBA Commissioner David Stern praised Collins for assuming a "leadership mantle on this very important issue."

Collins deserves all of this praise and more.

Of course, Collins is not your ordinary professional athlete. He is far better educated, more articulate and more sophisticated than at least 90-something percent of the men who play professional sports. He attended one of the finest and most elite prep schools in the country, Harvard-Westlake, with the children of some of the wealthiest and best-connected people in the world. He went on to Stanford, where he hung out with the president's daughter. Surely none of this should take away from his courage, but it does make clear just how far professional sports have

to go.

It is simply not possible that Collins is the only gay man playing professional sports in America. Not possible. That even Collins, with his education and connections, felt the need to stay in the closet so long speaks volumes about why his announcement matters. It was only last February that Chris Culliver of the San Francisco 49ers said he would not accept a gay teammate. (He was forced to apologize, but frankly, so what?) Grant Hill of the Clippers was quoted, this season, as saying that gays are "still taboo in the locker room."

Still taboo in the locker room.

The last plantation of intolerance?

Not in the military. Not in Congress. Certainly not in Hollywood. Nine states and the District of Columbia allow same-sex couples to wed. Rhode Island is about to be the 10th. If you ask me, the United States Supreme Court will soon hold that the federal government cannot discriminate against same-sex couples and that California cannot revoke their right to marry. If not this year, then soon, I expect the court to hold that the Constitution requires such recognition.

So why can't a gay man play football or basketball or baseball without hiding his sexual orientation? Who cares who he sleeps with if he can catch and throw and make the shot?

That gays should be taboo while brutality, abuse and violence have been accepted is stunning, to say the least.

Collins has made a stand and in public, anyway, is receiving broad and vocal support. What's being whispered in locker rooms is no doubt another story. Ignorance is not eliminated by the courage of one man and the support of two presidents. And Collins, a free agent, is officially unemployed. Whether another team will hire him, who knows?

But for gay kids who are playing sports in playgrounds across the country, there is finally a beacon, a role model, a man to look up to, to realize that you can be a great male athlete, still showering in the locker room (assuming he does for at least another season), and a proud gay man.

It should not have taken until 2013. There should be more than one man standing up. But last week there were none. Progress may be slow, but it is still progress. It is clear which way the wind is blowing. Once, Jackie Robinson stood alone. Someday we will say the same of Jason Collins.

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Venezuelan democracy is a farce

You can call Venezuela many things — a political circus, an upcoming dictatorship, the world's most effective government vote-manipulating machine, a melodramatic Latin American telenovela — but please don't call it a democracy.

Whatever trace they had left of their once-democratic system of government was totally lost when the Chavista government of Nicolas Maduro clearly stole the presidential election of April 14.

It's gone. Democracy has left the country — much like so many Venezuelans who have been fleeing their homeland in search of freedom in the United States.

In spite of clearly evident fraud and widespread government manipulation of voters, Venezuela has "elected" Hugo Chavez's handpicked successor by less than 300,000 votes out of more than 14.7 million cast — all with the stamp of approval of the Chavista-controlled election commission, military, courts and legislature.

And in spite of opposition tantrums — calling for recounts, boycotts, Supreme Court appeals and new elections — in spite of the U.S. and other countries' reluctance to recognize the Maduro government, in spite of how many people believe that opposition candidate Henrique Capriles actually won the

election, Maduro is staying in power.

You may want to call him "President Maduro."

I say he is a dictator.

If the two candidates had competed on a leveled field, if the Chavista machine had not pulled so many blatant violations of the democratic process, Maduro would have lost and the dark ages of Chavismo would have ended.

"You stole this electoral process," Capriles accused Maduro, "and you have to explain that to this country and to the world."

While Capriles has demanded a new election and threatened a Supreme Court appeal, election officials have vowed to conduct only an audit that everyone knows will be a farce.

But to see the extent of the blatant voter manipulation of the Venezuelan government, we didn't have to go to Venezuela. Thousands of South Florida Venezuelans were forced to travel to New Orleans in order to cast their presidential election ballots, because Hugo Chavez had closed the Venezuelan consulate in Miami, where most opposition exiles live.

Venezuela is so politically fragmented, so influenced by Cuban socialism, so close to totalitarian rule, that opposition activists are often forced to flee the country, fearing for their own safety. Is that a democracy or a dictatorship?

For protesting over the stolen election, and for the nine people who already have died in post-election protests, the government already is threatening to throw Capriles in jail.

A commission of the government-controlled National Assembly already has announced plans to investigate whether Capriles instigated violence. At least two of the commission members already have labeled Capriles a "murderer" and the prisons minister said she is preparing a cell for Capriles.

They are threatening to imprison the man many believe actually won the presidential election! Does that happen in a real democracy? Or are they closer to a dictatorship?

You would have to be a blindly fanatic Chavista — and there are many — not to see that your government leaders and even your elections are totally manipulated by Cuba, the world's oldest dictatorship.

But that's where oil-rich Venezuela stands — on the edge of a crisis that could send many more Venezuelans into exile, cause violent clashes in Caracas and destabilize the world's oil economy.

Yet, except for the popular vote, the Chavistas control everything — and they are not about to give up their power.

With this stolen election, the Venezuelan dictatorship started by Hugo Chavez finally has been authenticated. Please don't call it a democracy.

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Church News

First Baptist Church

We invite you to join us this Sunday for a special time celebrating God's faithfulness throughout the generations. We will be honoring all senior adults during the morning worship service, followed by lunch in the family life center which will be transformed into a spring garden. Our youth will be serving during the meal.

Morning worship service is at 10:50. Sunday school is at 9:30 a.m. for all ages. Evening service is at 6. The service will be provided by pastor Mark Lindsey and is titled, "As For Me."

Throughout May the morning sermons will be focused on the home. Each Sunday morning brings the opportunity to interact with the message through YouVersion on your smart phone, iPad or Kindle Fire with instructions given during the service.

AWANAS is wrapping up for this term with their awards ceremony Sunday evening. This is a program for kids focusing on memorizing God's holy word. AWANAS will start again in the fall.

Mother's Day Out is making plans for the pre-k graduation ceremony and end of the year program. Stay tuned for more information. Now is the time to register for the fall session.

MDO serves babies through pre-k. For more information contact Tracy Boeker at 267-8223 or email tboeker90@gmail.com

Area youth are invited to a party after church this Sunday night from 7 to 9. Come and bring a friend to Fiesta de la Hergerto's.

All graduating seniors will be honored in the May 26 service. You can learn how to keep your children in church during their college years by attending Sticky Faith which meets at 9:30 a.m.

Do you have questions about God and what it means to have a relationship with Jesus Christ? Call First Baptist Church at 267-8223 or stop by and someone will be happy to listen, pray with you and talk with you about Jesus.

First Baptist Church is located at 700 West FM 700. We look forward to you joining us this Sunday.

Non-denominational Sabbath Fellowship

Did you ever miss an appointment? This week we study about the appoint-

Area nurses invited to annual Blessing of Nurses' Hands

Family Faith Center will celebrate National Nurses Week with a special and time honored tradition.

National Nurses Week 2013 is being celebrated May 6 through May 12. National Nurses Day is observed May 6 and National Parish Nurse Day will be observed May 12. Sam and Christina Segundo, senior pastors of Family Faith Center (FFC) will be hosting the fourth annual Blessing of Nurses' Hands for Big Spring nurses and those from surrounding areas.

Pastor Sam states, "The church motto is 'Your Healthy Place to Be,'" and the Segundo's recognize that parish nurses play an important role in the health of local fellowships.

A parish nurse is a registered nurse who specializes in matters of health and healing within a faith-based community.

Some congregations use the term faith based nursing or faith based nurses. The pastors have included the parish nurse ministry as one of many key faith components available to members of the Family Faith Center congregation.

Sam Segundo said, "Our parish nurse ministry is known as 'The Gate Called Beautiful' and is headed by certified parish nurse Les White Ph.D, R.N., F.N.P."

Dr. White indicates that there are many aspects of parish nursing, however the core concept is assisting church members to understand the relationship between their faith and their health and healing.

He also notes that prayer is a crucial part of the ministry and he conducts a health and healing class every Sunday morning to pray for those who are ill or injured.

White has been a member of Family Faith Center for 10 years and received his certification in parish nursing in 2003 at Bellarmine University in Louisville, Kentucky.

Dr. White believes he may be the only certified parish nurse in Big Spring, but remarks, "That one does not have to be certified to use the title of parish nurse. Any registered nurse may provide services as a parish nurse." He adds, "They would be expected to follow the scope of practice as outlined by the American Nurses Association."

White is not the only nurse providing spiritual nursing care through The Gate Called Beautiful. Faye Flowers, Tony Hess, and Kristie Hernandez are registered nurses who perform parish nurse duties for the congregation of Family Faith Center. Sylvia Polonco, Janell Randle and Mari Torres Keys are Licensed Vocational Nurses who serve as congregational nurses for the fellowship.

White notes that two historical events have propelled nursing to its current position: The advent of Christianity and the writings of Florence Nightingale.

Miss Nightingale is considered the architect of modern nursing. She was born May 12, which marks the close of National Nurses Week.

Wednesday, May 8, during the evening service at 7, Family Faith Center will observe its fourth annual Blessing of Nurses Hands.

Parish Nurses and others who provide health care will receive a blessing upon their hands for another year of service to mankind.

White notes that 2010 marked the 100th anniversary of the death of Florence Nightingale who was not only a remarkable nurse but also a committed Christian and theologian.

Pastors Sam and Christina invite nurses and healers from the community at large to attend the ceremony in the sanctuary of Family Faith Center location; 810 East 11th Place, just south of Big Spring High School.

ment God made with you. On May 11 our subject is "Where's Gramma." You won't want to miss this one, because we will unravel the mystery of chapter 13 of Hezekiah. Our only textbook is the Bible.

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We meet Saturday morning from 10 to 11, in the Chapel of Faith, 501 East 14th St, at Goliad Middle School.

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Sunday service will begin at 9 a.m. with Bible study and Sunday school to follow at 10:15. Bobby Roevers will present the readings this week. This week's sermon reference is baptizing all nations.

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.

Cornerstone Covenant Church

Cornerstone Covenant Church would like to invite you to join us this Sunday at 10:30 a.m. for praise and worship followed by the Word.

Our 2013 vision focus is restoring hope to the hopeless. We will be continuing in the series, Between the Cross to Pentecost.

Last week Pastor Willard delivered a message entitled Keep It Moving, with main scripture taken from Acts 1:16-26.

This week Pastor Nathan Teeters will be delivering a message titled Peace vs. Comfort, with main scripture taken from John 14:25-27.

Discipleship 101 Bible study is held on Wednesday at 7 p.m. in the main sanctuary.

Overcomers: Recovery and restoration class continue to meet each Thursday from 6:30 to 8 p.m. The location is in the green room of the east wing.

For more convenient access to the meeting room, please park at the rear of the church and enter in through the metal door across from the fellowship hall.

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Flying off the handle may be hazardous

It was a totally unexpected accident - one of those unpredictable incidents that happened without warning. As a teenager, my mother was watching her brother split firewood when the ax head flew off the handle, sailed through the air, and hit the calf of her leg.

As a child, I was always curious about the scar on my mother's leg. According to the family story, the ax head took a deep, long gash out of Mother's leg.

But while panic and pandemonium might have ensued in some families, my grandpar-

ents didn't get terribly excited about the accident.

Because medical attention was not available and ignorance was bliss, someone poured coal oil into the wound and bandaged it with a rag.

In time, the gash on my mother's leg healed.

However, it took many years for the strange notch on the lower part of her leg to fade away. Even after the wound had healed, the indentation remained as a telltale sign of her encounter with the ax head.

At one time in our nation's history, such accidents were not un-

common because ax heads were sold without a handle. Woodsmen, who carved their own ax handles, assumed the task of making the handle fit tightly enough so that the ax wouldn't fly off the handle. There was always the risk of an accident caused from an ill-fitted handle.

While axes and handles are better fitted now, many of us, who

may never have swung an ax, still are prone to flying off the handle occasionally. The danger of such an incident still causes havoc in several ways:

- When we fly off the handle, we always lose our heads. In our headless states, we make bad decisions and swing at anyone who gets in our way.

- When we fly off the handle, the angry words we fling into the air, usually strike someone, leaving a

long-term scar.

- When we fly off the handle, we can't get much wood chopped. A handle without an ax head is a worthless tool. Flying off the handle always impedes our work.

Although the apostle Paul never wrote about flying off the handle, I am confident that he understood the concept. He did write, "Be angry, and yet do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not give the

devil an opportunity" (Ephesians 4:26-27).

Apparently, there must be a fine line between righteous indignation and sinful anger. I don't know exactly where that line is drawn, but I am pretty sure that flying off the handle crosses the line.

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CCC meets Wednesdays at 7 p.m. for discipleship 101 Bible study and Sundays at 10:30 a.m. for worship.

Sunday morning services are recorded, so if you'd like a free copy of a CD for those services, please see our multimedia department.

Mother's lounge and children's church are offered for both mid-week and Sunday services. CCC is located at 706 East 12th Street, on the corner of 12th and Owens St.

For more information please contact us at 264-0015, visit us on the web at www.ccbigspring.org or check out Covenant Connect on Facebook, Twitter or Myspace.

College Baptist Church

At Home in God's House, based on Psalm 84 was the message we heard last Sunday at College Baptist Church. In Psalm 84:10, the Bible says, "I would rather be a door keeper in the house of the Lord than dwell in the tents of wickedness."

The pastor spoke of how some people love to come to church and be a part of everything that goes on there, to both offer and receive support from fellow believers while others seem to look for every excuse to never set foot in a church.

In the New Testament, Jesus called the church His bride. He was not speaking of a building but of the believers who met together to form a church and worship together. We are told in the Bible that we should not abandon the meeting together with other believers as where two or three are gathered together in His name, He will be there.

Our new youth minister, Chris Pugh, along with his fiancée, Katie Babler was with us at College Baptist this past Sunday. We are looking forward to having them here with us permanently. Thank you to all those who are working to get a house ready for them to move into after their wedding. It is a work of love.

The senior citizens of the churches in the Crossroads Baptist Association will meet at First Baptist Stanton tonight for a time of fellowship, food and fun. Those attending are asked to bring a salad, vegetable or dessert. They are also asked to bring individually wrapped candies for the block party trailer as the mission emphasis.

Spring Creek Fellowship

Thank you to everyone that came out to our Between the Lines Women's Ministry Spring Yard Sale. Many will be blessed because of your support.

We will dedicate new babies and children on Mother's Day. If you would like to have your child dedicated, please contact Jim Billings or Donna Wennik. We will need a picture of your child for a special presentation.

Coming May 19: connectivity ministry fair. Find out where you fit into the puzzle.

Our goal this year for Operation Christmas Child is 100 boxes. We will collect specific items for those boxes each month during the year and have a packing party on Wednesday, Nov. 20. Collection week is November 18 through 25. The list for April is: Hygiene items, toothbrushes, toothpaste, mild bar soap (in a plastic bag), comb, washcloth, etc.

Don't throw your old phone away; make it a phone for freedom. Donate your old cellphones to survivors connect phones for freedom campaign. Your old cell phone will help survivors connect build SMS: freedom networks that connect and protect rural and vulnerable communities from trafficking. Learn more at survivorsconnect.org or pick up one of the information booklets by the collection box in our foyer.

Sewing seeds of hope connection group invites you to join us on Saturday mornings from 10 to noon. 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.

New summer connection groups are starting soon. Come 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 to 10:15 a.m.

Big Spring classical academy is now pre-registering for pre-K through fifth grade for the fall. Visit our website at <http://bigspringclassical.org> for more information.

You can now listen to the sermon from the previ-

ous Sunday at 9 a.m. every Sunday on KBYG 106.3 FM and 1400 AM.

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

Spring Creek Fellowship meets at the College Park Shopping Center at 501 Birdwell Lane in Big Spring, Texas (across from Denny's). Contact us at (432)714-4584 or visit our website at www.springcreekfellowship.org

"Every Member a Minister"-1 Peter 4:10 NKJV

First Baptist Church, Stanton

Keron Jackson, a gifted concert artist from Dallas, will perform at First Baptist Church in Stanton on Sunday May 12. He will share in the morning service and perform a full concert at 6 p.m.

The church is located at 200 W. Broadway in Stanton,

Recently hailed by the Dallas Morning News as "A powerhouse bass voice who takes command of the stage" following his debut with the Dallas Opera, "Those who see him here can say, "I knew him when." Keron Jackson is a gifted musician, actor, and evangelist who have dedicated his life to serving God through his gifts and talents. Through his gift, Mr. Jackson has been transported to opera houses, national singing competitions, conventions, theatres, school auditoriums and houses of Christian worship and fellowship.

Forsan Baptist Church

We have set Sunday for our dedication service. It will take place during our Sunday morning worship at 10:50 a.m. I hope you can join us for that special day to dedicate this building to God's kingdom work. We will also have an open house on Saturday, May 18 from 2 to 4 p.m. for those who cannot attend the dedication.

If you have ever been involved or affiliated with Forsan Baptist Church in any way, or if you have family who attends here and would like to be with them for this observance, we would love to have you join us for one or both of these times.

If you have not taken the opportunity to do so, take a look at the photos from our Easter Service, also on the Facebook page.

We are proud to announce the newest addition to our staff, Brandon Gartman. He will be our youth intern and will be assisting with and leading youth activities in all services throughout the summer months. Help us welcome Brandon and support his calling.

We are also looking for a qualified nursery worker for Sunday mornings and evenings. Sunday morning would typically be from 9:40 to noon, and Sunday evening would be from 6 to 7. This is a paid position. You may contact the church or the pastor at either of the numbers below, or send a resume to Forsan Baptist Church, P.O. Box 244, Forsan, Texas 79733.

On Sunday evenings, we are conducting a verse-by-verse survey of the Book of Romans, and on Wednesdays we have begun a verse-by-verse trek through the entire Bible.

Our church is located at 201 Main in Forsan. Sunday School begins at 9:50 a.m. with worship services at 10:50 a.m. and 6:00 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.

First Presbyterian Church

The lectionary Bible study, led by Craig Holstedt and Tom Koger, meets at 5:17 p.m. in the church library, the children's choir meets at 4:45 p.m. on Wednesday. The chancel choir will not practice this week, but will resume Wednesday.

The youth group meets at 6:30 p.m. Sunday. The Boy Scouts meet in the entrance room of the fellowship hall at 6 p.m. on Monday.

We appreciated having Delores Curry as our organist last Sunday in the absence of Mike Mitchell.

On Saturday everyone is invited to join in the pounding party for Sarah Burch and Marcus Salinas, who are getting married on May 18.

Bring a pound (or several pounds) of anything a household might need for the happy couple to the church parlor at 3 p.m. and stay for the party.

Mother's Day project cards are available from Jo Dell Myrick or Patti Horton to help provide anti-malaria nets for children in Africa.

Mark your calendar for the Mother's Day musicale at 3:30 p.m. on May 12 for an afternoon of music from the Children's choir, the youth handbell choir, the tardy bells handbell choir, and Mike Mitchell on the organ.

Last Sunday we were pleased to recognize the

Is God just?

The senseless bombing at the Boston Marathon last week set off a number of emotions: horror, grief, confusion, anger. Most of us joined our government leaders in calling for justice.



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Speaking at the Interfaith Service in Boston, President Obama said, "Yes, we will find you. And yes, you will face justice. We will hold you accountable."

Massachusetts Senator, Elizabeth Warren stated, "We will identify whoever did this – and we will bring them to justice."

The FBI special agent for Boston said, "We will go to the ends of the Earth to identify the suspects responsible for this despicable crime."

Somehow, being able to identify whoever committed this crime and bringing them to justice restores a sense of balance. Four days later, one suspect was dead, the other badly wounded and in custody.

This, of course, is not the first time our nation has been stricken by senseless slaughter. The Federal Building in Oklahoma City, the Twin Towers on 9-11, Fort Hood in 2009, remain vivid in our memories.

In each case the heroism, love and sacrifice of thousands vastly overwhelmed the criminal hatred of the few. And in each case we felt compelled to go to every extreme to find and punish the perpetrators.

Timothy McVeigh and Terry Nichols were arrested for detonating the explosive in Oklahoma City that killed 168 people, including 19 children under the age of six.

McVeigh was executed by lethal injection on June 11, 2001. Terry Nichols is serving a life sentence in prison.

After the Twin Tower attacks in 2001, we launched an all-out war against Saddam Hussein and Iraq. U.S. Navy Seals eventually cornered Osama bin Laden in his compound in Pakistan and gunned him down. The Fort Hood attacker faces the death penalty in a court martial scheduled for May 29.

Justice is a multi-billion dollar business. Every day the news is riddled with crime reports and subsequent accounts of the apprehension and conviction of the criminal. We are mesmerized by courtroom drama. Our novels and movies largely revolve around the contest of good vanquishing evil, the twists and turns that lead to justice and vindication of right over wrong.

Why is it that in our human relationships, we require justice, but when it comes to God, we seem to think everyone is going to Heaven?

Somewhere along the way, we have forgotten that the God of redemption is also the God of justice.

Isaiah wrote, "But the Lord of hosts will be exalted in judgment, and the holy God will show Himself holy in righteousness." (Isa. 5:16).

When Michelangelo painted the Sistine Chapel he portrayed Jesus' promise to return and render judgment to all men (Mt. 26:31-41). "In that you have done it to the least of these," Jesus said, "you have done it to me."

Our efforts at justice are imperfect. Sometimes the guilty go free.

Sometimes the innocent suffer. But the courts of God are perfect in every way. As the Scripture says, "It is appointed to man once to die, but after this the judgment." (Heb. 9:27). And as the Apostle Paul wrote, "Do not be deceived. God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows this shall he also reap." (Gal. 6:7).

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graduates from our congregation: High school graduates Paige Yater, Amanda Grisham, and Megan Grisham; College graduates Stormie Hart and Angela Holstedt.

Sue Carter is in charge of Take Ten for Sunday. The lectionary for the sixth Sunday of Easter is Acts 16:9-15; Psalm 67; Revelation 21:10, 21:22-22:5; John 14:23-29.

The chancel choir will present the offertory anthem One at the Feast by Craig Courtney. The Rev. Jose Luis Casal, general missionary of Tres Rios Presbytery, will give the sermon and officiate at communion.

If you cannot attend worship, you may listen in on KBST 1490 AM., beginning at 11 a.m. If you wish to have a printed bulletin for Sunday services, please call the church office at 263-4211.

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Forsan beats Eldorado in Game 1

Sports Calendar

TODAY

State Golf

- Big Spring (boys) at Jimmy Clay Golf Course, Austin.

Softball Playoffs

- Howard College vs. Midland College or Western Texas College, Region V championship tournament (Game 1), Lubbock Christian University, 4 p.m. (rescheduled from Thursday).
- Big Spring vs. Andrews, area round - Game 1, Muggs Field, Midland, 6 p.m.
- Coahoma vs. Muleshoe, area round - Game 1, Lubbock Cooper, 6:30 p.m.

Baseball Playoffs

- Big Spring vs. Pecos, bi-district round - Game 1, Andrews, 7 p.m.
- Forsan vs. Van Horn, bi-district round - Game 1, Monahans, 6 p.m.

Baseball

- Odessa College at Howard College, doubleheader, Jack Barber Field, noon (final home games).

SATURDAY

Softball Playoffs

- Big Spring vs. Andrews, area round - Game 2, Muggs Field, Midland, 1 p.m., Game 3 (if necessary), 30 mins after Game 2 concludes.
- Forsan vs. Eldorado, bi-district round - Game 2, San Angelo Central, 1 p.m., Game 3 (if necessary), 3 p.m.
- Coahoma vs. Muleshoe, area round - Game 2, Lubbock Cooper, 10 a.m., Game 3 (if necessary), 30 minutes after Game 2 concludes.

Baseball Playoffs

- Big Spring vs. Pecos, bi-district round - Game 2, Andrews, 11 a.m., Game 3 (if necessary), 30 minutes after Game 3 concludes.
- Forsan vs. Van Horn, bi-district round - Game 2, Monahans, 1 p.m., Game 3 (if necessary), 30 minutes after Game 2 concludes.

Baseball

- Howard College at Odessa College, doubleheader, noon (regular season finale).

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

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Shaun McVicars
Forsan junior Ali Knight delivers a pitch during the first game of area round play-off action against Eldorado on Thursday. Knight struck out nine Eldorado batters and recorded two RBI singles at the plate in the Lady Buffs' 10-3 win. Game Two against the best-of-three series will be held Saturday.



By BRIAN MCCORMACK

Sports Editor

SAN ANGELO — Just as its first playoff opponent, Clyde-Euladid, No. 9 ranked Eldorado jumped out to an early lead over Forsan on Thursday at Lake View High School.

The Lady Eagles scored two runs in the bottom of the first after a pair of base hits and a couple of errors were committed by the Lady Buffaloes.

The two-run deficit didn't rattle Forsan, however, as junior pitcher Ali Knight became dominant from the circle, striking out nine Eldorado batters and at one point retiring 13 straight to lead the Lady Buffs to a 10-3 area round victory.

Forsan's offense woke up in

the top of the third inning.

Still trailing 2-0, Jahnia Willard was hit by a pitch, stole second and was thrown out on the base path, while Knight reached on a fielder's choice. Kayla Tilley walked, then Rosie Munoz cracked a two-run single — her fourth hit of the postgame — sending Knight and Tilley home to tie it up.

The go-ahead run came when Gabby Womack reached base on a fielder's choice, Munoz was erased on her way to second, but Shelby Roemer — who recorded her fifth hit in six at-bats — crossed home plate, making it 3-2.

Forsan extended its lead by one in the top of fourth when Kaylee Kemper scored on a single by Knight, but it was the top of the sixth which took

all the wind out of Eldorado's sails.

Maria Ortiz led off the inning with a double, Kemper's contact advanced Ortiz to second and Knight struck again, smacking another RBI single, Tilley followed with a single, then Roemer had a base hit, scoring Knight and Tilley with the help of an Eldorado miscue to give the Lady Buffs a comfortable, 7-2 lead.

The Lady Eagles tacked on a run in the bottom of the sixth, but a three-run blast by Jahnia Willard — her second postseason homer — scored Ortiz and pinch hitter Lindsey Boeker, giving Forsan a seven-run advantage.

Knight retired the side during the bottom half of the inning to close out the game.

FHS Head Coach Shanna Taylor won back-to-back state titles in 2009 and 2010. Taylor-coached squads have also never finished with less than an area championship under while at Forsan.

After dropping from 2A to 1A, FHS has been dominating most of its competition, but it did finish in second behind Westbrook in District 6-1A with a record of 12-2.

The next outing of the best-of-three series is slated for Saturday at San Angelo Central at 1 p.m., with Game Three — if necessary — set for 3 p.m. the same day.

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BSHS golfers in sixth place at state

By BRIAN MCCORMACK

Sports Editor

AUSTIN — After the first round of action at Jimmy Clay Golf Course, the Big Spring boy's golf team is sitting in sixth place with a combined score of 336.

All five Steered managed to shoot in the 80s despite facing yet another day of bad weather on the links.

Tyler Bryan shot 82; Tate Kennedy and Devin Roberson each recorded 84 strokes, Ryan Pollard shot 86 and Jason Guevara rounded out the Steers with a total of 88.

Andrews is currently in first place with a score of 316. Argyle is in second with 319 and the next five teams including Big Spring are in the 330s — with seventh place Fredericksburg holding a 12 stroke lead over eighth place Boerne.

Last year, the Steers finished seventh in the state in Class 3A.

The second round is taking place today at Jimmy Clay.

Final results will be in Sunday's edition of the Herald.

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Rangers chilly again in 3-1 loss to White Sox

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — The Rangers are ready for Adrian Beltre's bat — and the weather — to warm up.

Hector Santiago allowed two hits in five-plus innings filling in for Jake Peavy on Thursday night, Tyler Flowers hit a three-run homer and the Chicago White Sox beat Texas 3-1, handing the Rangers their first series loss of the season.

Three weeks after the Rangers had the coldest day game at their home ballpark three weeks ago, they shivered through a slightly less-cold one that was still their coldest May game — 44 degrees.

Beltre accounted for the only Texas run — and the only hit in the first five innings off Santiago — with his sixth homer of the season in the second inning, but he stranded five runners late and is hitting .215.

"On one level it's kind of comforting for a guy like me to see even a guy like Adrian can struggle a little bit,"

said Texas designated hitter Lance Berkman, who was hitless with a pair of walks. "But I don't expect that's going to be the case for very much longer."

The 25-year-old Santiago was supposed to replace Gavin Floyd on Friday night in Kansas City, where the forecast is for temperatures barely above freezing a day after the Royals were snowed out against Tampa Bay. Instead, Santiago replaced Peavy, sidelined by back spasms.

"Going into it as a starter you always say you know when you're going to throw, but I kind of had prepared for tomorrow," said Santiago, who had six strikeouts and two walks in his first start of the season and fifth of his career. "I felt fine and warming up I felt really good. Nothing was different than a regular day."

Flowers' drive just inside the foul pole in left field was the third

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Manziel talks football, friendship and fame

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Johnny Manziel has decided he's not going to allow the pitfalls of fame stop him from having a good time, forging friendships with rival quarterbacks or even going back to class — in person.

As for the pressure inherent in living up to the Heisman Trophy standard he set for himself in only his first season as quarterback at Texas A&M, isn't concerned about that, either.

"I'm not thinking about it. I'm just going out and playing football and doing the things I've always done," Manziel said Thursday, when he visited New Orleans to accept the Manning Award, which recognizes the nation's top college quarterback. "The success that we had last year — I wasn't worried about my own individual success. I was just worried about going out and playing football and trying to learn the system and get better."

Following a memorable, highlight-filled regular season in which he accounted for 4,600 total yards, Manziel became the first freshman ever to win the Heisman Trophy — then racked up an additional 516 total yards in a 41-13 Cotton Bowl victory over Oklahoma.

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And then the player sometimes called Johnny Football found out how public his private life could really be. He was famously photographed partying in a Dallas nightclub with a sparkler in his mouth as if it were a cigar while flexing both biceps. Other photos showed him holding what looked like a bottle of Champagne, raising questions about whether Manziel, now 20, was partaking in under-age drinking. Another showed him triumphantly fanning out a wad of cash at a casino; he later noted on his Twitter page is legal for someone 18 or older to gamble at a casino. Even his decision to take classes online last

semester became controversial. Manziel has said his decision to limit himself exclusively to the virtual classroom was a reaction to the attention he was receiving on campus while simply walking to class, and he added Thursday that he expects to return to regular classes this summer and next fall.

"It was just one semester — something that I needed and wanted to do," he said.

Manziel said he's adjusting better to life as a celebrity, and is trying not to let it change him much.

"I'm still having a good time. I know that. I'm not letting any of that factor into my life and what I want to do," he continued. "There might be some cameras here and there and some things like that, but I'm going to continue to still

go to some basketball games, continue to still do things I want to do, just be smart while I'm doing it."

That includes making friends with Alabama quarterback A.J. McCarron, who during the season will be among the players standing between Texas A&M and a chance at a Southeastern Conference championship or more.

"Once football season comes around, that's when it becomes rivals," Manziel said. "Off the field, we're all 20, 21-year-old kids just enjoying going to school, playing football and like doing the same things. Me and him have talked on Twitter, exchanged numbers and still continue to talk every couple weeks. So I'm maybe building a little bit of a friendship there, maybe going on a trip together

er this summer some time or just trying to be friends and hang out and have fun."

This July, Manziel plans to serve as a counselor at the Manning Passing Academy in Thibodaux, La., where he was a camper while in high school.

Manning said he looks forward to having Manziel back in a new role.

In introducing Manziel to a luncheon crowd

gathered for the Manning Award trophy presentation at the Manning family's downtown restaurant, Archie Manning talked of how extraordinary he thought it was for Manziel to do what he did in his first season in the SEC, a conference renowned not only for its string of national champions, but also for defenses loaded with NFL prospects.

Manning highlighted

Manziel's performance against Arkansas, in which the Aggie QB compiled 557 total yards.

"That day he broke a 43-year-old Southeastern Conference record set by an Ole Miss quarterback in 1969 vs. Alabama," Manning said, referring to his own 540-yard performance against the Crimson Tide. "Thanks a hell of a lot, Johnny."

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straight hit after Texas right-hander Justin Grimm (2-1) retired 10 in a row on the day he was chosen AL rookie of the month.

Flowers did his part before the game, too, easing his battery mate's mind after Peavy's effort to loosen up his back failed.

"He was talking to me before the game, 'Hey do you want to go over the lineup?'" "Flowers said, "and I was like, 'Do you?' and he said, 'Not really.' And I was like 'Good, just throw what I put down and we'll go from there.' He's one of those guys that I think is more effective because he doesn't overthink things."

Addison Reed pitched around two of Chicago's seven walks, striking out the side in the ninth for his 10th save and second in two nights.

The game-time temperature was 37 degrees cooler than the previous night. It was a 40-degree difference on April 10, when the temperature at first pitch was 39 degrees for 2-0 loss to Tampa Bay in a day game after it had been 79 the night before.

"It's miserable," Berkman said. "I've been here a long time, and I can't remember a day this cold in May."

The Rangers were the last team in the majors without a series loss, but now they've gone two series without winning after splitting four games with Minnesota last weekend. The White Sox won two straight after Texas took the opener.

Grimm, who had a 1.59 ERA in three April starts to earn rookie of the month honors, was cruising with two outs in the sixth when Conor Gillaspie and Alexei Ramirez singled before Flowers hit his fourth homer of the season.

After walking three in the first 2 1-3 innings, Grimm didn't give up another free pass and tied his career high of nine strikeouts set last month against Seattle. He allowed six hits in 6 2-3 innings.

"He really had good stuff working tonight," Rangers manager Ron Washington said. "Just left one in the wrong spot to Flowers."

Santiago, whose first seven appearances this season were in relief,

gave up his second hit when Ian Kinsler doubled with one out in the sixth, and he was replaced by Matt Lindstrom after walking Elvis Andrus. Lindstrom threw a wild pitch and walked Berkman to load the bases, but got Beltre to ground into an inning-ending double play.

Beltre struck out on a slow breaking ball from Jesse Crain with two runners on base in the eighth.

"He's going to be the run producer," Washington said. "How close, I don't know. I can tell you this. What you see now, you won't see through the season."

Sudoku Answer on Page 3

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

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Bidding Quiz

You are South, both sides vulnerable, and the bidding has gone:
 West North East South
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What would you bid with each of the following four hands?
 1. ♠AQ64 ♥J8763 ♦7 ♣AJ4
 2. ♠QJ84 ♥5 ♦K963 ♣AJ87
 3. ♠J ♥K1084 ♦Q92 ♣A9643
 4. ♠AQ4 ♥A72 ♦K106 ♣QJ83

1. Four hearts. Once partner overcalls in hearts, you can't settle for less than game. It is hard to imagine partner losing four tricks. A jump-raise to three hearts (invitational) would be too much of an underbid.
The four-heart bid also has the great advantage of putting maximum pressure on the opponents, who might be reluctant to sell out to four hearts. If they do decide to continue bidding, they are apt to be severely punished.
2. Pass. For the moment, at least, it seems likely that you will do better if the opponents play the hand. Partner's vulnerable one-heart overcall, though it should be respected, diminishes your side's offensive prospects and correspondingly increases your side's defensive prospects.
 Fast's spade bid forces West to bid again. Your best chance is to lay low and hope the opponents will keep on

bidding to a point where you can double them for penalties. A one-notrump bid by you at this stage might let them off the hook.
3. Three hearts. Here you don't know how many hearts partner can make, so all you can do is to try to represent your values as well as you can via an invitational jump-raise. Partner is in a much better position to know whether he has a maximum or minimum overcall, so you should let him make the final decision.
Two hearts would be a gross underbid. Your club and spade controls, the excellent trump support and the potential value of the queen of diamonds add up to much more than a two-heart bid. However, they are not quite good enough for a four-heart bid.
4. Three notrump. You might wonder where everyone is getting enough points to bid, but that's not really your concern. The bottom line is that you can't risk stopping below game. With 16 high-card points and double stoppers in both black suits, a three-notrump bid is virtually automatic. It is certainly reasonable to expect partner to have at least 10 points for his vulnerable overcall.
 Partner might bid four hearts if he thinks his hand is not suitable for notrump, but you have adequate values for that contract also.

Tomorrow: An unusual safety play.
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Tomorrow's Horoscope

The Moon Doubles the Flavor

Due to the midday lunar shift, the morning will have a distinctly different flavor from that of the evening. The altruistic Aquarius moon rules the early day, and then, after a while, the law of diminishing returns applies best. Gather your offerings, and go home to restore your soul by the waning Pisces lunar light.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Tight friendships sometimes leave little room for outsiders, but this can be unhealthy — especially now, when it's best to have many opinions and influences. Broaden your social horizons.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). To be able to think strategically is a talent, though those who possess this gift, yourself included, often form their brilliant plans so effortlessly that they don't give the process the credit it deserves.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Good enough doesn't thrill you. Like a diver after pearls, you will search for what is truly rare and beautiful, even if it means you have to plunge the depths to do so.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). If you wait until you

really feel like telling others how wonderful they are, you'll waste time and miss out on advancing relationships. Give compliments now, if only for the practice.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Even though you are the most generous of the bunch, you would prefer not to be noticed for this. In fact, it embarrasses you to be called out in this way. For this reason, you're better off giving anonymously.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Gifts are nice, except that they obligate you to the giver. A sweet thank-you note is often the least you can do in return. Avoid setting a precedent of physical gift-giving.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You'll commit your talent to the job of making someone else look better. You're on the lookout for work that's already quite good and just needs a few refinements to become spectacular.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Brilliant timing is the theme of the day. You'll get the peaceful feeling that everything occurs precisely when it's supposed to, even when nothing is going according to plan.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). The wind is invisible, but its strength changes the landscape. You love with a power that is stronger than the wind, and the force of your feelings will move people.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Because you are so ambitious, you sometimes overestimate what you can accomplish in a day. But with consistent effort, you will hit your marks — if not today, then soon!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You sense when people aren't telling the whole truth, but you often don't press the issue, sensitive to their need for privacy. Maybe the truth is too embarrassing. Anyway, you'll slyly figure it out on your own.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). When you spend a great deal of time with someone who under-appreciates you, you begin to believe that your gifts are not worth much. To keep your light shining bright, you must go where its radiance is

celebrated.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (May 3). Good habits bring success. This month's change to your routine will lead to your biggest win yet. New relationships shape up over the next six weeks. You'll earn an excellent rating in some regard and be promoted in July. Travel, research and education are worth an investment, and you'll commit wholeheartedly in October. Pisces and Scorpio people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 7, 20, 19, 3 and 13.

WEEKEND LOVE FORECAST: **ARIES:** Your days will be filled with affection, warmth and laughter. **TAURUS:** Playful people are attractive people. Be improvisational, and turn things into a game whenever possible. **GEMINI:** You have a wide array of talents to offer and will be interested in someone who is equally unpredictable. **CANCER:** Genuinely curious, you'll gain a greater understanding of someone's world and still want to know more. **LEO:** You believe that you are connected in mysterious ways to the people and environment around you, and this will prove true. **VIRGO:** One moment of delicious eye contact is better than an entire unconnected date. **LIBRA:** Don't call when you're nervous. Relax first. **SCORPIO:** Seemingly disparate ideas will add up to an interesting realization about who you are and what you want to do next. **SAGITTARIUS:** You're attractive when you're bold enough to share your personal reasons for doing what you do. **CAPRICORN:** The person who offers a measure of stability is mighty attractive to you now. **AQUARIUS:** Your ideas are good. The people around you may not realize this, though, so don't ask them what they think. **PISCES:** You flirt without realizing it. Do you even know that you have a crush?

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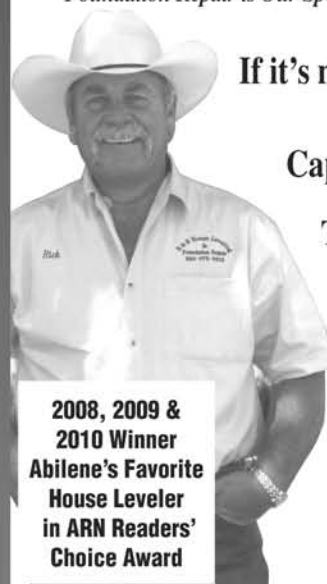
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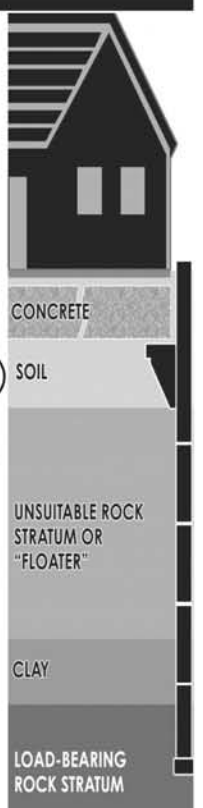
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DENNIS THE MENACE

5-3

"THERE'S A SHOW ON TV ABOUT GROWIN' OLD. MY DAD THINKS YOU SHOULD WATCH IT."

THE FAMILY CIRCUS

5-3

"DO YOU KNOW THE ANSWER TO THAT QUESTION, BILLY?"

Does it have to be right?"

HAGAR

5-3

"NOW THIS CASTLE HAS A LARGE DUNGEON..."

"...WHICH COULD EASILY BE CONVERTED INTO A NICE MOTHER-IN-LAW SUITE!"

BC

5-3

"WHAT'S IN THE MEATLOAF?"

"I CAN'T TELL YOU THAT."

"WHY? FAMILY SECRET?"

"...MORE OF A FAMILY LAWYER SECRET."

"SIGN THIS WAIVER, PLEASE."

BLONDIE

5-3

"WE'VE GOT THE POLLO MUCHO GRAND EXTREME FAMILY FEAST! FEEL FREE TO STOCK UP ON OUR FIESTA SAUCES!"

"YUM! GARLIC JALAPEÑO? MEGA-SPICY SALSA... INFERNO CAJUN CURRY... TIJUANA TABASCO... AND..."

"I SEE THE SAUCES, BUT WHERE'S THE CHICKEN?"

"OMIGOSH! THE CHICKEN!!"

WHAP!

WIZARD OF ID

5-3

"EVER DATE A HIGH-RANKING POLITICAL OFFICIAL?"

"YOU LOOK LIKE A STABLEBOY TO ME."

"WHAT? I'M OFFENDED! GO AHEAD. SMELL ME!"

"SMELLS LIKE BULL MANURE"

"WAIT! YOU'RE A CONGRESSMAN!"

AGNES

5-3

"I AM SKIPPING THE EVIL LURE OF WORLDLINESS TO REMAIN PURE."

"WOULD YOU SKIP THE EVIL LURE OF WORLDLINESS IF YOU COULD AFFORD WORLDLINESS?"

"HOW MUCH MONEY WOULD I HAVE?"

HI AND LOIS

5-3

"CAN I ASK YOU A QUESTION?"

"SURE, BUT KEEP IT SHORT."

"MY ATTENTION SPAN IS ONLY GOOD FOR 140 CHARACTERS."

This Date In History

Today is Friday, May 3, the 123rd day of 2013. There are 242 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On May 3, 1973, Chicago's 110-story Sears Tower (now the Willis Tower) was topped out after two years of construction, becoming the world's tallest building for the next 25 years.

On this date:

In 1791, Poland adopted a national constitution.

In 1802, Washington, D.C., was incorporated as a city.

In 1913, Clorox had its beginnings as five entrepreneurs agreed to set up a liquid bleach factory in Oakland, Calif. Author-playwright William Inge was born in Independence, Kan.

In 1916, Irish nationalist Padraic Pearse and two others were executed by the British for their roles in the Easter Rising.

In 1933, Nellie T. Ross became the first female director of the U.S. Mint.

In 1943, Pulitzer Prizes were awarded to Thornton Wilder for his play "The Skin of Our Teeth" and Upton Sinclair for "Dragon's Teeth."

In 1948, the Supreme Court ruled that covenants prohibiting the sale of real estate to blacks or members of other racial groups were legally unenforceable.

In 1952, the Kentucky Derby was televised nationally for the first time on CBS; the winner was Hill Gail.

In 1960, the Harvey Schmidt-Tom Jones musical "The Fantasticks" began a nearly 42-year run at New York's Sullivan Street Playhouse.

In 1971, the National Public Radio program "All Things Considered" made its debut.

In 1979, Conservative Party leader Margaret Thatcher was chosen to become Britain's first female prime minister as the Tories ousted the incumbent Labor government in parliamentary elections.

In 1986, in NASA's first post-Challenger launch, an unmanned Delta rocket lost power in its main engine shortly after liftoff, forcing safety officers to destroy it by remote control.

Today's Birthdays: Folk singer Pete Seeger is 94. Actress Ann B. Davis is 87. Actor Alex Cord is 80. Singer Frankie Valli is 79. Sports announcer Greg Gumbel is 67. Pop singer Mary Hopkins is 63. Singer Christopher Cross is 62. Country musician Cactus Moser (Highway 101) is 56. Rock musician David Ball (Soft Cell) is 54. Country singer Shane Minor is 45. Actor Bobby Cannavale (ka-nuh-VAL-ee) is 43. Music and film producer-actor Damon Dash is 42. Country musician John Hopkins (Zac Brown Band) is 42. Country-rock musician John Neff (Drive-By Truckers) is 42. Country singer Brad Martin is 40.

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THE OTHER COAST

5-3

"WHAT'S YOUR DOGS NAME?"

"BUDDY."

"HE'S A BIT OF A HANDFUL. HE BARKS AT EVERYONE, CHEWS OUR SHOES..."

"DIGS UP THE GARDEN, CHASES CATS, STEALS FOOD OFF THE COUNTER AND SNEAKS OUT OF THE YARD TO CHASE CARS..."

"THAT'S QUITE THE RAP SHEET."

"I LIKE TO KEEP MYSELF BUSY."

AGNES

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ACROSS

1 Elegant manner

6 Big ___ Country (Montana)

9 Hence

13 Summon back

15 "The Purloined Letter" author

16 Criticize, with "on"

17 All the same

18 Period with a name

19 Nefarious

20 Bridal-train spot

23 Smirk cousin

24 Photographer Adams

25 Confront boldly

28 Wine specification

30 Close-fitting

32 #5 baby girl name in '11

33 Where the Masters begins

34 Bowling center seating

36 Gear-train spot

40 More petite

41 Certain parlor's offering

42 Bizarre

43 Moussaka ingredient

44 Start of a Cain quote

45 People in general

46 Train

49 Help for a mgr.

51 Passenger-train spot

57 Skin soother

58 Passing through

59 Permit

60 Goes astray

61 Go astray

62 Takes a second?

63 Disregard

64 Something to toast

65 Puts a grade on

DOWN

1 Developed

2 Dream, in Dijon

3 Handled handily

4 Aromatherapist's tool

5 Borden mascot

6 Design detail

7 Where taekwondo originated

8 Hanker

9 Rudimentary principles

10 One full turn

11 Make progress

12 No more than

14 Symbol of Texas

21 Eco-friendly

22 Twisty shapes

25 It's true

26 Be of value to

27 Ohio state flowers

29 Jai alai basket

31 Hollow stone

34 Menacing

35 Closes out

37 Everlasting

38 Concrete supporter

39 May honorees

45 Home of the NHL Senators

47 Pay for

48 Frightful, so to speak

50 More reasonable

51 Gravelly voice

52 Others: Lat.

53 Be bold

54 "Very doubtful!"

55 ___ tyme (Victorian-era, maybe)

56 Suffix for soft or slow

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BEETLE BAILEY

5-3

"YOU ALWAYS CLAIMED YORE MAMA WUZ A GOOD COOK !!"

"I LIKE TO ENCOURAGE HER, 'WEEZY, BUT TH' TRUTH IS..."

"I USED T'GIT IN TROUBLE ON PURPOSE SO I COULD GO T'BED WIFOUT SUPPER !!"

SNUFFY SMITH

5-3

"HE HAS THE WORST SLICE I'VE EVER SEEN"

AGNES

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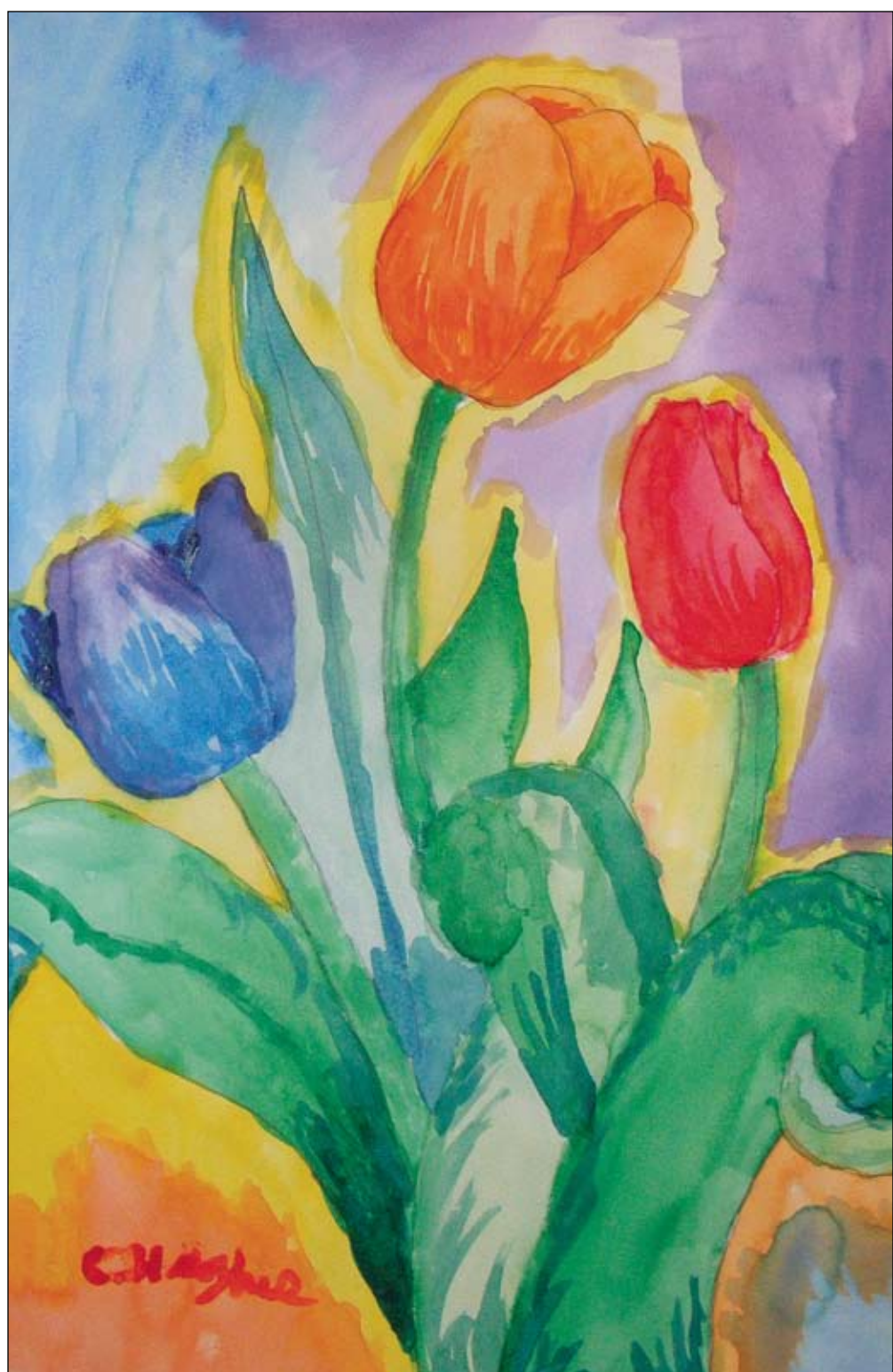
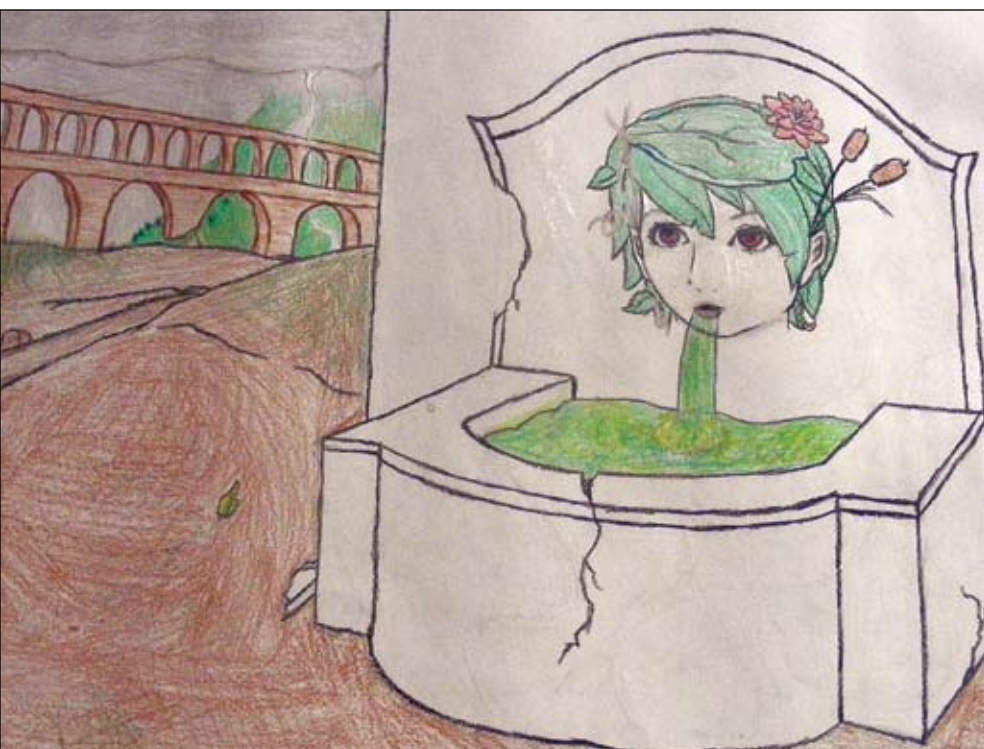
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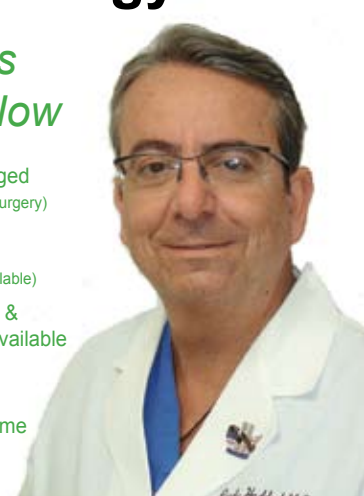


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