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Man on a mission

WW II vet seeks to restore piece of history

By **JULIE BASS**
 Staff Writer

And to think that I saw it all on ... Gregg Street.

Ernest "Ernie" Andrus was met by people eager to wish him well, join the run, or just say hello on Thursday morning.

Ernie greeted everyone with a smile, shook hands and gave hugs as he prepared to run a little more than 7 miles south on Highway 87 through Big Spring.

Andrus, 91, is running across the United States to raise money to help restore LST (Landing Ship-Tank) 325, the last of the more than 1,000 such ships which were constructed during World War II. Plans are for the LST to participate in ceremonies marking the 75th anniversary of the Normandy D-Day invasion.

Kim Thompson of Big Spring presented him with a homemade quilt, a "Quilt of Valor," in appreciation for his service in the Navy dur-

ing WWII. "These quilts are just a small thank you to those who have served our country. I am very excited to be able to give this one to Ernie," Thompson said. "I made this one by myself, but I am hoping that I can get some interested people in Big Spring to join me — there are so many veterans here that one per-

son can't do it alone." Several people stopped by just to meet Andrus, get a picture with him, wish him well and thank him for his service — there were media representatives, a few Big Spring police officers, two women who stopped by to see him off and give him a shirt from their office, a history teacher from Howard

College and a variety of other people.

At 10:15 a.m., Ernie and his entourage left the TA Travel Center at the intersection of Interstate 20 and Highway 87, with Cpl. King of the Big Spring Police Department as his escort through town. Along the way, people gath-

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HERALD photos/Julie Bass
Ernie Andrus, a 91-year-old veteran, passed through Big Spring Thursday on a cross-country trek to raise money to restore a World War II-era ship. In the top photo, Andrus and his entourage traverse the Gregg Street overpass. At left, Andrus receives a Quilt of Valor from Kim Thompson.

Boil water notice lifted

City's supply passes muster

Herald Staff Report

No more boiling water. That's the word Big Spring public works officials received from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, which lifted the boil water notice residents have been subject to the past few days because of problems at the city water plant.

On Monday a mechanical failure at the city water department occurred which let too much "dirty water" throughout the water plant, prompting officials to issue a boil water notice to residents, said Johnny Womack, city public works director.

Repairs were made, but samples of city water had to be tested and sent to TCEQ for approval before the notice could be lifted.

That action came late Thursday morning.

"Our system has taken the necessary corrective actions to restore adequate pressure, disinfectant levels and/or bacteriological quality and has provided TCEQ with testing results that indicate that the water no longer requires boiling as of (Thursday)," a city news release stated.

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Big Spring ISD placed on academic probation

By **LYNDEL MOODY**
 Staff Writer

Big Spring ISD has slipped into accredited probationary status by the Texas Education Agency, a move that was not unexpected by district officials.

"This is not anything new," said Heidi Wagner, district director of school improvement. "When we did not 'meet standards' as a district, we knew we would drop down in our accreditation status."

Last year, the district received an accredited-warned status from the Texas Education Agency. TEA bases these on state academic accountability ratings, the Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas (known commonly as

"It's baby steps to get where we need to be. We have a new accountability system and new leadership. It's going to take us some time ..."

Heidi Wagner
 Big Spring ISD
 director of school improvement

School FIRST), data reporting, special program effectiveness, and compliance with statutory and regulatory requirements.

Big Spring has been classified a low-performing school district for some time and its academic performance is the area of contention with

its accreditation status. Even though the school district did see some gains on meeting TEA academic standards — two schools, Big Spring Junior High and Moss Elementary, met standards last year — the district overall received a "needs improvement" rating under the new

accountability system. Wagner pointed out that the district missed the mark by two percentage points on one of the four indexes used by TEA to determine academic performance.

Because of the accreditation status, TEA may opt to assign the district a monitor for the second time in two years to oversee and assist the district's progress.

Wagner dove into specifics of the plan to improve academic performance as part of her review of the district's annual Texas Academic Report with BSISD trustees when they met Thursday night.

"We already have several plans," she said. "We already

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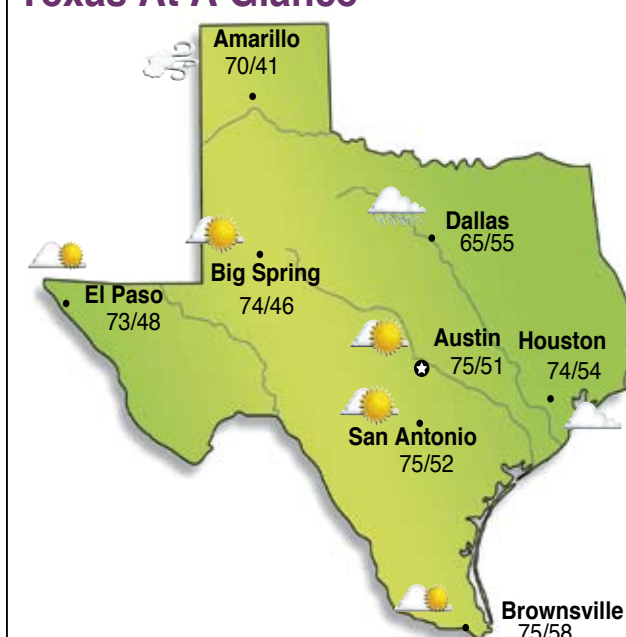
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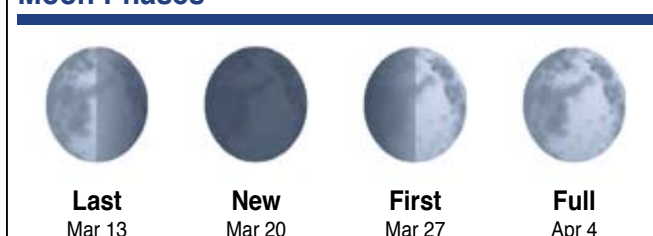
Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	70	48	mst sunny	Kingsville	76	56	cloudy
Amarillo	70	41	windy	Livingston	67	52	rain
Austin	75	51	mst sunny	Longview	64	53	rain
Beaumont	71	51	cloudy	Lubbock	71	43	mst sunny
Brownsville	75	58	pt sunny	Lufkin	68	53	rain
Brownwood	70	50	mst sunny	Midland	72	46	mst sunny
Corpus Christi	74	55	pt sunny	Raymondville	76	57	pt sunny
Corsicana	64	53	rain	Rosenberg	74	52	cloudy
Dallas	65	55	rain	San Antonio	75	52	mst sunny
Del Rio	77	48	mst sunny	San Marcos	75	52	mst sunny
El Paso	73	48	pt sunny	Sulphur Springs	61	55	rain
Fort Stockton	69	45	pt sunny	Sweetwater	70	47	sunny
Gainesville	61	51	rain	Tyler	64	54	rain
Greenville	61	54	rain	Weatherford	67	53	cloudy
Houston	74	54	cloudy	Wichita Falls	68	51	pt sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	48	43	rain	Minneapolis	60	34	pt sunny
Boston	40	30	mst sunny	New York	43	40	mst sunny
Chicago	63	42	pt sunny	Phoenix	85	60	sunny
Dallas	65	55	rain	San Francisco	71	53	pt sunny
Denver	57	33	cloudy	Seattle	70	52	cloudy
Houston	74	54	cloudy	St. Louis	56	50	rain
Los Angeles	89	63	sunny	Washington, DC	55	46	mst sunny
Miami	80	73	pt sunny				

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UV Index

Sat 3/14	Sun 3/15	Mon 3/16	Tue 3/17	Wed 3/18
7	7	7	7	5
High	High	High	High	Moderate

The UV Index is measured on a 0 - 11 number scale, 0 with a higher UV Index showing the need for greater skin protection.

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Police blotter

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

- JASON LARA, 36 of 1900 Martin Luther King Blvd. was arrested on charges of public intoxication.
- SHAWN MICHAEL OVERTON, 27, of 1503 Lincoln was arrested on charges of public intoxication.
- DERRICK DEWAYNE SMITH, 34, of 1429 E. 6th St. was arrested on charges of possession of drug paraphernalia.
- ALFONSO BARRERAS, 38, of 2111 Johnson St. was arrested on charges of criminal mischief of more than \$50 but less than \$500.
- DAVID REY GONZALES, 44, of 507 N. Lamesa St. was arrested on warrants for theft more than \$50 but less than \$500, two counts of failure to appear, and no driver's license when unlicensed.
- DISTURBANCE was reported in the 1900 block of Martin Luther King Blvd.
- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 500 block of Westover Rd.
- UNWANTED SUBJECT was reported in the 200 block of N.W. 12th St.

- THEFT was reported in the 1700 block of Purdue Ave. and in the 200 block of W. FM 700.
- ASSAULT was reported in the 1700 block of Wasson Rd.
- SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY was reported in the 2000 block of Lancaster St.
- MINOR ACCIDENT was reported at the intersection of Wasson St. and Parkway.
- DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported in the 1000 block of N. Main St.

The Howard County Sheriff Department reported the following activity:

- Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 67 inmates at the time of this report.
- DERRICK DEWAYNE SMITH, 34, was booked by the BSPD on charges of possession of drug paraphernalia.
- ALFONSO BARRERAS, 38, was booked by the BSPD on charges of criminal mischief more than \$50 but less than \$500.
- DAVID REY GONZALES, 44, was booked by the BSPD on warrants for theft more than \$50 but less than \$500, two counts of failure to appear, and no driver's license.

Take Note

The Kiwanis Club of Big Spring will have its annual Pancake Supper today, from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., at the Howard College cafeteria. Cost is \$6 per person and proceeds go to fund club projects throughout the year. For more information, call 432-270-2218.

For information on Garrett Parrish's condition, or to post messages of support, visit his Facebook page (#GP-STRONG). Parrish was seriously injured in a recent sledding accident.

An account has been set up at Wells Fargo Bank for Briana Mendoza to help with medical cost. Briana was recently diagnosed with cancer.

The Big Spring Symphony Board of Directors meets every second Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the symphony office, 808 Scurry Street

The All-School CHS Reunion date has been scheduled for Saturday, July 25, 2015. This year's focus will be on recognizing and honoring Coahoma ISD teachers from throughout the years.

Home Hospice is in need of volunteers of all ages. The organization is requesting volunteers to sit with patients, make items for patients and help with office work. Volunteers

set their own hours. For more information, contact Sherry Hodnett at 264-7911 or 432-213-0150.

Crossroads Hospice needs volunteers for patient care. Contact Eva at 263-5300.

A hungry child cannot learn. Food2Kids - Big Spring was created to provide nutrition for hundreds of children who do not get a substantial meal on the weekends. F2K began last November and this volunteer program now serves more than 300 children weekly. Once the need has been identified, F2K fills a sack of food to send home each Friday during the school year. You can help. Volunteers are needed and donations can be sent to Food2Kids - Big Spring, P.O. Box 1641, Big Spring 79721. Find us on Facebook at www.Facebook.com/Food2Kids

Order of the Eastern Star Big Spring Chapter 67 meets the third Tuesday of each month at 219 Main St. Dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. Lodge meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome. For more information, contact Jimmy Ruth at 270-7263.

Staked Plains Masonic Lodge No. 598 meets the second Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. (dinner is at 6 p.m.) at 219 1/2 Main St. All Masons are welcome.

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

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

- Reformers Anonymous 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 main entrance 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 Healing Center.

Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; closed discussion meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Al-Anon, 615 Settles for family members and friends of alcoholics meets at 8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

RSD (Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy, a chronic pain disease), a new support and informative group meets at 213 Circle.

Call Lucy at (432) 517-9207 for more information.

Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; open 12 & 12 study meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

THURSDAY

Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, open discussion noon to 1 p.m.; women's meeting; 6:30 until 7:30 p.m. Non-smoking closed discussion meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

Spring Tabernacle Ministries has a faith-based support group for those who need help finding and continuing to walk down the path God has for each of us. Meetings are at 11 a.m. until noon and again at 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.. The classes take place at Spring Tabernacle Ministries, located at 1209 Wright St.

Weight Watchers meets at 6 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church. Weigh-in is at 5:30 p.m. Weigh-in is confidential and you don't have to talk if you don't want to. Flexible payment options.

The Crossroads Young Marines is taking applications for another boot camp. For more information, call 432-517-4791. Young Marines welcomes boys and girls ages 8 to 18 who are still attending school.

The Big Spring Senior Center dance is open to all ages. No alcohol or smoking. Our parking lot is now well lit, and we are handicapped-accessible. Cost is \$8 per person.

Victim Services is a non-profit independent community-based program serving victims of all violent crime, including, but not limited to, assault, sexual assault and domestic violence. Victim Services advocates are available 24 hours of day, 365 days a year to provide crisis intervention or accompaniment to the hospital and law enforcement agencies as needed. If you can commit to 30-hour training, an interview process and a background check, we need you. For more information, call Linda Calvio at 432-263-3312.

Big Spring and surrounding counties are in need of foster families. Foster parents are the caretakers for the children in the community who have been abused or neglected. For more information on becoming foster parents or adoptive families, call the Children's Protective Services office at 432-263-9669.

The mission of CASA of West Texas is to promote and support quality volunteers who speak for the best interest of abused and neglected children in court in an effort to find each child a safe, nur-

turing and permanent home. We need your help. If you're interested in volunteering, contact Sara Basaldua at 1-877-316-8346 or visit www.BecomeaCASA.org or www.casawtx.org.

Mobile meals is in need of volunteer delivery drivers. If you donate one hour per week to help deliver meals to the elderly, call Kim Plew at 263-4016.

The Homeownership Preservation Foundation (HPF) is an independent national nonprofit dedicated to helping distressed homeowners navigate financial challenges and avoid mortgage foreclosure. If you want to stop mortgage foreclosure and are in need of help, the time to call 888-995-HOPE is now. HPF can provide counseling free of charge, in English and 170 other languages, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year.

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Big Spring High School Auditorium
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March 19-22
Carnival: Howard County Fair Grounds

March 27
MHMR Hoops, Dreams, and Goals:
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News in brief

Prayer vigil, nonviolent protests prevail in Ferguson 1 night after shooting of 2 officers

FERGUSON, Mo. (AP) — Protesters called for calm but vowed to keep pushing for change in Ferguson a day after the shooting of two officers in front of the city's police department heightened tensions in the St. Louis suburb.

Dozens gathered for a candlelight vigil Thursday night, where they expressed sympathy for the wounded officers. They also prayed for peace as Ferguson moves forward in the wake of a scathing Justice Department report on racial bias in its law-enforcement practices.

A larger crowd of about 200 protesters gathered later outside the police department, but the scene was a marked contrast to the previous night, when fights broke out before the shootings.

Some called for specific changes: the resignation of Ferguson's mayor or the disbanding of the police department. Others were there to remember 18-year-old Michael Brown, whose shooting death by a Ferguson police officer in August made the city a national focal point.

"We'll not be derailed in the pursuit of justice by anybody or anything that wants to get in our way," said the Rev. Traci Blackmon, a member of the state's Ferguson Commission who led the prayer vigil at a public plaza in downtown Ferguson near the police department. "We refuse to stop."

Ukraine's conflict stains innocence of childhood as adult hatreds seep into play

KHARTSYZK, Ukraine (AP) — Seryozha colors in his drawing of a tank, lost in thought. Like many 7-year-olds in eastern Ukraine, he has trouble recalling a time before the war.

"They've always been shooting," he says, vigorously scratching with the brightest of pencils.

Yelena Nikulenko, the director of the children's home in the rebel-held town of Khartsyzk, says kids like Seryozha have been let down twice.

First orphaned or abandoned by their parents, they were then dumped by their new families when the Ukrainian government stopped paying benefits to foster families in separatist-controlled areas.

"On top of that, you have the war, the shelling, the fear," Nikulenko says.

"It will be a scar for the rest of their lives, that's for sure," he added.

Islamic State says group has accepted Boko Haram's pledge of allegiance

BEIRUT (AP) — Islamic State militants have accepted a pledge of allegiance by the Nigerian-grown Boko Haram extremist group, according to a spokesman for the Islamic State movement.

The development Thursday came as both groups — among the most ruthless in the world — are under increasing military pressure and have sus-

tained setbacks on the battlefield.

Islamic State seized much of northern and western Iraq last summer, gaining control of about a third of both Iraq and Syria. But it is now struggling against Iraqi forces seeking to recapture Saddam Hussein's hometown of Tikrit, while coming under fire from U.S.-led coalition air strikes in other parts of the country and in Syria.

Boko Haram, meanwhile, has been weakened by a multinational force that has dislodged it from a score of northeastern Nigerian towns. But its new Twitter account, increasingly slick and more frequent video messages, and a new media arm all were considered signs that the group is now being helped by IS propagandists.

Then on Saturday, Boko Haram leader Abubakar Shekau posted an audio recording online that pledged allegiance to IS.

Islamic State group introduces new restrictions to prevent Mosul residents from fleeing city

BAGHDAD (AP) — Freedom from the Islamic State group comes at a steep price, as one newly wedded couple recently discovered. Eager to live a normal life, away from the harsh dominion of the militants' self-styled caliphate, the young pair is searching for ways to bypass the extremists' newly-implemented departure taxes and escape the IS-held city of Mosul.

"Life is unbearable with these people," the groom said, speaking on condition of anonymity for fear of reprisals. "Do they really want me to give up the house my father spent years building to an Afghani or Chechen or to an Iraqi villager so that I can leave for good? They are dreaming."

Fearing the city might simply empty of civilians, or that fleeing residents may join the fight against them, the Islamic State extremists are imposing tough measures to prevent people from leaving their territory.

Several residents, who spoke to The Associated Press by telephone on condition of anonymity to ensure their safety, said anyone seeking to leave must submit the title for their family home or car — if the vehicle is worth more than \$20,000 — to be granted permission to leave for two weeks. If they fail to return within that period, their property will be confiscated.

"We are being governed by wicked and unscrupulous people," said the 29-year old groom, who stayed behind to protect his family home. Most of his family had already fled last June when a shock Islamic State blitz overran Mosul.

Obama to visit Phoenix VA hospital amid lingering questions over veterans' health care

PHOENIX (AP) — President Barack Obama is making a first-time visit to the Arizona veterans' hospital that triggered a national examination into how the government cares for its former service members to get an appraisal on the health system's

progress and its lingering needs.

Obama will travel to Phoenix on Friday to draw attention to the Veterans Affairs Department response to widespread mismanagement where VA workers falsified waiting lists to conceal chronic delays in care.

The visit comes amid questions from lawmakers who say veterans are still not benefiting from changes in the law that were meant to improve their access to care. A month ago, Obama drew criticism for traveling to Phoenix without stopping at the VA hospital.

Obama, joined by the new VA secretary, Robert McDonald, is expected to meet with veterans, VA employees, veterans' groups and elected officials, including Sens. John McCain and Jeff Flake, the two Republican senators from Arizona. McCain has been especially critical of the administration's response to the VA's troubles.

The White House defended the VA's actions to correct problems.

At odds with privacy groups and Google, Justice Dept. seeks rule change on computer access

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Justice Department is at odds with Google and privacy groups over the government's push to make it easier to locate and hack into computers in criminal investigations, a simmering conflict with constitutional and policy implications.

Federal prosecutors say better tools are needed to track down computer users who hide their locations while committing crimes on the Internet. But civil libertarians fear that the proposal, now under consideration by a federal advisory committee, would grant the government expansive new powers to reach into computers across the country.

The proposal would change existing rules of criminal procedure that, with limited exceptions, permit judges to approve warrants for property searches only in the districts where they serve. The government says those rules are outdated in an era when child pornographers, drug traffickers and others can mask their whereabouts on computer networks that offer anonymity. That technology can impede or thwart efforts to pinpoint a suspect's geographic location.

The Justice Department wants the rules changed so that judges in a district where "activities related to a crime" have occurred could approve warrants to search computers, even those outside their districts.

Correction

In Thursday edition of the Big Spring Herald, Vanessa C. Olivas, who was arrested on charges of theft by a public servant and tampering with governmental records, was incorrectly identified as an employee of the Howard County Tax Appraisal District employee. She was an employee of the Howard County Tax Assessor-Collector's office.

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have a targeted improvement plan at the district level that is to honed in on specific things we need to do. We will visit that more often. Look at what is causing it. If we are assigned a monitor, the monitor will come in once or twice a month and hold us accountable. I honestly think we

have some good plans in place to get those high quality teachers here and keep them."

Wagner added the process to regain full accreditation is about a six months.

"It's baby steps to get where we need to be," Wagner said. "We have a new accountability system and new leadership. It's going to take us some time but if everyone would stick with us and support us we

feel like we have a good framework in place and we are going to the students where they need to be and get the teachers the tools they need to make a difference in the classroom."

The Texas Academic Report, which is submitted to TEA each year and posted to the district's website for public access, includes information on other issues such as the district's financial status,

a tracking of how BSISD students fare in higher education after graduation, testing scores and violent and criminal activity data occurring on the district. The new report is expected to be posted on the BSISD website in the next couple of weeks.

In other matters, trustees approved:

- Approved the 2015-2016 school year calendar.
- A memorandum with the HOPE Foundation, a new program to support teacher excellence in education.
- A correction to the

superintendent's contraction extension date to extend the contract of Chris Wigington's to June 2017.

- Personnel and financial matters

Contact Lyndel Moody at 263-7331, ext. 234, or

citydesk@bigspringherald.com.

ANDRUS

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ered along Gregg Street to show their support. They cheered him on and waved as he jogged past. Cars honked and

waved to Ernie as he made the trek through town.

By the time he ended his run for the day, he had more people running with him than when he started.

Saturday morning, Er-

nie will take up the next leg of his journey as he heads out of town down Highway 87.

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Andy Lee Flores, Sr., 44, died Saturday. Vigil service will be tonight at 7 p.m. at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

James Labrew, 81, died Wednesday. Services are pending.

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An inconvenient matter

Former first lady of Arkansas, former first lady of the United States, former senator from New York, former secretary of state and — by all appearances — future candidate for presidency, Hillary Clinton, has been part of public life for more than 30 years, but her appearance this week before reporters revealed much about her that we had never known.

Clinton's performance on Tuesday at a news conference at the United Nations came after a week during which she avoided public discussion about why she had used her personal email to carry out public business while serving as secretary of state.

Her appearance provides a window into her personality and her process and revealed an image far different from the one she has cultivated over the years.

In the best of all worlds, news conference participants answer reporters' questions honestly and openly and give themselves an opportunity to get out their messages.

After the news conference is finished, reporters report and life moves on. In really well-handled news conferences, the performance of the party handling the tough questions can enhance that person's persona.

In poorly run press conferences, on the other hand, newsmakers are not truthful, do not provide answers, and raise more questions than they answer. Poor performances can lead to a downgrading of a public figure's persona.

This news conference ended up in the middle: Answers were given, but not all questions were answered; the issue was not put to bed. What was most startling initially — but upon reflection makes sense — was the poor performance of the principal party.

After all, if Clinton fumbles a news conference about work/

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personal emails, how can we expect her to handle more difficult issues?

She appeared tired, and the campaign has not yet started.

She appeared to be reading notes for her opening statement and referred to the notes throughout the news conference. While this focus may have helped her stay on message, it made the event appear staged and made her appear stiff, as if she were acting out the role of the underling staffer for her campaign rather than the principal with intimate knowledge of the event.

Clinton's message of convenience fell flat after a week of "no comment."

When she finally addressed the questions, she appeared too evasive, bored or tired.

She showed that she lacks her husband's charm and affability, and left journalists wanting real answers.

Poor delivery was made worse with poor messaging:

"I opted, for convenience, to use my personal email account," she said. "Looking back, it would've been better if I'd simply used a second email account and carried a second phone, but at the time, this didn't seem like an issue."

Convenience over effort; hindsight better than foresight. Not the best messages for a presidential candidate.

"The vast majority of" the emails "went to government employees at their government addresses, which meant they were captured and preserved

immediately on the system," according to Clinton. But that raises another question: What about those that were not in the vast majority?

When asked about the process she used to separate personal emails from private ones, Clinton responded, "We went through a thorough process to identify all of my work-related emails and deliver them to the State Department. At the end, I chose not to keep my private personal emails."

The other emails are all gone — deleted.

When asked, "could you answer the questions that have been raised about foreign contributions from Middle Eastern countries, such as Saudi Arabia, that abuse women or permit violence against women to the family foundation and whether that disturbs you?" Clinton gave a non-answer answer, noting, "So I think that people who want to support the foundation know full well what it is we stand for and what we're working on."

And the email math simply doesn't add up. Maybe her aides processed most of her communication while she was at State — in which case, this should have been the lede a week ago. Clinton noted that "the process produced over 30,000, you know, work emails" that were then passed over to the State Department. Based on four years of work, this equates to 21 emails per day during her tenure. I get more emails than that in my personal email account spam file alone, and I'm not secretary of state.

Poor messaging; half-hearted delivery.

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Cohabiting ... with children

Call me old-fashioned, but for most working women, shacking up with the father of their kids is a life of unfair drudgery.



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I know a woman. Works like a dog. She's a loving mother, raising a lovable boy. She's also a good businesswoman, running a successful salon.

But she's not married to the father, though he lives with her ... year after year. As for work, he does a little bit of this and a little bit of that. She pays most of the bills and scrounges for child care. His parents, meanwhile, have a grandkid to play with.

Cohabiting with children is a growing trend among American families, particularly for whites and Hispanics.

It now accounts for 59 percent of births outside marriage, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Call me old-fashioned, but for most working women, shacking up with the father of their kids is a life of unfair drudgery.

In many cases, it is more unfair than single motherhood. In addition to child care, the cohabiting woman is burdened with man care.

She's providing the comforts of home, hearth and family.

He, meanwhile, has the freedom to move on to new pastures without even having to call a lawyer.

Calm down, will ya? OK, I'm calm.

More than a quarter of American children are now being born to couples living together without marriage.

This is the highest rate ever and double what it was a decade ago.

(You'll never guess which state has the highest percentage of cohabiting parents. South Dakota, at 46 percent.)

Although this sounds like a stabler home life for children than the single-parent household, it's only marginally so, *The Wall Street Journal* reports. Interestingly, the share of children being born out of wedlock without a father at home has shrunk a little.

Jane Waldfogel, who teaches social work at Columbia University, told the *Journal* that for kids, the instability and uncertainty of living with cohabiting parents "is in some ways closer to single parenthood than it is to marriage."

Cohabiting parents can break up so much more easily than married ones.

No doubt some couples choose this arrangement specifically to keep that door ajar — the well-being of children no longer serving as a lock.

The frequent excuse is that Mom and Dad aren't financially and emotionally ready to get married. (But they are financially and emotionally ready to have children, right?)

Many of our longest-lasting marriages were embarked upon by couples who were dead broke, but what did they know?

We understand, this is the land of countless variation.

I know two old hippies who have been living together for decades, devoted to each other and their children, and sharing the work.

They are a cohabiting model but the exception, according to sociologists.

There are many marriages in which all the heavy lifting falls on her.

And somewhere in America there is a cohabiting father who performs all the child rearing, breadwinning and floor sweeping while the lady's at home doing her nails.

Sometimes it's the mother who declares her desire not to be tied down to a guy — though that often sounds like bravado.

The great majority of Americans say they want marriage. In the bar pickup culture, the mother with children at home is a more complicated prospect than the father going back to his bachelor pad.

As expected, the higher you move up the economic and educational ladder the stronger the insistence on getting married before having children.

The financial advantage marriage confers on these families may not be the only reason for America's widening wealth gap, but it's a significant one.

Cohabiting with children may look similar to marriage with children, but it's usually a weak substitute. Expect more of it.

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- March 18, Holy Trinity Parish, 1009 Hearn Street. Feature speaker is the Rev. Ken McIntosh, pastor of First Christian Church.
- March 25, First Baptist Church, 507 W FM700. The Rev. Bill Ivins, pastor of First United Methodist Church will speak.

Did you ever wonder? Jacob again faces Esau

Immediately after the departure of the angel Jacob looked up and saw Esau advancing with his four hundred men. So now, Jacob divides his second camp even further. He put the two handmaids and their children in the first group, Leah and her children next, and Rachel and Joseph last.



EUNICE FILLER

Then Jacob went alone ahead of them to meet his brother. As Jacob approached his brother, he bowed seven times. Jacob was asking for forgiveness and for mercy. Jacob came with his family... his household, and Esau came with soldiers.

Esau ran toward Jacob without his soldiers and embraced him. The Scripture reads, "Esau fell on his neck and kissed him; then they wept." In the Scripture the word used is "vayeeskahoo," meaning kissed. But it is writ-

ten strangely; above each letter there is a dot. The sages say these dots elude to teeth marks... that Esau actually bit Jacob on the neck to show dominance.

Afterwards, when Esau's descendants conquer a people, they rape the women and bite them on the neck, as a brand, to show that they have been degraded as slaves. Esau disputed with Jacob over the gifts of livestock, saying that he had plenty and didn't need his brother's gifts. But Jacob insisted that Esau accept them. "Please accept my gift which was brought to you, inasmuch as God has been gracious to me and inasmuch as I have everything." This "everything" could mean the Birthright and the Right of the Firstborn.

Esau finally acquiesced, saying, "Let what you have remain yours." "What you have" could also speak of the Birthright and the Right of the Firstborn. This could possibly mean peace or at least a truce between the brothers. Esau wanted to escort Jacob

back to his country of Seir, also called Edom; but Jacob could not afford to go to Seir. His mission from God was to return to the Land. He pleaded with Esau that traveling at the pace comfortable to an army would not be good for his small children or his livestock. Jacob urged his brother to go on ahead and he would travel slower.

However, when Esau and his men were at a great distance, Jacob and his caravan turned and camped on the west side of the River Jordan. In fact Jacob resided in this place long enough to build houses for his people and shelters for his animals. Because it was so unusual in that culture to be so compassionate to animals, the place earned the name Succoth, meaning animal shelter.

Eunice Filler, author of "Rachael: Porch Swings and Spearmint Tea," is a former school teacher with ties to the Big Spring community. She has returned to enjoy her retirement as a Big Spring resident. Questions? Fillereunice@yahoo.com.

Church News

Cornerstone Covenant Church

Cornerstone Covenant Church would like to invite you to join us this Sunday as we continue with our 2015 Ministry Focus series entitled, "Love Completely." March has ushered us into the topic "A Love of Family." During this series of messages, for the entire month, we will look at the biblical concept of marriage, parenting and forgiveness.

On Friday from 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. join us at 706 E. 12th St., in the main sanctuary our marriage ministry will be hosting the XO: Marriage Conference Simulcast. Hope you will make time to join us.

Monday at 6 p.m. the Far Above Rubies Women's Ministry will be gathering at 2906 W. 8th St. — The Meet and Greet. The theme this time is "The Color Green" so make sure you wear the color green and bring a dish to share.

Tuesday at 6 p.m. our Single's Ministry will be gathering on St. Patrick's Day at Bowl-A-Rama. Come out and join us for a night of fun and fellowship. Wednesday, at 7 p.m. join us for mid-week Bible study. Our current subject is the study of the Book of Titus. CCC offers classes for all ages.

On Sunday, April 5, at 10:30 a.m. join us for our 2015 Easter Service we will have performing arts, dance, praise and worship, awesome fellowship, and of course the preached word of God.

Sunday, April 12, at 9 a.m. our new members class will start on the second Sunday in April and sign-ups are due by April 9.

Lastly, we serve a free breakfast each Sunday morning at 10 a.m. in the Misfits Lounge. Please join us every Sunday at 10:30 a.m. for worship. CCC offers nursery and children church for both mid-week and Sunday services. We are located at 706 East 12th Street. For office hours contact our administrative office at 432-264-0015. You can also find us at facebook.com/CCCBigSpring; or visit us at www.ccbigspring.org if you would like more information.

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First Baptist Church — Big Spring

Come worship with us Sunday at 10:45 a.m. Dr. Dennis Etheredge will be bringing God's message from the pulpit, as our prayers and happy congratulations go out to Pastor Mark Lindsey and wife Sherry on the arrival of their twin grand-daughters. If unable to attend, you may watch the service

through the live web stream at: fbcbigspring.org.

At 9:30 a.m. Sunday School classes meet throughout the building, with children gathering in the Good News Garage on the first floor, and youth and adult classes meeting on the second floor. Greeters are available. Come early for fellowship and coffee.

There will be no AWANA or evening Youth activities Sunday due to the start of spring break.

Evening worship service starts at 6 p.m., and is a wonderful way to refresh your spirit as we begin a new week. Pastor Lindsey's message continues to take us on a fascinating journey through the Old Testament.

All area women are invited to participate in the Ladies' Bible study offered Monday's at 9:30 a.m. or Wednesday's at 5:30 p.m. "Fight Back With Joy" by Margaret Feinberg is the featured study and focuses on helping us embrace a life that is richer and fuller: a life radiant with joy. Call 263-1958 or 267-8223 for more information.

All area teens, (and dodgeball enthusiasts), are invited to the annual Association wide Dodgeball Tournament March 22 at 3 p.m. in the Family Life Center. Come enjoy the fun, fellowship, and pizza. Call Jonathan at 270-8332 for details.

There will be no Wednesday evening activities this week, with the exception of adult choir practice which will meet at 6 p.m.

FBC is located at 705 W FM 700.

First Church of the Nazarene

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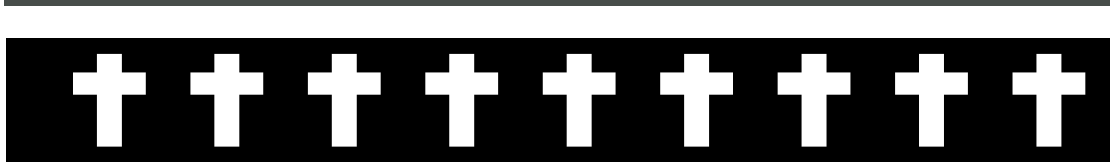
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Club News

Reflections: Changing the rules

It is always important to know the rules in anything we do. We have rules at school, rules at work and rules at home. We establish laws to govern traffic: speed limits, stop signs, turn lanes and signals. We pass laws for family, marriage, commerce and civil conduct. We spend billions of dollars to employ officials, judges and lawyers to make sure the rules are obeyed.



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We even have rules for play. Every sports official has its rules with referees to insure that the rules are enforced. We have added instant replay to make sure their rulings are fair and objective. Still, arguments erupt and tempers flare when either side believes it has been unfairly judged. As the final four heats up, we will watch red-faced basketball coaches frantically screaming from the sidelines at referees who miss a call.

Some rules are unwritten. We assume we know them from birth. They are common to every culture on earth.

They are simple rules: love your family and your friends. Do good things for them. Love your country. If someone hits you, hit them back. Don't break in line. Lend only to those who will pay you back with interest. Look out for "number one." Protect your property. Defend yourself. If someone wrongs you, get even.

Sometimes we follow these rules even when they conflict with the law. They are the stuff of most movies and novels. They are the rules by which we live our lives.

Jesus' words sound strange when compared to our natural assumptions about how life is supposed to work. "But I say to you who hear, love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you. Whoever hits you on the cheek, offer him the other also; and whoever takes away your coat, do not withhold your shirt from him either. Give to everyone who asks of you, and whoever takes away what is yours, do not demand it back. Treat others the same way you want them to treat you. If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. If you lend to those from whom you expect to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners in order to receive back the same amount. But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High; for He Himself is kind to ungrateful and evil men. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful." (Luke 6:27-36).

Jesus changes all the rules.

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



Courtesy Photo

Stacey Slaton, HC art professor demonstrates a ceramic technique called pinch pot.

Big Spring Art Association

The Big Spring Art Association met Tuesday, Feb. 17, at the Howard County Library. Stacey Slaton, art director and teacher at Howard College, presented the program. Ms. Slaton demonstrated an ancient ceramic technique called pinch pot. She demonstrated how to make a whistle and a box using this technique. The demonstration was new to some and thoroughly enjoyed by all.

and Tuesdays to adults as well as children. Carolyn has a bachelors degree, masters in education (art emphasis), and a masters in fine art degree. Mrs. Walker and her husband have two sons and three grandchildren. Mrs. Walker will use acrylics to demonstrate "Painting Skyscapes."

The next meeting is Tuesday, March 17, in the basement of the Howard County Library.

CHURCH

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We have many classes on Sunday mornings a new class has started for Married Couples.

Sunday Service begins at 10 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Pastor Cal began last week delivering messages on Lent and what is required of followers of Christ. Children's church is at 10 a.m. Sunday in the Fellowship Hall, evening youth activities are at 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday night we have church supper followed by prayer meeting starting at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary while children and youth classes are in other classrooms.

You can also listen each Sunday to KBST 95.7 at 10 am for a live broadcast of our service. You can also catch up on previous services by going to nazfamily.org

We are located at 1400 Lancaster. Contact the church office at 432-267-7015.

First Presbyterian Church — Big Spring

The regular Wednesday church activities are the following: 4:15 p.m. children's choir; 5:10 p.m., young women's choir; 5:17 p.m., the Lectionary Bible study, led by Craig Holstedt and Tom Koger; 6 p.m., Chancel choir rehearsal. However, the children's choir and young women's choir did not meet on March 11, during Spring Break.

Last Sunday, the Rev. Holstedt recognized all of our Girl Scouts and their leaders as the nation celebrated National Girl Scout's Day. We are happy to

have a Girl Scout troop that meets in our church building.

The children's Sunday school is pursuing a study for Lent entitled "The Last Supper." Teachers for this unit are Jenn Patterson for storytelling, Ellen Austin for cooking, Christine Boling for art, Sarah Salinas for music/worship, and Paula Farquhar for Games. On Palm Sunday, March 29, the children will have music practice since they are singing during worship.

The regular monthly meeting of the Session is Tuesday, at 6 p.m. in the church library.

A head's-up note for Presbyterian Women for Tuesday, March 24: the monthly meeting and Bible study will be preceded by a church cleanup beginning at 10:30 a.m.

We would like to make the evening of March 24 First Presbyterian Volunteer Day at Food2Kids-Big Spring. Refer to your church newsletter for more information.

Please note that the 20th of each month is the deadline to send in information for the next month's church newsletter to Caroline Morgan at communications.fpcbs@gmail.com. Help Caroline make our newsletter better by sharing your news.

On Wednesday, the Ecumenical Lenten Luncheon will be at Holy Trinity Parish Church, with the Rev. Ken McIntosh of First Christian as speaker.

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After a hit with Nerds, Sonic plans another candy-drink mix

NEW YORK (AP) — Sugar is a bad word in some circles but that isn't stopping Sonic from pouring candy into its drinks.

Last summer, Sonic Drive-In launched a line-up of Slush drinks with Nerds candy mixed in. They were so popular the chain says some people ask to get the crunchy little candies mixed into other drinks, like soda.

And given their success, CEO Cliff Hudson says Sonic is looking at adding a second candy-drink mashup this summer, although he declined to provide details.

In the meantime, the Nerds are still on menus as a drink add-in for around 30 cents.

Already, a medium Grape Slush has 73 grams of sugar and 230 calories. Add in the Nerds, and it has 130 grams of sugar and 510 calories.

Sonic, which has more than 3,500 locations, notes it also offers plenty of lower-calorie drink choices, such as sparkling water with the option to add in various fresh fruits and flavors.

Drinks have been a big part of Sonic's growth strategy, with the company letting people mix and match

flavors and offering them at half price between 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. The company says drinks now represent 30 percent of its total sales. That's compared to an average of about 22 percent for the overall fast-food industry, according to Technomic.

More broadly, Sonic has been increasing sales in part by revamping recipes, such as for its chicken sandwich. In the most recent quarter that ended on Feb. 28, the company said sales rose 11.5 percent



This photo shows a large Sonic Slush drinks with Nerds candy mixed in, in Holmes, Pa.

Photo: Matt Rourke, AP

at established locations. That's following an 8.5 percent increase in the previous quarter, and a 3.5 percent increase for its last fiscal year.

CHURCH

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The final luncheon will be March 25, at First Baptist Church, the Rev. Carroll Kohl, of Christ Alive Lutheran, speaker.

Other Lenten service dates are as follows: March 29, Palm Sunday, morning worship at 10:50 a.m. in the Sanctuary; April 2, Maundy Thursday, evening worship and communion at 7 p.m. in the Chapel; April 3, Good Friday, evening worship at 7 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church of Coahoma; April 5, Easter Sunday morning worship with communion at 10:50 a.m. in the Sanctuary.

The Youth Group meets at 6 p.m. Sunday afternoon after men's chorus practice at 5:15. Dinner will be followed by Handbell practice and group meeting.

Ellen Austin is in charge of Take Ten for this Sunday.

The lectionary for the Fourth Sunday in Lent is Numbers 21:4-9; Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22; Ephesians 2:1-10; John 3:14-21. The Rev. Craig Holstedt will deliver the sermon. The choir will present "Wondrous Love" by Paul Christianson as the offertory anthem.

Please note that 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 worship, you may listen in on KBST 1490 AM., beginning at 11 a.m. If you wish to have a printed bulletin for Sunday services, please call the church office at 263-4211. You may also see what's happening at the church

by visiting our website: www.fpcbs.org. On our website, you can find a link that will enable you to listen to several recent sermons by the Rev. Craig Holstedt. We would be pleased for you to Like us on Facebook.

Forsan Baptist Church

This Sunday morning we will continue our series on Ordinary People. Our message is titled, "Doing or Living," and comes from Ruth 1:14-18.

On Wednesday evenings we are currently involved in a Bible study in the Book of Exodus, tracing back the elements of God's plan that got us to this point in history. On Sunday evenings we have begun a new Bible study called "Praying the Promises of God." Join us as we explore the many promises found in the Bible and discover how to incorporate those into our prayer life.

On March 29 we will have a Fifth Sunday Sing during evening worship. Join us as we spend the entire hour singing together, listening to special music, and lifting our voices in praise.

Our church is located at 201 Main in Forsan. Sunday School begins at 9:50 a.m., with worship services at 10:50 a.m. and 6 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 432-213-2348.

Spring Creek Fellowship

A fundraiser Bake Sale for Michaela Hart to help her go on her mission trip to South Africa will be held at the West entrance to Walmart on Saturday,

March 21 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. If you would like to donate funds or baked goods for this event, please contact Sue Hart or the church office.

We are almost ready to start painting our new home in the Spring Town Plaza. If you would like to help by donating a gallon of

paint, please contact Dorothy Nichols. We will need approximately 400 gallons and the cost of each gallon is \$35.

"Sowing Seeds of Hope" fiber crafts and prayer shawl ministry meets at the church Saturdays at 10 a.m. If you are interested in learning a fiber craft (crochet, knitting, weaving, felting, etc.) or have projects you would like to share or just to have some fellowship while crafting, come join us.

A new session of the Pain Management class meets Tuesdays at 6 p.m. New "Connection Groups" are meeting now on Sunday mornings at 9:15 a.m. "Community Groups" meet Wednesday nights a various locations. Go to our website or call the church office for more info.

"Grief Share," a grief support group, meets Sundays from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Anyone who has experienced the loss of a loved one is invited and encouraged to attend. The number of classes will depend on the number of people who sign up. We hope to have groups for men and youth as well as for women. For more info on "Grief Share," visit www.griefshare.org or contact the office.

Big Spring Classical Academy classes include Junior K through Junior High this year. Visit our website at bigspringclassical.org for more information or contact Donna Sue Looney.

The Big Spring Classical Academy has started a Preschool. It currently is a two day per week preschool and will eventually move into a full-time preschool for ages 3 months through 4 years old. Times are 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. For more info, go to www.bscape-school.org.

Weekly Happenings:

Sunday- 9:15 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. - Sunday School/ Connection Groups

10:15 a.m. - 1:05 a.m. - "Holy Grounds Café" is open with snacks and fellowship.

10:45 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. - Worship Service

Tuesday - noon - 2 p.m. - Prayer Team meets at Spring Town Plaza

Noon - Narcotics Anonymous meets at Spring Town Plaza

6 p.m. - Pain Management Group meets at church.

Friday

7 p.m. - 8 p.m. - Narcotics Anonymous meets at SCF.

Saturday

7:30 a.m. - Weekly Men's Prayer Breakfast & Fellowship

10 a.m. - "Sowing Seeds of Hope" Crafting fellowship

Sunday

4 p.m. - "Grief Share" meets at SCF.

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

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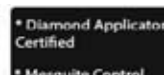
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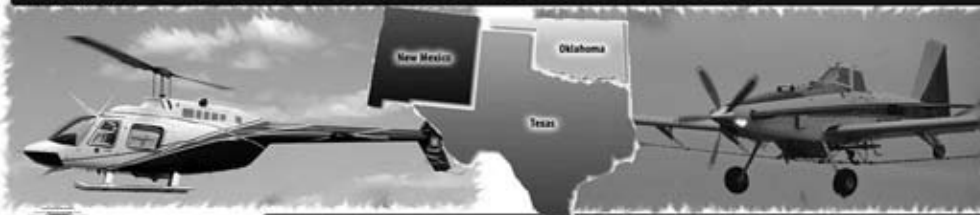
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Wildcats advance to finals with win over Calvert

By TOMMY WELLS
Sports Editor

The Grady Wildcats are headed to the championship game at the Class A boys' state basketball tournament in San Antonio.

Thanks to a late basket by senior Beau Lucas.

The Grady standout pushed in a layup with 3.8 seconds left on Thursday morning and helped Grady rally for a 76-75 overtime victory over the Calvert Trojans in front of a large crowd in the Alamodome.

With the win, Grady will advance to face Texline in the state championship game on Saturday. Texline edged out

Graford in their first round game, 76-48.

It didn't appear as if the Wildcats would need a last-second basket to claim the victory early on. Grady turned in a dominating effort on the offensive end through the first three quarters and built a seemingly comfortable 11 point lead in the third.

Unfortunately for the Wildcats, Calvert never got the memo that the game was over. The Trojans, 22-3 overall, roared back in the final minutes of the third quarter, outscoring Grady by a 19-12 spree and taking a 56-55 advantage into the start of the fourth quarter.

Calvert continued to carry

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Class 2A

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Class 6A

Plano West vs. Irving MacArthur
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the hot hand in the first 4:21 of the fourth and took a 5-point

lead, at 66-61, on an offensive tip in by Quan Thompson.

The Wildcats answered right back. After Lucas had sank two free throws to pull GHS to within three, E.J. Rodriguez took control. He stripped Thompson on a play and drove in for a layup and a foul with 1:42 left in regulation.

Rodriguez converted the free throw opportunity to tie the game at 68-68.

Braeden Jones, after Calvert had regain the lead with a basket moments later, sent the game into overtime by pushing home an offensive rebound that tied the score at 70-70.

Calvert jumped to an early

advantage in the extra frame, scoring a basket at the 2:41 mark.

Jones quieted the Trojans' fans 23 seconds later. He took a pass from Lucas on the wing and drained a three-point shot that staked the Wildcats to a 73-72 lead.

Jones' trey was one of 12 hit by Grady during the game.

Grady would still need a bit more.

Calvert's Chopp handed the Trojans the lead back with 22 seconds left in the OT period by pushing in an offensive rebound.

As a team, Calvert out-rebounded Grady by a 63-48 margin, including 34-17 on

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Steers grab a win in Snyder

By TOMMY WELLS
Sports Editor

The Big Spring High School Steers, backed by a pair of solid pitching performances, earned a split of their two games at the 2015 Snyder Invitational tournament on Thursday.

The Steers suffered a heart-rending 6-4 loss to Idalou in the second game of the round-robin event, dropping a 6-4 decision despite giving up just two hits.

Idalou managed to grab the early lead in the contest, scratching out three runs in the top of the first.

The Steers, now 3-3 overall, rallied back to tie the game in their half of the first.

Big Spring grabbed the lead in the second, pushing across a run to take a 4-3 cushion.

After taking a 4-3 cushion in the third, Idalou wrapped up the win with two runs in the fifth.

Garrett Wigington led the BSHS offensive attack by recording three hits. Anthony Godwin and Preston Alexander also contributed two hits.

Alex Flores pitched Game 2 for the Steers.

Big Spring claimed a thrilling 1-0 victory over Seminole in their first bout of the tournament.

The Steers' scored the game's only run in the top of the fourth inning.

Wigington enjoyed a solid day at the plate by collecting two hits. Godwin and Matt Yanez also notched clutch hits.

Big Spring was slated to kick off the second day of play this morning with a 9 a.m. matchup with Shallowater.

Burmeister grabs lead in Iditarod race

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP) — Aaron Burmeister of Nome was the first musher to leave the Iditarod Sled Dog Race's checkpoint at Galena just before 6:30 a.m.

Also on the trail of about 80 miles to the village of Huslia are defending champion Dallas Seavey, Martin Buser, Thomas Waerner, Hugh Neff and Curt Perano.

There's about another 20 mushers in Galena, including four-time champion Jeff King.



Herald photo/Tommy Wells

Haiven Rushing (far left) and Chloe Bustamante (third from left) sprint down the stretch early in the girls' 2,400-meter run competition on Thursday at Blankenship Field. Rushing finished with a time of 9:44 and shattered her school mark.

Rushing, Miller highlight Steers' efforts at the junior high track meet

By TOMMY WELLS
Sports Editor

Haiven Rushing and Cooper Miller went into the 2015 track and field season as two of the better known junior high school athletes in the area. They moved their names into legendary status on Thursday afternoon in front of a large crowd at Blankenship Stadium.

Rushing and Cooper posted dominating performances at the Big Spring Junior High School Invitational. Both breezed to easy wins in the 2,400-meter run.

How easy, you may ask? Well ... like in school record easy.

Rushing shattered the BSJHS record in the girls' 2,400-meter race. The eighth grade standout led the race from the start and finished more than 5 seconds yards ahead of her nearest competitor. She posted a final time of 9 minutes and 44 seconds — more than 14 seconds faster than the previous school mark that she set a year ago.

Rushing currently holds BSJHS' all-time best marks in both the 2,400- and 1,600-meter runs



Herald photo/Tommy Wells

Cooper Miller strides across the finishing line on Thursday afternoon en route to posting a dominating win in the boys' 2,400-meter run.

"I think I did pretty well," she said. "I beat the time I had last year. That was what my goal was before the race, so I'm pretty happy."

Rushing wasn't the only Lady Steer runner shining in the 2,400-meter race. Teammate Chloe Bustamante finished third in the race. No athlete at the meet was

quite as dominant as Miller. The eighth grader didn't win by seconds — he won by more than 200 yards en route.

He bolted from the start and — after being told by the BSJHS coaches to slow down — cruised to an easy win. He finished the 1.5-mile race with a time of 8 minutes and 11 seconds.

BSHS track meet to be held today

High school track and field action will take center stage this afternoon as the 2015 Big Spring Invitational Track and Field Meet will be held at Blankenship Field.

In all, more than 10 teams from throughout the area will be competing in the event. The Big Spring boys' and girls' teams will both be looking to repeat as meet champions.

Both the BSHS boys' and girls' teams will have multiple stars competing. On the boys' side, sprinter Tobyn Tannehill will be among the headliners, while Autumn Minter, Erin Pollard, Kaitlyn Mathews and Karina Alvarado will all be running for the Lady Steers.

Field events will begin at 1 p.m. The running events will start at 5:30 p.m.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

instead of choosing between them. Anyone who tries to limit your activities isn't being a friend right now, because you have the ability to do several things at once.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). There is no success without failure. No one feels good without the contrast of feeling bad. If you keep your attitude on track with the positive, the contrasts in this day will only make you stronger.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You build your reputation with each action you take. Little by little, day by day,

your legacy is coming together. Tonight, someone new to your situation will give you a fresh point of view.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You don't want to "cry wolf," and yet, in order to truly understand the strength of your support system, you have to put it to the test. Implement some version of a fire alarm.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Follow an orderly process, and you'll be lucky. It will require more preparation than you think. In fact, most of the day will be spent in preparation for something that will unfold in less than an hour.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Heed the physical manifestation of hesitancy: a

tightness in the throat and chest and/or a heaviness in the arms. While your ambition tries to push you forward, your intuition may hold you back.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). We all think things that should not be said out loud, but some people haven't developed the social filter necessary to keep conversation polite. Luckily, your friends have you to keep them in check.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You love your family today, and you'll treat most people you meet like they are a part of it. Domestic projects will be lucky, as will anything to do with feeding your people.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). What's in your

mind cannot be observed by anyone else, and today that's a good thing, because you're working on what truly belongs to you. Don't share it. The world isn't ready for it yet.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Wishes are not goals, but if you add a timeline, they will be. Tonight features an unexplainable spiritual bond. In the upcoming weeks, you'll become more and more convinced that you belong together.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Your enthusiasm is catching. Your joy needs no qualifiers. It will open people up and make them feel like unleashing their own natural exuberance.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You'll get better results when you ease up on yourself. Approve of yourself with that same generous approval you so readily give to others. Tonight will bring the end of a struggle.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (March 13). The next three months are a makeover for your life. You'll fix the bothersome parts and celebrate three distinct wins. In June, a quest will take you to gorgeous locations where you'll connect with interesting people. July brings a disruption to your plans, and the result you get in August will make it all worthwhile. Capricorn and Scorpio people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 40, 33, 1, 14 and 18.

WEEKEND LOVE FORECAST: **ARIES:** Happiness doesn't come along every day. If there's someone who makes you happy, treasure that person. **TAURUS:** You never know who is falling in love with your smile. **GEMINI:** As you search for love, keep this in mind: People who always do what they want are much weaker than those who regularly do what they don't want. **CANCER:** They say people can't make other people happy -- that happiness is something generated from within. That

premise will be disproved this weekend. **LEO:** Unlike cookies, you can't copy a recipe for love, because there's so much variation in the ingredients different people bring to the table.

VIRGO: You wouldn't believe who has a crush on you. You just wouldn't believe it. **LIBRA:** Gold has no value until a human puts a price tag on it. Don't be like that. Don't wait for others to tell you what you're worth. **SCORPIO:** When you laugh, you do it with your whole heart. That's why loved ones laugh with you. **SAGITTARIUS:** When the ones you love are happy, you're happy, too. **CAPRICORN:** Freedom means different things to different people. The restrictions you impose on yourself are more stringent than any imposed on you. **AQUARIUS:** Even though you have many attractive qualities, your humor will shine the brightest. **PISCES:** An intimidating someone is waiting for you to break the ice.

COUPLE OF THE WEEKEND: As the earthy Capricorn moon and the watery Pisces sun collaborate to cool down the fiery cosmic alliances of late, the natives of these two signs will feel increasingly attracted to one another. Capricorn is just the balance that Pisces needs, bringing structure, a winning attitude and a workable plan to the picture. Pisces paints Capricorn's world with color, art, whimsy and deep emotions.

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Test Your Play

1. You are declarer with the West hand at Five Diamonds doubled.

West
♠4
♥7
♦QJ8652
♣QJ1084

East
♠AQ752
♥65
♦K1094
♣AK

The bidding has gone:
North East South West
1♥ Dble 3♥ 4♦
4♥ 5♦ Pass Pass
Dble

North leads the nine of clubs. How would you play the hand?

2. You are declarer with the West hand at Seven Diamonds, and North leads the heart king. How would you play the hand? (Assume the trumps are divided no worse than 3-1.)

West
♠KJ2
♥—
♦AKQJ85
♣AQJ6

East
♠A85
♥10764
♦1097
♣K72

1. The bidding clearly indicates that North has the ace of diamonds, and the club lead has all the earmarks of a singleton. If you led a trump at trick two, you'd run the risk of North winning with the ace and putting South on lead with a heart to make the killing club return.

To try to prevent this from happening, play the ace of spades at trick two and continue with the queen! Assuming South follows low, which

is highly likely, discard your heart on the spade queen. This play costs you nothing, as it merely substitutes a spade loser for a heart loser.

North wins the trick but now can't put his partner on lead with a heart, so you get home safe and sound. North's hand probably looks something like:

♠KJ86
♥AK8432
♦A3
♣9

in which case the play of the A-Q of spades is the only way to make the contract.

2. By far the best method of play is to attempt a dummy reversal, which, if successful, will make it unnecessary for you to rely on a spade finesse. Ruff the first heart with the jack, lead the five of trumps to the seven, ruff the six of hearts with the queen, lead the eight of trumps to the nine, then ruff the seven of hearts with the king. Next lead a low club to the king, followed by the ten of hearts, ruffed with your last trump, the ace.

A low spade to the ace allows you to cash dummy's ten of diamonds, on which you discard the jack of spades. You then take the last four tricks with the king of spades and A-Q-J of clubs. The 13 tricks you score consist of two spades, four clubs and seven — count them — trump tricks.

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

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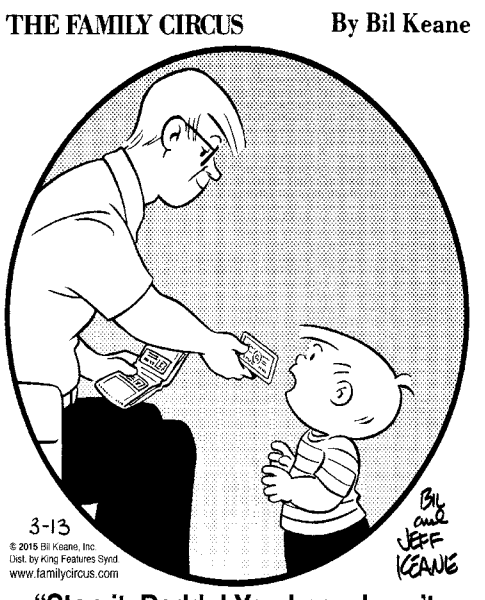
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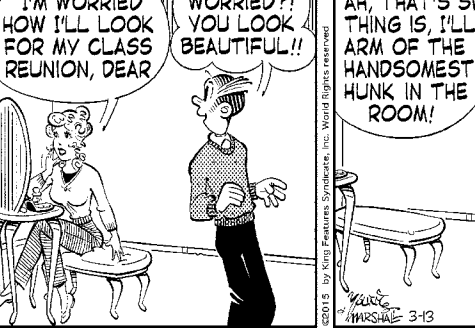


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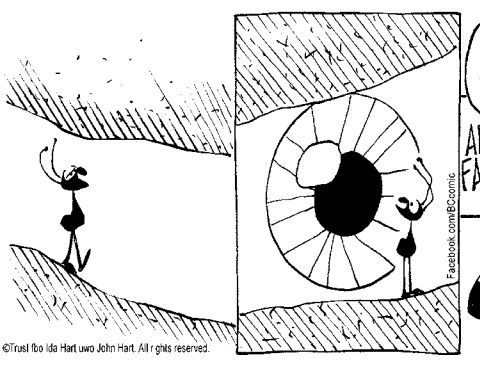
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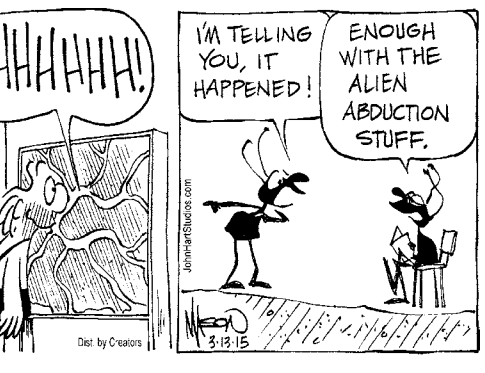
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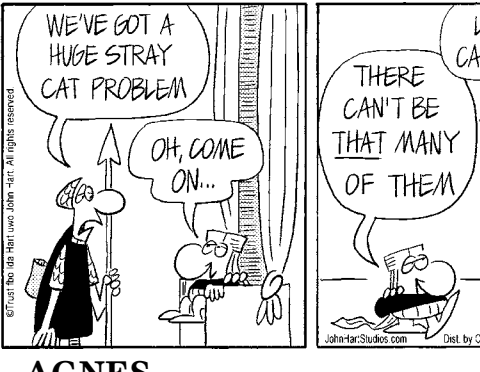
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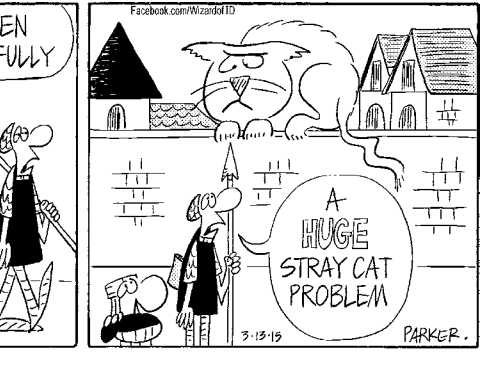
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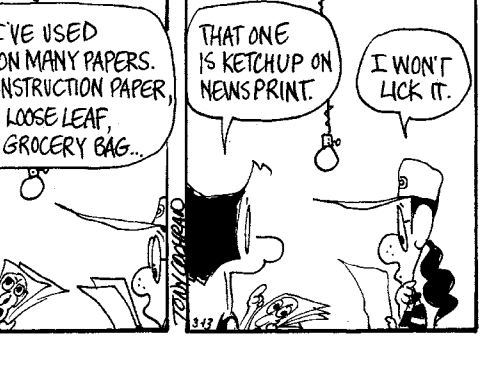
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This Date In History

Today is Friday, March 13, the 72nd day of 2015. There are 293 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On March 13, 1865, Confederate President Jefferson Davis signed a measure allowing black slaves to enlist in the Confederate States Army with the promise they would be set free. On this date: In 1781, the seventh planet of the solar system, Uranus, was discovered by Sir William Herschel. In 1845, Felix Mendelssohn's Violin Concerto in E Minor, Op. 64, had its premiere in

Leipzig, Germany. In 1901, the 23rd President of the United States, Benjamin Harrison, died in Indianapolis at age 67. In 1925, the Tennessee General Assembly approved a bill prohibiting the teaching of the theory of evolution. (Gov. Austin Peay signed the measure on March 21.) In 1933, banks in the U.S. began to reopen after a "holiday" declared by President Franklin D. Roosevelt. In 1947, the Lerner and Loewe musical "Brigadoon," about a Scottish village which magically reappears once every hundred years, opened on Broadway. In 1954, the Battle of Dien Bien Phu began during the First In-

dochina War as communist forces attacked French troops, who were defeated nearly two months later. In 1964, bar manager Catherine "Kitty" Genovese, 28, was stabbed to death near her Queens, New York, home; the case gained notoriety over the supposed reluctance of Genovese's neighbors to respond to her cries for help.

Answer to previous puzzle

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 - 20 About
 - 21 What the five longest answers have in common
 - 22 Mrs. Romney
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 - 30 Brought up
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 - 33 Mocking sound
 - 34 White Christmas setting
 - 36 Waste-full product
 - 37 No place for foxes
 - 38 Final word
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 - 45 TruTV's Black Gold is filmed near there
 - 46 Overload
 - 47 Coupon medium
 - 48 Operatives
 - 50 Do dinner for dozens
 - 51 Château VIP
 - 52 NCAA basketball powerhouse
 - 56 Mickey Mouse Club airer
 - 57 Fond murmur
 - 58 Well-put
 - 59 Game of Thrones patriarch

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It's official: Murray leaving Big D to sign with rival Eagles

(AP) - DeMarco Murray got the money and opportunity he wanted from his former team's biggest rival.

The All-Pro running back agreed Thursday to a five-year contract with the Philadelphia Eagles. Murray's deal was valued at \$42 million, with \$21 million guaranteed, according to a person familiar with the deal who spoke on condition of anonymity because terms weren't disclosed.

I felt that those two things were important to me and I was able to accomplish that here.

Wearing a gray suit, white shirt and black tie, Murray arrived at team headquarters with his fiancée, Heidi Mueller, on Thursday afternoon.

Less than two hours later, the Eagles confirmed they had reached agreement on a three-year contract with former San Diego running back Ryan Mathews.

The tandem joins Darren Sproles and Chris Polk in a crowded backfield.

I don't think we extended ourselves financially, Eagles coach Chip Kelly said. You've got to run the football in

this league. That's what we believe in. That's what I've always believed in.

Murray helped the Cowboys win the NFC East title last season while rushing for a franchise-record 1,845 yards. He broke the Dallas record held by NFL career rushing leader Emmitt Smith and also set a league mark with eight straight 100-yard games to start the season.

We have great appreciation for his skills, and if there was no salary cap in place, DeMarco would be a Cowboy, Cowboys owner Jerry Jones said in a statement. This came down to an allocation of dollars within the management of the salary cap.

No. 13 Cyclones beat Texas, 69-67

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) - Monte Morris headed to the corner in front of Iowa State's bench as the final few seconds ticked off the clock, and in a fluid motion rose up over the Longhorns' Demarcus Holland, letting his shot leave his fingertips as the final buzzer sounded.

What an unbelievable game, said Cyclones coach Fred Hoiberg, who could merely grin as he shook hands with Texas counterpart Rick Barnes, his team in a jubilant pile on the floor.

The defending tournament champion Cyclones will face the No. 15 Oklahoma, which rallied to beat Oklahoma State 64-49, in the semifinals Friday night.

Still not sure how we won it, Hoiberg said. Our guys hung together.

Morris had a big part in it. He finished with 24 points for the No. 2 seed Cyclones (23-8), who trailed by 16 points before clawing back into

the game. Still, Iowa State trailed 67-57 with less than 4 minutes to go when it unleashed a full-court press that helped it draw even.

We really felt that during the end of the game, Texas was getting really comfortable with holding the ball, so we really wanted to speed them up, said Georges Niang, who added 22 points for the Cyclones. The full court press really helped with that.

Morris' 3-pointer with 1:42 left tied it at 67, and the teams swapped empty possessions before Texas (20-13) got the ball back with 38.1 seconds left.

Isaiah Taylor allowed the shot clock to melt down before driving the lane and missing a running jumper. Texas got the rebound and kicked it out to Javan Felix, but he misfired on a long 3-pointer and Hogue grabbed the long rebound and called timeout.

Then, with 5.8 seconds left, Hogue inbounded to Morris, who hit the shot of the game.

GRADY

Continued from Page 9 the offensive glass.

Lucas spoiled Calvert's celebration plans, however. Following a timeout with 12 seconds left, he raced in for the game-winning layup.

The Wildcats led early. Grady outscored Calvert by a 43-38 mar-

gin at the half, thanks to a 22-15 run in the first eight minutes.

Lucas, who went 6-for-16 from behind the three-point arc, finished the game with 26 points. Rodriguez and Jones both added 19.

Chopp and Zacheus Williams led Calvert in scoring with 21 apiece. Thompson chipped in 14.

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