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Helping kids help themselves

SMMC's 'radKIDS' program teaches proactive approach to child safety

Special to the Herald

Scenic Mountain Medical Center, Big Spring YMCA and Safe Kids San Angelo have partnered to bring a program designed to help children to better protect themselves to Big Spring.

"RadKIDS" – developed by Steve Daley – is a program aimed at providing education and enhancing a child's ability to utilize knowledge, skills and power to protect themselves from violence and harm. Children are put through an eight-hour course that uses lectures, safety drills, physical skills and simulations to resist or stop violence or harm. Since its inception, more than 250,000 children have been trained as a radKID.

The Big Spring pilot program began Wednesday and concludes with a graduation ceremony next Friday.

"This program is geared toward giving the power back to our children," said Catie Wiedenhofer, National radKIDS trainer and Safe Kids representative. "Our children are our most prized possession and we need to do everything we can to make sure

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Ready, set, hunt!

Easter egg quests on tap this weekend

BY LYNDEL MOODY
 Staff Writer

All Easter eggs beware; the hunt is on. Several community-wide Easter egg hunts will be held in Howard County Saturday.

The First Church of the Nazarene's annual Easter Egg Hunt will begin at 11 a.m. at the Belaski Pavilion located at the Comanche Trail park. The event is free to the public and will include special guests. Hot dogs, face painting and more are on tap for the day.

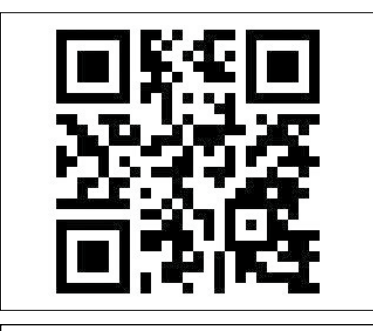
In Forsan, the Forsan Baptist Church will host a community Easter Egg hunt also Saturday. All Easter Egg hunters may begin the chase at 10 a.m. The event will be held at the Holguin home.

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The Right Rev. Scott Mayer (center), bishop of the Northwest Texas diocese of the Episcopal Church, oversees Maundy Thursday services at St. Mary's Episcopal Church Thursday night. Some Christian denominations hold the service in observance of Jesus' Last Supper with his disciples and when he washed their feet. Also pictured are St. Mary's Deacons John Marshall and Connie Fowler. Today is Good Friday, with many businesses, school districts, county and city offices closed for observance of the Christian holy day.



Showdown looms over nuclear deal with Iran

By JULIE PACE
 Associated Press

WASHINGTON — After securing a surprisingly broad and detailed framework for a nuclear agreement with Iran, President Barack Obama must now subject his signature foreign policy pursuit to the gauntlet of partisan American politics.

A blueprint finalized Thursday after marathon negotiations in Switzerland did little to ease the standoff between Obama and some lawmakers over Congress' role in a final accord. The president has vowed to veto legislation giving Congress the ability to approve or reject a deal, and he made a fresh appeal for lawmakers to give the U.S. and its international partners space to hammer out a comprehensive agreement ahead of a June 30 deadline.

"The issues at stake here are bigger than politics," Obama said. "These are matters of war and peace."

But Republican leaders reaffirmed their intent to vote on

"If diplomats can negotiate for two years on this issue, then certainly Congress is entitled to a review period of an agreement that will fundamentally alter our relationship with Iran and the sanctions imposed by Congress."

Sen. Bob Menendez
 D-New Jersey

achievement and a validation of his pursuit of diplomacy. His overtures to Iran date back to his first presidential campaign in 2008, when he said he would be willing to talk with Tehran's leaders without preconditions. As president, he has staked enormous political capital on the nuclear negotiations, including secretly approving back-channel talks with Iran largely without the knowledge of Congress and key allies.

Senior aides said Thursday that Obama has devoted more time to Iran in recent weeks than any other foreign policy issue, a striking acknowledgment given the upheaval in Yemen and U.S. military engagement in Iraq and Syria.

With Congress in the midst of a two-week recess, the Obama administration has time to wage a campaign to get lawmakers to hold off on legislative action. The president called congressional leaders Thursday afternoon and administration officials

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Obituaries

Ross Stuteville

Ross Stuteville, 85, of Big Spring died Tuesday, April 2, 2015 in a Pasadena hospital. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Crematory.

Cody Hare



Cody Hare, 43, of Big Spring, died Tuesday, March 31, 2015. The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. Friday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at Trinity Baptist Church, with Randy Cotton officiating. Burial will be at Garden City Cemetery.

He was born Oct. 30, 1971, in Grapevine, Texas to Beverly Diane and Charles Rhea Hare. He attended elementary school in Garden City through the third grade, when he moved to Royce City to live with his dad. He attended Collin County Junior College and Howard College. He owned the Wasson Road Chevron from 1994 until 1999. He worked for the City of Big Spring as a parks supervisor and airpark supervisor. For the past year and a half, he had been a fiberglass rod tech supervisor for Flexrod of Midland.

He married Stacy Karnes in 1995 and they had two sons, Casey Hare of Greenwood and Colton Hare of Garden City.

He was a success at anything he did and a competitor at heart. He had a big heart for his friends

and loved to watch "The Andy Griffith Show," "Bonanza" and "Family Feud" because these had no drama.

In addition to his sons, he is survived by his wife, Kelly McBee of Garden City; his mother, Diane Melton of San Angelo; his father and step-mother, Charles and Vivian Hare of Royce City; his step-daughter, Chandra Brooks and her husband, Michael, and their children Landry Michelle Brooks and Leighton Kaye Brooks, all of Coahoma; one brother, Preston Hare of Garland; one sister, Holly Brem and her husband, Gerry, of Hallsville; three nephews, Clint Brem of Jenks, Okla., Kendall Brem of Hallsville and Chris Hare of Garland; a half-sister, Robin Seale of Odessa; numerous aunts, uncles and cousins; and a multitude of friends.

He lived by the scripture, "You can do all things through Christ."

Pallbearers will be Casey Hare, Colton Hare, Clint Brem, Tyler Bradley, Kendall Brem and Roy Gomez.

The family suggests memorials to Big Spring Humane Society, PO Box 823, Big Spring, TX 79721-0823 or your favorite charity.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersand-smith.com

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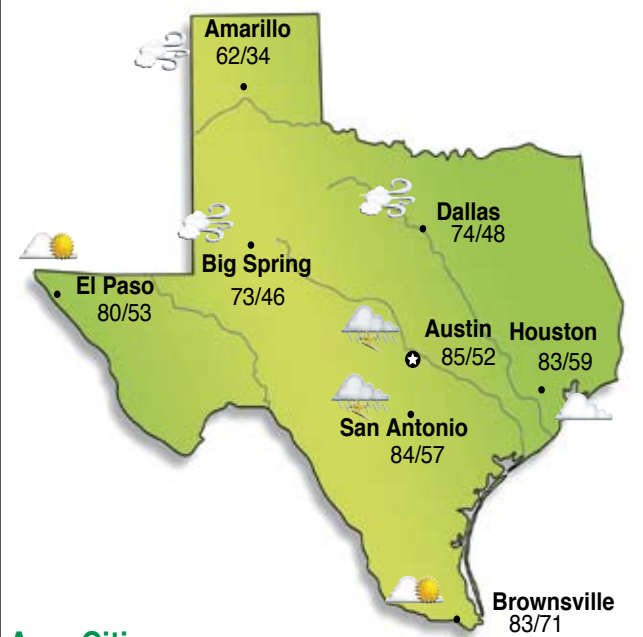
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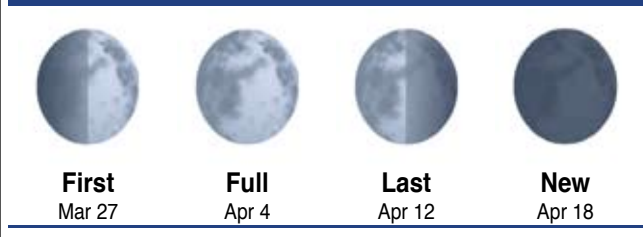
Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	70	45	windy	Kingsville	86	62	cloudy
Amarillo	62	34	windy	Livingston	78	55	t-storm
Austin	85	52	t-storm	Longview	76	49	t-storm
Beaumont	81	57	cloudy	Lubbock	67	39	windy
Brownsville	83	71	pt sunny	Lufkin	82	53	t-storm
Brownwood	74	47	t-storm	Midland	71	47	windy
Corpus Christi	79	62	cloudy	Raymondville	88	69	pt sunny
Corsicana	76	48	rain	Rosenberg	81	58	cloudy
Dallas	74	48	windy	San Antonio	84	57	t-storm
Del Rio	91	57	pt sunny	San Marcos	84	54	t-storm
El Paso	80	53	pt sunny	Sulphur Springs	74	46	cloudy
Fort Stockton	78	49	pt sunny	Sweetwater	68	45	windy
Gainesville	68	43	windy	Tyler	76	49	t-storm
Greenville	71	44	windy	Weatherford	70	45	pt sunny
Houston	83	59	cloudy	Wichita Falls	64	38	windy

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	82	53	sunny	Minneapolis	48	31	mst sunny
Boston	63	49	rain	New York	62	51	rain
Chicago	48	29	cloudy	Phoenix	83	53	mst sunny
Dallas	74	48	windy	San Francisco	69	49	sunny
Denver	52	27	pt sunny	Seattle	58	42	pt sunny
Houston	83	59	cloudy	St. Louis	57	34	rain
Los Angeles	75	57	sunny	Washington, DC	77	53	t-storm
Miami	82	70	mst sunny				

Moon Phases



UV Index

Fri 4/3	Sat 4/4	Sun 4/5	Mon 4/6	Tue 4/7
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Very High	Moderate	Very High	Very High	Very High

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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 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 main entrance of the church.

• Stepping Stone Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at Spring Town Plaza, 7 p.m.

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

• LEALONI CORTEZ, 22, of 2524 Hunter was arrested on warrants for failure to maintain financial responsibility, three counts of fail to appear and two counts no driver's license.

• JODY WAYNE DAWDY, 50, of 1501 Apt B Sycamore St. was arrested on charges of public intoxication.

• RICHARD GENE ARM-

STRONG, 36, of 203 Merrick Rd. was arrested on charges of two counts of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

• LEDEZMA GUEDELIO MORAN, 42, of 522 Morris Dr. was arrested on a warrant for driving while intoxicated 2nd offense.

• ASSAULT was reported in the 600 block of E. 6th St. and the 1600 block of Martin Luther King Blvd.

• BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 1100

block of Ridgeroad Dr.

• FORGERY was reported in the 900 block of S. Scurry.

• CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 1500 block of Sycamore St.

• WARRANT SERVICE was reported in the 3600 block of W. Hwy 80.

• THEFT was reported in the 900 block of S. Birdwell Lane.

• UNWANTED SUBJECT was reported in the 1500 block of Sycamore St.

Take Note

• The Young and Breastless, a Relay for Life team, will be holding a garage sale on April 10 and 11 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day. The sale will be at 504 E. 13th St. All proceeds will go to Relay for Life. If anyone has any items to donate to the garage sale, call Judge Pumroy at 432-638-2499 or bring the items to the garage sale.

• Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce Health Fair is scheduled for April 11 at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum from 8 a.m. until noon. Admission is free. There will be health screenings, demonstrations, car seat check up, bike rodeo and more. For more information, call the chamber at 432-263-7641.

• 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.

• 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, nurturing 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.

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News in brief

Kenya attack survivor says gunmen early in attack went to room where Christians were praying

GARISSA, Kenya (AP) — The militants who slaughtered 147 people in a Kenyan school appeared to have planned extensively, even targeting a site where Christians had gone to pray.

Survivor Helen Titus told The Associated Press on Friday that “They investigated our area. They knew everything.” Titus, a 21-year-old English literature student, was shot in the wrist and is being treated at a hospital in Garissa, where the attack by al-Shabab Islamic extremists happened.

One of the first things that the assailants did early Thursday, she said, was to head for a lecture hall where Christians were in early morning prayer. Also Friday, a few men walked down a road in Garissa with signs including one that read “We are against the killing of innocent Kenyans!!!! We are tired!!!”

Indiana, Arkansas take different tacks in trying to stem uproar over religious objection laws

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Leaders in Indiana and Arkansas are looking to move forward after taking different approaches to tamp down concerns about discrimination over religious objections laws.

The two governors signed bills Thursday that lawmakers hoped would quiet the national uproar over whether the laws offered a legal defense for

discrimination against gays.

For Arkansas, the changes requested by Gov. Asa Hutchinson amid mounting criticism from retail giant Wal-Mart and other businesses meant revising the language to closely align with that in the 1993 federal Religious Freedom Restoration Act.

Russia's role in Ukraine seen as shifting from sending troops to training rebels

YENAKIEYEVE, Ukraine (AP) — On a recent spring morning, an important visitor watched Russian-backed rebels conduct infantry maneuvers in eastern Ukraine.

“The general is very pleased,” rebel commander Ostop Cherny told his troops, referring to the figure in camouflage encircled by guards.

The man — almost certainly a Russian military officer — became alarmed when he saw two journalists approach. His entourage shielded him — forbidding photos — and the group sped off in a motorcade, the “general” safely inside a black Toyota SUV with no license plates.

Nearly a year into the Ukraine conflict, the extent of Moscow's direct involvement has become clear: They may wear camouflage, but the Russians' presence in eastern Ukraine is hardly invisible.

At the same time, there has been a tactical shift apparently aimed at minimizing Russia's military presence, part of an effort to persuade the West to lift economic sanctions.

Allies of Sen. Bob Menendez working to build support, raise funds after federal indictment

NEWARK, N.J. (AP) — Allies of New Jersey Sen. Bob Menendez have launched a coordinated public relations campaign to support him through what is likely to be a long and expensive legal fight over a litany of federal corruption charges.

Menendez pleaded not guilty Thursday to charges that he accepted nearly \$1 million in gifts and campaign contributions from a longtime friend in exchange for a stream of political favors.

His supporters have been working quietly behind the scenes since news reports emerged in March suggesting an indictment was imminent.

French investigators: Co-pilot repeatedly accelerated plane as he drove it down into Alps

PARIS (AP) — The French air accident investigation agency says the co-pilot of the doomed Germanwings flight repeatedly accelerated the plane as he used the automatic pilot to descend the A320 into the Alps.

The BEA agency said in a statement Friday that investigators have begun studying the black box data recorder from the plane, found at the crash site Thursday.

It says an initial reading of the recorder shows that the pilot used the automatic pilot to put the plane into a descent.

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planned extensive briefings for lawmakers on the details of the framework.

Senior administration officials said Obama is open to discussions about how Congress can play an oversight role, though they reiterated Obama's opposition to any legislative action occurring while negotiators try to hammer out a final agreement ahead of a June 30 deadline. Officials also did not specify what kind of oversight

role they envisioned for lawmakers.

Several Democrats rallied around Obama after the framework was announced. Rep. Adam Schiff of California, the top Democrat on the House Intelligence committee, said the framework “indicates that a negotiated resolution of Iran's nuclear program may be possible” and he called on Congress to “ensure that its actions do not preclude reaching an acceptable agreement.”

Skepticism of the Iran negotiations extends beyond Capitol Hill. Israel

Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, one of the fiercest critics, told Obama on Thursday that a final deal based on the agreement “would threaten the survival of Israel.” The White House said Obama assured Netanyahu that the agreement would not diminish U.S. concerns about Iran's sponsorship of terrorism and threats toward Israel.

Arab allies are also skeptical of the negotiations. Obama also called Saudi Arabia's King Salman Thursday, and he invited the leaders of six Gulf nations—Sau-

di Arabia, United Arab Emirates, Qatar, Bahrain, Kuwait and Oman — to Washington this spring.

The U.S. and its negotiating partners — Britain, France, Germany, Russia and China — have been engaged in nuclear talks with Iran for 18 months. After blowing past a March 31 deadline, the parties reached a framework agreement Thursday outlining limits to Iran's nuclear program. In return, economic and financial sanctions related to Iran's nuclear programs are to be

rolled back by the U.S., the United Nations and European Union after the U.N. nuclear agency confirms Iran's compliance.

Obama cautioned that it was still possible the parties won't be able to find common ground as they hammer out tough technical details in the coming months. But he warned lawmakers that Congress must not be the body that derails a deal.

“If Congress kills this deal — not based on expert analysis, and without offering any reasonable alternative — then

it's the United States that will be blamed for the failure of diplomacy,” Obama said.

KIDS

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they know their options in case danger arises”

Statistics show 58,200 children are abducted by non-family members, while 203,903 children are abducted by family. Out of those instances, 4 percent of the children are not recovered and 40 percent are killed.

“Unlike programs that simply tell children what to do in the face of potential danger, radKIDS provides our children a hands-on, activity-based, physical skill development program that empowers them to instinctively avoid, and, if necessary, respond to potential danger,” Wieden-

hofer said. “Our parents in San Angelo are breathing a sigh of relief that their children are gaining real skills that will help them not only navigate their school years, but life.”

Another area that radKIDS focuses on is bullying. While most schools have enacted a zero tolerance policy, statistics show there are approximately 2.1 million bullies and 2.7 million victims. Students between fourth and eighth grades report that 90 percent are dealing with being bullied in school. Out of those students, there are 22 percent who report dealing with academic difficulties.

“The zero-tolerance policy really hasn't stopped bullying, but

instead has had the opposite effect. Now, children who are being bullied are having to deal with it in fear of getting in trouble as well. With the skills learned in radKIDS, we are able to issue the warning to the bullies that bullying won't be tolerated anymore and we are giving power back to those who are being bullied” Wiedenhofer said. “Instead of having to just deal with the bullying, children are able to put their radKIDS tools to use and teachers, principals and educational professionals are able to deal with the bully and the other child is able to go back to class.”

RadKIDS is unlike any other program that is out there, officials said.

While most programs focus on one area of danger, radKIDS covers a wide array of situations. Students receive tips on water safety, bike safety, dealing with strangers, fire safety, bullying and in essence learn to build self-esteem.

This program is built around three rules: 1. No one has a right to hurt you because you are special; 2. You don't have the right to hurt anyone else, unless someone is trying to

physically hurt you and then you have the right to stop them; and 3. It is not my fault and therefore I have the right to tell a grown-up.

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MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

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Shawntina Thorpe, 47, died Saturday. Funeral services were at 11 a.m. this morning at Myers & Smith Chapel.

Carl Knappe, 90, died Sunday. Graveside service with Naval Honors will be at 2 p.m. this afternoon at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Stephanie Painter Gurney, 28, died Saturday. Funeral services will be this afternoon at 3:30 p.m. at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Trinity Memorial Park.

Cody Hare, 43, died Tuesday. The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. tonight at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at Trinity Baptist Church with burial at Garden City Cemetery.

Alejandro “Alex” Franco, Jr., 48, died Wednesday. Vigil service will be at 7 p.m. Monday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church with burial at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Calvin Marion, 42, died Monday. He will lie in state from 9 a.m. until 9 p.m. Monday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral service will be at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

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And the Coahoma Dairy Queen will be

serving more than ice cream and DQ hamburgers. The long-time community business will host a hunt at City Park in Coahoma beginning at 2 p.m.

Many area businesses, schools, city and county offices are closed today in observance of Good Friday, a Christian holy day remembering the events at Calvary.

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May we remain diligent about reading Your word, Lord, for our life.

Amen

Sex among the goofballs

What is going on in American politics of late? There has not emerged a truly goofball politician since Anthony Weiner, the congressman and later New York mayoral candidate who could not resist sending pictures of his private part so frequently and to so many women that it really was no longer a private part but rather a public spectacle. Go ahead; Google it. In fact, Yahoo it. My guess is there are dozens of pictures of Weiner's public private part all over the Internet.

The best example of a contemporary pol's being slightly goofball is Aaron Schock, the Republican from Illinois' 18th Congressional District. Yet he has had the good sense to resign from Congress. My guess is he suspected there was something shameful about his department. One cannot really be a goofball pol and accept the notion of shame. Yet what caused him to leave Congress? Was it the hubristic pride he took in his torso? Countless times, he was photographed displaying the exquisite torso of a male underwear model to the world. That was a hoot, and even more of a hoot was his appearance on the cover of Men's Health magazine with his shirt out and daringly unbuttoned to display his well-toned abs.

I am afraid the 33-year-old congressman, first elected at the tender age of 27, began to feel shame when it was discovered that "Downton Abbey" had inspired his congressional office's lavish redecoration. Then the Justice Department became interested. It began looking into who had paid his travel on surfing trips,

on hikes to glacier parks and on a private jet that took him off to football games. He sensed his expense account was more conspicuous than his abs, and he is about to vacate Capitol Hill. That is not the exit of a goofball congressman. That is the exit of a chap but a few steps ahead of the law.

One of the traits that distinguish a really goofball pol has got to be sexual excess. A sex-crazed politician is always the most reliable and entertaining political player. Think of former Sen. Larry Craig, the statesman from Idaho whose encounters with the vice squad in public men's rooms won him the appellation of being the Republican Party's leading lavatorian conservative. There has never been another.

Or recall, if you will, the Hon. Eric Massa, the Democratic congressman from New York who resigned after admitting to charges of groping and tickling male staffers. He told Fox News somewhat boastfully, "Not only did I grope (a staffer), I tickled him until he couldn't breathe." Then there was President Bill Clinton, whose frolics with Monica Lewinsky have been chronicled in that delightful document called the Starr Report.

In researching this column, I made a discovery that may explain why there are so very few goofballs in politics today. From the late 1960s until very recently, there has been a profusion of sexual offenders in politics. Clinton, Craig, Massa and, of course, Weiner are the most amusing. There have also been other famous figures — ex-Sen. John Edwards and ex-Sen. Gary Hart (his real name was Hartpence) — and lesser figures, whom we need not mention. Yet now there are few. Why, you might well ask.

As I wrote some months ago, my guess is that the sexual revolution is now finished. The

infrequency of sex scandals in politics is but another manifestation of changing times. From the late 1960s to 2012, there was an astonishing outbreak of sexual antics in high places. Yet prior to the 1960s, sex scandals were rare. JFK's liaisons were kept under wraps. About the only presidential sex scandals featured Warren Harding and Grover Cleveland. Doubtless, there were other small fry, but I cannot find anything in the faraway past like the upsurge of sexual scandals during and after the 1960s. The times were amazing, and they produced some real goofballs and creeps. But they were also very uncharacteristic of American history. Not for nothing were we called a nation of puritans.

The war on sexual indulgence now being waged in this country, especially in universities, is uneven. Yet I think it is having its effect. Frankly, I think you would have to be crazy to be a fellow who would wink at a pretty girl, at least without first tendering her an application. It seems to me that this is an unfortunate situation. Yet even worse is the situation that we find politics in. Without the Anthony Weiners, the Bill Clintons and the Larry Craigs popping up on the evening news — saying such things as "it depends upon what the meaning of the word 'is' is" — life is going to be pretty dull.

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Ted is Cruz'n' for a bruising

The blood is in the water. The game is afoot. And the Republicans are brawling.

Though Democrats are usually viewed as the undisciplined, fractious party, it is Republicans who sharpen their knives and slice one another up when the White House is at stake.

The struggle is between two groups within the GOP.

The establishment finally recognizes that the party must broaden its base. If the party appeals only to white Christian conservatives, it will wind up as a regional party, capable of winning Senate and House seats but incapable of winning a national election.

"We must nominate a presidential candidate who can reach across racial, religious, cultural and ideological lines," the establishment says, "so the moderate middle is the place to be."

The far right of the party, especially the religious right, hears this and goes crazy. It says, "We keep nominating moderates, and we keep losing! We nominate John McCain, and we lose. We nominate Mitt Romney, and we lose."

"It is time to wake up and coalesce around a true Christian conservative who is unafraid to endorse Christian values and talk about God and Jesus Christ," it says. "This is where America is, and it is where the Republican Party needs to be."

The establishment has almost always won this fight, by the way. The religious right of the Republican Party has not gotten the nominee it has wanted since Ronald Reagan (who wasn't religious personally).

"But this time could be different," the right says. "Hillary Clinton is going to be very vulnerable in the general election.

Voters have had eight years of a Democratic presidency, and they are weary to the bone. So this is the perfect time to pick a true conservative, a true Christian conservative, who will take this country back. This is no time to be muddling around in the middle, searching for moderate voters who will never vote Republican anyway."

So the knives have come out.

As Trip Gabriel wrote in The New York Times on March 25, "fearing that Republicans will ultimately nominate an establishment presidential candidate like Jeb Bush, leaders of the nation's Christian right have mounted an ambitious effort to coalesce their support behind a single social-conservative contender months before the first primary votes are cast."

So when Sen. Ted Cruz, a right-wing, Christian conservative announced for the presidency March 23 (at a Christian university founded by Jerry Falwell, no less), the establishment instantly fought back.

The establishment isn't called that for nothing. It is established. And the word went out on Cruz: bright, articulate but without any record of accomplishment.

A loser, in other words.

Charles Krauthammer said on Fox News Channel: "Cruz talks about 'you have to walk the walk rather than just talk the talk. You have to have done something.' But that's not his record in the Senate."

And The Wall Street Journal editorial page, which is as Republican establishment as you can get, recoiled in horror at the idea of Cruz as the nominee and dismissed him as another — you are reading this right — Barack Obama.

"Can a smart, articulate, 40-something first term Senator trained in constitutional law, who disdains his colleagues and lacks executive experience, make the leap to the White House?" the editorial began.

"President Obama proved it was possible in 2008, and now Ted Cruz will try to show that a Republican can do it too."

But though Obama got to the White House, the editorial strongly suggested that Cruz will not. And that's because the religious right is hopelessly wrong in its assessment of what it takes to win a presidential election in this country.

The religious right, however, does not care about sniffy editorials.

This time, it believes, the party will finally wake up and smell the blood.

"Conservatives smell blood in the water," Kellyanne Conway, a Republican pollster, told The New York Times. "They feel they've got the best shot to deny the establishment a place."

Those in the establishment, these conservatives believe, must be elbowed aside like the geezers that they are. It doesn't matter how much money the establishment can raise or how many voters it can deliver. The Republican establishment does not understand religious America and the true power it has.

"Far too many Christians have ceded the public arena to people that aren't believers," Cruz told David Brody of the Christian Broadcasting Network.

And that is the secret weapon. "God isn't done with America yet," Cruz said at his announcement.

And the religious right isn't done with the Republican Party.

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Did You Ever Wonder? — Reuben, Jacob's firstborn

Rachel's death caused a major shake-up in Jacob's family.

Rachel's handmaid, Bilhah, took the newborn baby, Benjamin, and 8-year-old Joseph into her tent to care for them.

Jacob's primary residence had been with Rachel; now he, too, moved into Bilhah's tent. Many scholars see this as a major affront to Leah, who was his first wife.

Some, however, take the more rational view that, since Bilhah was Rachel's maid, it was only natural that she

should take the responsibility of caring for Rachel's children. Now that Jacob's favored wife was gone, it seems only natural that he would want to be close to her children, only natural that he moved into Bilhah's tent.

With Rachel's death, Leah looked forward to the end of their rivalry for their husband's affections. Now it seemed she was being replaced by a handmaid.

Although at times Bilhah is spoken of as Jacob's wife, she actually was considered a concubine and, therefore, had a lower status. Reuben, Jacob's firstborn son, became jealous for his mother's sake.

In the translation from the Hebrew, the short account of this

incident actually says that "Reuben went and lay with Bilhah, his father's concubine, and Israel heard."

However, major commentaries of the time wrote that Reuben was so incensed, that he went into Bilhah's tent and moved his father's bed into Leah's tent. In their culture, the fact that the son entered his father's bedroom was a grave disgrace; the incident was tantamount to adultery.

In the original Hebrew writing of the account, it actually says "Reuben lay with Bilhah, his father's concubine." However, this is followed by an asterisk and a long blank space.

To me this seems that there was more that Moses wanted to say, but did not want to actually record it. The

next sentence begins another subject altogether.

There is much to be considered in this incident. If Reuben actually had lain with Bilhah, wouldn't she have become tainted and shunned? If all the family knew that Reuben had defiled his father's wife, wouldn't he have been stoned? Would he still be spoken of as Jacob's firstborn?

Yet, he continued to be responsible for directing his brothers in their work; and when they wanted to kill Joseph, it was Reuben who persuaded

them to put him into the pit instead of killing him. Reuben intended to rescue Joseph from the pit later.

When the brothers went down to Egypt for grain, Reuben took the lead as firstborn, also. It is not mentioned again until Jacob is blessing his sons just before his death. At that time he compares Reuben with water-like impetuosity because he let his zeal and anger out-weigh his common sense in the matter of mounting his father's bed.

This is an example to us. How often do we angrily rush in? We say

or do things that, in the back of our minds, we know are wrong; later we try to justify our actions. Maybe we call it "Righteous Anger." That did not work very well for Reuben. God sees.

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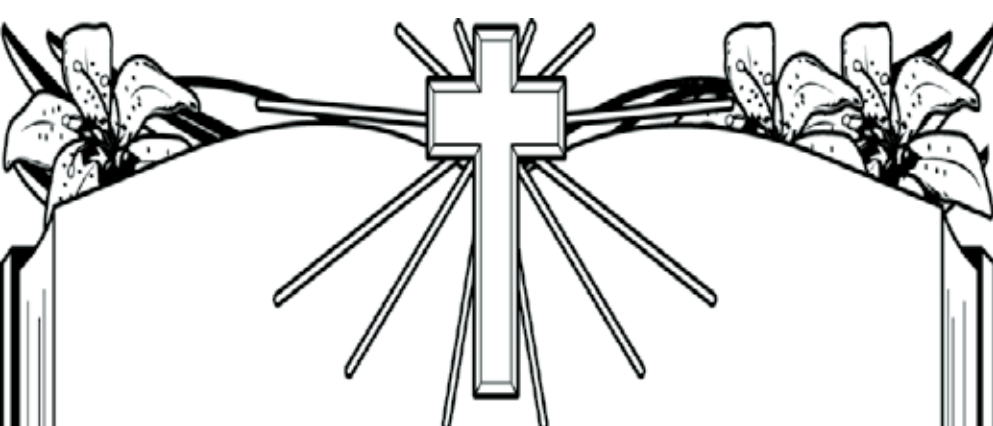
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Two beloved, famous men died on a Good Friday: one was killed A.D. 30 by the Romans acting on behalf of the religious authorities in Israel, while the other was killed 150 years ago in 1865 by a radical southern sympathizer named John Wilkes Booth.

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Why would you bury a baby?

That may seem like an absurd question, especially when asked out of the blue. I'm not referring to a baby that has died. I am thinking of a living, growing child, a pure, innocent babe with an innate hunger and thirst for nourishment and love and affection. Why would you bury a baby? Unless a person is psychologically unstable, they would never do such a thing.



GREG SURLS

I would like to make a spiritual application to this. Before I do, however, we need to think about the New Testament as a whole.

The books, as we are familiar with them, are arranged topically or by category. Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John (the gospel accounts) reveal Jesus to be the Christ (Hebrew=Messiah). They record His work here on earth as well as His teachings. They detail the culmination and conclusion of His earthly ministry as He suffered and died on the cross, was buried in the tomb, and was raised by the power of God on the third day, victorious over sin and death!

He was then with His apostles and other witnesses for 40 days further instructing them and preparing them for His physical departure. Next, the book of Acts gives us an historical account of events from the ascension of Jesus until near the end of the Apostle Paul's work while in Rome awaiting his appeal to heard by Caesar.

In Acts we read about the beginning of the kingdom, the church. We see how people responded to the "good news" of the gospel and what they did to become disciples of Christ or Christians (Acts 11:26).

Then, in the epistles (Greek word that means letters), these are the books from Romans through Jude, we have inspired men (Paul, James, Peter, and John) writing to give encouragement and further instruction to those who have already become Christians.

Whew! Now, back to our spiritual illustration — why would you bury a baby.

A few times in the New Testament, some Christians are referred to as babes (small children). This is because they have recently been converted and are spiritually like a baby who needs nourishment and love in order to grow.

In some of his letters to Christians, Paul reminds and even further enlightens them as to how they came to be in Christ. Galatians 3:25-27, *But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian* (in context the Law of Moses), *for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith. For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ.*

To another congregation of the church he described their conversions thus - Ephesians 4:20-24, *But that is not the way you learned Christ! — assuming that you have heard about him and were taught in him, as the truth is in Jesus, to put off your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires, and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, and to put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.*

In Colossians 3:1-3, Paul writes to Christians, *If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.*

So how does a person do these things that Paul writes about? How do I put on Christ? How do I put off my old self and put on my new self? How can I be raised with Christ after I have died to myself?

How do I become that spiritual babe who has been born again of water and spirit so that I can enter the kingdom of God (John 3:3-5)?

Paul explains in Romans 6:3-4, *Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.*

That is why our Lord would give his apostles their final instructions before He left earth by telling them in Matthew 28:19-20, *Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.* And in Mark 16:15-16, *And he said to them, "Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation. Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned."*

A person's spiritual rebirth occurs when they die to themselves and their physical desires and are buried with Christ in baptism for the remission of their sins (Acts 2:38). They are now a babe in Christ, a new creation, innocent and pure and in need of spiritual nourishment so they might continue to grow in the grace and knowledge of Jesus Christ (Matthew 5:6; 2 Peter 3:18).

Why then would you take this precious spiritual baby and bury it?

Greg Surles is the preacher of Birdwell Lane church of Christ.

the congregation in worship and to preside at the Communion Table.

The choir, led by the gifted voices of Tara Trowbridge and Larry Thiebault, will bring special music titled "Sing Alleluia!"

Our Elders this week are Paul Smith and Erma Dunne. Dr. Ken McIntosh, FCC's pastor, will explore the special connections between Abraham Lincoln and Jesus in his sermon titled "Lincoln and the Lord," based on Mark 16: 1-8.

Finally, the highlight of the Easter worship service will be the baptism of two very precious young people: Jordan Brent Voight and Bree Ann Elizabeth Voight.

Blessed Hands Deaf Church

Pastor Jim Walterhouse, and wife Debbie, invite you to Easter worship services Sunday at 10:50 a.m. and 2 p.m. Pastor Walterhouse continues the message series on "Power" and God's display of His might throughout scripture and our world today. Sunday services are held inside First Baptist Church at 705 W FM 700. Wednesday evenings at 6, join us at Southwest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf as we gather for Bible study and fellowship. For more information about BHDC contact Pastor Jim at: jwalterhouse@gmail.com.

First Baptist Church

Join us tonight at 6 in the chapel for a Good Friday prayer gathering, and then worship with us Easter Sunday at 10:50 a.m. as we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Our Easter service will feature a dramatic reading, and special music offered by the adult choir and handbell group. Selections include: 'Christ the Lord is Risen Today,' 'Christ Arose,' and 'Come People of the Risen King.'

Pastor Mark Lindsey will bring the message titled "Still Empty." Drawn from John 20:1-9, the sermon beckons us to re-visit Christ's tomb, and be humbled, amazed, and thankful that the grave remains empty, and that Jesus overcame sin and death, and is risen and alive today, so that through faith, we might have eternal life with Him.

Sunday School classes meet at 9:30 a.m., and are a great way to get acquainted and study the Bible. Greeters will help you find your class.

Sunday evening there will be no service or other activities to allow additional time with family and friends.

On Tuesday, April 7, come enjoy some great fellowship and food at noon with our Triple LLL (Living Longer and Loving It) group. Bring a friend and enter through the east kitchen doors.

Our Mission Center will be open Thursday, April 9 from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m.; this includes the food pantry and clothes closet. It is located on Lancaster one block behind HEB.

The children's department wishes to thank everyone for their generous support at the recent fundraising luncheon and dessert auction; your gracious gifts will help send many kids to camp this summer.

Wednesday April 8, the youth will be participating in a service night on the church property starting at 6 p.m., and ending with ice cream at the project conclusion.

Women's Bible Study groups meet Monday's at 9:30 a.m. and Wednesday's at 5:30 p.m. The study is "Fight Back With Joy." Call 432-263-1958 for more information.

Wednesday evening begins with a meal served in the Family Life Center from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m., followed by activities for all ages. Go to fcbigspring.org for details. Join us April 8 for chicken and dumplings.

If you are unable to attend the Sunday morning service, you may worship with us through the live stream on our web site at: fcbigspring.org.

FBC is located at 705 W FM 700.

First Church of the Nazarene

Our Annual Easter Egg Hunt is this Saturday at the Belaski Pavilion at Comanche Trail Park at 11 a.m. This is a free event and we have a special guest that is sure to keep you entertained. Come enjoy hot dogs, face painting and lots of fun. Then join us for Easter Service on Sunday at 10 a.m. We will have people from our community give testimony on what God has done in their lives and the message of what it is like living in the reality of the cross.

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both men dealt with strong opposition; and both men were killed by their opponents on Good Friday.

The difference?

At last check in 1901, the remains of one lies encased in 10 feet of cement and steel, while the other gave us the gift of an open door that no hand can shut, an open tomb.

Come sing Alleluias this Sunday at First Christian Church, 911 Goliad, as we join together to worship and praise God for the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Easter lilies will adorn the Sanctuary, the Rev. Roy King from Pampa, Texas, will be on hand to lead

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Holy Trinity Catholic Parish

Easter Services

April 2

Holy Thursday
Mass/Adoration - 7:00 p.m.

April 3

Good Friday Services
Stations of the Cross - 3:00 p.m.
Procession of the Cross in the neighborhood - 6:00 p.m.
Celebration for the Lord's Passion - 7:00 pm.

April 4

Easter Vigil - 8:30 p.m. (No 5:00 p.m. Mass)

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Reflections: Resurrection faith *by Bill Tinsley*

Not long ago I preached the funeral of a woman I have known for 45 years. By the time she ended her long battle with breast cancer she was in her mid-50s. When I first met her, she was a little girl. I still remember her innocent blue eyes as a child. I watched her



BILL TINSLEY

grow through childhood and into her teen years. When she was a young adult, she was lured down painful and destructive paths refusing to heed the warnings of those who loved her. I prayed for her, along with others and she fell deeper into addiction to drugs and alcohol. She gave her first born up for adoption and eventually served a sentence in prison.

But somewhere along the way, whether in prison or afterward, she came to faith in Jesus Christ. Like the

woman who pressed through the crowd, she touched the hem of His garment. As Jesus said to another woman so many years ago, He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you whole."

In the last decade I saw her reunited with her first-born whom she gave up in her youth. She was reconciled with her family who surrounded her in love. God brought a good man into her life who, like her, was a recovering alcoholic.

She often shared with me her testimony of

faith and what God had done in her life. She still wasn't perfect. She still had issues. But she was different. God was healing her on the inside.

The week before she died, we visited.

Family and friends gathered around her, comforting her, praying for her and loving her. On Wednesday of that week, she drew her last breath.

Once again, I thought of her as that innocent blue-eyed girl I first knew. It reminded me of Jesus' visit to the

home of a mother and father whose 12-year-old daughter had died. The house was surrounded by people who were weeping. But Jesus entered the child's bedroom with her parents and spoke these gentle words to her. "Little girl, I say to you, get up!" She immediately breathed, opened her eyes and got up.

This is the faith we believe as followers of Christ.

We make mistakes. We may wander far from God.

We may cause pain to ourselves and others. But He seeks us out. He never lets us go. He reconciles, redeems and, in the day of our death, He raises us up!

Bill Tinsley reflects on current events and life experience from a faith perspective. His devotional book on the Authentic Disciple: Sermon on the Mount is free on Amazon this weekend as an Easter e-book gift. Email bill@tinsleycenter.com.

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The schedule for services and classes are: Sunday morning youth, adult and children's classes at 9 a.m. throughout the campus. 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. Children's church at 10 a.m. Sunday in the Fellowship Hall. Sunday evening youth activities are Sunday evening 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.

Birdwell Lane church of Christ

The church is located at the southwest corner of 11th Place and Birdwell Lane

Please join us this Lord's day as we worship together and consider Why We Do What We Do.

Services are: Sunday, 9 a.m. Bible study and worship is at 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. Wednesday, Ladies class meets at 9:30 a.m. and Bible study and devotional is at 7 p.m.

Holy Trinity Catholic Parish

Holy Trinity Catholic Parish will observe Good Friday beginning with the Stations of the Cross at 3 p.m. The Procession of the Cross begins at 6 p.m. followed by the traditional Service of the Lord's Passion at 7 p.m.

Holy Saturday Easter Vigil begins at 8:30 p.m.

On Easter Sunday — Resurrection of the Lord mass times are 8:30 a.m. (Bilingual) and 11 a.m. (English)

All are welcome at Holy Trinity Catholic Parish located at 1009 Hearn Street. The phone number is 432-714-4930. Our pastor is Msgr. Bernard Gully.

Cornerstone Covenant Church

Cornerstone Covenant Church would like to invite you to join us this Sunday for our 2015 Easter Service. We will have performing arts, dance, praise and worship, awesome fellowship, and of course the preached word of God. The title of the sermon this Sunday is "Paid in Full."

Wednesday, April 8, 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.

At 9 a.m. Sunday, April 12, our New Members class will start. Signups are due by April 9. On Monday, April 13, at 6 p.m. the Far Above Rubies

First Presbyterian Church — Big Spring

The Children's Sunday School will begin a study on Daniel beginning on April 12, continuing through May 10. This study complements the music they are learning for the musical "Cool in the Furnace," which they will perform on May 17. Using the workshop format, they will examine the stories in the first six chapters of Daniel, to learn what it means to have faith and stand firm in one's beliefs.

John Ferguson leads the Adult Covenant Class in a five-session study for the Easter season, called "The Community of Beloved Disciples," based on 1st, 2nd, and 3rd John.

The Adult Discovery Class will finish their Lenten study "The Way—Walking in the Footsteps of Jesus" on April 12.

Katie Grimes is in charge of Take Ten for this Sunday.

The lectionary for the Resurrection of the Lord/ Easter is Acts 10:34-43 (or Isaiah 25:6-9); Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24; 1 Corinthians 15:1-11; John 20:1-18 (or Mark 16:1-8. Rev. Craig Holstedt will deliver the sermon and officiate at Communion.

The Handbells and Orff instruments will play during the Introit. During the singing of the

Women's Ministry will be gathering at 2906 W. 8th St, Big Spring at the Meet and Greet. The theme this time is "Cooking with Joann."

At 7 p.m. Thursday, April 16, our 50 & Up small group will be gathering at 2405 East 25th St (Faye and Steve Flowers home) and on Saturday, April 18, at noon, our Single's Ministry will be gathering at Comanche Trail Park for a nature walk and picnic. Be sure to bring a sack lunch and wear your walking shoes. Water will be provided.

On Saturday, April 25 at 6 p.m., our Marriage Ministry will be gathering in the Green Room for a night of fun and fellowship so mark your calendars.

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.cccbigspring.org if you would like more information.

East Side Baptist Church

We welcome all on Resurrection Sunday. We will begin our celebration at 10 a.m. with great gospel singing and testimonies. Then enjoy "the Story," a drama of the gospel of Jesus. On Friday, April 10, we will be blessed to have with us "The Warrens," at 7 p.m. A nursery will be provided. The church is located at 1108 E. 6th St.

Forsan Baptist Church

This Sunday morning our Easter message is titled, "Click," and comes from John 20:11-16.

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.

We will have our community Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday here in Forsan at the Holguin home. The hunt will begin at 10 a.m.

Don't forget the Easter Sunrise Service at the Evans Ranch on Sunday. The service will begin at 7 a.m.

Our men's breakfast will be on April 11 at the Four Sands Café at 9 a.m.

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.

hymn "That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright" the Youth Handbells will play the descant The Chancel Choir will present "The Day of Resurrection" by Thomas Matthews as the offertory anthem. The One Great Hour of Sharing, which goes to help retired clergy, will be received during the service.

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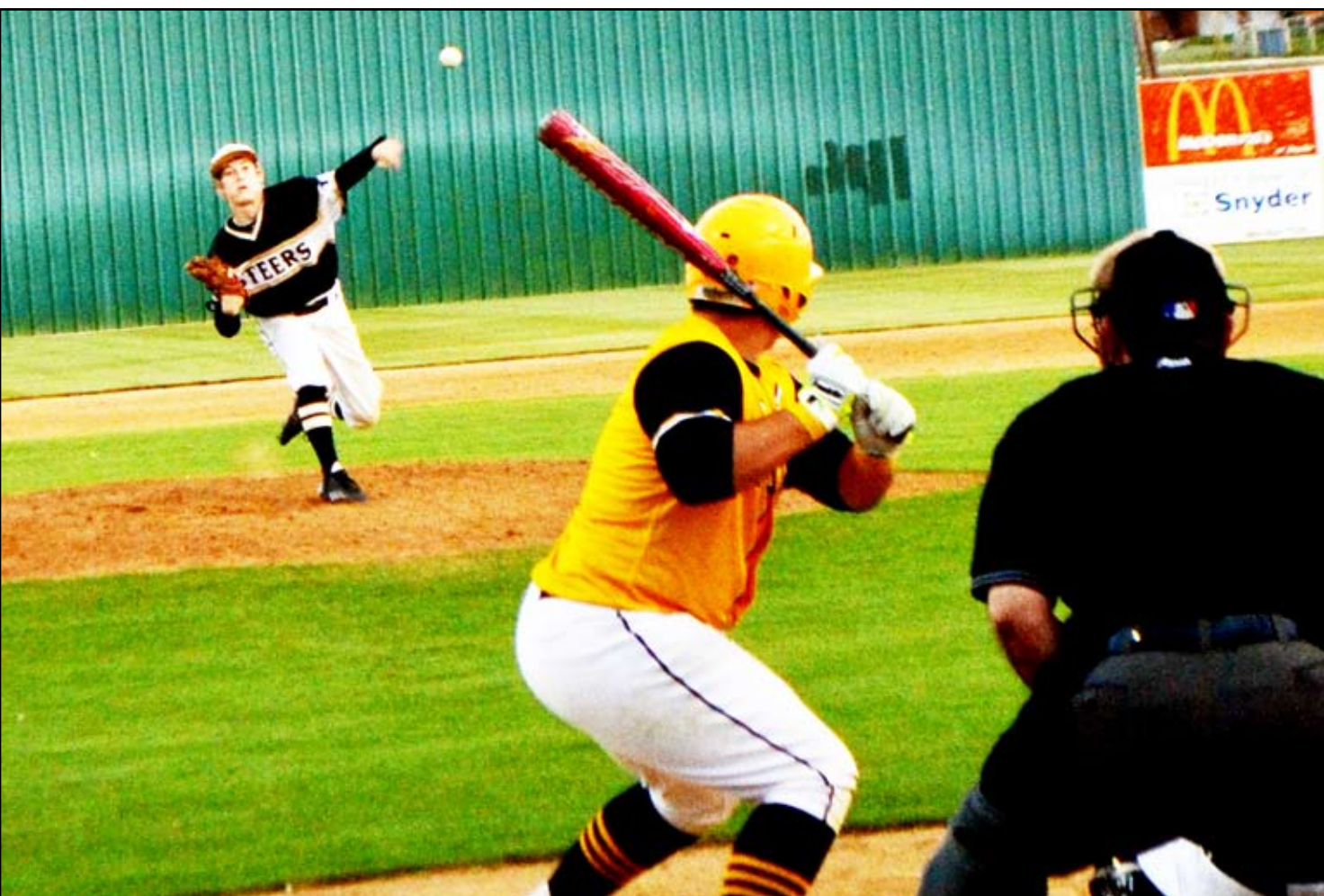
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Worship Service at **10:45 a.m.**

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Big Spring left-hander Anthony Godwin throws to the plate during the second inning of the Steers' 6-4 win over Snyder. With the win, Big Spring remained atop the District 2-4A standings.

Steers grab 2-4A lead

Godwin, Yanez power BSHS to 6-3 victory over Snyder

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

SNYDER — Anthony Godwin and Matt Yanez delivered a simple — but loud — message to the rest of District 2-4A on Thursday night at Moffett Field in Snyder.

The Steers are for real. Very, very real.

Godwin scattered six hits over seven innings of work and Yanez blasted a solo home run in the sixth inning and helped power Big Spring to a huge 6-4 victory over the Tigers in a key District 20-4A matchup.

With the win, the Steers improved to 3-0 in district play and, more importantly, remained in a first-place tie with Sweetwater in the 2-4A standings. Sweetwater clubbed a game-winning home run in the seventh inning to escape with a 3-2 win over Estacado.

Godwin dominated the Tigers' batters throughout the contest. Snyder didn't manage its first baserunner against the Steers' left-hander until the third inning.

Big Spring, now 7-5 for the season, got its offense rolling early on against SHS ace Kutter Berry. The Steers pounded out five runs in the first three innings of play and then turned the game over to Godwin.

After being retired in order in the

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Big Spring senior Matt Yanez strides toward home plate after blasting a solo home run in the sixth inning on Thursday at Moffett Field in Snyder. Yanez scored two runs in the contest.

Snyder survives Lady Steers' scare, 5-2

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

SNYDER — If the Big Spring High School Lady Steers needed to prove anything to themselves about their ability to play with the upper echelon teams, they certainly did that on Thursday afternoon against state-ranked Snyder.

Big Spring, backed by a solid outing in the circle from Yzzy Solis, stood toe-to-toe with the two-time defending district champion Snyder Lady Tigers in a key District 2-4A matchup. Snyder scored two runs in the bottom of the fifth inning to cinch a tough 5-2 decision in front of a large crowd at the SHS Softball Complex.

With the win, Snyder moved into sole possession of first-place in the district standings with a 4-0 record. Big Spring fell to 3-1.

Snyder, which entered the game scoring No. 16 in the latest Class 4A state softball poll, drew first blood, scoring twice in the bottom of the first.

Lyndzi Clemmer led off the Lady Tigers' assault with a beating out



Herald photo/Tommy Wells

Yzzy Solis hurls a pitch to the plate during the Lady Steers' game against Snyder on Thursday. Snyder won the game, 5-2.

a bunt single to lead off the frame. One out later, Taylor Hinojos double off the wall in right to drive in the game's first run. Hinojos scored moments later to push the Snyder lead to 2-0 on a single by Haley Morris.

Big Spring answered right back, however. The Lady Steers pulled to within 2-1 in the top of the third by pushing across a run.

Senior Shaylee Franks led off the BSHS third by reaching base by getting hit by a pitch. Following a walk to Jaci Aguilar, Ashley Gonzales ripped a single to first to drive home the Lady Steers' first run.

Snyder got the run back in the bottom of the third, scoring on a run-scoring double by Megan Leather-

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Big Blue Nation set to invade Indianapolis

By GARY B. GRAVES

AP Sports Writer

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — John Calipari has endeared himself to Big Blue Nation because he does what Wildcat fans demand — win.

He's delivered a championship, competes annually for national titles. Now he can immortalize himself in the eyes of Kentucky's rabid fans by giving them something they've never had — an undefeated national championship.

And you can bet your last bluegrass dollar that Indianapolis will be overwhelmingly blue with throngs flocking to see firsthand if their unbeaten Wildcats can get two more wins at the Final Four.

Then again, they always are.

"Ever since we've been going to games we've hoped for a season like this, unbeaten and perfect," said Roy Holsclaw, 81, who attended Kentucky's 1958 title-clinching game with his wife Katherine and has been a season ticket holder since 1959.

"I never thought we'd experience anything like this. It's a once-in-a-lifetime possibility and we hope to see it happen."

An estimated 10,000 turned out in Louisville for the Midwest regional and filled the lower bowl of the rival Cardinals' home court — for practice. Yes, we're talking about practice!

"I think they're crazy, but I've said it before," Calipari said of his fan base. "They're nuts. But it makes them what they are and they're passionate about letting everybody know, 'I'm a Kentucky fan.'"

Friday's open practice at 71,000-seat Lucas Oil Stadium leaves room for at least twice as many Wildcat fans to invade in hopes of giving Kentucky (38-0) a decided advantage in Saturday night's Final Four rematch with Wisconsin (35-3). Fans of the Badgers, Duke and Michigan are no doubt have similar ideas and are known to travel just as well.

That's just fine with Big Blue Nation, which welcomes challengers in their boasts of being national champions in fandom as well. The fans will take over the city because that's what they do.

Shaka Smart leaving VCU to coach Texas

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) — Shaka Smart has been a hot coaching commodity since leading Virginia Commonwealth to the Final Four in 2011. He had reportedly shunned several big-time offers, but the lure of Texas was finally too much to turn down.

VCU sports information director Scott Day confirmed Thursday night that Smart was leaving the Richmond university to take over the program in Austin. Smart met with VCU players earlier in the evening at the Siegel Center, the team's home arena, and at least one player was seen crying when he left.

Smart, who has won at least 26 games in each of his six seasons at VCU, is bolting for a Texas program that hasn't been able to unseat Kansas atop the Big 12. But the Longhorns also boast the wealthiest athletic department in the country and easy access to some of the nation's most fertile recruiting grounds in Dallas and Houston.

5th/6th hoop team tryouts to be April 14

Tryouts for a fifth and sixth grade summer basketball team will be held on April 14 in the high school gymnasium. The team, which is being formed by BSHS head coach Stacy Smalley, is open to any current 5th/6th grade girls in Big Spring ISD.

Tryouts will be held from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. There is no charge for athletes to try out for the team.

The team will practice twice a week and play teams from area towns.

For more information, email Coach Smalley at ssmalley@bsisd.esc18.net. Individuals are urged to e-mail Smalley to pre-register for the tryouts as space is limited.

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Legal Authority and Jurisdiction - The Commission has jurisdiction over Applicant and over the matters at issue in this proceeding pursuant to TEX. NAT. RES. CODE ANN Title 3, Subtitles A, B, and C, TEX WATER CODE ANN. Chapters 26, 27 and 29, and TEX GOVT CODE, Chapter 2001.

Particular Statutes and Rules Involved - The statutes and rules applicable to this proceeding include but are not limited to the following:

All sections of TEX. NAT. RES. CODE, Title 3, Subtitles A, B, and C;
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Service List - The Applicant shall review this Notice of Hearing and the attached Certificate of Service for accuracy and completeness. The Applicant shall immediately notify the Commission's Docket Services of any discrepancy or omission.

"APPENDIX A"
This hearing is held to consider the application of Diamondback E & P LLC for an exception to Statewide Rule 10 to permit downhole commingling of production from the Spraberry (Trend Area) (85280300) and Garden City, NW (Strawn) (33997700) Fields as to the Brunson A, Well No. 3 (API No. 42-173-35557); Brunson E, Well No. B5 (API No. 42-173-35495); Brunson E, Well No. K 1 (API No. 42-173-36555); Brunson J, Well No. 1 (API No. 42-173-35892); and Brunson L, Well No. 1 (API No.42-173-35900) in Glasscock County, Texas.

If you have questions regarding this applicant, please contact the Applicant's representative, Jamie Nielson, at (512) 380-9616. If you have any question regarding the hearing procedure, please contact Railroad Commission Docket Services at (512) 463-6848.

THIS HEARING NOTICE REQUIRES PUBLICATION NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCIÓN GENERAL)

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(La votación del Día de Elección será en)

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(La votación adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo de lunes a viernes en)

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Horas: a las 8:00 hasta las 5:00
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(Name of Early Voting Clerk)
(Nombre del Secretario(a) de la Votación Adelantada)
Howard County Court House, P.O. Box 1069
(Address) (Dirección)
Big Spring, Texas 79721-1069
(City) (Ciudad) (Zip Code) (Zona Postal)

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Location (Sitio) Date (Fecha) Hours (Horas)
Issued this the **12th** day of **February, 2015**.
(Emitida este día **12 de febrero de 2015**.)

Signature of Presiding Officer (Oficial que Preside)
Chad Wash, President, Board of Trustees (Presidente de la mesa directiva)
Big Spring Independent School District (Distrito Escolar Independiente de Big Spring)
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Tomorrow's Horoscope

as possible.
LEO
(July 23-Aug. 22).
Opening your mind is a lot harder than opening your mouth, but like anything, if you do it enough, it gets easy. It already has for you, which is why today you'll delight in fewer words and more influences.

VIRGO
(Aug. 23-Sept. 22).
Meeting the right person at the wrong time is a condition that, in some, inspires longing, fantasizing, poetry... In others it inspires planning. How could you appropriately plan and play together during these times?
LIBRA
(Sept. 23-Oct. 23). In your mind, elegance and functionality go together. You have no interest in pretty things that don't do anything useful. Guided by these convictions, you'll improve your environment.
SCORPIO
(Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Once again, you'll be drawn to the mysterious and clandestine. When the situation is new to you, and you are new to it, you can be whoever you want to be. You might enjoy cultivating an alter ego.

SAGITTARIUS
(Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You are your own team captain. You won't be blindly led or bossed around. You will defer to the judgment of your teachers as a sign of respect when you know that the respect goes both ways.
CAPRICORN
(Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You know that odd feeling

you've had about a certain someone? Now you'll finally get the evidence to confirm your suspicions. This is validation for the ol' instincts!
AQUARIUS
(Jan. 20-Feb. 18).
Relationships thrive with the right amount of together time. You don't want your absence to mean more than your presence, and that's why you show up when it counts and take a break when it counts, too.
PISCES
(Feb. 19-March 20). The difficult road might lead to a beautiful and private destination, or it might lead to more difficulty. The road signs will point you down a well-worn path to a beautiful though very public place.

WEEKEND LOVE FORECAST:
ARIES: Sometimes it gets better on its own, but most times you have to get better first. **TAURUS:** Location counts. The right environment puts you in a beautiful light. **GEMINI:** By confronting the very thing that causes you anxiety, you'll prove to yourself that there is nothing you can't do. **CANCER:** You may prefer the known to the unknown, but you can't deny that the unknown intrigues and excites you. **LEO:** You'll come off as much younger than you are and find the benefit in this. **VIRGO:** Your counterpart needs the encouragement and approval you deal so generously. **LIBRA:** Intellectually, you may think someone isn't worth losing sleep over, and yet the restless night

tells another story. **SCORPIO:** You're still the person you were years ago, but the relationship has changed. Now the question is: Who is going to adjust and how much? **SAGITTARIUS:** Worthy opposition will excite and invigorate you. **CAPRICORN:** You want what you've not yet had, and so you'll do what you've not yet done. **AQUARIUS:** Take care of yourself and get comfortable. Have fun and you'll be fun. **PISCES:** It's often the case that high-class and low-maintenance go hand in hand.

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Test Your Play

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.

4	3	1			2	
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1	4				8	9
3	9					2
		4				6
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	2			3	5	8

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You are declarer with the West hand at Six Spades, and North leads the jack of clubs, which you ruff. How would you play the hand?

West	East
♠ A Q J 10 8	♠ K 5 3
♥ A K 9 8 5	♥ 6 4 2
♦ A Q J	♦ K 9 7
♣ —	♣ Q 6 4 3

First, you should conclude that the slam cannot be made if the trumps are divided 4-1. This is because if either defender had four trumps and you drew them, you'd have no more trumps and would automatically go down two. You therefore start by assuming a 3-2 trump division.

You next consider how the missing five hearts might be divided. Again you make an assumption before proceeding. Oddly enough, this time you assume that the hearts are not divided 3-2 because, if they are, you are sure to succeed with any reasonable line of play.

It's not that you don't want the hearts to be divided 3-2 — you'd be delighted if they were — but that you would like to arrange your play so as to guard against a 4-1 division, if possible (you have no chance against a 5-0 break).

Once you assume the 4-1 heart division, you have to decide how to handle the case where North has the four hearts, and then the case where South has them. One approach to dealing with the problem is to imagine that North has a hand such as ♠62♥QJ73♦842♣J1085 and proceed from there.

At trick two, you cash the ace of hearts, on which South plays the ten. Next you enter dummy with a diamond and lead another heart. If South ruffs, you later play two rounds of trumps, cash the king of hearts, ruff a heart in dummy and so make the slam. If South does not ruff, you win the heart with the king, concede a heart to North and later ruff a heart high in dummy to produce 12 tricks.

If North has the singleton ten, jack or queen of hearts, the play is even simpler. After cashing the heart ace and seeing the ten, jack or queen appear on your left, you draw three rounds of trumps ending in dummy and then lead a heart. If South follows low, you finesse the nine; if South produces one of the two missing honors, you win with the king and return the nine.

If both defenders follow low on the ace of hearts at trick two, your best chance is to cross to dummy with a diamond and return a heart toward your K-9-8-5, playing the king if South follows suit.

Tomorrow: More than just a guess.

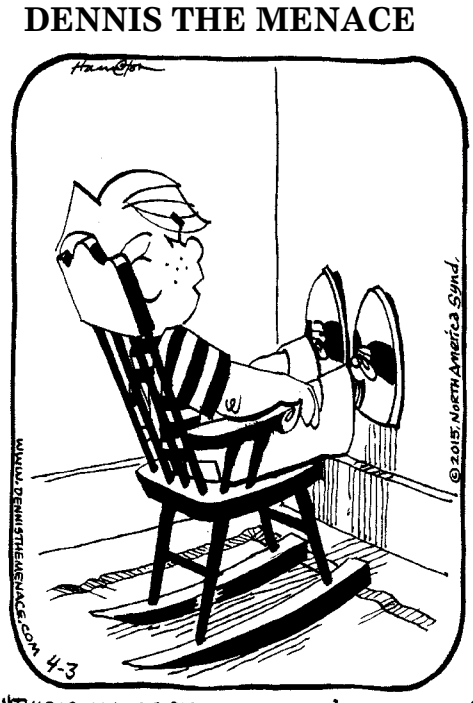
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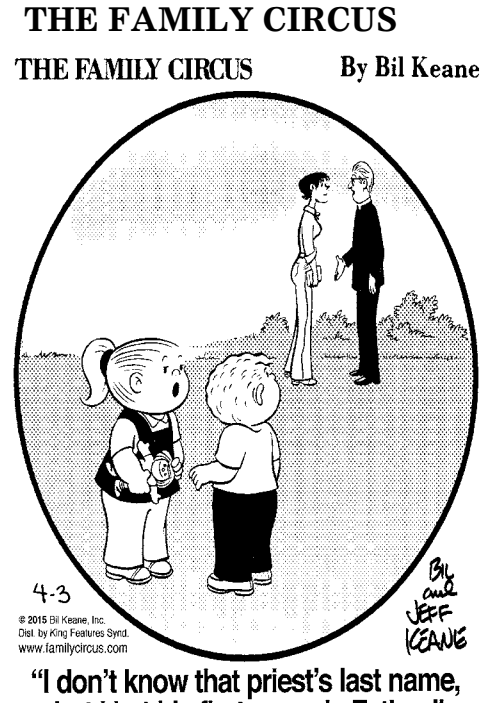
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Pregnant Moon
Today brings a sense of anticipation, wonder and fear. The pregnant moon is swelling toward tomorrow's full status in Libra, the sign of partnership. This full moon will be accompanied by a total lunar eclipse. Assess where your relationships are now. Take a picture. This will help you appreciate the developments to come.
ARIES
(March 21-April 19). Everyone is fallible. Because you've placed your mentors, idols and leaders in high esteem, they have farther to fall when they fall from grace. Can you reverse them without the pedestal?
TAURUS
(April 20-May 20). Stop sacrificing to your own detriment, and make your needs a higher priority (even if those needs happen to be for seemingly frivolous things like glamour, thrills and general fun).
GEMINI
(May 21-June 21). High culture may not be on your agenda. If you find yourself in the same old haunts instead of traveling, seeing elaborately designed shows or visiting the museum, at least look up. The sky is a masterpiece.
CANCER
(June 22-July 22). You know what stresses you out. Anticipate potential anxiety-triggering situations, and make a plan as to how you'll either avoid them or, if they are unavoidable, deal with them as quickly

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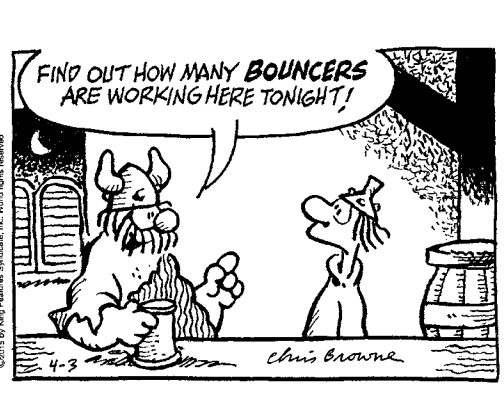
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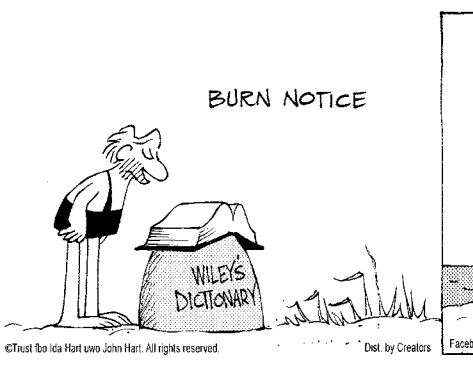
THE FAMILY CIRCUS By Bill Keane "I don't know that priest's last name, but I bet his first name is Father."



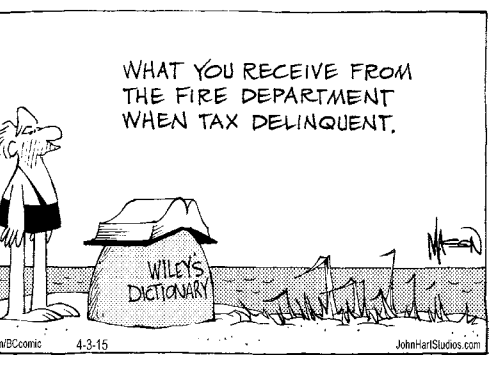
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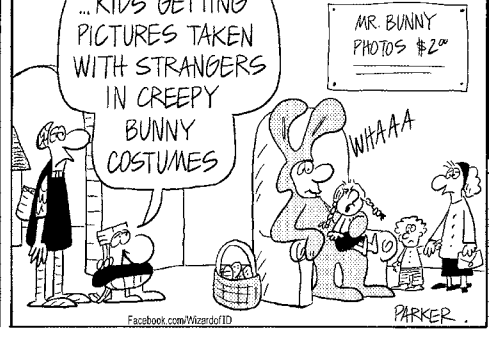
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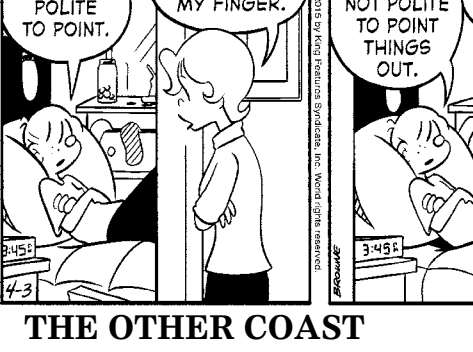
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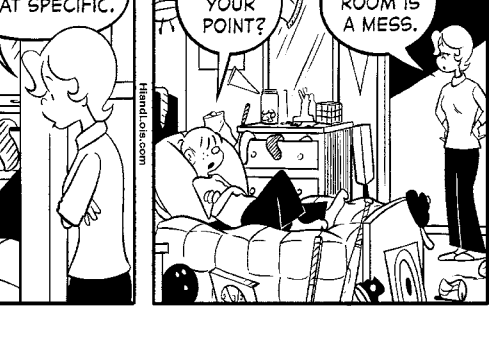
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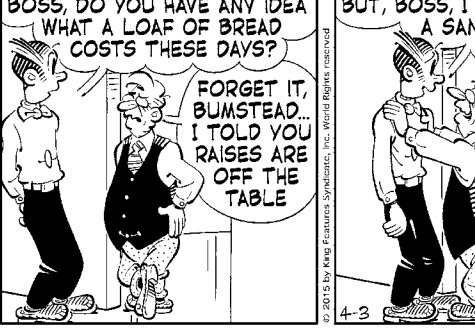
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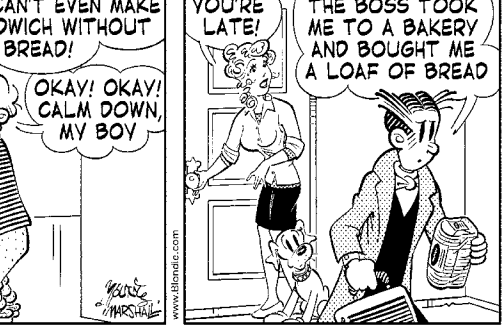
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THE FAMILY CIRCUS



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This Date In History

Today is Good Friday, April 3, the 93rd day of 2015. There are 272 days left in the year. The Jewish holiday Passover begins at sunset. Today's Highlight in History: On April 3, 1865, Union forces occupied the Confederate capital of Richmond, Virginia. On this date: In 1860, the legendary Pony Express began carrying mail between St. Joseph, Missouri, and Sacramento, California. In 1882, outlaw Jesse James was shot to death in St. Joseph, Missouri, by Robert Ford, a member of James' gang. In 1936, Bruno Hauptmann was electrocuted in Trenton, New Jersey, for the kidnap-murder of Charles Lindbergh Jr. In 1946, Lt. Gen. Masaharu Homma, the Japanese commander held responsible for the Bataan Death March, was

executed by firing squad outside Manila. In 1948, President Harry S. Truman signed the Marshall Plan, designed to help European allies rebuild after World War II and resist communism. In 1965, the United States launched the SNAP-10A nuclear power system into Earth orbit; it was the first nuclear reactor sent into space. In 1968, the day before he was assassinated in Memphis, Tennessee, civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr. delivered his famous "mountaintop" speech to a rally of striking sanitation workers. In 1974, deadly tornadoes began hitting wide parts of the South and Midwest before jumping across the border into Canada; more than 300 fatalities resulted from what became known as the Super Outbreak. In 1985, the landmark Hollywood Brown Derby restaurant closed after 56 years in business. In 1990, jazz singer Sarah Vaughan died in suburban Los Angeles at age 66. In 1995, former United Way of America President William Aramony was convicted in Alexandria, Virginia, of 25 counts of fraud, conspiracy and money laundering for stealing

nearly \$600,000 from the charity. (Aramony ended up serving six years of a seven-year prison sentence.) In 1996, an Air Force jetliner carrying Commerce Secretary Ron Brown and American business executives crashed in Croatia, killing all 35 people aboard. Ten years ago: A day after the death of Pope John Paul II, the body of the pontiff lay in state. Millions prayed and wept at services across the globe, as the Vatican prepared for the ritual-filled funeral and conclave that would choose a successor. Thought for Today: "The world is not black and white. More like black and grey." Ai Graham Greene, English author (born 1904, died this date in 1991).

Answer to previous puzzle: TWIN MIAMI IMPS ROVE ANNIV NOOK AMOS SLATE HOLY PARTAKE BEATLE NYET TAPERS CALI TREATISE BIO AVALON EVIL USA WAR AHA YRS MESH NETMAN LIE PETERPAN DICE ROASTS TOAD IMPROV TWANGED DELI LATER TUNE OMAN OLIVE REIN LONG VIXEN ARMY

Newsday Crossword

- ACROSS 1 Saucer shapes 6 Force (down) 10 Pyrex sister brand 14 Reunion attendee 15 Director of Marlon in Streetcar 16 Play in water, perhaps 17 Play in water, perhaps 18 Symbol for September 19 Commencement usher, for short 20 Good ___ 23 Brinks 24 Take no one along 25 Grade-school subj. 27 Obviously abashed 28 Imaginepeace.com owner 29 Sort of break 30 Epiphanic, as a moment 31 Gladiator venue 33 Raleigh in Elizabeth: The Golden Age 34 "Good ___ 39 Pomegranate part 40 Categorized 41 Agcy. promoting flu vaccines 42 CBS series in its 15th season 45 Lee's side: Abbr. 46 Squelch 49 Light shade 50 San __, TX 52 Sound with clattering teeth 53 Good ___ 56 Steady date 57 President at the Bicentennial 58 Two-mile-high city 59 Starting stake 60 Ending like -less 61 Any ABBA member 62 What the AMA operates on 63 Puts (down) 64 Through DOWN 1 One inept on the links 2 Starry-eyed 3 Orchestrated 4 47 Down prize grabbers 5 MacFarlane of TV 6 Not great odds 7 Spy's name, quite possibly 8 Lackey 9 Traditional Valencian dish 10 Perceive 11 Eminent Japanese director 12 Talks with a tot, perhaps 13 At less than your best 21 Humphrey successor 22 Petty bribe 26 Equivalent of John 28 www.goodwill. 31 Sentence extender 32 Aesopian saver 33 Out-of-print 34 Family restaurant offering 35 Rudimentary 36 Greek island group 37 London suburb 38 Halibut habitat 39 Color TV pioneer 42 Thing in a six-pack 43 Expresses disdain 44 Snub 46 Was crabby 47 Game room 48 Had a lawn for lunch 51 White-plumed bird 52 Raw power 54 French streets 55 If not 56 It's not good

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Scoreboard

BASEBALL
Spring Training Standings
AMERICAN LEAGUE
W L Pct
Oakland 22 9 .710
Kansas City 18 10 .643
Toronto 18 12 .600
Boston 16 11 .593
Houston 12 10 .545
Tampa Bay 14 12 .538
New York 16 15 .516
Los Angeles 14 14 .500
Cleveland 14 16 .467
Minnesota 12 15 .444
Chicago 11 17 .393
Seattle 11 17 .393
Baltimore 11 18 .379
Detroit 11 19 .367
Texas 9 18 .333

NATIONAL LEAGUE
W L Pct
Los Angeles 16 10 .615
New York 18 12 .600
San Diego 17 12 .586
Pittsburgh 15 11 .577
Arizona 17 14 .548
St. Louis 13 11 .542
Miami 14 12 .538
Colorado 16 14 .533
Cincinnati 14 13 .519
Chicago 15 15 .500
Atlanta 14 16 .467
Philadelphia 12 17 .414
Milwaukee 11 16 .407
Washington 10 15 .400
San Francisco 11 21 .344

NOTE: Split-squad games count in the standings; games against non-major league teams do not.

Thursday's Games
St. Louis 0, N.Y. Mets 0, tie
Detroit 3, N.Y. Yankees (ss) 2
Tampa Bay 10, Philadelphia 1
N.Y. Yankees (ss) 6, Pittsburgh 2
Cleveland 4, Cincinnati 3
San Diego 6, Milwaukee 5
Arizona 10, Chicago White Sox 2
Atlanta 6, Baltimore 5
Boston 8, Minnesota 5
L.A. Angels 3, L.A. Dodgers 2
Oakland 8, San Francisco 2

Friday's Games
Tampa Bay vs. Detroit at Lakeland, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
Washington vs. N.Y. Yankees at Tampa, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
Milwaukee vs. Cleveland at Goodyear, Ariz., 4:05 p.m.
Atlanta vs. Baltimore at Sarasota, Fla., 6:05 p.m.
Minnesota vs. Boston at Fort Myers, Fla., 7:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Philadelphia, 7:05 p.m.
Cincinnati vs. Toronto at Montreal, 7:07 p.m.
Kansas City at Houston, 8:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets at Texas, 8:05 p.m.
Chicago Cubs at Arizona, 9:40 p.m.
Colorado vs. Seattle at Peoria, Ariz., 10:05 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers at L.A. Angels, 10:05 p.m.
Oakland at San Francisco, 10:15 p.m.

Saturday's Games
Detroit at Tampa Bay, 12:35 p.m.
Boston vs. Minnesota at Fort Myers, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Philadelphia, 1:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees at Washington, 1:05 p.m.
Cincinnati vs. Toronto at Montreal, 1:07 p.m.
N.Y. Mets at Texas, 2:05 p.m.
Cleveland vs. Milwaukee at Phoenix, 3:05 p.m.
Baltimore vs. Atlanta at Kissimmee, Fla., 3:05 p.m.
Seattle vs. Colorado at Scottsdale, Ariz., 3:10 p.m.
San Francisco at Oakland, 4:05 p.m.
Kansas City at Houston, 4:05 p.m.
Chicago Cubs at Arizona, 4:10 p.m.
L.A. Angels at L.A. Dodgers, 9:10 p.m.

Curry, GOL 73 593 293 1736 23.8
Aldridge, POR 66 616 291 1556 23.6
Griffin, LAC 61 528 286 1352 22.2
Iving, CLE 71 554 299 1553 21.9
Thompson, GOL 70 547 210 1518 21.7
Wade, MIA 56 460 253 1200 21.4
Lillard, POR 74 528 320 1553 21.0
Gay, SAC 67 499 324 1399 20.9
Butler, CHI 59 387 259 1195 20.3
Hayward, UTA 72 466 359 1406 19.5
DeRozan, TOR 54 354 323 1052 19.5
Vucevic, ORL 67 569 152 1292 19.3
Paul, LAC 76 534 267 1461 19.2
Ellis, DAL 75 568 224 1441 19.2
Gasol, CHI 71 517 267 1313 18.5

Rebounds
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Jordan, LAC 76 364 761 1125/14.8
Drummond, DET 75 398 598 996 13.3
Cousins, SAC 57 181 534 715 12.5
Gasol, CHI 71 197 642 839 11.8
Chandler, DAL 70 274 519 793 11.3
Vucevic, ORL 67 218 529 747 11.1
Randolph, MEM 64 206 474 680 10.6
Monroe, DET 64 217 451 668 10.4
Davis, NOR 60 154 468 622 10.4
Aldridge, POR 66 165 514 679 10.3

Assists
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Paul, LAC 76 775 10.2
Wall, WAS 75 740 9.9
Lawson, DEN 70 668 9.5
Westbrook, OKC 60 520 8.7
Rondo, DAL 63 503 8.0
Curry, GOL 73 569 7.8
James, CLE 65 473 7.3
Teague, ATL 67 470 7.0
Harden, HOU 75 522 7.0
Lowry, TOR 66 454 6.9

NCAA Conference Records
Through March 29
(Selections in parentheses)
Conference W L Pct.
Atlantic Coast (6) 15 5 .750
Big Ten (7) 11 5 .688
Pacific-12 (4) 8 4 .667
Southeastern (5) 6 4 .600
Missouri Valley (2) 3 2 .600
West Coast (2) 3 2 .600
Conference USA (1) 1 1 .500
Mid-Eastern Athletic (1) 1 1 .500
Northeast (1) 1 1 .500
Sun Belt (1) 1 1 .500
Big East (6) 5 6 .455
Big 12 (7) 5 7 .417
Atlantic 10 (3) 2 3 .400
American Athletic (2) 1 2 .333
Mountain West (3) 1 3 .250
America East (1) 0 1 .000
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National Hockey League
Atlantic Division
W L OTpts GF GA
x-Montreal 47 22 9 103 207 179
x-Tampa Bay 47 24 8 102 251 206
Detroit 40 24 13 93 223 211
Boston 40 25 13 93 207 200
Ottawa 39 26 12 90 222 205
Florida 36 27 15 87 198 211
Toronto 29 43 6 64 204 249
Buffalo 22 47 8 52 152 258

Metropolitan Division
W L OTpts GF GA
y-N.Y. Rangers 49 21 7 105 234 181
Washington 43 25 10 96 232 194
N.Y. Islanders 45 27 6 96 238 219
Pittsburgh 42 24 11 95 211 194
Columbus 38 35 4 80 214 237
Philadelphia 31 29 17 79 202 220
New Jersey 31 33 13 75 170 197
Carolina 28 38 11 67 177 214

WESTERN CONFERENCE
Central Division
W L OTpts GF GA
x-Nashville 47 22 9 103 224 193
x-St. Louis 47 23 7 101 233 191
x-Chicago 47 24 6 100 220 177
Minnesota 44 26 7 95 221 189
Winnipeg 39 26 12 90 217 204
Dallas 37 30 10 84 239 248
Colorado 35 30 12 82 207 218

Pacific Division
W L OTpts GF GA
y-Anaheim 50 22 7 107 232 217
Vancouver 45 28 5 95 225 211
Calgary 42 29 7 91 230 208
Los Angeles 38 25 14 90 209 194
San Jose 38 30 9 85 217 216
Edmonton 23 42 13 59 188 268
Arizona 23 46 8 54 161 256

NOTE: Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss.

Thursday's Games
Toronto 4, Buffalo 3, SO
N.Y. Rangers 3, Washington 1
Calgary 6, Anaheim 3

Thursday's Games
Columbus 4, N.Y. Islanders 3, SO
Washington 5, Montreal 4, SO
Ottawa 2, Tampa Bay 1, OT
Boston 3, Detroit 2
Florida 6, Carolina 1
N.Y. Rangers 3, Minnesota 2
St. Louis 4, Calgary 1
Chicago 3, Vancouver 1
Los Angeles 8, Edmonton 2

Friday's Games
Chicago at Buffalo, 7 p.m.
Montreal at New Jersey, 7 p.m.
St. Louis at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Colorado at Anaheim, 10 p.m.
Arizona at San Jose, 10 p.m.

Harden scores 24, Rockets rally past Mavericks, 108-101

DALLAS (AP) — James Harden had plenty of help a night after carrying Houston with a career high in scoring — he even got a boost from Dwight Howard not long after the center with the troublesome right knee limped off the court. Harden scored 24 points, Howard sparked a rally with the strong start to the fourth quarter and former Dallas guard Jason Terry hit a tiebreaking 3-pointer to help the Houston Rockets beat the Mavericks 108-101 Thursday night. “Having ‘Big Fella’ back today kind of helped us out a little bit,” Harden said of Howard. “We’ve got to get his rhythm going ‘cause we’re going to need him in the post-season.”

The Rockets (52-24) moved a half-game ahead of Memphis in the race for the No. 2 seed in the Western Conference behind Golden State. Even with the loss, the Mavericks (46-30) are likely to end up with the seventh seed after a win over Oklahoma City on Wednesday put them four games up on the Thunder and gave them the tiebreaker. They’re now 3 1/2 ahead with six to go. Dirk Nowitzki led Dallas with 21 points.

16th-ranked Lady Hawks to face Clarendon on April 3

The 16th-ranked Howard College Lady Hawks will return play this afternoon when they travel to Clarendon for a double-header with the Clarendon Lady Bulldogs. The games are slated to begin at 1 p.m. The Lady Hawks, who took three-of-four from No. 3-ranked Midland College on March 27-28, are 26-9 for the season.

BOSTON RED SOX — Options OFs Jackie Bradley Jr. and Rusney Castillo to Pawtucket (IL). Reassigned RHP Dalier Hinojosa, SS Deven Marrero and C Matt Spring to minor league camp.
CHICAGO WHITE SOX — Reassigned RHPs Brad Penny and Scott Carroll to minor league camp.
CLEVELAND INDIANS — Options INF Jesus Aguilar to Columbus (IL).
MINNESOTA TWINS — Selected the contract of OF Shane Robinson from Rochester (IL).
NEW YORK YANKEES — Options RHP Chase Whitley to Scranton/Wilkes-Barre (IL). Reassigned INFs Nick Noonan and Rob Refsnyder and C Eddy Rodriguez to minor league camp.
SEATTLE MARINERS — Agreed to terms with LHP Joe Beimel on a minor league contract. Options LHP Mike Montgomery to Tacoma (PCL).
TEXAS RANGERS — Claimed RHP Logan Verrett off waivers from Baltimore. Placed OF Antoan Richardson on the 60-day DL.
TORONTO BLUE JAYS — Agreed to terms with LHP Felix Doubrant on a minor league contract.
National League
ATLANTA BRAVES — Options RHP Brandon Cunniff to Gwinnett (IL). Acquired RHP Trevor Cahill and cash from the Arizona Diamondbacks for OF Josh Elander.
CINCINNATI REDS — Assigned RHP Sam LeCure outright to Louisville (IL). Reassigned RHP Michael Lorenzen to minor league camp.
MILWAUKEE BREWERS — Traded 1B Hunter Morris to Pittsburgh for a player to be named. Assigned INF/OF Elian Herrera to minor league camp.
NEW YORK METS — Agreed to terms with OF Juan Lagares on a five-year contract.
SAN DIEGO PADRES — Released RHP Jose Valverde. Reassigned LHP Chris Reardon to their minor league camp.

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W L T Pct PF PA
Jacksonville 0 1 0 .000 50 51
Orlando 0 1 0 .000 63 70
Tampa Bay 0 1 0 .000 44 60

East Division
W L T Pct PF PA
Cleveland 1 0 0 1.000 60 44
New Orleans 1 0 0 1.000 51 50
Philadelphia 1 0 0 1.000 70 63

Friday's Games
Cleveland at Tampa Bay, 7:30 p.m.
Los Angeles at Portland, 10 p.m.

Saturday's Games
Jacksonville at New Orleans, 8 p.m.
Spokane at Arizona, 9 p.m.

Sunday's Games
Philadelphia at Orlando, 7 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS
BASEBALL
Major League Baseball
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE — Suspended Atlanta RHP Arodys Vizcaino 80 games for violating Major League Baseball's Joint Drug Prevention and Treatment Program.

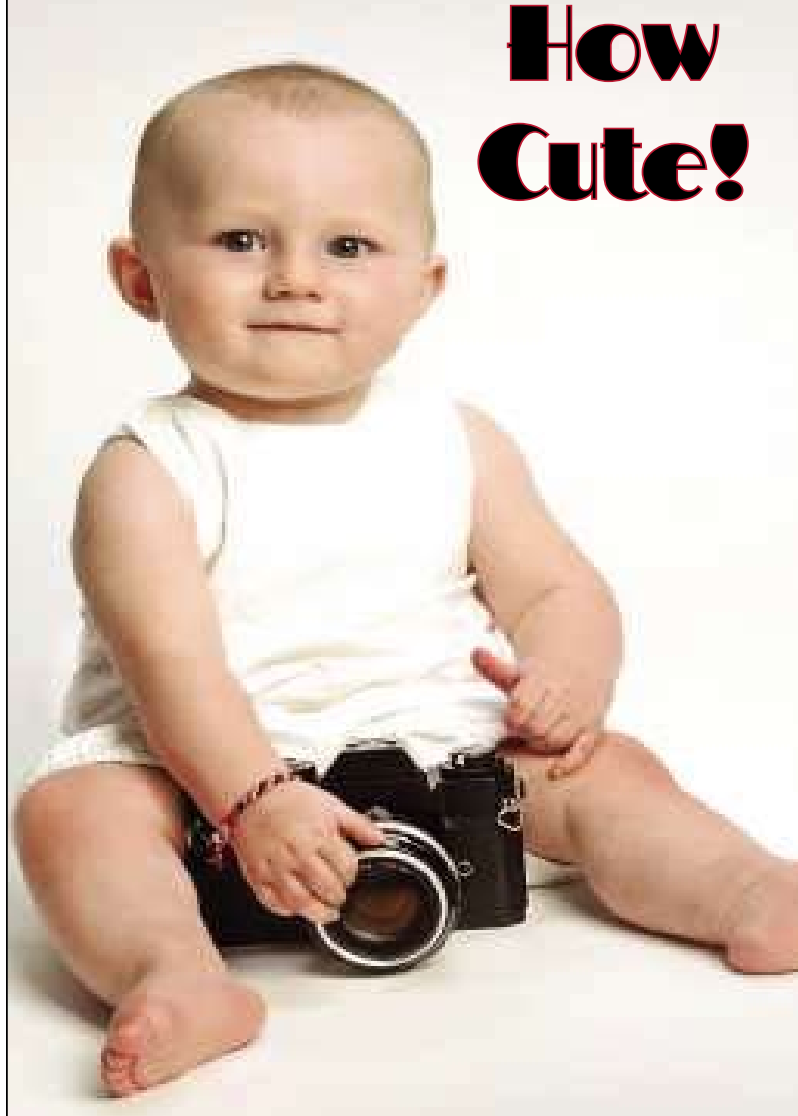
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STEERS

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first, Preston Alexander got the BSHS assault started with one out in the top of the second. The Steers' centerfielder opened the inning with a one-out walk. One out later, Yanez put runners on second and third by slapping a single to right.

Yanez went 2-for-3 from the plate in the contest and scored two of the Steers' six runs.

Josh Gutierrez made Berry pay dearly moments after Yanez's single. He drilled a pitch back through the middle for a single that plated Alexander and Yanez and staked Big Spring to a 2-0 advantage.

Big Spring unloaded on Berry again in the top of the third. The Steers pounded out three runs on three hits and stretched their lead to 5-0.

Godwin led off the BSHS third by drawing a lead-off walk. After Berry had enticed Hunter Hill to fly out to right, Big Spring first baseman Gary Watkins singled to center. Garrett Wigington made sure Berry didn't get off the hook. The Steers' clean-up hitter, he drove in both Godwin and Watkins by drilling a double to center.

Wigington raced home a few seconds later on a wild pitch.

Wigington finished the game by going 2-for-4 from the plate with a pair of RBI.

Snyder, now 10-3 overall and 2-1 in district play, managed to get one of the runs back in the bottom of the third. The Tigers turned a walk, a



Herald photo/Tommy Wells

Big Spring's Anthony Godwin prepares to deliver a pitch to the plate in the Steers' win over Snyder. He allowed jut six hits in the game.

District 2-4A Baseball Standings		
Team	District	Season
Big Spring	3-0	7-5
Snyder	2-1	10-3
Levelland	1-2	10-6
Estacado	0-3	5-13
Lamesa	0-3	3-7

Thursday's Results		
Big Spring	6	Snyder 4
Sweetwater	3	Estacado 2
Levelland	19	Lamesa 4

sacrifice and a two-out single by Logan Payton into a run.

Godwin made sure Snyder's uprising didn't last long. Following Payton's RBI single, he struck out the next batter to end the frame. Yanez erased what-

Verlander headed to DL for 1st time in big league career

LAKELAND, Fla. (AP) — Detroit Tigers pitcher Justin Verlander is headed to the disabled list for the first time in his major league career.

The Tigers said Thursday the 32-year-old right-hander won't be on the active roster for Monday's opener against Minnesota because of tightness in his right triceps. He was scratched from his Thursday start and no timetable has been announced for when he will pitch again.

"I think they used the word strain," Verlander said. "It felt like just a little cramp but, obviously, with it taking a little longer to heal, it's probably a little bit

more than that — just take it day by day." Verlander has been throwing lightly in an attempt to work out the tightness.

"I don't think this is going to be a long-term issue," Tigers manager Brad Ausmus said. "After throwing yesterday, he said he felt as good or better today."

Detroit will make his DL stint retroactive, making it possible the six-time All-Star could start the sixth game of the season, on April 12 at Cleveland.

"If he does start on that Sunday, essentially he doesn't miss a start," Ausmus said.

"Obviously it's a little more of a story because

I've never been on the DL," said Verlander, who has started 30 or more games in each of the last nine seasons. "At least I can take solace in the fact that I'm going on the DL to help the team. Even if tomorrow it's fine and I feel great, I wouldn't be able to start until Sunday (April 12), so I'd still go on the DL because we get that extra guy and it benefits the club."

Verlander is 28-24 in two seasons since starting a \$180 million, seven-year contract, slowed by core muscle surgery before the 2014 season. Winner of the 2011 AL MVP and Cy Young Awards, Verlander was 124-65 before the deal.

BSHS

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wood. Snyder took a 3-1 lead into the fourth.

Big Spring battled its way back in the top of the fourth and pulled to within 3-2.

After Hinijos had retired the first two BSHS batters on easy flies, Mariah Sarmiento ignited the Lady Steers' run with a two-out single. Leah Burton followed with a walk and set the stage for Aguilar's run-scoring infield hit.

Snyder pushed across two runs in the home half of the fifth to push its lead to 5-2.

Big Spring threatened to rally back in the top of the sixth. The Lady Steers got a two-out hit from Sarmiento and a walk from Franks to

ever momentum the Tigers may have gained in the top of the sixth. With one out, the BSHS catcher blasted a home run over the 352-foot sign in left-center and upped the Steers' lead to 6-1.

The Tigers pushed across two runs in the bottom of the sixth and one more in the seventh to pull to within 6-4.

In JV action, Big Spring suffered a 9-4 loss despite a home run by Taylor Christian.

Big Spring will return to action on April 7 when they host Sweetwater at Steer Park.

ing the loss, turned in a strong outing for Big Spring. She allowed just nine hits in the game, four of which never left the infield.

Sarmiento led the BSHS offense by going 2-for-3 from the plate with two singles.

In JV softball action, the Lady Tigers managed to eke out a 9-1 decision over the BSHS girls.

The Lady Steers will host Sweetwater on April 7.

District 2-4A Softball Standings		
Team	District	Season
Snyder	4-0	15-5
Big Spring	3-1	11-4
Sweetwater	3-1	11-6
Levelland	2-2	NA
Estacado	0-4	5-12
Lamesa	0-4	NA

Thursday's Results		
Snyder	5	Big Spring 2
Sweetwater	28	Estacado 0
Levelland	14	Lamesa 6

bring the tying run to the plate before Hinojos managed to wiggle her way out of trouble.

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