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A Bauer Head Start student tries his hand at pumpkin chunkin' during the center's Fall Festival this morning.

**VOLUME 110, NUMBER 13** 

## **Adopt Military** Hero project needs your assistance

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

On the day after Halloween, Big Spring residents will get a chance to provide a treat (no tricks, please) for U.S. military personnel stationed overseas.

Howard County Adopt A Military Hero (formerly called Howard County's Christmas for the Troops) will hold its major donation day Saturday at H-E-B and Walmart, giving residents a chance to donate either items or cash in the group's drive to collect gift packages for U.S. military personnel stationed overseas during the holiday season, said organizer Debbie Burrow.

Burrow's group hopes to collect enough donations to fill 500 gift boxes for service

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# Fall Back!



Turn your clock back one hour Saturday night

### 'Hocus Pocus' slated tonight

Big Spring Film Society presents "Hocus Pocus" at 10 tonight at the Hotel Settles. n Concessions will be available. Costume and screaming contests will be held. Be sure and bring your lawn chair for this outdoor showing.

# Totem pole exhibit to open

BY LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

A little bit of Big Spring's history, weathered by hot sun and icy winds, woodpeckers and termites and the cruel axe wielded by vandals, has found a home.

**HERALD** photo/Lyndel Moody **Heritage Museum Curator Tammy** Schrencengost and Big Spring High School art teacher Judy Tereletsky stand by a totem pole created by Nat Shick, which is being donated to the museum by the Big Spring Independent School District.

Heritage Museum will host a reception to welcome its newest permanent display three totem poles carved by the legendary Nat Schick — at 10 a.m. Saturday at the museum, 510 Scurry St.

"The museum is much honored to be able to house these works of arts by one of our legendary city leaders," said Tammy Schrencengost, Museum Heritage curator.

"Nat Shick was a unique, creative man whose inventive antics garnered national headlines at least twice. It is fitting that some of his famous totem poles will be permanently

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## It's been a while, but BSHS is tootin' its horn

#### BY LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

It's been a long time coming.

ThelasttimeBigSpringHigh School band students stepped onto a field for University Interscholastic League state marching contest, gasoline was \$1.46 per gallon. Ivan "Pudge" Rodriguez was still the catcher for the Texas Rangers. The first Harry Potter movie — "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone" was soon to be released to blockbuster ticket sales. And the majority of the 2014

BSHS band members were not old enough to attend public "I am always proud of them,

but it's nice to see them receive some recognition for their hard work," said Rocky Harris, band director. "Even at the first competition this year, they blew the judges The last time the BSHS band

qualified for state competition was in 2001. Before then,



Courtesy photo/Jennifer Cobos

Big Spring High School band members perform at the Area Contest in Lubbock. The band heads to state UIL Marching Contest in San Antonio this weekend. The BSHS Pride Drive is scheduled to perform in the prelims at 1 p.m. Monday in the Alamodome.

the band hadn't seen a state marching competition since

the 1987 and 1988 back-to-back state trips. That all ended last Saturday on Lowery Field in Lubbock

when the Big Spring High

Pride Drive placed second

in UIL 4A Area competition,

securing one of three spots among a large field of competitors.

"Their first performance of the day, they were absolutely outstanding" Harris said. "They marched in the prelims at 10:15 a.m. and finished in

finals. That also meant they were going to have to really up their next performance, and they did. They marched in the afternoon and it was extremely hot, but they were able to hold onto their second

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**Obituaries** 



Mary Lynn Welch, Mary Lynn Welch, 86, of Big Spring, died Friday, Oct. 31, 2014, in a Midland hospital. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Monday, Nov. 3, 2014, at the First Baptist Church of Big Spring, with the Rev. Mark Lindsey officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 2 at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Fu-

neral Home.

## Fire/EMS

The Big Spring Fire Department and Emergency Medical Services reported the following activity: • TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported in the area

of Rural Route 33 and Highway 87. No transport. MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 1900 block of North 87. One person as transported to Scenic

Mountain Medical Center (SMMC). MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 1700 block of S. Lancaster. One person was transported to

- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 800 block of W. Seventh St. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 500 block of Scott Drive. No transport.
- MEDICAL ALARM was reported in the 1700 block of Yale. No transport.

# **Support Groups**

**SATURDAY** 

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

**SUNDAY** 

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

**MONDAY** 

- Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, noon-1 p.m., 615 Settles.
- VA Alcoholics Anonymous support group. 7-8 p.m., Veterans Healing Center.
- Take Pounds Off Sensibly (TOPS) TX 0021 meets at First Christian Church at 10th and Goliad, in the dining hall on the east side of the build-

Healing Center.

· Alcoholics Anony-

# ing. Weigh-in starts at

2:50 p.m. and meeting starts at 3 p.m. We have different program each week. For more information, please call 517-4922 or 935-6306.

- Reformers Unanimous International is a faith-based addictions program helping people find freedom from addiction. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Mondays at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Enter at the back of the church.
- Stepping Stone Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at Spring Town Plaza (inside the mall, across from the movie box office, next to Sears). Open meeting at 7 p.m.

#### **TUESDAY**

- · Big Spring and Snyder Parkinsons Support Group meeting at the Big Spring Senior Center at 10:30 a.m. the second Tuesday of the month. This is a group for all Parkinson's disease patients, spouses and caregivers. For more information about the support group or about Parkinson's Disease, contact Jo Bidwell at the Lubbock APDA office at 806-785-0942.
- VA Alcoholics Anonymous support group, 7:30-8:30 p.m., Veterans
- mous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; closed discussion meeting 8 p.m. to 9

## Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 7 a.m. Thursday and 7 JESUS PEREA, 26, of 800 Settles St., was arrested

hicle or watercraft and on a warrant from another TRYSTAN TAELOR CEVALLOS, 26, of 205 south Settles St., was arrested on a warrant from another

on a charge of evading arrest/detention using a ve-

agency. • NELDA JEAN CHANCY, 42, of 807 E. 14th Street, was arrested on warrants from other agencies and

dog or cat running at large.

- ROBERT SEAMSTER, 24, of 613 Bowlen St. W., Sacremento, was arrested on a charge of possession of marijuana, less than or equal to two ounces ;and a warrant from another agency.
- RHETT D. DEDMON, 43, of 1006 E. 12th St, was arrested on a warrant for prohibited weaponsknuckles

ROBERT MARVIN CARSON, 46, of 1401 S. Scur-

- ry St., was arrested on a charge of possession of drug paraphernalia and resisting arrest, search or transport. • CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 500
- block of S. Runnels St. and the 400 block of Davis BURGLARY OF A BUILDING was reported in the 6400 block of Perimeter Road and the 1300 block
- of east Fourth St. • HIT AND RUN was reported in the 700 block of east 11th Place.
- ASSAULT was reported in the 2400 block of Run-
- THEFT was reported in the 700 block of west I-20 and in the 1600 block of S. Gregg St.

# Sheriff's log

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

Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 67 inmates at the time of this

• RHETT DAYLON DE-MON, 43, was booked by the HCSO on a warrant for sentence, prohibited weapon-knuckles. **NELDA** 

JEAN

CHANCY, 42, was booked by the BSPD on a Bexar County warrant for driving while intoxicated and on a municipal warrant for dog at large.

**ROBERT** MAR-VIN CARSON, 47, was booked by the HCSO on charges of possession of drug paraphernalia and resisting arrest, search or transport.

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more information.

• 3-6:30 p.m. — Noah's Pet Store, 2101 Scurry St. • 5:30-6:30 p.m. — St. Mary's Episcopal Church and First Christian Church

Trunk or Treat, 10<sup>th</sup> and

- 5 p.m. Staked Plains Masonic Lodge safe stop, corner of Main
- and Second streets. • 5-7 p.m. — Title Max, 1601 S. Gregg.
- 5-8 p.m. Avis Lube -410 E Fourth • 5:30-8:30 p.m. — Bap-
- tist Temple Trunk or Treat, corner of 11th and Goliad. 5:30-9 p.m. — Sequia Tubing Testers, 4014
- Parkway St., candy and cupcakes. • 6-7:30 p.m. —
- Parkview Nursing and Rehab, 3200 Parkway. • 6-8 p.m. — First United Methodist Church
- Trunks for Treats. Call 432-267-6394 for information.

- 6-8 p.m. Holy Trinity Catholic Youth Trunk or Treat, 1009 Hearn.
- 6-8 p.m. Hillcrest Baptist Church Trunk or Treat, 2000 W. FM 700.
- 6-8 p.m. Big Spring Full Gospel Fellowship Trunk or Treat, 309 S. Benton.
- 6-8 p.m. Howard College, at Turner Hall across from the Student Union Building, 1001 Birdwell Lane.
- 6-8 p.m. VA Medical Center safe stop, 300 Veterans Blvd. (main entrance)
- 6-9 p.m. Chicano Golf Association, Municipal Golf Course club
- 6 p.m.-midnight, Paul's PC, 1911 Scurry.

#### No times given

- Hangar 25 Air Museum, 1911 Apron Dr. First Church of the
- Nazarene, 1400 Lan-· Big Spring Area
- Chamber of Commerce, 215 W. Third. · Bia Sprina Bowl-A-
- Rama, 3318 Interstate 20.

- Big Spring Convention and Visitors Bureau, 115 E. Third.
- ClearTalk Wireless —
- Inside H-E-B. Cowboys Steak
- House, 404 E. FM 700. KC's Steak House,
- 2104 I-20 N. Service Road. Sonic Drive In, 1200
- Spring Town Plaza,
- 1801 E. FM 700.
- Southern Blush, 1203 Scurry.

#### **SECOND LIST**

Below is another list, including some dupli-Avis Lube - 410 E 4th -

5-8 p.m. Back in Motion Chiropractic - 1113 Scurry - 4-6 Baptist Temple - 11th & Goliad - 5:30-8:30 p.m. Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce/United Way - 215 W. 3rd - 4-7 p.m. Big Spring Bowl-A-Rama - 3318 E. I-20 S. Service Rd. - 6-8 p.m. Big Spring Collision Center - 207 Goliad - 8AM-

4:30 p.m.

Big Spring CVB - 115 E. 3rd - 5-8 p.m. Big Spring Full Gospel Fellowship - 309 S Benton - 6-8 p.m. Chicano Golf Association

- Comanche Trail Park - Municipal Golf Course

Club House - 6-9 p.m. Christy's Hair Studio -Downtown - 4-6 p.m. ClearTalk Wireless -Inside H-E-B

Compass Hospice - 602 S. Main - 5-8 p.m. Cowboys Steakhouse -404 E FM 700 - 4-7 p.m. Credit World - 1611 S. Gregg - 5-7 p.m.

Crossroads Hospice - 421 Main - 5:30-7:30 p.m. Eagles Lodge - 703 W. 3rd - 5-7 p.m.

Family Medical Center -

2301 Gregg - 5-8 p.m. First Baptist Church - 705 W. FM 700 - 6-8 p.m. First Christian Church/

St. Mary's Church - 911 Goliad - 6-7 p.m. First Church of the Nazarene - 1400 Lancaster -

5:30-8 p.m. First United Methodist Church/Heritage Museum - 400 Scurry - 6-8 p.m.

Flores Auto Detail - 2709 • CDs, DVDs, playing cards

Wasson Rd. - 6-8 p.m. Grass Roots Enterprise -601 Scurry - 4-6:30 p.m. Hangar 25 Air Museum -1911 Apron Dr. - 5-7 p.m. H-E-B - 2000 S Gregg -5-8 p.m.

Hillcrest Baptist Church - 2000 W FM 700 - 6-8

Holy Trinity Catholic Youth - 1009 Hearn - 6-8 p.m. Howard College - Turner Hall - Girls' Dorm - 1001 Birdwell Lane - 6-8 p.m. Ink Spot - 610 S. Gregg -5-8 p.m.

IntegraCare Home Health 1900 Scurry - 5-7 p.m. Jake Witzel - Downtown -4-6 p.m. KC Steaks - 2104 I-20 W

N Service Rd. - 5-9 p.m. LaQuinta Inn - 1102 I-20 W N. Service Rd. - 5-8 p.m. Leonard's Pharmacy -701 Scurry - 4-8 p.m.

Marcy Place - 2301 Was-

My Favorite Place - 1800 Scurry - 5-8 p.m. Noah's Pet Store - 2101 Scurry - 3-6:30 p.m. Paul's PC - 1911 Scurry -6-Midnight

son Rd. - 5-7 p.m.

Parkview Nursing &

Rehab - 3200 Parkway -6-7:30 p.m. Queens of Dude Ranch -Downtown - 4-6 p.m. Relocation Rescue/Flash Me Photography - 606 S Gregg - 2-5 p.m. Sequia Tubing Testers -

4014 Parkway - 5:30-9 p.m. Sonic Drive-In - 1200 Gregg & 601 FM 700 -

7-8 p.m. Southern Blush - 1203 Spring Town Plaza - 1801

E FM 700 - 5-8 p.m. Staked Plains Masonic Lodge #598 - Main & 2nd

- 5-9 p.m. Stagecoach Gifts & Fun Shop - 6914 S. I-20 Service Rd. - 5-9 p.m. Sun Loan - Downtown -4-6 p.m.

Texas Veterans Home - 1809 N Hwy 87 - 5:00-7:30 p.m. Title Max -1601 S Gregg -

5-7 p.m. VA Medical Center - 300 Veterans Blvd - 6-8 p.m. Walmart - 201 W. Marcy -6-8 p.m.

## TROOPS

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men and women who won't be able to be home this Christmas.

The organization needs names and APO addresses for those personnel who will receive the gift boxes. Then, it will need money (slightly more than \$7,700) just to cover the postage for shipping all

those boxes.

But, most importantly, it needs gift items for the troops. Those items include:

- Pain reliever (40-100 tablet • Allergy medicine (10 tab-
- let count).
  - Cough drops (20-30 count). Toothpaste, deodorant and
- anti-bacterial soap.
- · Black socks.
- Remoil (2 ounce bottle) and universal gun cleaning kit.
- and pocket sized toys. Paperbacks, magazines
- and puzzle books. Nail clippers and dispos-
- able razors. • Small individual drink
- items, such as cocoa, instant coffee and powdered drink mix. · Small individual sized
- snack items such as trail mix, nuts, chewing gum, hard candy and protein bars. Third and Main Street

Beef jerky.

 Christmas cards, either handmade or with a handwritten note inside.

Three gift drop-off points have been established at Wells Fargo Bank (Fifth and Woodforest Bank Main), (inside Walmart) and Hardison Appliance Service (1606 E. Third).

Aside from Saturday's effort, Burrow's group will sponsor donation days at Big

Spring schools all next week. Donation deadline is Nov.

12, which will give workers time to make sure the gift boxes are packed and shipped in time to reach the troops by Christmas.

For more information, call 267-7165.

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

## EXHIBIT

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displayed at our institution designed to preserve our local history."

Schick came to Big Spring in 1907 when he was 24 years old and the development of the

postmaster for 20 years and was very involved the creation of the city

He was known as a unique, creative man and later in his life became famous his carved totems. A account detailed Shick's life can be found

the Heritage Museum's Fall 2014 newsletter, "The Historian."

One of Schick's early totem poles was a Big Spring landmark for decades located Comanche Trail Park until vandals destroyed it with an axe.

The totem was carved was instrumental in in James Johnston's from a 30-foot telephone article "A Penchant for pole that had once been town. He served as a Unusual," published in located on the corner of

since Southwestern Bell first came to Big Spring in the 1900s, according to Johnston's research.

Although now in two pieces, some of the pole has been salvaged and refurbished and will now be on permanent display at the museum, along with a second pole which is being donated by the Big Spring Inde-

where it has resided for many years. The third pole, which was commissioned in 1957 by Herschel Ezzel, was for years displayed at the Museum of the Southwest.

pendent School District,

To help commemorate the event, several wooded pens made from the wood of the totem which had resided at Comanon sale for \$35. Schrencengost said nearly half of the pens have already been sold. For more information,

che Trail Park will be

contact the museum at 267-8255 Contact Lyndel Moody

at citydesk@bigspringherald.com or by 263-7331, ext. 234.

# **BAND**

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place standing." Monday,  $_{\mathrm{By}}$ Harris had thrown off his director's and donned his travel director's cap as he

busily made reserva-

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tions, reserved buses, and planned out a travel itinerary for the 100plus member band along with parent escorts. With the details settled by Wednesday, Harris said he was feeling relaxed and excited for the trip.

"It's going to be great," he said.

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San Antonio on Sunday. Twenty-two bands will perform in the prelims, which begin at 9 a.m. Monday. BSHS is scheduled to perform at 1 p.m. in the Alamodome. The prelims are to wrap up at 3:30 p.m. when the last band takes the field. Results will be announced soon after. Bands that advance will return to the Ala-

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modome at 6:30 p.m. for the finals.

Led by drum majors Karla Carrasco and Brianna Gonzalez, the band will perform its "Latin Nights" program featuring soloists Nick Connor, Joyel Martinez, Donovan Salinaz and

Kattlin Long. Band directors are Harris, Samuel Hale, Emily Andrews

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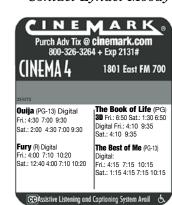
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Joe Martinez, 57, died Tuesday. Funeral services were at 11 a.m. today at Holy Trinity Catholic Church with burial at Mt. Olive Memorial Park. Leslie B. Clemons, 82, died Sunday. A memorial service will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at Myers & Smith Chapel.

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## Daily Prayer

Help us, oh Lord, to share with each other and keep us all safe.

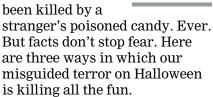
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# What to really be afraid of Halloween

Tappy Halloween! It's that time of year when your neighbors are secretly unwrapping candy, brushing lollipops with poison and insert-

ing razor blades into Snickers bars! Actually, though it may be a holiday tradition to view your neighbors

your neighbors
as psychopaths
who patiently
wait for the one
day of the year to
kill the local kids,
no child has ever
been killed by a



1) Don't go outside. Parents are so scared of letting their kids roam free that — no joke — there's a trend called "trunk or treat." Cars gather in a circle, and kids go from one trunk to the next to grab candy, as if walking in a circle in a parking lot and collecting sugar is the whole point of the holiday. Sugar is important, but so is going outside on your own with your

friends.

Some towns are so scared of the holiday that they've placed curfews on trick-or-treating. It's medieval. It's as if they really believe the ghouls come out at night.

2) It's too scary. There are schools, churches and community centers sending home notes begging parents not to let their kids wear costumes that are "too scary," as if kids can't handle an eyeball oozing blood anymore. One town even made a guy take down the zombie decorations in his front yard because they were too realistic.

In other words, they looked too much like real zombies?

3) Sex offender hysteria. In some towns, registered sex offenders have to turn off the lights to keep the trick-ortreaters away or gather together at the local precinct like some twisted version of study hall. The rules are different in different places. But they're all based on the idea that sex offenders pounce on trick-or-treaters — which turns out to be, like the poison candy story, completely false.

A recent study found that there is zero increase in child

sex offenses on Halloween. In fact, one of the study's authors, Elizabeth Letourneau, now at Johns Hopkins University, said she and her fellow researchers considered titling the study "Halloween: The Safest Day of the Year," because it is, when it comes to sex crimes.

There is one thing to fear on Halloween: cars. More kids get hit by cars on Halloween than on any other day, for obvious reasons. There are more kids outside. So if we really wanted to make the holiday safer, we'd take the cops checking up on sex offenders and put them on traffic patrol instead, slowing down drivers or helping kids cross streets. That could save some lives — because cars are actually dangerous, unlike slightly torn Snickers bars.

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# The President's newest lie

ubstandard" and "cut-rate" is what President Obama calls the health plans that millions of Americans have lost, even though they

wanted to keep them. Backpedaling on his promise that "if you like your plan, you can keep your plan," Obama is now telling Americans another whopper. The president claims the insurance Americans can get on Obamacare exchanges is



Betsy McCaughey

a better deal. Don't believe him. On the exchanges, you may no longer be able to use the doctors and hospitals you prefer. Many exchange plans exclude the top drawer academic hospitals like Cedar Sinai in Los Angeles, the Mayo Clinic in Minnesota and New York Presbyterian in New York City. Instead, the law says that exchange plans must cover care at "essential community providers ... that serve predominantly low-income, medically underserved individuals." (Sec. 1311c(1)C) That means clinics, public hospitals and hospitals largely serving the Medicaid community.

The law's authors reasoned that exchange plan customers should be able to shift back and forth between their plans and Medicaid, as their earnings fluctuate, without changing doctors and hospitals. That's reasonable, but it's bad news for consumers who had access to esteemed hospitals and doctors under their old plans and then got pushed into the exchanges.

Medicaid level care is, sadly,

"substandard" to use the president's word. A review of the experiences of nearly 900,000 patients undergoing eight differ-

ent surgical procedures found that Medicaid patients were 50 percent more likely to die in the hospital after surgery than patients with private coverage. This review, by researchers at the University of Virginia, is one of several studies proving that Medicaid patients get worse care than patients with private insurance.

But many of the plans being offered on the exchanges are Medicaid with a private label slapped on them. The McKinsey Center for U.S. Health System Reform reports that Medicaid insurers are playing a large role in the exchanges.

Just as many doctors refuse to accept Medicaid, they are also refusing to accept exchange insurance. In California, a Blue Cross plan on the exchange covers 47 percent fewer doctors than Blue Cross subscribers in California currently get.

In New York, only a quarter of

physicians have decided to take exchange insurance, because the payments are so low. Why so low? Because insurers know the low-cost plan will be

know the low-cost plan will be king in nearly every exchange.
All the plans offer the "essential benefit package." Customers currently have no other way to compare than on price.
That's despite the law's

That's despite the law's promise that exchanges would list each plan's quality rating and disclose which hospitals and doctors are covered, (Sec. 1311d(4)D) and (Sec. 1311c(1)B). Why isn't this information provided, as the law requires? We can only guess that it's because Obamacare administrators don't want us to see the truth.

Cancer patients whose plans

Cancer patients whose plans are cancelled are getting whacked the hardest. They are losing access to the specialized cancer hospitals and oncologists treating them. And they will get meager help, if any, paying for innovative cancer drugs that

cost thousands of dollars.

The most troubling provision in Obamacare's Section 1311 gives the Secretary of Health and Human Services blanket authority to control how doctors and hospitals treat patients. This is all in the name of improving "quality." This could mean everything in medicine.

What that means for you is that if you enroll in an exchange plan, with or without getting a subsidy, your care will be standardized by the federal government with an eye to reducing what you consume and how much it costs. Your doctor may have to choose between doing what's right for you and avoiding a penalty. Exchange plans can pay only those doctors who obey whatever regulations the secretary imposes.

Yet the president claims that people losing their health plans and having to sign up on the exchanges will be getting a better deal. Losing your doctor, blind shopping for a health plan, and settling for Medicaid-level care and government controls, all for a premium 41 percent higher than before with a deductible that's doubled that sounds substandard to me.

Right now, most people getting cancellations bought plans in the individual market. Wait until the other shoe drops in 2014 and millions more people who had coverage through their job lose it. The truth about Obamacare will become so painfully obvious that even the White House lie machine won't be able to cover it up.

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# The sacrifice of Isaac DID YOU EVER WONDER?

fter Isaac's birth, Abraham continued to "sojourn in the land of the Philis-

tines for many years." Sojourn is a word used to describe that he lived in the land but did not buy any land to make it his own. At that time, land was usually not bought peacefully; it was conquered and claimed until someone stronger took it by force. The Philistine king Abimelech recog-

Abimelech's land.

FILLER nized that "God is with you in all that you do," so he made

All these many years God had been testing Abraham. Would he weaken over the years and slide back into the pagan ways of immoral behavior and worshipping many gods, or

a covenant with Abraham that they

would live peaceably as neighbors in

would he continue to love God and serve only Him? Some of the tests Abraham passed and some of them he failed, like not protecting his wife from the kings who desired her. His tenth trial was a drastic one.

God spoke to Abraham, telling him to take his son and bring him as an offering on Mount Moriah. Read along with me as  $Gen\ 22$  presents this to us as a conversation between God and Abraham. I like to think it went this way. God said, "Please take your son." Abraham interrupted Him, "Which son?" God: "Your only son." Abraham: "But I have two sons." God: "The one whom you love, Isaac, and go to the land of Moriah; bring him up there as an offering upon one of the mountains which I shall tell you."

Since God gave him a direct command, Abraham did not hesitate to obey. Early next morning, Abraham split the wood for the sacrifice himself and he loaded the firewood on a donkey. He took Isaac and two other

young men with him and traveled to Mount Moriah.

Let's take a minute to examine God's wording carefully. On first glance it sounds as if God plainly tells Abraham to 'sacrifice' his son, Isaac. God actually says, "Bring him up as an offering." But to Abraham, too, it must have sounded as if he was to sacrifice his son.

After they reached the mountain and Abraham built the altar, Isaac said, "Father, here we have the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for the offering?" Abraham answered, "God will provide for Himself the lamb for the offering."

We said that Abraham sojourned in the land of Canaan for many years, but the Bible does not tell us how many years. From other records, the sages established that Isaac was 37 years old at this time and could have easily defended himself against a man 137 years old. They say that as he began to realize that he was to be the sacrifice, he

asked his father to bind him so that he would not automatically fight to preserve his life and he climbed onto the alter willingly.

When Abraham lifted the knife to slaughter his son, an angel appeared, saying, "Do not harm your son. I know now that you are a God-fearing man, since you have not withheld your son from Me." Then Abraham saw a ram caught in the thicket by his horns.

Abraham has spoken prophetically, "God will provide for Himself the lamb for the offering." And because of his faithfulness, God repeated His blessing on Abraham and his descendants. Sometimes it is very hard, but at some time in our life each of us must stand fast and wait upon the Lord.

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## **Church News**

#### Blessed Hands Deaf Church

Come praise the Lord with us as we gather for worship services Sunday at 10:50 a.m. and 2 p.m. We invite you to choose the service time which best fits your schedule, and join our growing congregation in thanking God for His faithfulness. Pastor Jim Walterhouse continues the fall sermon series on "Stewardship." Currently, on Sunday mornings, BHDC meets inside First Baptist Church at 705 W FM 700. Wednesday evenings at 6, we meet at SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf for Bible study and fellowship. For additional information about Blessed Hands Deaf Church, contact Pastor Jim at jwalterhouse@gmail.com. Come hear God's voice with us this Sunday.

#### First Baptist Church Our Fall Festival is tonight from 6-8, and ad-

mission is one canned good which will be shared with others through our food pantry. No scary cos-

Join us Sunday morning at 10:45 for worship services, and bring your smart phone, iPad, or Kindle fire to interact with the message live through You Version. Pastor Mark Lindsey concludes the sermon series exploring the seven "I Am" statements of Jesus. Sunday's message, "Who Do You Say I Am?" is drawn from Matthew 16:13-20, and asks us to explore our own hearts as we contemplate who Jesus is to each of us, and what place in our lives we have given to Him.

Sunday school classes meet at 9:30, and are available for all age groups and life stages. Come early for coffee and to get acquainted.

At 5:30, all area children are invited to AWANA's, a fun program for children grades K-6, featuring games, songs, stories and an emphasis on scripture

memory. There is no fee to attend.

Evening worship begins at 6, and Pastor Lindsey continues to lead us through the richness of the Old Testament. Come worship with us as we prepare our hearts for starting a new week and month.

Tuesday, you're invited to Triple LLL (Living Longer & Loving It). Bring a friend and join us for great fellowship and food at noon in the church dining room.

November 6, our Mis-

from 9-11. It is located on Lancaster, one block behind H-E-B, at Iglesia Bautista Central. Keep shopping for special treasures to fill your

Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes. The boxes will be collected Nov. 26, and start their journey throughout the world.

Youth Pastor Jonathan Raffini wants to thank everyone for the generous and kind support of the recent youth fundraiser; donations help our teens defray the cost of summer youth camp. Wednesday nights at 6:15, youth gather in the second floor youth department for fellowship and Bible study. Currently, they are examining the glory of God "Hallelujahs Multiplied."

For questions about FBC youth program and activities, contact Raffini at 432-270-8332.

Upward Basketball registration closes Saturday. Call 267-8223 or go to fbcbigspring.org for additional information.

If you feel like you are in this world alone and need to talk, stop by the church and someone will be glad to listen, pray with you, and share with you about the friend that sticks closer than a brother, Jesus Christ. He loves you more than you can imagine. FBC is located

sion Center (food pantry and clothes closet) is open

through the book of Psalms, with literature titled

Wednesday evenings begin with a meal served from 5-6 in the Family Life Center, followed by activities for everyone. Go to fbcbigspring.org for details. Join us Nov. 5 for hamburger steak and trimfor their own worship time as well. Kids first come together for a time of large group worship and then separate into two smaller age appropriate groups for the weekly Bible lesson. This Sunday, Pastor Bill Ivins is continuing a

at 705 W FM 700. There is always a place for you at

First United Methodist Church is located at the

corner of Fourth and Scurry in downtown Big

Spring. Services are held each Sunday morning at

8:30 and 10:50. The 10:50 service is broadcast live

During the 10:50 worship service, children gather

First United Methodist Church

each week on radio station KXCS-105.5 FM.

message series entitled "First Steps." The series parallels each lesson that this year's confirmation class is studying. This Sunday, he will continue his focus on the sanctifying work of the Holy Spirit with a message entitled "The Making of a Saint." The message is taken from I John 3:1-3.

During the 10:50 a.m. worship service, we'll also

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First Baptist Church.

### **Pastor Billy Guy**

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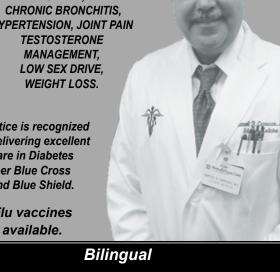
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The Lord says, "I will rescue those who love me. I will protect those who trust in my name. When they call on me, I will answer; I will be with them in trouble. I will rescue them and honor them. I will satisfy them with a long life and give them my salvation.

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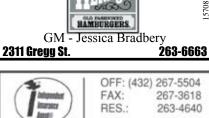
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Wednesday Noon Bible Study meets each week in Garrett Hall. A meal is served for a small charge, beginning at 11:50 a.m. Next week, Pastor Ivins will be teaching from Acts 5.

Wednesday nights are filled with a full compliment of activities for all ages. Supper is served at 5:30 p.m. in Garrett Hall. At 6, we separate into age-level groups for children, youth

The nine-week Financial Peace University is underway on Wednesday nights with 11 people participating. Since FPU is a closed group, we have two other Wednesday night adult discipleship opportunities people can be a part of. One is the prayer group that Pastor Bill leads where they simply gather after the fellowship meal and pray "kingdom" prayers for the church and community. The other option we have is a course on how to share your faith in non-intimidating ways. Anyone is welcome to join in with us on Wednesday nights and we hope it is just the thing to get you over the hill of the work week.

Youth Pastor Beau Niewoehner is preaching a message series on Wednesday nights entitled "The Personality of God." Students meet with the rest of the church for supper at 5:30 and then head over to the Partee Youth Building at 6 for a time of fellowship and worship.

On Wednesday, children gather in small groups around a lesson that re-enforces what was learned in Children's Church the previous Sunday. Children gather with their families at 5:30 p.m. for supper and move into their own activities at 6.

In addition to their Bible drills on Wednesday night, kids are getting geared up for their spring musical on Wednesday night. The kids are busy preparing for their Christmas program that will be presented on Dec. 14. For more information, phone Becky Woodall at 267-6394.

Pastor Ivins also leads a prayer meeting at 6 p.m. Wednesdays in the church's prayer chapel.

Adult choir rehearsal meets from 7 to 9 p.m. each Wednesday in the music suite upstairs. The rehearsal time has been extended 30 minutes as the Celebration Choir prepares for the Living Christmas Tree. The adult Celebration Choir is under the direction of Gershom Garcia.

Community Chorus rehearsals have begun for this year's presentation of The Living Christmas Tree. Rehearsals are Monday from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

This year, the Lord's Acre is scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 15. People are encouraged to begin bringing items for the silent auction as well as the live auction to the church in preparation for the Lord's Acre. Tickets for the meal are now on sale through the church office for \$12 each.

For more information, visit our website at www.fumcbs.com or phone the church office at 267-6394.

#### **Birdwell Lane Church of** Christ

At the southwest corner of 11th Place and Birdwell Lane Sunday:

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Worship – 10 a.m.and 5 p.m. Wednesday:

Ladies Class - 9:30 a.m.

Bible Study & Devo – 7 p.m.

### Forsan Baptist Church

This Sunday morning we will pick up again in our Lazarus series with a message titled, "Lazarus Part III: Mary." It comes from John 11:28-37.

Wednesday evenings have begun a study called, "How on Earth Did We

Get Here?" The study focuses on the history of Israel through our current time. Currently, we are in the opening chapters of the Book of Exodus. Sunday evenings we are doing an inquiry study based upon open questions about the Bible. Anyone who wishes to ask a question about the Bible or Christianity is welcome to chime in. These questions will be addressed through scripture and can be emailed, called in, asked in person, or sent via Facebook message from our church page. You can even text them to the number at the bottom of this ar-

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 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-

#### Spring Creek Fellowship

"Women of Faith: From Survival to Revival" simulcast is Friday, Nov. 7 from 6 to 8 p.m. and Saturday, Nov. 8 from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Tickets are \$15 and it includes lunch on Saturday. Contact Linda White or the office for more information or tickets.

Adults meet for Bible study at the church on Wednesday nights at 6. Children and vouth will meet for activities. Home Groups will also be meeting.

Current Connection Groups will continue throughout the next few months with the addition of one group learning about marriage called "What Did You Expect?" This class would be a blessing for those of you who are newly married, those married a long time, those planning to get married soon or anyone who plans to get married sometime in the future.

Big Spring Classical Academy classes include Junior K through Junior High this coming year. Applications are now being taken for the 2014-2015 school year. Visit our website at bigspringclassical.org for more information or contact Donna Sue Looney.

The Big Spring Christian Academy has started a preschool. To start, it will be a two-day a week preschool and eventually move into a full-time preschool for ages 3 months through 4 years old. Times are 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. For more information, go to www.bscapreschool.org.

Listen to the sermon from the previous Sunday at each Sunday morning on KBYG 106.3 FM and 1400 AM.

Weekly Happenings:

Connection groups, 9:15 a.m. Worship, 10:45 a.m.

Wednesday

Bible study and activities, 6 p.m.

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. Contact us at 432-714-4584 or visit our website at www.springcreekfellowship.org

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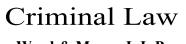
We are located at 2805 Lynn Drive in the Kentwood Neighborhood in Big Spring. To connect with us, call 432-264-7818, or e-mail us at aliveinchristtx@gmail.com.

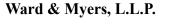
Sunday service begins at 9 a.m. with Bible study and Sunday school at 10:15 a.m. If you are new to the area or haven't been to church before or in a while, accept this as an invitation to join us this Sunday.

The adult class began a four-week study titled "Simple Stewardship." The youth are studying "120 Bible

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Bo Vizcaino will present the scripture readings this week.

Pastor Andrew Bartholomew's sermon is called "For All The Saints."

Everyone is invited to attend our Wednesday night Bible study. A meal is served from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Classes begin at 6. On Thursday, Nov. 27, we will host

our 6th Annual Thanksgiving Meal. Please join us at 2805 Lynn Drive from 12:30 p.m. until 3 p.m. or

we can deliver a meal to you. RSVP/ Contact us at 432-231-0698 or 432-264-7818.

Tune in to 106.3 FM or 1400 AM between 6:45 and 6:50 each morning for "Morning Meditation Thoughts.

#### First Presbyterian Church

The Children's Music Program begins at 4:15 p.m. Wednesdays. The Lectionary Bible study, led by the Rev. Craig Holstedt and Tom Koger, meets at 5:17 p.m. and the Chancel Choir rehearsal is at 6.

Last Sunday, the youth group met Sunday evening for bell choir practice then went to Buddy Cochrane's for horse riding and a cookout. This Sunday, they will meet at the regular 6 p.m. time.

The annual food drive, sponsored by our Service Committee, will be collected on Nov. 9 and Nov. 16. Bags are in the narthex to be picked up and filled. This is one of the ways we share our blessings with others in our com-

Don't forget that Daylight Saving Time ends at 2 a.m. Saturday. Set your clocks back one hour, or you will be early for Sunday school and worship. "Spring forward; Fall back" and get that hour of sleep you gave up last April. A date to mark on your November

calendar: Sunday evening, Nov. 23, is the Community Thanksgiving Service here at Big Spring First Presbyterian Church.

Christine Boling is in charge of Take Ten for this Sunday.

Donovan Salinas, Mia Burch and Glen Burch of the youth group served as lay leaders last Sunday. Danny Kennemur will be lay leader for Nov. 2. Communion servers are Kay and Danny Kennemur, Patti Horton and Jerry Grimes. Ushers are Paschal Odom, Weldon Jones, Katie and Jerry

The lectionary for the Sunday after All Saints' Day or the Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost is Joshua 3:7-17; Psalm 107:1-7, 33-37; I Thessalonians 2:9-13: Matthew 23:1-12. Commissioned Ruling Elder Bernadette Coffee, from St. Paul Presbyterian in San Angelo, will deliver the sermon. Commissioned Ruling Elder Tom Koger will officiate at Communion. The children's choir will present "We Are the Church" by Avery & Marsh as the anthem, and the Chancel Choir,

## Wisdom or the world

Te live in a society that of importance on material possessions.

Some people work very hard to buy a bigger house, drive more expensive cars, wear designer clothes and so on.

While there is nothing wrong with having nice things and wanting to keep them in good condition, when we place a higher priority upon them

than our love for God and doing His will, then it becomes a serious problem. Proverbs 17:24 reads,

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are on the ends of the earth (ESV). Dictionary.com defines discerning as "showing good or outstanding judgment and understanding."

ward wisdom, but the eyes of a fool

The discerning sets his face to-

To set your face toward something involves intently seeking it, therefore, someone who is striving to gain wisdom is one who is showing good judgment and a proper understanding of what is truly important. Jesus taught this crucial lesson in the sermon on the mount in Matthew 6:19-21 when He said not to lay up treasure on earth because earthly things will ultimately perish. He said to lay up treasure in heaven because it will be eternal.

He emphasizes the point by saying where your treasure is, that is where your heart will also be. Seek wisdom through the knowledge of God's word above earthly things that will be burned up in the end, 2 Peter 3:7.

Greg Surles preacher Birdwell Lane Church of Christ

joined with our newly-formed Youth Men's and Women's choirs, will sing a rousing arrangement of "When the Saints Go Marching In" by John Rutter as the offertory anthem.

Our worship service begins at 10:50 a.m. for announcements and parish concerns before our radio broadcast starts at 11.

If you cannot attend, listen in on KBST 1490 AM., beginning at 11 a.m. You may also see what's happening at the church by visiting our website: www.fpcbs.org.



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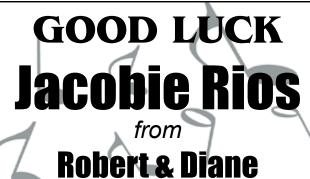
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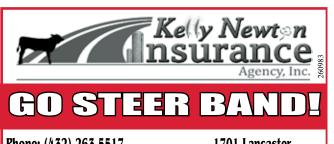






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## News in brief

# Africans shun the E-word, worst responders as Ebola poses biggest continental threat in years

JOHANNESBURG (AP) — The head of Africa's continental body did not get to an Ebola-hit country until last week — months after alarm bells first rang and nearly 5,000 deaths later.

Pledges to deploy 2,000 African health workers have remained largely that — promises.

No African countries are on the United Nations list of contributors to fight the epidemic.

The E-word did not even figure on the agenda of a session on peace and security at the Pan-African Parliament in South Africa last week — more than a month after the U.N. Security Council declared the Ebola outbreak a "threat to international peace and security."

Angry legislators from Sierra Leone and Liberia

Angry legislators from Sierra Leone and Liberia got up to protest. "They said as far as they are concerned, nobody wants to talk about Ebola," said Jeggan Grey-Johnson, a governance expert who watched the session.

#### Grueling 48-day manhunt ends in capture of survivalist wanted in Pennsylvania trooper ambush

BLOOMING GROVE, Pa (AP) — They searched for him in impenetrable woods and forbidding caves, in schools and vacation homes and even in a roadside clothing donation bin, all the while hoping that ambush suspect Eric Frein wouldn't take a potshot at them from some unseen, distant perch.

For 48 tense days, hundreds of law enforcement officials fanned out across the Pocono Mountains of northeastern Pennsylvania in a grueling manhunt for the 31-year-old survivalist armed with high-powered weaponry and explosives.

In the end, Frein surrendered meekly around 6 p.m. Thursday to a team of U.S. marshals who stumbled across him near an abandoned airplane hangar some 30 miles from the rural barracks where he allegedly opened fire Sept. 12, killing a trooper and seriously injuring another.

Authorities placed him in the handcuffs of slain Cpl. Bryon Dickson and put him in Dickson's squad car for the ride back to the Blooming Grove barracks.

"He has been stripped of his guns, his bombs, and now his freedom," Sam Rabadi, chief of the Philadelphia office of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, said at a late-night news conference.

# Life goes on: bike ride, chores for nurse in standoff with Maine over Ebola precautions

FORT KENT, Maine (AP) — In between going on a bike ride and taking delivery of a pizza, nurse Kaci Hickox and her boyfriend did chores and watched a movie while state officials struggled to reach a compromise in a standoff that has become the nation's most closely watched clash between personal freedom and fear of Ebola.

The nurse who treated Ebola patients in Sierra

Leone and her boyfriend, Ted Wilbur, purposefully rode their bikes away from town on a dirt path to avoid coming into contact with people.

"We're not trying to push any limits here. We're

members of this community, too, and we want to make people comfortable," he told reporters Thursday evening.

Hickox, who returned to the U.S. last week, has

been under what Maine is calling a voluntary quarantine at her home in this town of 4,300 people.

She has rebelled against the restrictions, saying

She has rebelled against the restrictions, saying that her rights are being violated and that she is no threat to others because she has no symptoms. She tested negative last weekend for Ebola, though it can take days for the virus to reach detectable levels.

# For soldiers or civilians returning from West Africa, Ebola protocols are not the same

WASHINGTON (AP) — A U.S. soldier returning from an Ebola response mission in West Africa would have to spend 21 days being monitored, isolated in a military facility away from family and the broader population. A returning civilian doctor or nurse who directly treated Ebola patients? Depends.

The Pentagon has put in place the most stringent Ebola security measures yet, going beyond even the toughest measures adopted by states such as New York, New Jersey and Maine and much further than the guidance set by the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for travelers returning from the afflicted region.

"I have one responsibility and that is the security of this country," Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel said Thursday. "And that means the security of our men and women and their families."

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He called the Pentagon's step a "smart, wise, prudent, disciplined, science-oriented decision."

Yet, the policy far surpasses federal government standards. The CDC recommends that only people at the highest risk — those who've had direct contact with an Ebola patient's body fluids, for example — avoid commercial travel or large public gatherings for 21 days. Anyone who develops symptoms would be hospitalized immediately.

# APNewsBreak: Medicare allowed payment for prescriptions up to 32 days after a person died

WASHINGTON (AP) — Call it drugs for the departed: Medicare's prescription program kept paying for costly medications even after patients were dead.

The problem was traced back to a head-scratching bureaucratic rule that's now getting a second look. A report coming out Friday from the Health and

Human Services Department's inspector general says the Medicare rule allows payment for prescriptions filled up to 32 days after a patient's death—at odds with the program's basic principles, not to mention common sense.

"Drugs for deceased beneficiaries are clearly not medically indicated, which is a requirement for

"Drugs for deceased beneficiaries are clearly not medically indicated, which is a requirement for (Medicare) coverage," the IG report said. It urged immediate changes to eliminate or restrict the payment policy.

Medicare said it's working on a fix.

# Poll: Economy, health care are higher priorities than social issues days before 2014 election

DENVER (AP) — As a season of campaigning enters its intense final weekend, a new Associated Press-GfK poll illustrates the challenge ahead for candidates and their allies trying to rally voters around traditional wedge issues such as abortion and gay marriage. This fall, voters just have other matters on their minds.

Social issues are eclipsed by concerns about the economy, health care, the Islamic State group and Ebola, the poll finds. And hovering over each of these individual issues is a broad dissatisfaction with President Barack Obama and Republican leaders in Congress.

Only 32 percent of likely voters called gay marriage an important issue, compared with 91 percent ranking the economy important, 78 percent with similar concerns about health care and 74 percent naming Ebola important. The issue that some Democrats have emphasized most of all — abortion rights — also has been a relatively low priority, with only 43 percent of likely voters in a September poll ranking it important.

Yet women's health and reproductive rights have been at the center of campaigns for U.S. Senate in Alaska, Iowa, North Carolina and especially Colorado. There, half of the ads aired by Democratic Sen. Mark Udall and those backing his re-election have criticized his GOP opponent, Rep. Cory Gardner, on women's health issues. They include a contention that the 40-year-old congressman from eastern Colorado wants to ban some forms of birth control.

#### Mexico police questioned in kidnap, killing of 3 US citizens

MATAMOROS, Mexico (AP) — Authorities are investigating a possible police connection to the killing of three U.S. citizens visiting their father in Mexico who were found shot to death along with a Mexican friend more than two weeks after going missing.

Parents of the three siblings, whose bodies were identified Thursday, have said witnesses reported they were seized by men dressed in police gear calling themselves "Hercules," a tactical security unit in the violent border city of Matamoros.



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# Steers looking forward to Wylie challenge

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

The entire season for the Big Spring High School Steers has been about "the,"

There was "the catch" in San Angelo. "The interception" in Monahans, "rhe loss" on Homecoming to Andrews, and, last week, "the game" against Stephenville.

Get ready, tonight it'll will be all about "the title."

Big Spring can all but

clinch the District 3-4A championship – and go a long way in erasing the ghosts of the past – with a victory over the Wylie Bulldogs this evening in Abilene. The two teams enter Week 9 of the season tied for the top spot in the district standings at 2-0. The importance of the game

hasn't been lost on the Steers, who enter the week ranked No. 12 in the latest Class 4A state poll.

Big Spring, 6-1 overall, rolls into its showdown with Wylie

with a full of head of steam. The Steers reeled off one of the bigger wins in the history of the program, a 64-57 victory over the Stephenville Yellow Jackets.

Stephenville is history now. The Steers need a win over a Wylie program that is 9-1 alltime against Big Spring. A win isn't out of the ques-

tion, players said, especially if the Steers can get another huge offensive effort.

"I think it is going to be a good game," said senior wide receiver Matt Yanez, who leads the Steers in receiving this season. "We've just got to make the plays.'

As a team, Big Spring is averaging more than 40 points per game this fall.

Wylie, though not as prolific on the offensive side, should be a good challenge for the Steers. The Bulldogs, 6-2 for the year, have held their opponents to less than 21 points per game this fall.

The BSHS defense will once again be the wildcard in the matchup. The Steers have fared well against run-oriented teams this fall, while struggling against vertical passing attacks.

Big Spring head coach Phillip Ritchey echoed the thoughts of many of his coaches and players on Thursday evening, saying the team was looking forward to the chance.

"It is going to be a long, sleepless night, but we're excited about playing," Ritchey

# Weeden waits on Romo's status

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Brandon Weeden was putting on his ball cap after leading scoring drives on the only two possessions Tony Romo missed against Washington when he felt a tap and turned to see the Dallas starter.

"Hey man, hell of a job. I'm going back in," Weeden said Romo told him.

With that, Weeden's day was done in a 20-17 overtime loss. The Redskins sent Romo to the locker room for a quarter on a sack that injured his surgically repaired back.

When Romo returned for the last possession of regulation, Washington stopped Dallas. then did it again for the win in overtime after taking the lead.

So now Romo's backup waits to see whether the 34-year-old who has had three different back injuries — and two surgeries — in 18 months will play against Arizona on Sunaay.

The 31-year-old Weeden, in just his third NFL season because he spent five years mostly as a relief pitcher in baseball's minor leagues, isn't likely to be rattled.

"You know, he's an older player," said Scott Linehan, Dallas' passing game coordinator and play-caller.

"Young in the league, but the guy's got a lot of maturity to him. It's not too big for him to go out there and step in in a relief mode and play, nor is it too big for him to be prepared as a starter because he's done it in this league."

Romo has an unspecified injury — he called it "more than a contusion," the term coach Jason Garrett used.

He didn't practice Wednesday or Thursday, and all indications point to the Cowboys waiting until Romo sees how he feels Sunday morning before deciding.

"I haven't really been in this situation," said Weeden, who See **BACK** on Page 18



Tony Claxton photos (www.claxtonphotography.com)

Big Spring coach Eric Tuttle used a marker board to diagram a player for Gabriel Melendez (52) Zeke Flores (62), Tyrease Washington (55) and Dylan Cantu during the second quarter of the freshman football game on Thursday at Memorial Stadium. Wylie won both the freshman and iV games.

# Wylie rallies past JV Steers, 24-18

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

The Wylie Bulldogs scored on the second play of the fourth quarter on Thursday night and then turned in a goal-line stand moments later to escape with a 24-18 come-from-behind victory over the Big Spring High School junior varsity at Memorial Stadium.

The victory spoiled an impressive showing by the BSHS offense. The Steers, backed by a solid outing from Cameron Michaels, rolled up nearly 300 total yards in the contest.

Big Spring came out hitting on all 11

cylinders to start the contest and put the Bulldog defense on its heels quickly.. The Steers took the opening kick and marched to the Wylie 15.

From there, BSHS quarterback hit Michaels with a 15-yard scoring strike that put Big Spring on top, 6-0, with 7:44 left in the first quarter.

Big Spring threatened to add to its score on its ensuing possession, driving to the Wylie 2 before a fumbled snap ended the effort.

The turnover proved costly for the Steers seconds later. After the Bulldogs had moved the ball to the 10 on a short run to set up and 2nd-and-7 situation,

they turned a short screen pass into a 90-yard touchdown pass that knotted the game at 6-6 early in the second quarter.

Wylie's joy lasted 74 seconds.

After Brantz Burchett had returned the ensuing kick to the BSHS 33, Big Spring began a 3-play, 67-yard drive that put Big Spring back on top.

Keenan Whites opened the Steers' second scoring march with a short 1-yard run. From there, Henson tossed a 40yard pass to Daniel Luna that moved the Steers to the Wylie 26.

Whites took control from there. The

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# Safety lifts Bulldogs to 10-8 win over freshmen

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

The Wylie Bulldogs recorded a safety late in the third quarter and used it to a claim a wild 10-8 come-from-behind win over the Big Spring High School freshman football team on Thursday.

"We just didn't make the big plays when we needed to," said BSHS coach Eric Tuttle. "We will work this week on some mistakes we made and be ready for next week."

With the loss, the Steers fell to 4-3 for

Big Spring got off to a quick start against Wylie. Dylan Cantu capped Big Spring's first possession of the contest by tossing a touchdown pass to Damien Cisneros. Mikey Renteria added the 2-point conversion and gave Big Spring

an 8-0 lead with 1:05 left in the first quar-

Wylie managed to draw even midway through the third quarter. The Bulldogs, after recovering a BSHS fumble near midfield, marched 40 yards in five plays before scoring on a 9-yard run.

The bad news was just starting for the Steers from there.

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## Rodriguez is reinstated by NY Yankees

(AP) — Alex Rodriguez's season-long suspension ended Thursday, a day after the World Series. The three-time ALMVP,

who turns 40 on July 27, is owed \$61 million by the Yankees over the next three seasons. NY general manager Brian Cashman said Rodriguez may see some time at first base in 2015.

New York did not have to make a move on its 40man roster

**Katie Wash and** the Big Spring **Lady Steers will** kick off their 2014 playoff run on **Tuesday against** either Dalhart or Pampa. Big Spring will play the loser of the Dalhart-Pampa game on Saturday in the bi-district round of the Class 4A state playoffs. (www.claxtonphotography.com)

**Tony Claxton photos** 



## Lady Steers waiting for firstround opponent to be decided Saturday to determine

By TOMMY WELLS Sports Editor

The Big Spring High School Lady Steers know they are in the Class 4A state playoffs. They just don't know who they district round yet.

will be facing in the bi-The Lady Steers, the District 2-4A runner-up, will face either Dalhart or Pampa in the first round on Tuesday. The

two teams will be hold-

ing a district playoff on

the No. 2 and No. 3 seeds from District 1-4A.

According Spring head coach Lynn Osborne, Big Spring will play the loser of the Dal-

hart-Pampa matchup. If Dalhart loses, Osborne said the Lady Steers won a coin toss and will face them on Tuesday at 7 p.m. at

Frenship High School in Wolfforth. If Pampa loses, Big Spring will face the Lady Hervesters on Tuesday at 7:30 at Wayland Baptist University in Plain-Levelland, the Distrct

2-4A champion will face Borger in its forst-round game, while Snyder, the No. 4, seed from District 2-4A, will be facing off against No. 1-ranked Bushland. Sweetwater will face

the winner of the Dalhart-Pampa game.

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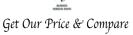
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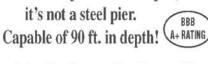
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### **Tomorrow's Horoscope**

#### Halloween Lunar Levity

Because this year's goblins, ghosts and ghouls are ruled by the Aquarian

moon, they are sure to be friendly and creative. The night will be heavier on the bright ideas and giggles than it will

be on

HOLIDAY **M**ATHIS frights. The social opportunities are rich. Meeting one another in

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You'll approach social life with the glee of a child setting out to trickor-treat. Halloween alter ego: Ruled by Mars, the warrior planet, you are a natural-born Guardian of the Galaxy.

the context of costume

unexpected interactions.

will bring about

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You'll dress up and work the room, collecting the loot in the form of opportunities, contacts and goodies untold! Halloween alter ego: The sign of the bull should go as a horned creature like the devil or Maleficent.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). Your generosity raises the bar for all. Halloween alter ego: Your sunny "everything is awesome" outlook goes perfectly with the characters from "The Lego Movie."

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). You're on an emotional high, and everyone around you gets a contact high from you. Halloween alter ego: In keeping with your watersign nature, you could cool it down as a

character from Disney's "Frozen."

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). Build some quiet moments into the controlled chaos of the day. Halloween alter ego: Like the lion, you are a hunter. Go as one, as in a character from "The Hunger Games" or the Huntsman from "Snow White and the Huntsman."

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You'll be in an inquisitive and mischievous mood. Halloween alter ego: Your Mercury-ruled technical acuity makes you the perfect one to honor technology such as Google Glass or the iPhone 6 with your costume.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Don't waste time on decisions -- flip a coin. Halloween alter ego: You will be a smash hit when you draw from the world of politics: Obama in a tan suit, Gov. Chris Christie or a pregnant Chelsea Clinton.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You are in your prime. Live it up. Halloween alter ego: As the sign of transformation, a character who changes form, perhaps from the film "Transformers" or a werewolf, vampire or the like, would be perfect.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Before you can share the glory, you have to let others share in the duties. Halloween alter ego: Characters from the epic fantasy "Game of Thrones" capture your otherworldly spirit of adventure.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Because vou're intrinsically responsible,

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you'll have to push yourself to say "no." Halloween alter ego: Honor your winter birthday by playing a character from "Captain America: The Winter Soldier."

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). People are full of ideas and advice for you, though you'll be very happy to defer to your original plans. Halloween alter ego: As the sign of the future, a character from a futuristic movie like "Divergent" would be

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You have an obvious connection with an intriguing someone, and you both feel it. Halloween alter ego: If you want to keep it simple, honor your watersign element with a bucket on your head: the Ice Bucket Challenge.

#### TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Oct. 31). Family ties

strengthen this year, and you'll quickly advance collective interests. Personal exploration over the next six weeks will teach you exactly where to put your energy. At the start of 2015, vou'll turn the uncool into fashion, the unexpressed into declaration. Love fills your hours in April and beyond. Cancer and Sagittarius people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 4, 17, 50, 31 and 25.

WEEKEND LOVE **FORECAST:** ARIES: You'll seek amusement and stumble into love. TAURUS: Your love life offers more variety and excitement than in recent times. GEMINI: The one who asks favors of you is crushing on you. **CANCER: Infatuation** produces a feeling of falling -- not plummeting, but a soft, floating descent. LEO: You're

try to distract yourself with the other interests and people you love. **VIRGO: Your attention** has healing properties that a loved one needs. LIBRA: Know the boundaries in your own mind, and it's likely that you won't even have to voice them -- people will sense the limits. SCORPIO: You haven't always been so confident, which is why you have profound empathy for that awkward, shy person you know. SAGITTARIUS: Put down your phone, and you'll figure out that someone is flirting with you in person. CAPRICORN: Teach the games you like to play to a loved one. AQUARIUS: You know who is right for you. It's as though the answer has been in your heart since before the world was made. PISCES: You don't have to spell out who you are and what you want. Give half the story. Someone is attracted to your mysterious complexity.

missing someone, but you

**COUPLE OF THE WEEKEND:** Scorpio and Pisces are naturally compatible, and while the sun is in Scorpio and the moon is in Pisces, the magnetism between these signs is even more pronounced. Never was there a more psychic connection. When they devote focused attention to each other, words are practically unnecessary. Music and dancing are highly recommended.

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**Dear Annie:** I recently found out that my 62vear-old husband has been texting a woman with whom he had an intimate relationship in that these texts were

"dirty talk." He swears that there was no physical contact, but I'm skeptical. It's been going on for at least eight months, and I am not

the past. He has admitted flirtatious and filled with

convinced it is over. He deleted her name from his contacts, but kept her cellphone number under a fake name. During this same

period, my husband did not give me an anniversary card or a Valentine's Day card, nor did we go out to lunch as often as we usually did. He also announced that he wants to get a new wedding ring, as he is "bored" with the one I gave him 12 years ago.

He has allowed this woman to come between us. Whether or not there was anything physical, this was absolutely an emotional attachment He insists that she means nothing to him, but I feel rejected and foolish. Am I wrong to consider this an affair? -- Ohio

**Dear Ohio:** You're not wrong. Your husband doesn't appear to be trustworthy, especially if he still has this woman's number in his cellphone and is trying to hide it from you. Even if he no longer texts her, it means he is unwilling to cut off contact, perhaps keeping

her "in reserve." Please get some counseling -with or without him. and work on your next

Dear Annie: I've been close friends with "Lisa" for many years. We've shared many important life events and social occasions over that time. She is warm, intelligent, educated and respected. Since she moves in welleducated circles, people are shocked by her mispronunciation of words that are normally corrected in elementary school. For instance, she says "pitchers" instead of "pictures," which she puts in her "liberry" instead of "library."

None of us would risk offending her by calling this to her attention, but we also know that her job puts her in a position to influence young adults who notice these things. Several of her friends (including me) have used these same terms correctly in front of her as a kind way of pointing out her errors, but she just doesn't get it. How do we help Lisa without damaging her pride and our relationship? Or should we ignore it and let the chips fall? -- Need Some Guidance

Dear Guidance: It is difficult to correct a grownup's pronunciation without causing offense. You are neither her teacher nor her parent. If Lisa is married, would her husband comment? Otherwise, we recommend you accept her as she is and keep using those words correctly so she can hear them and, hopefully,

incorporate them into her

**Dear Annie:** I read the

letter from "Wedding

daily speech.

Jitters," who asked about a prenup. Please also tell her that a prenup doesn't cover everything. My husband and I have a prenup, but he is now in an assisted living facility. He will not be eligible for Medicaid while I am alive and have financial assets. Because we are married, the government considers my

income to be his.

Ours is a happy 25-year second marriage. We thought we had protected ourselves financially. If I had it to do over, I never would have married a second time, especially at my age. Make an agreement together and pledge your love, but don't make it legal and risk getting the government involved in your future well-being. --Reader in Vermont

Dear Vermont: Your situation has little to do with a prenup, but thanks for the warning.

**Dear Readers:** Happy Halloween. Please dress your trick-or-treaters in flame-retardant costumes that don't obstruct walking or vision, and be sure to accompany them.

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# Sudoku Answer On Page 12

# sudoku

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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## By Steve Becker **Bidding Quiz**

1. The bidding has gone: Partner 1 ♥ You What would you bid now with:

↑ 7 ♥ AJ ↑ AQ92 ↑ AQJ1094 2. In the following sequence:

Contract Endge

You Partner 2 ♦ 3 ♣ 2 NT

What is partner's most likely dis-3. The bidding has gone:
You Partner

What would you bid now with:

♠ AK9652 ♥ J84 ♠ AK98 ♠ —

\* \* \* 1. Two diamonds. It is not neces-

sary or desirable to jump to three clubs to indicate long clubs and a better-than-minimum opening bid. The fact that you bid clubs followed by diamonds identifies two features of your hand. One is that your club length is greater than your diamond length, since with equal length in both suits you would bid diamonds first. The other is that you have better than a minimum opening bid (usually 16 points or more in high cards). This is in accordance with the general rule that bidding a new suit on the two-level that ranks higher than the suit you opened with (commonly called a reverse) shows extra

Many partnerships play that a reverse is forcing for one round. This should be discussed with any regular

2. Partner has at least 13 points in high cards and distribution, and his shape is likely to be either 1-5-4-3 or He has a game or slam in mind — you can't tell which — but all you're

expected to do at this stage is to state a preference as to where you'd like to play the contract. Presumably, partner will know what to do after he hears your response to three clubs 3. Two diamonds. Granted that

you strongly prefer spades to diamonds, the fact remains that the better trump suit might prove to be diamonds. Thus, if partner held: ◆ 7 ▼ AK5 ◆ QJ106 ◆ K9874, you'd have an excellent chance to make six diamonds but would probably make only four or five spades.

The goal in bidding is to try to

reach the best contract for the combined hands. While attempting to reach it, you should try to describe your hand as accurately as possible. Here you clearly prefer spades to diamonds, but even so you should allow for the possibility that partner might have much better support for diamonds than for spades. Naturally,

Tomorrow: The bidding points the way. ©2014 King Features Syndicate Inc

you plan to rebid spades at your next turn if partner gives you the opportunity.

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`Next time, Joey, Don't Let your mom Pick OUT YOUR HALLOWEEN COSTUME."

BC

MR. FALKEN:

#WINNING

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"Enough! You can't discuss the candy you got after every house or else we'll never finish our rounds."

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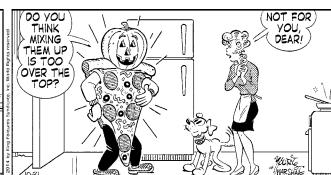
MY TRICK-OR-TREAT

EXPERIENCE,



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# In History

This Date

Today is Friday, Oct. 31, the 304th day of 2014. There are 61 days left in the year. This is Halloween. Today's Highlight in History: On Oct. 31, 1864, Nevada became the 36th state as President Abraham Lincoln signed a proclamation. (In order to achieve statehood, Nevada had sent its draft constitution to Washington, where it was misplaced; in order to get the proclamation signed before Election Day, James Nye, the territorial governor, sent another

copy by telegraph at a cost of \$3,416.77 for 16,543 words; allowing for inflation, today that would be about \$50,000.)

On this date:

In 1517, Martin Luther posted his 95 Theses on the door of the Wittenberg Palace church, marking the start of the **Protestant Reformation** in Germany. In 1795, English poet John Keats was born in London. In 1887, Nationalist Chinese leader Chiang Kai-shek was born in

Zhejiang Province.

In 1926, magician

Harry Houdini died

in Detroit of gangrene

and peritonitis resulting

from a ruptured appen-

dix. In 1941, the Navy destroyer USS Reuben James was torpedoed by a German U-boat off Iceland with the loss of some 100 lives, even though the United States had not yet entered World War II. Work was completed on the Mount Rushmore National Memorial in South Dakota, begun in 1927.

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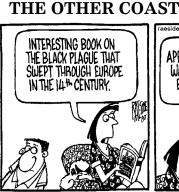


HE CHOKED OVER FIFTY SIX THOUSAND CHICKENS AND WAS CURSED TO SPEND ETERNITY WITH THEM IN POULTRY HEAVEN

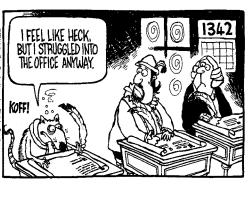


#### **HI AND LOIS**









#### **SNUFFY SMITH**



### **BEETLE BAILEY**





## **Newsday Crossword**

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- 69 Grate accumulation
  - 70 Vane reading **71** Literally, "let it stand"

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# Basketball season quietly sneaking up on area teams

To be sure, almost everyone in the Crossroads area is busy celebrating their teams' successes on the football field. And, believe me, there have been more than a few to celebrate this season as each of the area's six teams prepare for postseason playoff ac-

Anyone know when the last time Big Spring, Coahoma, Sands, Grady and Garden City all made the playoffs in the same sea-

However, almost quieter than a mouse, another huge sport is slowly gearing to take over the high school sports scene. That's right, lost in the shuffle of the football hysteria, is the fact that basketball season is almost at hand.

In fact, it is at hand.

Members of the Big Spring High School boys' and girls' basketball teams began preseason workouts this past Thursday in preparation for their 2014 first outings, which will come on Nov. 1.

While the BSHS boys will return more than a few familiar faces, the biggest change will be with the Lady Steers. Big Spring will have a new head coach this season as Stacy Smalley steps in for Mike Warren, who stepped down prior to the start of the school year to concentrate on one of his life's dreams – being a ref-

After years of being on the other side of the whistle, Warren has been learning the ropes every week as a football referee, including this past Tuesday when he helped officiate the Big Spring Junior High School games against Lake View at Blankenship Field.

Don't worry, Warren hasn't left the BSISD system. The coach who led Big Spring to the second round of the playoffs last season is now coaching the seventh grade girls at BSJHS.

Smalley, a native of Bridgeport where she was an all-district basketball player,



**Tommy Wells** Herald Sports Editor

make her first appearance as the head coach for the Lady Steers on Nov. 1 when Big Spring hosts Coahoma in a scrimmage.

Ian Ritchey returns as the boys' head coach.

Speaking of people in a new position, former Big Spring Herald sports editor Jonathan Hull has found himself with a sweet new role as part of his duties with the Wichita Falls Times-Record-News. On Sundays, Hull will be covering the Dallas Cowboys for the paper.

During the week, he helps cover the multitude of sports teams in the great Wichita Falls

I always get a kick out of talking six-man football and, in particular, six-man football involving Westbrook, Loraine and Strawn. My two boys played at Westbrook and Loraine before graduating from Strawn, so I have a natural soft spot for them.

So, with that in mind, here's a little trivia question to get your week started. Other than my two sons (my oldest, Tommy Jr., was a quarterback on the Greyhounds' team that lost to Garden City in the 2009 state finals, while my youngest, Bobby, was a three-time all-state selection), who was the biggest name (footballwise) to come out of Strawn High School?

Former Big Spring track standout Charles Green is still turning heads at the collegiate level ... in cross country. He finished 35th in the overall men's standings at the Concordia University Invitational on Oct. 18 in Round Rock. He completed the race with a time of 20 minutes and 4.73 seconds.

A freshman at SRSU, Green will be running on the men's track and field squad this spring.

His next cross country outing will be Nov. 1 at the American Southwest Conference Championships in Tyler.

The high school football playoffs are going to get a little bigger next year, thanks to a move by the UIL last week. According to a news release, the UIL Legislative Council approved two football-related measures last week, including an amendment to increase the number of teams advancing to the Class 2A playoffs from each district to four for varsity team sports. They also approved an amendment to create a pilot program providing home field advantage to the higher seed in the first round of the 2015 6A football playoffs.

The Legislative Council also voted to create a separate championship for Conference 1A volleyball for the 2015-2016 school year. Under the plan, the current alignment will be utilized with 2A and 1A school grouped together for district play. In the playoffs, Conference 1A and 2A schools will be divided into a separate playoff brackets.

Trivia answer: Larry Kueck, who now serves as the offensive coordinator at Lamar University. After graduating, Kueck played collegiate ball at Sam Houston State before becoming a coach. During his career, he coached at various spots, including SMU, Texas Tech and Marshall University, where he was the offensive coordinator for a Thundering Herd team that featured Randy Moss and Byron Leftwich.

turned out to be the winning points for the Bulldogs.

The Big Spring freshman and junior varsity teams will close out their regular seasons next Thursday against Brownwood.

Courtesy photo/Shaun McVicars Big game ... Jesse Cervantes and the Forsan Buffaloes can clinch a playoff berth tonight with a win over the Christoval Cougars. Forsan, which has lost its last two games, will close out its regular season tonight. Florida State rallies past Louisville Freddie Stevenson with 2:11 remaining. "I told them, 'We've been here before," Winston said. "Being down

LOUISVILLE, (AP) — As bad as Jameis Winston and second-ranked Florida State looked in the first half against Louisville, the second half offered plenty of time to recov-

More impressive than rallying from a 21-0 deficit for a 42-31 victory was the gutsy poise displayed by the Heisman Trophy quarterback and his teammates.

Winston overcame three interceptions with three second-half touchdown passes, including the 35-yard clincher to

is nothing when you've got heart. Honestly, we play better when we're down. We do anything to win. We don't enjoy being down."

Not only did the Semi-

noles (8-0, 5-0 Atlantic Coast Conference, No. 2 CFP) extend the nation's longest winning streak to 24 games, but their national title hopes are fully intact after appearing to be in tatters for the first 28 minutes against the Cardinals (6-3, 4-3, No.

### Wildcats roar past O'Donnell

The Grady Wildcats kept their postseason hopes alive on Thursday night by grinding out a 74-24 victory over O'Donnell.

The Wildcats, which improved to 4-4 overall, is now 1-1 in district. The GHS squad will return to play on Nov. 6, at home, against Klondike.



Tuesday-Saturday 10am-6pm

# **FROSH**

Continued from Page 11 After being pinned at their own 6 on the ensuing kickoff, Big Spring managed just six yards on its next three plays and was forced to punt

from its own end zone. A bad snap on the punt enabled Wylie to block the punt, forcing Jimetre Post to alertly kick the ball out of the end zone to prevent a Wylie re-

That safety, however,

covery in the end zone.

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#### Canadian Football League **East Division**

		w	L	Т	Pts	PF	PA		
	Montreal	8	8	0	16	328	351		
	Toronto	7	9	0	14	413	434		
	Hamilton	7	9	0	14	354	355		
	Ottawa	2	14	10	4	248	408		
West Division									
	y-Calgary	14	2	0	28	465	313		
	y-Edmonton	11	5	0	22	438	313		
	y-B.C.	9	7	0	18	361	295		
	y-Saskatchewan	9	8	0	18	375	424		
	Winnipeg	6	11	0	12	379	468		
	y-clinched playoff spot								
	Friday, Oct. 31								
	Hamilton at Ottawa 7:30 n m								

Saturday, Nov. 1 Winnipeg at Calgary, 4 p.m. B.C. at Edmonton, 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 2 Toronto at Montreal, Noon

#### PREP FOOTBALL Thursday's Games **CLASS 6A**

Austin Hig	h 63, Kyl	e Lehi	man 56				
Austin We	stlake 54	, Del \	/alle 0				
Canyon 42, Amarillo Caprock 7							
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Shoemaker 2	20						
Cypress	Ranch	38,	Cypres				

Fairbanks 21 Del Rio 14, Laredo United South Denton Guyer 58, Keller Timber

Edinburg North 17, PSJA Memorial

Euless Trinity 55, N. Richland Hills Garland Sachse 34, Garland

Lakeview Centennial 29 Houston Reagan 56, Houston Sam

Irving 55, Dallas Sunset 6 Keller Central 17, Byron Nelson La Joya 23, McAllen Rowe 6

Laredo Alexander 49, Eagle Pass McKinney Boyd 31, Lewisville 17

Mesquite Horn 55, Richardson Pearce 14 Pearland Dawson 55, Pasadena South Houston 6

Plano 41, Lewisville Marcus 7 SA Northside Brandeis 48, SA Northside Clark 31 SA Northside Warren 34, SA

Northside Taft 32 SA Southwest 61, CC Ray 7

**CLASS 5A** Bastrop 51, Austin Crockett 28 Dallas Adams 54, Dallas Jefferson

Dallas South Oak Cliff 62. Dallas Spruce 6

Edcouch-Elsa 28, Brownsville El Paso Eastlake 50. EP Riverside

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Tomball 55, Houston Spring Woods Wichita Falls 41, FW Chisholm

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Austin LBJ 63, Austin Lanier 0 Carrollton Ranchview 42, Dallas

Godley 55, Dallas Roosevelt 6 La Marque 51, Houston Worthing

Mission Memorial 21, Rio Grande

CLASS 1A Balmorhea 62, Sierra Blanca 56 Follett 64, Higgins 14 Lenorah Grady 74, O'Donnell 24

Rochelle 60. Paint Rock 14 **PRIVATE SCHOOLS** 

The King 28 Waco Parkview Christian 47, Irving

Faustina Academy 42 OTHER

Guthrie def. Afton Patton Springs . forfeit

Waco Live Oak Classical School 74, Dallas Lakehill 24

#### **BASKETBALL National Basketball Association** Atlantic Division

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Miami	1	0	1.000	_			
Charlotte	1	0	1.000	_			
Washington	1	1	.500	1/			
Atlanta	0	1	.000	•			
Orlando	0	2	.000	11/			
Central Division							
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Chicago	1	0	1.000	_			
Indiana	1	0	1.000	_			
Cleveland	0	1	.000	•			
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**Southwest Division** Houston 0 1.000 0 1.000 San Antonio 0 1.000 Memphis 0 1.000 New Orleans

Western Conference

**Northwest Division** 

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Denver	1	0	1.000						
Minnesota	1	1	.500						
Oklahoma City	0	1	.000						
Utah	0	2	.000						
Pacific Division									
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L.A. Clippers 0 .000 .000 Sacramento .000 L.A. Lakers Wednesday's Games Indiana 103, Philadelphia 91 Charlotte 108, Milwaukee 106, OT Miami 107, Washington 95 Toronto 109, Atlanta 102

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Thursday's Games Washington 105, Orlando 98 Minnesota 97, Detroit 91 New York 95, Cleveland 90 Dallas 120, Utah 102 Oklahoma City at L.A. Clippers, 10:30

Portland 106, Oklahoma City 89

#### TRANSACTIONS BASEBALL

American League BALTIMORE ORIOLES Exercised 2015 options on LHP Wei-Yin Chen and RHP Darren O'Day.

BOSTON RED SOX — Agreed to terms with RHP Koji Uehara on a twoyear contract. Announced C David Ross and RHP Burke Badenhop declined outright assignment and chose free agency.

KANSAS CITY ROYALS —

ATHLETICS OAKLAND bullpen coach and Marcus Jensen assistant hitting/catching coach. TORONTO BLUE JAYS — Traded C Santiago Nessy to Kansas City for

#### RHP Liam Hendriks **National League**

CHICAGO CUBS — Assigned OF Ryan Kalish outright to Iowa (PCL) Announced RHP James McDonald declined outright assignment and chose free agency. Declined 2015 option on RHP Kyuji Fujikawa.

CINCINNATI REDS — Exercised 2015 option on RHP Johnny Cueto. Declined 2015 options on 3B Jack Hannahan and OF Ryan Ludwick. LOS ANGELES DODGERS

- Announced RHP Dan Haren exercised his 2015 option.

MIAMI MARLINS — Reinstated RHP Jose Fernandez from the 60-day PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES

Declined 2015 option on RHP Mike ST. LOUIS CARDINALS Exercised 2015 option on RHP John

Lackey SAN DIEGO PADRES — Declined 2015 option on RHP Josh Johnson. SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS -Activated RHPs Louis Coleman, Juan Gutierrez, Kendry Flores, Erik

Cordier, Brett Bochy, Chris Heston and George Kontos; OFs Gary Brown, Chris Dominguez, Daniel Carbonell, Angel Pagan and Jarrett Parker; 1B Adam Duvall and Angel Villalona; LHP Mike Kickham; and C Guillermo WASHINGTON NATIONALS -

Exercised the option of OF Denard Span. Declined 2015 options on 1B Adam LaRoche and RHP Rafael American Association

GRAND PRAIRIE AIR HOGS -Exercised 2015 option on RHP Trevor ST. PAUL SAINTS — Exercised

2015 option on RHP Nick Barnese. Frontier League

TRAVERSE CITY BEACH BUMS

— Signed LHP Chris Rice. **BASKETBALL** 

#### National Basketball Association

NBA — Named Malcolm Turner NBADL president. CHARLOTTE HORNETS

Agreed to terms with G Kemba Walker on a contract extension. FOOTBALL

#### National Football League CLEVELAND BROWNS

Released DB Marcus Cromartie from the practice squad. Signed WR Phil Bates to the practice squad. NEW YORK GIANTS - Placed

LB Jon Beason on injured reserve Released G Brandon Washington and WR Kadron Boone from the practice squad and DB Jemea Thomas. ST. LOUIS RAMS — Placed WR

Brian Quick on injured reserve. Signed TE Justice Cunningham, G Travis Bond, WR Emory Blake and OT Steven Baker to the practice squad and WR Damian Williams and G Brandon Washington. SEATTLE SEAHAWKS — Signed

TE Keavon Milton to the practice

Canadian Football League WINNIPEG BLUE BOMBERS Released LB Will Smith

#### HOCKEY National Hockey League

JACKETS COLUMBUS BLUE - Placed C Mark Letestu and D James Wisniewski on injured reserve. Recalled Cs Sean Collins and Brian Gibbons from Springfield (AHL).

F Valeri Nichhushkin from injured reserve and assigned him to Texas (AHL) for conditioning. DETROIT RED WINGS - Recalled

C Stephen Weiss from Grand Rapids (AHL). LÓS ANGELES KINGS

Recalled F David Van der Gulik from Manchester (AHL). MINNESOTA WILD — Reassigned D Stu Bickel to Iowa (AHL). Recalled

Stephane Veilleux from Iowa. WASHINGTON CAPITALS Assigned F Caleb Herbert from Hershey (AHL) to South Carolina

American Hockey League CHARLOTTE CHECKERS

Returned F Mike Aviani to Florida LEHIGH VALLEY PHANTOMS -

Loaned D Brett Flemming and F Matt Hatch to Reading (ECHL). **ECHL** 

QUAD CITY MALLARDS — Released Fs Kyle Thomas and Garrett Vermeersch and D/F Ben Woodley. Signed F Mario Lamoureux. SOCCER

Major League Soccer MLS — Awarded a franchise to Los Angeles to begin with the 2017

North American Soccer League NEW YORK COSMOS — Signed Raul to a multi-year contract. COLLEGE

CENTRAL CONNECTICUT STATE Named Jason Marshall women's assistant basketball coach.

## **BACK**

Continued from Page 11 was the starter for most of two seasons in Cleveland after the Browns drafted him in the first round in 2012.

"I'm just going to treat it like I'm playing on Sunday. If I do, good, and if I don't, I'll be ready if something happens." It's a much different

scenario than the last time Romo injured his back against Washington — last December. He played through a herniated disk that required surgery five days later, knocking him out of a loss to Philadelphia that cost the Cowboys a playoff spot. Kyle Orton drew the

start against the Eagles, and played well. But his interception, second with less than 2 minutes remaining, sealed Philadelphia's 24-22 win.

It was Orton's only start in two seasons behind Romo, and he skipped out on the final year of his contract by failing to report and eventually forcing the Cowboys to release him. He's the starter in Buffalo now. With the uncertainty

surrounding Orton, the Cowboys grabbed Weeden in the offseason after the Browns gave up on him with a 5-15 record and more interceptions (26) than touchdowns (23). Because of Romo's

recovery from back Weeden got surgery, more quality practice

work in the offseason and training camp than most backups. And he's been the No. 1 guy every Wednesday in practice during the regular season as part of Romo's post-surgery routine.

Weeden got a boost on his first play in relief of Romo because DeMarco Murray went 51 yards to inside the Washington The Cowboys had to settle for a field goal

before Weeden led an 80-yard drive capped by his 25-yard touchdown pass to Jason Witten for a 17-all tie in the fourth quarter. "I had made that throw

a couple of times in training camp," Weeden said. "It's just nice to have the rhythm, the repertoire with those guys. A comfort level is the biggest thing and timing and stuff like that." The Cowboys don't fig-

ure to look much different offensively. They'll try to establish Murray just as they have every week — he has the longest season-opening streak of 100-yard games in league history with eight. And they'll try to throw to Witten, Dez Bryant and Terrance Williams and others.

"I think Brandon has proven he can do anything we ask him to do in the offense," Garrett said. "We'll game plan with that in mind. He showed that in the game the other night that he's comfortable with the system that we have and in what we ask him to do."

## **STEERS**

Continued from Page 11 Big Spring running

back took a handoff from Henson and exploded through the middle of the Bulldog defensive line en route to a 26-yard scoring jaunt.

White's TD handed the Steers a 12-6 lead with 6:46 left in the first half.

After Wylie had rallied to tie the game at 12-12, the Steers offense went back to work. Big Spring closed out the first-half scoring with an 8-play, 62-yard march that enabled Big Spring to take an 18-12 lead into the half.

Mason Lane and Luna both hauled in long passes in the drive, which ended with 1:31 left in the second on a stellar 19-yard reception by Luna, who outleaped a WHS defender in the corner of the end zone for the ball.

Wylie fought its way back in the third quarter. The Bulldogs turned a BSHS fumble near midfield into a 59-yard run by the quarterback that knotted the score at

Wylie scored its goahead TD just 51 seconds into the fourth quarter, scoring on a 1-yard plunge on a quarterback sneak.

The Steers threatened to rally back moments ıater.

After Burchett had returned the Bulldogs' kickoff to the WHS 45, Henson and Whites reeled off runs of 22, 6 and 9, respectively, to reach the Wylie.

Unfortunately for Big Spring, they couldn't finish the drive. The Steers drove to the WHS 2 before turning the ball over on downs.

Wylie closed out the game from there, taking the final 4:58 off the

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