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# City to limit landfill waste

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Staff Writer

Beginning Aug. 1, commercial entities which have previously dumped their oilfield, construction or demolition waste at the municipal landfill will be turned away, according to officials with the city of Big Spring.

**Public Works Director** 

Johnny Womack made the announcement this week, part of an effort by the city administration to limit the amount of waste being brought into the facility, which is quickly reaching the end of its lifespan.

"We're in a situation where we have to slow down the amount of waste coming into the landfill, otherwise

"It's no secret in West Texas, Big Spring is the cheapest landfill out here. So, it's no wonder those companies want to bring their debris and waste here."

Johnny Womack, public works director

it will fill up before we can get another cell open," Womack said. "We're attempting to

target the commercial entities which are using the facility, such as the oilfield companies and construction companies, which have made up a large portion of the waste coming into the landfill."

According to Womack, the facility will stop accepting waste from oilfield sites, construction sites and demolition debris Aug. 1.

"This shouldn't impact the average Big Spring resident," Wom-

ack said. "A resident who is maybe renovating a part of their home won't be turned away. What we're trying to target with this is the companies — most of which are located outside of the Howard County and the city of Big Spring who are bringing their waste to us."

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**HERALD** photo / Thomas Jenkins

Construction crews worked Friday morning despite muddy conditions to collect framework from newly-laid sidewalks on Fourth Street near Presidio. According to workers, the recent rains have set them back, but only by a few days.

## Place to be? The city park

## Under West Texas Skies, 'The Goonies' set tonight

By BILL McCLELLAN

Managing Editor

Get on TV, then go watch "Goonies." What more could you ask for?

Tonight is a big evening at Comanche Trail Park. First, NewsWest 9 personnel will be in town at the Russ McEwen Family Aquatic Center for their annual Under West Texas Skies promotion, with newscasts at 4, 5, 6 and 10 p.m. Then at dark-thirty, "The Goonies" will air at the amphitheater, a stone's throw

"Come in and slide down the slides and enjoy the lazy river at the aquatic center, then at dusk walk over to the amphitheater and enjoy a movie — 'The Goonies,' presented by the Big Spring Film Society. Due to the beautiful rain we received, the movie is being moved to the amphitheater," said Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Debbye ValVerde.

The event at the aquatic center will include goodies such as sno-cones and food. Kids will be able to get airbrush tattoos and music will be provided by Smokin' Joe

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Law enforcement on campus

# ISDs enhance security

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

John Law will be a constant presence at Forsan and Coahoma school campuses starting this August.

Concerns about student and staff safety have reached new heights in the wake of school shootings across the country in recent months. While some Texas school districts are debating options such as arming teachers, both Coahoma and Forsan have instead chosen to go with a permanent law enforcement presence at their campuses.

Both school districts are



Johnson

contracting with the Howard County Sheriff's Office to have a full-time deputy on their campuses this coming school Coahoma trustees approved the agreement ear-

lier this week, while Forsan officials are expected to follow

suit in the coming weeks. County Sheriff Stan Parker, meanwhile, has hired two

new deputies to fill the posi-The deputies will be county employees, but will be paid

by the districts nine months

of the year and the county during the summer months.

"The specific duties (while working for the school districts) will include setting up security at school events, building security ... and emergency planning," Parker said. "But that's just the tip of the iceberg. There's quite a few other duties they'll be involved with that still need to be spelled out. This is not going to be a job where they just go and hang out all day. Forsan ISD Superintendent

Randy Johnson said the deputy at his district might even become a teacher of sorts.

"At some point, he may help

teach a law enforcement class to our career technology students," Johnson said. "But his primary responsibility will be providing security to

our students and staff." The two school districts join Big Spring in employing a full-time peace officer. Big Spring ISD's "resource officer" is headquartered at the local high school, but has responsibilities at other campuses as well.

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## **Obituaries**

## Rodney "Roddy" Robertson Sr.



Rodney "Roddy" Robertson Sr., 58, of Big Spring died Wednesday, July 17, 2013, at his residence. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Monday, July 22, 2013, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with the Rev. Alan McGuire, the Rev. Gary Smith and the Rev. Calvary Callender officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m. Sunday, July 21, 2013, at the funeral home. He was born Aug. 23, 1954, in Big Spring, Texas,

and married Lynn Doss on March 24, 1978, in Big Spring. Rodney began working at GEO corrections Jan. 1,

2002, and was a correctional officer at the GEO facility for 11 years. He was a member of First Church of the Nazarene in Snyder. Survivors include his wife, Lynn Robertson of

Big Spring; two sons, Taylor Lee Robertson of Big Spring and Rodney Roy Robertson Jr. and wife Michelle of Abilene; four grandchildren; and two brothers, Randy Robertson and wife Vicki of Big Spring and Robby Robertson and Dani of Weatherford. He was preceded in death by one son, Jeremy

Lloyd Robertson; his parents, Morris E. and Jimmie (Dement) Robertson; and two brothers, Ricky Robertson and Reggy Robertson. The family suggests memorials be made to

Compass Hospice, 602 S. Main, Big Spring, TX 79720; Church of the Nazarene in Snyder, 2462 S. State Highway 208, Snyder, TX 79549; or First Church of the Nazarene in Big Spring, 1400 S. Lancaster, Big Spring, TX 79720.

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

#### Corbett Jon Hardgrave

Corbett Jon Hardgrave, infant son of Lucas and Jennifer Hardgrave of Knott, died Wednesday, July 17, 2013, in a Midland hospital. Memorial services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, July 20, 2013, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel.

He was born July 17, 2013, in Midland, Texas. In addition to his parents, Corbett is survived by

his paternal grandparents, Mark and Debbie Hardgrave of Knott and Tedford and Marilyn Barclay of San Antonio; his maternal grandparents. Randy and Suzanne Sprinkle of San Antonio; paternal great-grandparents, Billie Hardgrave, Faye Roberts, Jean Parker and Ted Barclay; and maternal great-grandparents, J.T. and LaJuan Sprinkle and Sarah Elizabeth Parks.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials be made to Now I Lay Me Down To Sleep at https:// www.nowilavmmedowntosleep.org/donate: Hope Mommies at http://hopemommies.org/donate; or Foster's Home for Children, 1779 N. Graham St., Stephenville, TX 76401.

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

## Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 7 a.m. July 18, 2013, and 7 a.m. today:

- MICHAEL DEAN NALL, 34, of 1009 East 23rd Street, was arrested Thursday on charges of driving while license suspended/invalid-no insurance and failure to maintain financial responsibilitysecond offense.
- STEVEN WAYNE SEIGRIST, 36, of 212 Swales, Elk City, Okla., was arrested Thursday on a charge of public intoxication.
- TERRY WAYNE ROCKHOLD, 45, of 33764 East CR 1330, Willow, Okla., was arrested Thursday on a charge of public intoxication.
- DISTURBANCE was reported at the 3100 block of South Highway 87.
- THEFT was reported at the 2600 block of South Gregg, 3600 block of West Highway 80, the 1300 block of East Third, the corner of Timothy Lane and Mason and the 1800 block of Nolan.
- MINOR ACCIDENT was reported at the 500 block of Norht Lamesa Highway.
- MINOR ACCIDENT was reported at mile mark-
- BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE was was reported

- at the 1700 block of Yale and the 700 block of Ohio.
- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported at the 3600 block of West Highway 80.
- FORGERY was reported at the 3600 block of West Highway 80.
- LOUD PARTY/NOISE was reported at the 600 block of West Interstate Highway 20.

## **Take Note**

- Mitchell County Senior Citizen Dance, Colorado City Civic Center, 157 East 2nd Street, Colorado City, Texas. July 25, (fourth Thursday of each month) 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. \$5 per person. Bring snacks to share. Mike Porter and friend, Kevin Rainwater will perform.
- The Red Hat Club of Big Spring will meet at 6 p.m. July 25 at 2709 Carol Drive. For more information call 263-0020.
- Coahoma High School classes of 1952 through 1956 will hold a reunion at Papa Chon's Restaurant at 6 p.m. Friday. Contact Sue Buchanan Tindol at 432-394-4363 for more information or to reserve a
- Coahoma High School will hold an All-School Reunion on Saturday at the Elementary School in Coahoma. egistration will begin at 9:30 a.m. Lunch can still be reserved for \$10 with one of the officers or will be available at the door for \$12. The reunion will last until 3:30 p.m. and will include an auction and opportunities to raise money for college scholarships to CHS students. Items for the auction will appreciated. A CHS Reunion Social for all classes will be held at Kokapelli's in Big Spring from 6-11 p.m. For further information or to reserve lunch, contact Joyce York Baumann, president, jefnjoyce@yahoo.com or 432-816-1588 or Cindy Parrish Klaus, secretary, cindy.claus@whiting.com or 432-466-1298.
- Spring Creek Fellowship will hold a fundraiser, "We Sent Our Harts to Zambia," Aug. 3 at Big Spring State Park. Pre-registration will guarantee a commemorative T-shirt. Registration and sign in will be at 8 a.m. on top of Scenic Mountain. Entry fee is \$30. Race will begin at 9 a.m. Awards for all participants. Medals for the top three finishers. For more information, contact Shawn Hart at 432-238-0642 or Lauren Hart at 432-213-0790. Proceeds will be used to send the Harts to Zambia.
- Spring of Siloam Christian Women's Job Corps is accepting applications for its fall semester classes through the final week in August. For more information, call 432-517-4627.
- The Howard County Sheriff's Posse will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 6 at Crispy's Cafe, located near the intersection of Birdwell Lane and FM 700. The local group is looking for new members and would like to encourage anyone interested in joining to attend the meeting. For more information on the Howard County Sheriff's Posse or the meeting, contact Steve Gray at 432-213-6104 or Bert Sheppard at 432-263-4483.
- Diabetes and Nutrition will be the August Healthy Woman event in Room 215 at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Paula Sue Sisson, new SMMC dietitian, will be the featured speaker. Find out about inpatient and upcoming outpatient services regarding diabetes and nutritional consultations. The event, set Aug. 8 with a Lunch n Learn at 11:30 a.m. and refreshments and light snacks at 5:30 p.m., is free to the public, as always. For more information or to RSVP, call 268-4842 or 268-4721.
- Parenting classes will be held in room A-10 at Howard College from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on the first and third Monday of each month. For more information, call 263-2673 and ask for Linda.
- Howard County Fair Association is seeking volunteers to help with the Howard County Fair which will be held Sept. 26-28. To find out more information or to volunteer, contact Jamey Stegall at 214-717-9210 or jamey.stegall@gmail.com. The fair association is also accepting applications for exhibitors at the fair. All booths rent for \$100. Contact Stegall for more information.
- Big Spring and surrounding counties are in need of foster families. Foster parents are the caretakers for the children in the community who have been abused or neglected. For more information on becoming foster parents or adoptive families, call the Children's Protective Services office at 263-
  - Crossroads Hospice is in need of volunteers.

#### **Local 3-Day Forecast** 7/22 94/72 95/73 91/74 A mainly sunny sky. High 94F. Winds SSE Sunny. Highs in the mid 90s and lows in Times of sun and clouds. Highs in the low 90s and lows in at 10 to 15 mph. the mid 70s. Sunrise: 6:53 AM

**Today's Weather** 

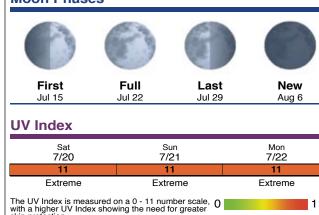
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Los Angeles	78	66	pt sunny	Washington, DC	93	77	t-storm
Miami	86	78	t-storm				

#### **Moon Phases**



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.

- 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.
- You don't have to be a senior citizen to enjoy country-western dancing. The Big Spring Senior Center hosts a dance every Friday from 7:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. A different band will be featured every night. Dancing is a fun way to exercise, so come enjoy the fun and meet new friends. Cost is \$8 per

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#### June unemployment in Texas remains at 6.5 percent

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The Texas unemployment rate for June has held steady since May and remains at 6.5 percent.

The Texas Workforce Commission on Friday announced the statewide seasonally adjusted figure compares to the U.S. jobless rate of 7.6 percent last

TWC officials in Austin say Texas added 5,800 seasonally adjusted nonfarm jobs in June for a total of about 303,000 jobs added since a year ago.

Chairman Andres Alcantar says economic growth in Texas has proven to be diverse, consistent and long term.

The Midland area had the lowest June unemployment rate statewide at 3.7 percent. The McAllen-Edinburg-Mission area had the highest jobless rate last month at 11.6 percent.

#### Man gets life term in 1998 killing of Canyon teen

CANYON, Texas (AP) — A Texas Panhandle man convicted in the 1998 slaying of a high school student whose body has never been found must serve life in prison.

A Randall County jury on Thursday convicted Mario Ballesteros Campos of capital murder in the slaying of 17-year-old Fred Charles Moseley of Canyon. Prosecutors did not seek the death penalty so the Amarillo man received an automatic life prison

Another man who cooperated with the prosecution awaits trial on a capital murder charge. A criminal complaint says Gerald Ross Dooley told investigators that Moseley, who attended the Amarillo Christian School, was strangled during a July 1998 robbery at the victim's home.

Campos and Dooley were indicted in 2012.

#### Texas school leader statue stolen in 1995 returned TYLER, Texas (AP) — A statue of a former East

Texas college president swiped in 1995 is back on campus after a man who found the artwork noticed media reports of the theft. Tyler Junior College President Mike Metke

(MET'-kee) on Thursday unveiled the statue of Harry Jenkins. Jenkins led the school from 1946 to 1980. He died in 1983. The life-size bronze statue was erected four years later. Berny Trevino on Thursday received a \$5,000 re-

ward for return of the statue he says he found abandoned at an Austin apartment complex in 2001. Trevino for a couple of years searched online for the owner but no luck. Metke in 2011 announced criminal justice stu-

dents would review the theft. Trevino recently searched online and found sto-

ries about the renewed search.

The thief remains unknown.

#### 3 indicted in Army fraud case

SAN ANTONIO (AP) - Two former soldiers and a South Texas businessman have been indicted in a \$7 million Army medical equipment contract fraud and bribery investigation.

Prosecutors in San Antonio on Thursday announced the 40-count indictment names retired Army Master Sgt. Lawrence Peter Fenti of New Braunfels, ex-officer Dr. Heidi Lynn Webster of Manhattan, Kan., and John Walter Hoffman. He owns Hoffman Surgical Devices Inc. in San Anto-Fenti and Webster worked at Irwin Army Com-

munity Hospital at Fort Riley, Kan., and Brooke Army Medical Center in San Antonio. All three are charged with conspiracy to commit

wire fraud and wire fraud. Fenti and Webster are also charged with bribery. Hoffman also faces money laundering charges.

Attorneys for Webster and Hoffman say they'll plead not guilty. A lawyer for Fenti didn't immediately comment.

#### Gunman in attack near health club gets life

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A gunman has been sentenced to life in prison for wounding a woman who rejected his advances and killing a San Antonio health club worker walking her to her car.

A judge in San Antonio on Thursday sentenced 28-year-old Yu Masaki.

Masaki in March pleaded guilty to aggravated assault and to murder in the January 2012 gunfire. Officials say Masaki had been barred from the club because of his aggressive advances toward female members. Investigators say Masaki was romantically ob-

sessed with Margaret McCombs. She was left a quadriplegic following the attack. Juan Carlos Escamilla was fatally shot while es-

corting McCombs to her vehicle.

#### Fort Bliss to reveal more on radiation leak

FORT BLISS, Texas (AP) — Army officials say they'll reveal more information on radiation contamination of a Cold War-era bunker.

The update will come Friday at a Fort Bliss news conference. The bunker was used to store and assemble nuclear bombs decades ago and was recently found to be radioactive.

The Air Force used the bunker in the 1950's and 60's before Biggs Air Force Base was transferred to the Army in 1966. The Army says it was unaware the bunker was potentially hazardous and has used it to store rifles for training soldiers since 2003.

A veteran alerted the Army to the risk several months ago. About 60 people who worked in the facility over the years have called a hotline. Experts are studying the bunker and will search for buried radioactive residue.

#### **Ex-Texas Tech student** executed for double slaving

HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP) — A former Texas Tech graduate student was executed Thursday for a double slaying in Lubbock a dozen years ago. Vaughn Ross, 41, was condemned for the January

2001 fatal shootings of an 18-year-old woman with whom he had been feuding and an associate dean at the university who was with her at the time. No relatives of friends of Ross were there for the execution, yet he told them he loved them, thanked them for their support and urged them to stay

"You know I don't fear death," he said, strapped to the death chamber gurney. "I know we weren't expecting this, but this is what it is. We know the lies that were told against me in court. We know

it's not true."

As the lethal dose of pentobarbital began taking effect, Ross took several breaths, then began snoring. He let out a gurgle, snored once more and then stopped all movement. He was pronounced dead at 6:38 p.m. CDT, 22 minutes after the lethal drug was injected.

Ross was executed for the slayings of Douglas Birdsall, 53, the associate dean of libraries at Texas Tech University, and Viola Ross McVade. McVade was the sister of Ross' girlfriend and was not related to the convicted killer. Authorities believed Birdsall and McVade were

ambushed in an alley behind Ross' apartment after Ross had ordered McVade's sister to leave. A bicyclist later spotted their bodies in a car in a gully at a Lubbock park. Court documents said Birdsall had been looking for a prostitute and that a friend of McVade intro-

duced him to her that evening. Prosecutors contend McVade was the intended target, and that Birdsall was at the wrong place at the wrong time. The execution, the 10th this year in the nation's

most active capital punishment state, came less than an hour after the U.S. Supreme Court rejected an appeal to block the punishment. Ross contended his previous appeals attorneys

neglected to note that his trial lawyers didn't present evidence that may have persuaded jurors to sentence him to life in prison. Assistant Texas Attorney General Tomee Heining argued that that Ross' trial lawyers called witnesses on Ross' behalf and managed an "admirable mitigation defense" even though Ross had instructed his family and friends not to cooperate.

Detectives said they linked Ross to the deaths after finding his and Birdsall's DNA on part of a latex glove in the car. DNA tests on Ross' sweatshirt also detected blood from both victims.

Ross, from St. Louis, came to Texas Tech for graduate work in architecture. When questioned by detectives, he acknowledged arguing and threatening McVade. He also acknowledged wearing latex gloves but said they were to protect his hands while he was doing some cleaning with bleach.

## PARK

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Murphy, Freaks of Nature with vehicles on display. The HOG Group will be joining in on the activities. Add bouncy houses for the youngsters and the "Ultimate Game Mobile" and there will be lots to do. In addition, NewsWest 9 will be featuring several contests: Ugly Dog, Hot Dog Eating and Ice Cream Eating.

"Come enter. Who knows, you may win," said ValVerde.

Swimming at the aquatic center will be \$5 per person over the age of 3. There is no charge for "The Goonies."

The family friendly movie — which is 114 minutes long — is directed by Richard Donner and written by the team of Steven Spielberg and screenwriter Chris Columbus.

The evening's activities are sponsored by the Chamber, Big Spring Convention and Visitor's Bureau, the city of Big Spring and News-West 9.

#### LANDFILL

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Womack said a quick look at fees at landfills in neighboring cities and counties explains why many companies are shipping their waste and debris from as far away as Midland-Odessa and parts of Martin County.

"It's no secret in West Texas, Big Spring is the cheapest landfill out here," Womack said. "So, it's no wonder those companies want to bring their debris and waste here. However, we've reached a point where that extra material is causing the landfill to fill up much more quickly than we had anticipated.

"This isn't something





for the city and it causes an inconvenience for many of our customers. However, if we don't take action now, we're going to find ourselves in a much more dire situation very soon."

The decision to stop accepting the construction and oilfield materials comes on the heels of the approval of first reading of an ordinance that will do away with the \$5 tipping fee at the municipal landfill and implement a fee scale based on the weight of the refuse, approved by the city council earlier this month.

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Need a Lift?

Womack said the change in fees is necessary to help fund the opening of a new landfill facility, which has been on the city's radar for

we want to do, because, eliminate the \$5 fee and ton," Womack told the council. "The minimum fee will be \$10 for residential and \$20 for commercial and that fee will be charged every time they cross the scales. We're also requiring two forms of identification to establish they are a resident and not just someone bringing garbage in from another county or city."

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approved by the city 7331 ext. 232 or by e-mail in the end it loses money set all fees at \$40 per council on a 4-3 vote at citydesk@bigspringhwith council members Harbour Fernandez, and Boyd voting against it. Council members Carrigan, McDonald, Benavides and McLellan voted in favor of the measure.

Anyone with questions regarding the new policies at the municipal landfill is encouraged to call 432-264-2501.

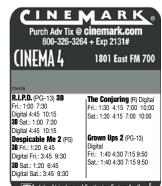
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Lift us up, sweet Lord, when we are down and weary.

Amen

## What does it take to wake up?

omeone did an experiment to test an old tale — that a frog placed in a pot of cool water, which is then slowly and continuously heated, will be boiled to death. By contrast, if

thrown directly into scalding hot water, the frog jumps out. But it turns out that, no, once the water got hot enough, the critter hopped out of Dodge. This raises a

question. At what point does the continuous growth and intrusiveness of government

make people wake up? This is not just a matter of theory or philosophy. People are hurting — as a direct result of President Barack Obama, his party and the inability of the GOP to make the case for a smaller, less expensive and less intrusive government. For five years, we have watched

as President Barack Obama successfully pushed the following redistributionist agenda for building an economy: Take from the most productive to "stimulate" the economy by redistributing money, often with political consideration involved or attached; allow bureaucrats to pick winners and losers in the market; issue feelgood, top-down regulations that cost jobs and do little to improve conditions; and dictate the terms of health care with ObamaCare, a monstrosity that places oneseventh of our economy under the control of the federal government.

The results are in.

This is the worst economic recovery since World War II. Unemployment remains high. So many able-bodied people are dropping out of the labor force that the "labor force participation rate" remains near a 30-year low.

In 1900, government at all three levels took about 10 percent of our income. Today, government takes nearly 50 percent, or twice

as much as people say government should. Yet when pollsters ask Americans how much money should government, at all three levels — state, local and federal — take from them, their answer has been consistent for decades: 25 percent. Why, then, aren't politicians in

Washington, D.C., cowering under their desks, as angry constituents pound on their doors?

People, in the abstract, talk about freedom and liberty. But government dependency is so widespread that we accept the benefits — unaware that the costs are much higher than we think.

Nearly half of the federal budget goes to the three major entitlement programs: Social Security, Medicare and Medicaid. All of these programs address problems that the Constitution never intended. How do we know? Earlier presidents, citing constitutional reasons, rejected congressional attempts at growing the government.

In 1822, James Monroe, our fifth president, cast his only veto in rejecting an expansion of the Cumberland Road, even through it stood to economically benefit his home state of Virginia.

According to Monroe's biography on the University of Virginia's americanpresident.org: "Although Monroe personally supported the idea of internal improvements, he balked at the federal government's role in the American System being proposed by Congressmen Henry Clay and John C. Calhoun. They wanted a series of feder-

ally financed projects designed to improve and update the nation's roads, bridges and canals. Monroe worried, however, that federal payments for such internal improvements would expand even further the power of the federal government at the sake of state power. Where would the limits be drawn?" **Economist Walter Williams** 

writes of Presidents James Madison, Franklin Pierce and Grover

Cleveland, and how they quoted the Constitution to turn away congressional attempts to spend money because, they argued, the federal government is unauthorized to do so.

Fast forward to ObamaCare and the Supreme Court. Twenty-six states sued over the law, arguing that the individual insurance mandate — which requires every citizen in the country to purchase health care insurance or face a fine starting in 2014 — was unconstitutional. But the court, citing Congress' authority to tax, let the mandate stand. In their dissent, Justices Anthony Kennedy, Antonin Scalia, Clarence Thomas and Samuel Alito said, "The entire Act before us is invalid in its entirety." Further, they wrote, there is a "mountain of evidence' that the mandate is not a tax. "To say that the individual mandate merely imposes a tax," wrote Scalia, "is not to interpret the statute but to rewrite it."

In the end, of course, we get the government we vote for. Given that information gets filtered out through the Axis of Indoctrination — Hollywood, academia and media — how much hope is there that people will wake up?

The smart, the well-connected and the well-educated will be fine. Their previously depressed stock portfolios have returned, as companies learn to do more with fewer workers. High-end real estate is back, and the top 1 percent has regained the wealth lost during the recession — and then some.

The very people whom the left says it cares about are hurting. But rest assured, these elites care about them. They just have a strange way of showing it.

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## **Latinos are moving counter-clockwise**

or Latinos in this country, the clock is spinning backward. Both Democrats and Republicans rapidly are diluting the civil rights we have gained over the years.

The Republicans do it overtly, by conducting campaigns and introducing measures to harass immigrants, militarize (only) our border with Mexico, restrict the use of the Spanish language and keep us from voting and by behaving in other draconian ways that clearly il-



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lustrate their war against Latinos.

The Democrats do it covertly,

by pretending to be our defenders while sitting back and doing absolutely nada. Apparently, they don't feel they have to. As long as the Republicans keep scaring Latinos, Democrats feel they can win our vote by default, as they have in recent elections.

In fact, Republican extremism has made Democrats so confident that they feel they can get away with doing even less for Latinos than other Democrats have in the past. You see this in the way many Democrats in Congress are willing to accept border militarization and huge hurdles on the path to citizenship for undocumented immigrants. You see it in a White House where Latinos are inexcusably underrepresented — almost invisible.

If the Republicans didn't live in a glass house, they could be throwing huge rocks at the White House by telling Latinos to take a look at President Barack Obama's Cabinet. Certainly, that's what the Democrats would be doing if a Republican president had zero Latinos in his Cabinet. They would be bursting with outrage. I can almost hear them whining about how the president "doesn't care about Latinos."

Yet since former Labor Secretary Hilda Solis and former Interior Secretary Ken Salazar left Obama's first-term Cabinet in

mid-January — and for the first time in more than two decades the Cabinet has been left without Latinos "I would just suggest that every-

body kind of wait until they've seen all my appointments — who is in the White House staff and who is in my Cabinet — before they rush to judgment," Obama said in a Jan. 14 news conference. Yet six months later, though he was expected to make at least two Cabinet appointments to keep up with previous administrations, his Cabinet still doesn't have any

Even if his single Hispanic Cabinet nominee — former Justice Department administrator Tom Perez — gets confirmed by the U.S. Senate as the new labor secretary this week, Obama still will have a Cabinet with fewer Latinos than several of his recent predecessors, including Democrats and Repub-

Of course, this is not what Latinos expected from the "Sí, se puede" president.

When Latino voters gave Obama a second term in the White House, at a minimum, they expected a Cabinet that would represent them adequately and a president who would put up a much stronger fight for immigration reform – a fight like the one he put up for health care reform in his first Yet Obama's lack of leadership

on immigration — his willingness to lie back and let Congress work out a bill without his direct involvement — has resulted in the paralysis we now see in Congress, where the Senate passed a reform bill that was too rough on immigrants and the House declared it DOA because it wasn't rough enough. And where is the Latino Demo-

cratic leadership holding the president and its party's leadership accountable? And where are the Latino Republicans standing up to their party to defend their people? They are "invisible"; the word

You simply don't see Latino

is the same in English as it is in

leaders criticizing the president on behalf of their community with the independence they had in the past. They are so co-opted by their political parties that you rarely see Latino Democrats challenging Obama. Latino Republicans do challenge the president, but unfortunately, they do it on behalf of the tea party instead of their own community. It's absurd and disgraceful.

And the leaders of Latino civil rights organizations, the ones we would expect to be independently criticizing both parties for their indiscretions, are often too committed to the Democratic Party. There is no question that they have been driven to that position by the Republican measures constantly attacking our community, but now they seem willing to accept whatever crumbs they get from the Democrats.

You see them walking out of White House meetings reporting that they actually had the nerve to ask the president about the composition of his Cabinet, as if that were a major accomplishment, and you hear them readily accepting the fact that Obama "stepped around" the question. You hear them claiming that "there is no daylight" between their position and the president's on immigration, yet the president's position is keeping us in a very dark place.

The problem is that on the national level, Latinos have few independent leaders who are willing to put the interests of their community over those of their political parties. When you see Latino Republicans placing additional hurdles on immigration reform and you see Latino Democrats making excuses for Obama, that's when you see Latino civil rights moving counterclockwise. We can be our own worst en-

emies.

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## Church News

#### First Baptist Church

Sunday morning, Pastor Mark Lindsey continues the message series 'That's Not in the Bible," which focuses on commonly used and heard sayings which are mistakenly thought to be in Scripture.

Bring your smart phone, iPad, or Kindle Fire to interact live with the sermon, as we challenge ourselves to dig deeper into God's word.

Sunday morning praise and worship begins at 10:50, with Sunday school groups starting at 9:30. Join us for coffee and donuts beforehand. Sunday evening will be a time for fellowship with small group gatherings at 6. We'd love for you to join us. Call 267-8223 for more information.

Our children are back after a great time at Camp Xtreme. The kids (and adult sponsors) will have a short time at home before attending RA and GA camp the end of July. Our Mother's Day Out program is taking reservations for the fall term; call Tracy Boeker at 267-8223 or email at tboeker90@gmail.com

The youth department is gearing up for mission night July 26. If you are going into 7th grade through 12th, we invite you to come along for a fun time helping others. Contact Youth Pastor Jonathan Raffini at 267-8223 for more information.

We are continuing to gather school supplies for Backpack Blessings, which is scheduled Aug. 4. Place your donations on the table inside the west doors. Friday, July 26, at 7 p.m., we will host a reception in honor of L.K. and Helen Gladden as they are moving to be closer to family after 53 years here. Join us as we wish them God's best blessings as they begin this new

If you've ever wondered what it means to be part of a church family, or what it means to be a Christian, we invite you to call 432-267-8223 or stop by and someone would be happy to listen, pray with you, and talk with you about Jesus.

First Baptist Church is located at 705 W FM 700. See you Sunday!

#### College Baptist Church

Pastor Ken McMeans, his wife, Elisha and their two daughters recently returned from a trip to Alaska. It was a vacation-missionary trip and some nostalgia since the pastor had lived there for awhile as a young man and had preached there. He preached again at the First Baptist Church in Juneau on this trip. The family came home feeling rejuvenated and eager to get back into the work here.

Sunday morning began a new series of sermons on being Fearless and Faithful. We live in an uncertain world and fear many things but as God's children we show a lack of trust in God when we worry and fear everything. If we have placed our lives in

His hands, we should have nothing to fear. We serve an awesome God and He is able to take care of our fears.

The RAs, a group of young boys from first through sixth grade, left here this week for a camping trip in New Mexico with their leaders. They will be returning on Friday.

There will be a Sunday school meeting Sunday at 5 p.m. All Sunday school teachers, leaders and workers are invited to attend. There will also be an ice cream social that same night after the evening worship service. This is sponsored by the deacons and they even promised to have homemade ice cream.

College Baptist has prayer meeting and Bible study Wednesdays at 7 p.m. This is also a time of praise for answered prayers and the rain!

Sunday school meets each week at 9:45 a.m. and worship services are at 11 a.m. and again at 6 p.m. on Sun-Wednesday services: 7 p.m. for

Backstage Youth, Wee singers and King's Kids. A nursery is provided for the youngest. The church is located on the corner

of Birdwell and Eleventh. We happily welcome all visitors and will try to help you feel at home.

#### Templo Belen Assembly of God

Templo Belen Assembly of God at 2205 Goliad, is excited to announce this years VBS: Athens-Paul's Dangerous Journey to Share the Truth. VBS begins Monday and concludes Friday, July 26, 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Ages 3 through junior high are welcome. Come hear Paul tell about his journey and his adventures! Be transported back in time to a Greek marketplace. Participate in the Olympic

If your child needs a ride or if you need more information, call 432-213-

Templo Belen also offers weekly services: Sundays – 9:30 a.m. Sunday school – bilingual, 10:30 a.m. worship and the word-bilingual, 5 p.m. - worship and the word-bilingual. Wednesday - 6 p.m. Girls only and Royal Rangers, preschool through high school.

#### **East Side Baptist Church**

Twenty-five years as a New Testament Church. We will be celebrating this quarter of a century event July 26-28. July 26 – 7 p.m. Evangelist Bill Fee from Kentucky will be preaching for us. July 27, 6:30 p.m. "Early Praises," longtime friends of East Side and great gospel group will be in concert. July 28 - 9:45 a.m. Early Praises followed by testimony and preaching of God's word.

We would be honored if you would join us for all or any of these times of worship. Our theme for our 25th an-

## **Have we become** too specialized?

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**r**t's true. We have come a long way in the area of specialization. L Earlier this summer, my family and I visited the restored Fort Davis military post. On a tour through the enlisted men's barracks, we were

shown replicas of the boots that were issued to soldiers.

To my amazement and that of other spectators on the tour, we were told that the boots were not designated for the left or right foot. Both boots in a pair were shapeless. They were little more than hard-soled, high-topped leather coverings for the feet. Just trying to imagine what it must have been

When it comes to footwear, we have come a long way in making shoes comfortable. Likewise, we have created specialized markets for all of our needs. Car dealerships promote their own models and makes of cars. Fords, Chevrolets, Buicks, and Toyotas share the same road space, but they all require their own technicians for repair.

like to walk all day in those ill-fitted

boots made my feet hurt.

In our malls, technology stores stand alone. Clothing stores cater to a specialized group of people. Fastfood restaurants advertise Mexican, Italian, Chinese, or American food. Everything has its own niche in the

We invite all to join us for any of our

regular services. Sunday school, 9:45

a.m. Sunday worship, 10:45 a.m. Af-

ternoon worship, 1:45 p.m. Mid-week

Pastor Jim Walterhouse and wife

Debbie, invite you to join them for

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the future.

market.

The general store is a thing of the

Perhaps the largest area of specialization, though, is the field of medicine. We have foot doctors, knee doctors, hip doctors, and back doctors. A couple of years ago, my daughter strained a tendon in her arm. She had to see a lower arm specialist because her injury was below the elbow. The upper arm doctor refused to see her.

More recently, when she had a problem with her left ear, we teased her about needing to see a left ear specialist. Fortunate, she found someone who was versatile enough to treat both left and right ears.

In the spiritual realm, we have a great physician who covers all of our needs. The psalmist wrote, "The Lord will cover you with his feathers, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness will be your shield and rampart" (Psalm 91:4 NIV).

Maybe we have become too specialized. We tend to categorize our problems and search for the expert who can solve them.

We turn to advisors, counselors, and various authorities when trouble invades our lives. Sometimes, however, we forget that God's expertise covers all of our needs.

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

niversary is Phillippines 3:13 and 14. Leaving the past and pressing toward

worship services Sunday morning at 10:50. Bible study meets at 9:30, prior to the service.

This growing new church is excited to be adding new worship and Scripture study opportunities for the deaf community.

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## Happiness

ccording to our
American Declaration
of Independence, the
pursuit of hap-

piness is one of three inalienable rights bestowed upon us by our Creator. Time magazine devoted an entire issue to the subject last

The article

week.



TINSLEY

soon lost me
in its scientific
and medical explanations
about happiness as a genetic
trait and complex chemical functions of the brain. I
couldn't make sense of the
terms and I don't fully under-

stand or trust all the genetic arguments about our inheriting happiness genes from our ancestors who set out to conquer the New World.

But, I think I know what happiness is. I know when I am happy. And I know when I am not. I am not always sure why I feel happy or why I don't.

I clearly know when my wife is happy. We have a saying around our house, that "when momma ain't happy, ain't nobody happy."

I am not sure where we found that nugget of truth, but we immediately recognized its relevance. When my wife is happy, I tend to be happy. Maybe it works the other way. We clearly affect each other. Sometimes I can

bring her down.

Sometimes she can bring

me up. But the happiness of one clearly affects the happiness of the other.

Fortunately, I married someone who is almost always happy.

The article did have some interesting stats, like most news magazine articles do. In spite of our Declaration of Independence, and more than two centuries of pursuing happiness, Americans are apparently not all that happy compared to the rest of the world.

Here are some interesting global observations: "When it comes to work-life balance and life satisfaction, Canadians score significantly higher than Americans while making considerably less."

"Panama reports the highest levels of happiness, although almost a third of the population lives below the poverty line."

"China's economic boom in recent decades has corresponded with a decline in its citizen's life-satisfaction rate." "Debt-laden Ireland faces a gloomy future, yet its population is among the cheeriest on the planet, reporting high levels of wellbeing and contentedness." (Time magazine, July 15, 2013).

The Bible doesn't speak much about happiness. It speaks much more about joy and contentment, which are closely related. I expect they go together to some degree, but joy and contentment are deeper and more lasting than happiness.

Jesus gave us hints about happiness that seem contradictory on the surface. When he gave us the Beatitudes, he used a word that is best translated "happy."

"Happy are the poor in spirit for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven. Happy are those who mourn for they shall be comforted. Happy are those who ..."

Perhaps Jesus' Beatitudes help us more than all the scientific, medical and genetic research. Happiness is more than the euphoria of victory

These fade quickly. Real happiness is deeper and more lasting than we may have ever imagined.

It is available to all of us

and success.

who mourn and are poor in spirit. We don't have to be dominating conquerors to achieve happiness. It is available to the meek

It is available to the meek, to the peace makers and to those who hunger and thirst after righteousness.

Bill Tinsley reflects on current events and life experience from a faith perspective. Visit ww.tinslweycenter.com Email bill@tinsleycenter.com

#### **CHURCH NEWS**

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## First United Methodist Church

First United Methodist Church is located just off Gregg Street at the corner of Fourth and Scurry in downtown Big Spring. Sunday morning worship is at 8:30 and 10:50, with Sunday school for all ages at 9:45 a.m. A nursery is provided at all times. The 10:50 a.m. worship service can be heard each Sunday morning on KXCS – 105.5 FM.

Our college minister, Charles Abuyeka, will be preaching this Sunday. His message is titled "The Wonder of Laughter" and comes from Genesis 18:1-15.

"Kids with Purpose" (KWP) is a summer ministry at First United Methodist Church that helps kids develop compassionate hearts through service to others.

This week, many of the activities planned for KWP were changed because the rain showers we received. But we thank God for the rain! Kids still had great fun with "Gross Games" and learning about our church's mission efforts in Nicaragua. Next week, KWP kids will wrap things up with its final week of summer activities.

Our second and third graders had a great experience at Ceta Canyon Camp this week. On Monday, our fourth, fifth, and sixth graders will head to Ceta Canyon for a week long camping experience of their own.

Jim Anderson will be leading Wednesday Noon Bible Study this coming week. He'll be continuing the series entitled "The Power of Witness." Food service begins at 11:50 a.m. and the study wraps up at 12:50 p.m. The meal is served for a small fee. All are welcome to attend.

Our Epic Youth Ministries got back into its regular Wednesday night routine this week. Epic begins at 5:30 p.m. with a light dinner and ends at 8 p.m. Epic events are held in the Partee Youth Building. Youth Pastor Beau Niewoehner is currently in a message series that is based on the Bible mini-series, which aired on the History Channel last Spring.

Vacation Bible School is set Aug. 4-7. Visit our website at fumcbs.com for more information or to register your child.

#### First Presbyterian Church

The Lectionary Bible study, led by Craig Holstedt and Tom Koger, meets at 5:17 p.m. Wednesday. The Chancel Choir will not practice during July.

The Service Committee is collecting school supplies for Back to School Kids and asks that members bring such items as paper

such items as paper, pens, pencils, crayons, red pens and pencils, spiral notebooks and rulers to leave in a cart in the narthex on Sundays, July 28 and Aug. 4. The Committee also asks for toilet articles, especially personal sizes of toothpaste, shampoo, deodorant, lotion and

toothbrushes.
Ellen Austin is in charge of Take Ten for Sunday. Liturgist is Susan Holstedt. Robert Bennett, Danny Kennemur, Glen Burch and

others are serving as ushers for the month.

The lectionary for the Ninth Sunday

The lectionary for the Ninth Sunday after Pentecost is Amos 8:1-12; Psalm 52; Colossians 1:15-28; Luke 10:38-42.

The Chancel Choir joins the congregation during the summer months. The Rev. Craig Holstedt will give the sermon.

If you cannot attend worship, listen in on KBST 1490 AM, beginning at 11 a.m. 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: <a href="www.fpcbs.org">www.fpcbs.org</a>. There, you can find a link that will enable you to listen to several recent sermons by the Rev. Holstedt.

## First Baptist Church, Coahoma

This Sunday, our guest speaker will be Darrell Robinson, who grew up in this area. He will be preaching at the 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. services. All are welcome!

## Cornerstone Covenant Church

Cornerstone Covenant Church would like to invite you to join us Sunday at 10:30 a.m. for worship, followed by the Word. Our 2013 Vision Focus is "Restoring Hope to the Hopeless". This week, Pastor Willard will continue his series entitled "T.E.A.M. Work." Topic: Together Everyone Achieves More! Title: The Power of "Unspoken" Words. Main scripture is taken from Ecclesiastes 4: 9.

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

Overcomers: Recovery and Restoration class continue meeting each Thursday from 6:30-8 p.m. The location is in the Green Room of the east wing.

Mark your calendars to join us Wednesday, July 24, at 7 p.m. as we present special musical guest, "The Red Airplanes." We want to welcome our guests by having a "Red-Out" service; all those who can, wear red to the concert. This is a free concert.

CCC offers ministries in the following areas: New Beginnings (Newborn to 18 months); Tiny Tots (19 months-Kindergarten); Kovenant Kids (1st-6th grade); Chosen Generation (7th-12th grade); Covenant U - College Ministry (18-24 years); Men's and Women's Ministries; and Marriage Enrichment.

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

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 Ow-

at www.cccbigspring.org or check out Covenant Connect on Facebook or Twitter.

ens St.) For more information, con-

tact us at 264-0015, visit us on the web

## Spring Creek Fellowship We are "Sending our Harts to Zam-

bia" and are helping them to raise funds to go and be missionaries. The next event is a 5K Fun Run on Saturday, Aug. 3. There is a \$30 entry fee. T-shirts available. Pre-registration by July 20 will guarantee you a spot, others while supplies last.

All participants to be awarded with the top three finishers to receive special recognition. Race will start at 9 a.m. with registration starting at 8 a.m. Contact Shawn Hart at 432-238-0642 or Lauren Hart at 432-213-0790.

Vacation Bible School is scheduled for Saturday, July 27, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the Old Settler's Pavilion, Comanche Trail Park.

"Nehemiah-Rebuilding the City." Everyone must be pre-registered; no one can register at the park. Limited to 60 kids. The kids need to be there 10-15 minutes early to get their supplies and pick teams so we can start right at 9. We will be outside the whole time so if your child needs sunscreen they might bring it.

They need to wear athletic shoes (no flip-flops or sandals). We will have plenty of water, snacks; lunch is provided, and ways to keep cool. We will be building the "walls to the gates."

Children can register at SCF Sundays, or Wednesdays, or call or IM Donna Wennik to be added to the list. The "JOY Women's Conference" is scheduled Aug. 3 from 8-4 p.m. at the church. You may register online on our website or call the office.

Big Spring Classical Academy is now pre-registering for Pre-K thru 5<sup>th</sup> grade for the fall. Visit our website at http://bigspringclassical.org for more information or contact Donna Sue Looney.

Weekly Happenings: Sunday-9:15-10:15 a.m., Sunday School/Connection Groups; 10:15 a.m.-10:45 a.m., "Holy Grounds Café" with snacks and fellowship; 10:45 a.m.-noon, worship service; Monday, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Celebrate Recovery; Tuesday, 1:45, Praying Effectively for the Lost; Wednesday, 5:30 p.m., Fellowship Meal, 6 p.m., Bible study and youth and children's activities; 6 p.m., Boy Scouts. Saturday, 7:30 a.m., Men's Prayer Breakfast.

If you would like any further information regarding any of our ministries or events, 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 F

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

## Forsan Baptist Church Our Vacation Bible School has

wrapped up and we will be following up with those who desire baptism, beginning Sunday during morning worship. Sunday evenings, we are conducting a verse-by-verse survey of the Book of Romans, and on Wednesdays we are in the midst of a verse-by-verse trek through the Old Testament.

We will have a men's breakfast Saturday at the Four Sands Café at 9 a.m. Come and enjoy a time of good food and fellowship.

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 summer, but Wednesday night meals will be suspended until the fall. 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.

## Non-denominational Sabbath Fellowship

Now meeting at 809 Scurry, Saturday mornings 10 until 11.

What an amazing subject we begin to study this Sabbath. We will learn of the first lie that was ever told on planet Earth. The strangest part of it is that so many people still believe it! It affects every one of us. We really need to know what the scriptures say about it. Bring your bible, a notepad and a pen. There are many verses you will want to write down.

Remember, what man says is unimportant; what God says is vital.

Bob Rainwater, moderator. 432-264-9937.

## Spring Tabernacle Ministries

Services and children's church are at 10 a.m. Sunday at 1209 Wright. For information, call 263-0544.

We believe the Lord Jesus can life you up out of depression and the cares of this world. There are some questions we should ask ourselves, like, do you know how to find peace? Do you know how to have victory over self? Are you sick and tired of being sick and tired? Do you want a better life?

We invite you to come and learn how to have a good feeling about yourself and know Jesus. He's the one who can change your life and make you whole. Do you know Him? Come, you don't have to change, He'll take you like you are and change you and make you over brand new. It's a life-changing experience, absolutely wonderful.

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## **Nation**

Detroit files for bankruptcy

DETROIT (AP) — Once the very symbol of American industrial might, Detroit became the biggest U.S. city to file for bankruptcy Thursday, its finances ravaged and its neighborhoods hollowed out by a long, slow decline in population and auto manufacturing.

The filing, which had been feared for months, put the city on an uncertain course that could mean laying off municipal employees, selling off assets, raising fees and scaling back basic services such as trash collection and snow plowing, which have already been slashed.

"Only one feasible path offers a way out," Gov. Rick Snyder said in a letter approving the move.

The filing marked a turning point for city and state leaders, who must now confront the challenge of rebuilding Detroit's broken budget in as little as

Kevyn Orr, a bankruptcy expert hired by the state in March to stop the city's fiscal free-fall, said Detroit would continue paying its bills and employ-

BOSTON (AP) — A police photographer, furious

#### Police photog angry at Rolling Stone cover of Boston bombing suspect releases police photos

with a Rolling Stone cover photo he believes glamorizes the surviving Boston Marathon suspect,

released gritty images Thursday from the day he

Photos released to Boston Magazine by Massachusetts State Police tactical photographer Sgt. Sean Murphy show a downcast, disheveled Dzhokhar Tsarnaev with the red dot of a sniper's rifle laser sight boring into his forehead.

The pictures were taken when Tsarnaev was captured April 19, bleeding and hiding in a dry-docked boat in a Watertown backyard.

Murphy said in a statement to Boston Magazine that Tsarnaev is evil and that his photos show the 'real Boston bomber, not someone fluffed and buffed for the cover of Rolling Stone magazine.' The April 15 bombing killed three people and

injured more than 260. Massachusetts Institute of Technology officer Sean Collier was allegedly killed April 18 by Tsarnaev and his brother, Tamerlan, who died following a shootout with police later that evening.

#### Obama touts insurance rebates under health care law, while GOP vows to keep trying for repeal

WASHINGTON (AP) — Facing public doubts and embarrassing setbacks to his signature health care law, President Barack Obama stepped forward Thursday to extol the program's benefits, emphasizing that some Americans already are receiving insurance rebates and lower premiums.

Obama said the program is working the way it was supposed to with "better benefits, stronger protections, more bang for your buck." The asser-

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tion was ridiculed by Republicans, with House Speaker John Boehner calling the Affordable Care Act "a train wreck" that he will keep working to repeal.

Obama dismissed the GOP's so-far-futile votes the House logged its 38th attempt to repeal or scale back the law on Wednesday — with an exasperated sigh and shake of his head during a White House

#### Southern Calif. wildfire forces evacuation of mountain town; conditions described as extreme

longtime Idyllwild mountain home after seeing 100 foot flames marching toward the mile-high hamlet that draws tourists, summer campers and students to a year-round arts and music school. Millet and his wife scooped up the precious things that matter most from their three-story

IDYLLWILD, Calif. (AP) — Artist Lewis Millett

didn't need much more than an order to leave his

Southern California home: their two cats, his paintings and sculptures and one of his family's prized heirlooms — his father's Congressional

Millet was among the 6,000 residents and tourists told to evacuate the community in the San Jacinto Mountains about 100 miles from Los Angeles as the wildfire grew to more than 35 square miles Thursday, wreathing a ridge about 2 to 3 miles from town, fire officials said. The blaze also was 2 miles away from Palm Springs, but no homes were threatened there.

#### Annie's Mailbox ®

**Dear Annie:** My aunt works at the doctor's office where I am a patient. I am very private about my personal affairs, especially my health records. When I first saw this physician, I requested that my records be kept in a separate area so they could not be accessed by my aunt and would remain confidential. The receptionist assured me that would be done, saying many patients make similar requests.

Somehow this got back to my aunt, and she is creating a huge family

this, telling called in by her boss and almost got fired over it. said I post-

also ed derogatory information concerning this on Facebook, which is a complete lie. I am beside myself. I never said anything about her looking at my records. I only asked that they be kept

separate. How do I handle this? She is making something innocent into something ugly. Please help. — B.K.

**Dear B.K.:** It's a good thing your aunt doesn't have access to your records. It sounds as if she would put them all over the Internet out of spite. You have done nothing wrong and should say so.

Tell your family mem-

bers that you posted nothing on Facebook, nor did you make any comment to the doctor or his staff. (Although we wonder how your aunt heard about it.) Hold your head up and let her rant. As difficult as it may be, the storm will pass eventually. Your relationship with your aunt, however, may not recover. Sorry.

Dear Annie: My exwife and I put our 24-year-old son through

college. He recently was accepted to a foreign medical school that will cost \$50,000 per year for the next three years. My ex decided to remortgage her house in order to finance a year or two of this expense. I'm sure she will feel that any additional expense he incurs should fall upon me.

We shared his educational expenses up to this point, but as a retiree on a fixed income, I am not in a position to match her largesse. This has made me feel inadequate as a provider. I took out loans to finance my own graduate education and believe it would do our son a world of good in the long run to arrange his own tuition through loans and part-time

I am thankful that my ex is able to assist our son, but it pains me to be unable to contribute equally. How can I best cope with this feeling of inadequacy? — Worried in Altadena

Dear Worried: Please don't feel inadequate because you aren't financing your child's post-graduate degree. That is his responsibility. We understand that your ex wants to make this exorbitant expense easier to bear, but no parent is under an obligation to finance their adult child's continuing education and the accompanying expenses. Remind yourself that you are teaching your son to be self-sufficient — something much more valuable to his future than borrowing from his parents.

Dear Annie: "Parents at Wits' End" said they are trying to deal with their 31-year-old bipolar son, who refuses to take his medication because it makes him feel "slow." You recommended NAMI's Family-to-Family Program.

Please suggest to these parents that they also contact Al-Anon Family Groups in their local area. This wonderful organization provides comfort and understanding to the families of alcoholics and those suffering from other addictions. Al-Anon focuses on oneself and not on the alcoholic. Meetings are held almost daily across the country and around the world. They can get more information through

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# Contract

By Steve Becker

### **Bidding Quiz**

You are South, neither side vulnerable, and the bidding has gone: North East What would you bid with: ♠ 5 ♥ AKQ1Ď8 ♦ 8 ♣ KQ8743

George Rapee, playing in the was faced with this extremely difficult bidding problem and, after considerable thought, elected to bid four hearts. Everybody passed, and Rapee made seven. This was the full deal:

**↑** A Q 10 9 3 2

The Bridge World magazine, which polls top experts each month on a variety of bidding problems, presented this one to its distinguished panel with the following There were 10 votes for Four

Hearts: nine for Five Clubs: three for Five Diamonds; three for Four Notrump; four for Double. There were no votes for Six Hearts, Six Clubs or Five Hearts, which were alternative possibilities. Here are some of the comments offered by the

Jack Ehrlenbach: Five clubs. Hoping to get my hearts in over five Edgar Kaplan: Five clubs. When

in doubt, bid your longest suit. And I'm in doubt. Bobby Wolff: Four hearts. Noth-

ing else is remotely in the ballpark. Theodore Lightner: Four hearts. There is often no satisfactory action after a pre-empt. Amen.

Marshall Miles: Double. I'm probably settling for 300, and we probably have a game. But where? It is possible we have a slam, but there is no logical way to investigate it.

Alvin Roth: Four notrump. I'm only guessing. There is a good chance that partner has two aces; if so, I plan on bidding six clubs. If partner has only one ace, I'll bid five hearts. How come that in real life I have never had this type of problem?

Bridge World Editor: Because you didn't get to the Playoff.

Tomorrow: Two stumbling blocks.

## Church News

Alive in Christ **Lutheran Church LCMS** 

Lannon Martin.

Our motto is "Celebrating and Sharing God's Love and Grace in our lives".

We are located at 2805 Lynn Drive in the Kentwood Subdivision in Big Spring. church phone number 264-7818.

Our pastor is the Rev. Our website is http:// www.aicbigspring.org. Our e-mail address is aliveinchrist@crcom.

> Sunday service will begin at 9 a.m. with Bible study and Sunday school to follow at 10:15

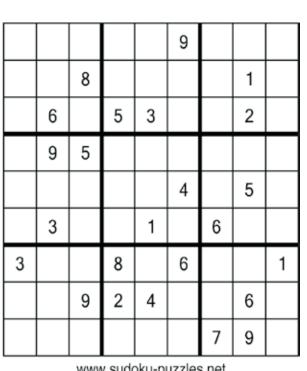
present the readings

this week. There will be an Adult Bible Study class on the following dates: July 10, July 17, July 24, July 31 and Aug. 7h. The title of the class is "How We

Got The Bible." Tune in to 106.3 FM or 1400 AM between 6:45 Richard Knocke will and 6:50 each morning for wonderful devotions:

## **Sudoku Answer on Page 14**

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



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## All-Stars' opener postponed

**Herald Staff Report** 

SAN ANGELO — Heavy rain Thursday postponed the start of the Big Spring Senior League All-Stars at the state tournament.

Action at the tournament has been pushed back a day and Bi9g Spring will open play today against San Antonio Capitol at 9 p.m. at the Texas Bank Sports Complex, located at 1615 Rio Concho Drive in San Angelo. Aside from Big Spring and San An-

tonio, teams from North Garland and Laredo are participating in the doubleelimination tournament, which is now set to conclude Monday.

## Romo has a big contract, Cowboys want big results 1. ROMO'S READY:

ARLINGTON, (AP) — Tony Romo is rested and ready. He has a big new contract and big new responsibilities.

Now the Dallas Cowboys head to training camp trying to break out of a cycle of mediocrity that dates back to 1997. They're .500 since the start of that season, including a pair of 8-8 records in Jason Garrett's first two full seasons as coach.

Dallas hasn't been to the playoffs since 2009, with each of the past two years ending in a loss to an NFC



East rival with a playoff berth on the line.

Even though they were that close to the postseason, the Cowboys fired defensive coordinator Rob Ryan and replaced him with Monte Kiffin. They made several other changes to the defensive staff and a couple on the offen-

Garrett is giving up playcalling duties for the first time since owner Jerry Jones hired him as offensive coordinator in 2007. There won't be many

changes in personnel, though. All the key players are back, first-round pick Travis Frederick looks like the only rookie with a chance to have an impact. Five things to know as

the Cowboys prepare to open training camp with their first practice Sunday in Oxnard, Calif.:

Romo missed all the offseason practices after a procedure to have a cyst removed from his back. He is ready to go for the start of training camp, so Sunday's workout will be his first since signing the richest contract in franchise history. The sixyear, \$108 million deal has \$55 million guaranteed, or about \$3 million more than Super Bowl winner Joe Flacco got from Baltimore. Some of the national reac-

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The health of Yu Darvis and other starting pitchers is a major concern for the Texas Rangers heading into the second half of the season. The Rangers host Baltimore tonight.

## **Rangers looking to** upgrade after break

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — The Texas Rangers are coming out of the All-Star break chasing for the first time in four seasons.

While the Rangers expect a boost from the return of several injured players in the next week, general manager Jon Daniels said Thursday that he would like to upgrade the team. Asked if that meant trying to add a starting pitcher or right-handed bat before the July 31 nonwaiver trade deadline, Daniels said those were possibilities though he didn't discuss specifics.

"Our goal is a lot bigger than just being in a good position," said Daniels, adding that the Rangers are initiating most of the calls being made. "You could really go both ways, and we're having active conversations on both fronts. I don't know sitting here right now exactly where it's going to head."

Among the potential targets for the Rangers (54-41), who trail Oakland by two games in the AL West, could be Chicago Cubs right-hander Matt Garza and White Sox outfielder Alex Rios, among others.

Utility player Baker, who has been outstanding against lefthanders, and speedy

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## Murfield packing punch at the Open

GULLANE, Scotland (AP) - Another sunny day along the Scottish coast. Another perilous test on the links of Muirfield.

Not that it was bothering Lee West-

The 40-year-old Englishman surged up the leaderboard at the British Open on Friday, putting up a blistering 5-under 31 on the front side to climb within one shot of first-round leader Zach Johnson.

Westwood, who opened with a 1-over 72, started the second round with two straight birdies to get into the red numbers. He also birdied the eighth, and took advantage of both par-5s to push his overall score to 4

The last English golfer to win the British Open was Nick Faldo in 1992.

Tiger Woods was trying to break a drought of his own. The most recent of his 14 major titles came at the 2008 U.S. Open, but he's 0-for-20 since then. Despite taking a bogey at the fourth, where he lipped out a  $2\frac{1}{2}$ -foot putt, he approached the turn still even on the day, 2 under for the tournament and solidly in the hunt to get his name on the claret jug for the fourth time.

The weather has been unseasonably warm and dry, the fearsome wind not much more than a gentle breeze, and it was expected to stay that way through the weekend. Even so, there weren't many chances for going low, not on a course that is more brown than green, with pin conditions that some players complained were downright unfair.

Even though he opened with a 2-under 69, Phil Mickelson was concerned about some hole locations being too close to the edge of slopes. He pleaded with the Royal & Ancient to let go of its ego and "just set the course up the

way the best players can win." Mark O'Meara, the 1998 Open champion, countered that he's played in a 66, helped along by a 45-foot eagle

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**Brandt Snedeker** 

much tougher conditions, perhaps emboldened by a surprising 67 that left him just one stroke behind Johnson. But the course bit back on Friday, sending the 56-year-old tumbling out of contention. He lost his ball at No. 6, leading to a double-bogey, and staggered to the finish with a 78.

Jordan Spieth also felt Muirfield's bite. The 19-year-old, who last weekend became the PGA Tour's youngest winner since 1931, made only two bogeys through his first 32 holes and was 3 under. Then, a double-bogey at the 15th, followed by a bogey at No. 16. Just like that, the youngster was

back to even par.

Then there was Darren Clarke, the surprise Open champion in 2011 but mostly an afterthought since then. The Northern Irishman made four birdies on the front side. Unfortunately for him, all that good work was wiped out by one bad hole - a quadruple-bogey 8 at the sixth.

Johnson, who had an afternoon tee time, had not been atop the leaderboard at any major since he rallied to win the Masters six years ago. He took advantage of kinder condi-

tions Thursday morning to shoot

putt. He made only one bogey despite trouble lurking around every pot

"Anytime you shoot under par in an Open — or a major, for that matter — you have to be putting at least somewhat decent," said Johnson, who lost to Spieth in a playoff at the John Deere Classic after making bogey on the 72nd hole. "And I putted great. I made some nice birdie putts and obviously that one for eagle. But I struck some really nice, solid par putts. That's what you've got to do to stay in it."

It was an eclectic group setting the early pace, from major champions to players making their British Open debut. What they all had in common was finding a way to get through a firm, fast and frightening setup that figures to get even harder if the R&A doesn't put some water on the

"I haven't seen anything like this," said Brandt Snedeker, among those who opened with a 68. "This is completely new to me — foreign to see a 2-iron going 300 yards. You have got to be wary of how you're shaping your golf ball, and what shot selections you're using on the greens."

Snedeker could find things even tougher on Friday, when he was set to tee off in the afternoon. Rafael Cabrera-Bello (67), Miguel Angel Jimenez (68) and Dustin Johnson (68) also had later start times.

As for Rory McIlroy, it doesn't seem to matter when he plays. He strug-

weekend at home.

At least he had some company.

gled to a 79 in the opening round, his highest score at the Open since that 80 in the vicious wind of St. Andrews in 2010. The former world No. 1 has been in a baffling slump since his runaway victory at last year's PGA Championship, and it looked as though he'll be spending another

## **Six players join lawsuit** against NCAA

NEW YORK (AP) — Six current college football players were added as plaintiffs Thursday to a high-profile anti-trust lawsuit that claims the NCAA owes billions of dollars to former players for allowing their likenesses to be used without compensation.

Vanderbilt players are: linebacker Chase Garnham; Clemson cornerback Darius Robinson: linebacker Jake Fischer and kicker Jake Smith from Arizona; and tight end Moses Alipate and wide receiver Victor Keise of Minnesota.

"These athletes are incredibly brave. They are well-aware of the risks of standing up to the NCAA, and yet they felt that this was the right thing to do," Michael Hausfeld, the lead attorney for the plaintiffs, said in a statement.

Former UCLA basketball star Ed O'Bannon is the lead plaintiff among 16 former college athletes in the long-running legal battle that could fundamentally alter how the NCAA

Basketball Hall of Famers Bill Russell and Oscar Robertson previously joined the lawsuit that also names videogame maker EA and the Collegiate Licensing Company.

A federal judge in Oakland, Calif., on July 5 allowed the attorneys to update their lawsuit to fix legal technicalities, including adding at least one active player to the lawsuit.

Garnham and Fischer are the most prominent players among the six new plaintiffs, all of whom are seniors.

Fischer is one of the Pac-12's top linebackers. He led Arizona with 119 tackles last year.

Garnham led Vanderbilt with seven sacks and 12.5 tackles for loss.

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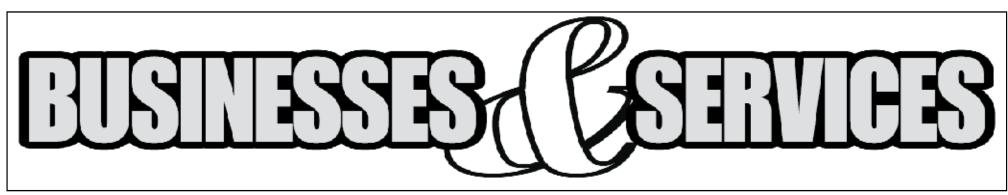
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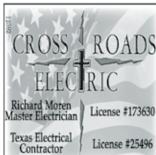
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#### Tomorrow's Horoscope

One more day of retrograde

Is it possible that you'll actually miss this Mercury retrograde period? Maybe that's a stretch, but there are things you'll look back on fondly. And some of the fiascos will make funny stories after enough time has passed. The adventurous Sagittarius moon makes sure that this Mercury transit will go out with an interesting twist.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You don't have too many

policies as an individual and can afford to adopt a few more to guide the action over the next few days. For instance, "I do not help anyone over the age of 30 move." Or, "Five trips to the airport max per friend."



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 ${f TAURUS}$  (April 20-May 20). As the sign of the bull, you know that taking the bull by the horns is sometimes necessary, but isn't always wise. Today you will outsmart the "bull" without risking your personal safety.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). People can be poor predictors of what will make them happy, and you'll experience this firsthand. The good news is that you won't have to give up what you want, probably because you find that you don't really want it, after all.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Today's fresh experience will be as crisp and as sweet as fresh fruit. You only wish your memory were worse so you could enjoy this for the first time all over again.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). Getting older has been very much on your mind in recent days. Be like a sunflower. Don't fear the encroaching shadow; shine and grow right now while the sun graces your face with beautiful energy.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You like reality and can take more of it than most people. But even you will reach a saturation point today and long for a good escape into the land of fiction and fantasy.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You're still getting a lot of noise from your people because of a recent decision. Don't increase the racket by defending yourself or explaining. Put in your ear buds and listen to your own music instead.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). One-stop shopping is mighty appealing to people like you who don't believe in wasting time. However, what you need

today is so special that you'll only find it in a smaller place where the care is personal and

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Your talents can't fully come to light if you avoid the light. Unfortunately, the spotlight operator may not know to follow you right now, so you'll have to chase down the spotlight and stand in it.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Big day. You won't do everything on your list, and this is a very positive sign. "If you have accomplished all that you planned for yourself, you have not planned enough." — Edward Everett Hale

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You want to impart some valuable skills to others, but it's not quite time. You have to live it more before you can properly teach it. You're well on your way to the higher levels of this learning.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). There's an old joke that goes, "It's destiny when things work out the way you want and blind chance when they don't." These days, you're not leaving anything to chance, so it doesn't matter either way. Your fate is self-created.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (July 19). You get the feeling that someone is watching out for

you, and you're right. Kismet joins you with a loving person in the next five weeks. Get advice before making a financial choice in August. Your fitness level rises in October. You'll tend toward bold action in your personal life because you crave experience, and you'll get it! Aries and Pisces people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 40, 5, 17, 9 and 12. **WEEKEND LOVE** 

**FORECAST:** ARIES: There are more days to celebrate love than Valentine's Day and anniversaries. Make up a new reason. TAURUS: The power of touch makes a lasting impression when words aren't enough. GEMINI: When stress affects your mood, tell your loved ones so they don't take it personally. CANCER: Think about the pivotal moments that brought you closer to someone. They're excellent fodder for romantic conversation. LEO: You have a flair for coming up with romantic ideas and sweet gestures when you make it a priority. VIRGO: Your silliness tells the world (and a certain special person) that you're comfortable with who you are. LIBRA: The person who gets flustered around you has a crush. SCORPIO: The compliments you field will tell

you what you're doing right, but you're ambitious, too, so you'll work toward the compliments you'd like to hear. SAGITTARIUS: Some games of love are never finished. You'll learn more and formulate your next move. CAPRICORN: People say that romantic gifts don't have to be expensive, but not everyone lives next to a patch of wildflowers. You'll pay, and you won't mind, either. AQUARIUS: The best dates will happen at home. PISCES: Your thoughts drift to a certain someone more often lately. Is it love or just a habit of mind?

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**WEEKEND:** Sagittarius and Cancer make a steamy item that's what happens when you mix fire and water signs. They'll spice up whatever social scene they visit and be the hot couple everyone envies. However, when the moon moves out of Sagittarius, they will be back to their age-old dilemma: Cancer wants to stay home, and Sagittarius wants to

go out again!
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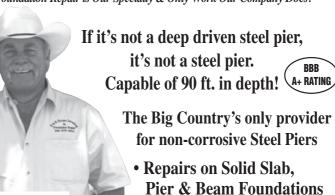
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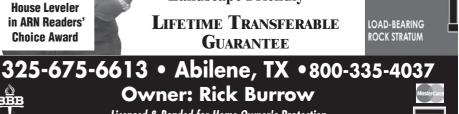
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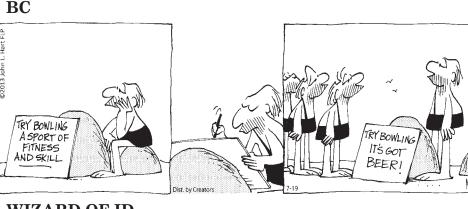
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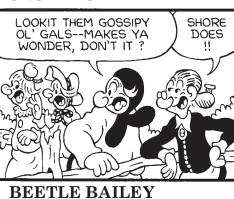








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## This Date In History

Today is Friday, July 19, the 200th day of 2013. There are 165 days left in the year Today's Highlight

History: On July 19, 1943, Allied air

forces raided Rome during World War II, the same day Adolf Hitler and Benito Mussolini met in Feltre in northern Italy.

On this date:

In 1553, King Henry VIII's daughter Mary was proclaimed Queen of England after pretender Lady Jane Grey was deposed. In 1812, during the War of

1812, the First Battle of Sackets Harbor in Lake Ontario resulted in an American victory as U.S. naval forces repelled a British attack. In 1848, a ground-breaking

women's rights convention convened in Seneca Falls, N.Y. In 1870, the Franco-Prussian

war began.

In 1903, the first Tour de rance was won by Maurice Garin.

1952, the Summer Olympics opened in Helsinki, Finland. In 1961, TWA became the

first airline to begin showing

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movies as it presented "By

Love Possessed" to first-class passengers on a flight from New York to Los Angeles. In 1979, the Nicaraguan capital of Managua fell to Sandinista guerrillas, two days after President Anastasio Somoza

In 1980, the Moscow Summer Olympics began, minus dozens of nations that were boycotting the games because of the Soviet military intervention Afghanistan.

fled the country.

In 1989, 111 people were killed when a United Air Lines DC-10 crashed while making an emergency landing at Sioux City, Iowa; 185 other people sur-

In 1990, President George H.W. Bush joined former presidents Ronald Reagan, Gerald R. Ford and Richard M. Nixon at ceremonies dedicating the Nixon Library and Birthplace (since redesignated the Richard Nixon Presidential Library and Museum) in Yorba Linda,

Calif.

In 1993, President Bill Clinton announced a policy allowing homosexuals to serve in the military under a compromise dubbed "don't ask, don't tell." Clinton fired FBI Director William Sessions, citing "serious questions" about Sessions' conduct and leadership.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Helen Gallagher is 87. Country singer Sue Thompson is 87. Country singer George Hamilton IV is 76. Singer Vikki Carr is 73. Country singermusician Commander Cody is 69. Actor George Dzundza is 68. Rock singer-musician Alan Gorrie (Average White Band) is 67. Tennis player Ilie Nastase is

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#### **RANGERS**

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outfielder Craig Gentry are both expected to be activated from the disabled list before Friday night's game against Baltimore. Yu Darvish threw a bullpen session Thursday and will like start against the New Yankees York Monday night. Alexi Ogando could return the next night.

Here are some things to watch for the Rang-

**HURTING HURL-**

**ERS:** Of the majors-high 10 players the Rangers have on the disabled list, six are starting pitchers. All-Star righthander Yu Darvish (8-4), the major league strikeout leader with 157, is expected back Monday night after what in essence was only one missed start because of a right trapezius strain. Alexi Ogando is on the DL for the second time this season. But opening day starter Matt Harrison made only two starts in April before surgery twice on a herniated disk in his lower back, and Colby Lewis is still rehabbing from sur-

gery last July to repair a torn flexor tendon in his right elbow.

**NEEDING NELLIE:** All-Starright-fielderNelson Cruz leads the Rangers with 22 home runs and 69 RBIs. It seems more likely now that the slugger eligible for free agency this offseason will be able to remain in the Texas lineup all season. Cruz is among more than a dozen MLB players under investigation for ties to Biogenesis, a closed anti-aging clinic in Florida linked with the distribution of performance-enhancing drugs.

#### **COWBOYS**

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tion was less than flattering, considering Romo's 1-6 record in elimination games and a penchant for critical mistakes like a late interception against Washington with a chance to rally and make the playoffs. Cowboys owner Jerry Jones made it clear the day Romo signed that the nine-year veteran would go into his seventh full season as a starter with a much stronger voice behind the scenes.

2. LET THE JASON **GARRETT** WATCH

BEGIN: If an overhaul of a coaching staff doesn't work, the head coach is usually next. That's part of why this is viewed as a make-orbreak season for Garrett. Plus, the perception is he was desperate to keep the job because the hiring of Kiffin and the switching of play-calling duties to Bill Callahan were seen as moves orchestrated by Jones. Garrett disagrees with those views, of course. The only way to show that he hasn't become a Jones puppet in the mold of Barry Switzer, Dave Campo and Wade Phillips is to win big.

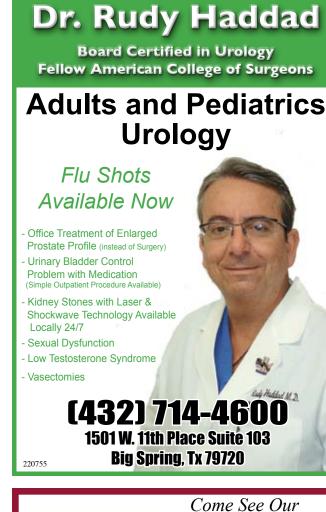
3. THE SECOND (AND THIRD) OPTIONS AT SKILL PO-

SITIONS: Miles Austin is paid like a No. 1 receiver, but he's essentially lost that designation because of his troubled hamstrings and Dez Bryant's breakout season in 2012. If Austin stays healthy, it's possible the Cowboys could have a "1" and "1A" with a pair of receivers who have proven they can produce. Now it's time to find out where rookie Terrance Williams of Baylor fits in after the Cowboys drafted him in the third round with the extra pick they got from trading down in the first. There's no established backup for injury-prone running back DeMarco Murray, but the Cowboys think they found the answer in the fifth round of the draft with Oklahoma State's Joseph Randle. Thumb

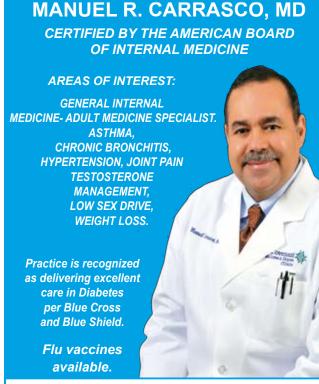
during the offseason. 4. SAME PLAYERS, **NEW DEFENSE:** With a switch to the 4-3, all the leaders are holdovers getting used to new roles. DeMarcus Ware and Anthony Spencer are ends instead of outside linebackers, and they now don't have to worry about much besides getting to the quarterback. Sean Lee and Bruce Carter shared the inside at linebacker last year, but now Lee will likely be in the middle and Carter will be at a weakside spot that basically means he will rely on his speed to make plays. Cornerbacks Brandon Carr and Morris Claiborne will be closer to the line of scrimmage

surgery sidelined him

most of the time. 5. IT ALL STARTS UP FRONT: Tyron Smith starting at left tackle is the only certainty for the offensive line after one of the worst rushing seasons in franchise history and spotty protection for Romo. If offseason workouts are any indication, rookie Frederick is going to start at center, but he can play guard. Mackenzy Bernadeau and Nate Livings came in as starting guards through free agency last year, but their jobs aren't secure. Doug Free had a rough year at right tackle and ended up sharing the spot with Jermey Parnell, but then Parnell sat out most of offseason workouts with injuries.







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