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AARP to offer free tax assistance again this year

By **LYNDEL MOODY**
 Staff Writer

Tax season will soon be upon us and for people needing a little help filling out the official Federal forms, the AARP Tax Assistance program will hold several ses-

sions beginning in February. "The IRS and AARP estimates the program saves about \$200 per filing," said Ray Alexander, who oversees the free assistance program in the Howard County. "Last year, we saved an excess of \$40,000 for Howard County

tax payers. Nationally, the program helped file 1.6 million tax forms and it had an accuracy rate of 99 percent." Volunteers with the program will begin holding its first session on Monday, Feb. 1. from 8 a.m. to noon at the Dora Roberts Community

Center located in the Comanche Trail Park. Sessions will be held every Monday through April 4, from 8 a.m. to noon. Most tax paying residents with a few exceptions qualify to receive free aid through the program. Volunteers are not

trained to assist with more complex tax issues such as rental property, debt forgiveness and foreclosures, Alexander said. "Anyone really qualifies, except we can't do the more

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Courtesy photo

Pete Wolf, regional director of base operations for Air Evac Lifeteam, recently presented the Air Medical Service Provider of the Year award to the Big Spring Air Evac Lifeteam base. Accepting the award is Program Director Debra Wallace.

Local air evac team wins service provider award

Special to the Herald

The Big Spring Air Evac Lifeteam base was recently honored at the Texas EMS Conference in Dallas as the Air Medical Service Provider of the Year.

The award honors a public or private air medical service in Texas that demonstrates the highest standards in providing patient care.

Christie Dyer with Glasscock County Volunteer EMS nominated the Big Spring Air Evac base. I

n her nomination, Glasscock stated, "Air Evac 54 goes above and beyond by providing excellent service, education and assistance to ground services in our region. My EMS service has provided an EMT and Advanced EMT course this year. Air Evac has flown to our town several times to assist with those classes. They have hosted a skills practice day outside of class time to enhance the skills of the students. The students feel much more confident in their ability to perform the

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BSHS duo to vie for debate title in Austin

Special to the Herald

Big Spring High School will be sending a Cross-Examination Debate team to the UIL State Meet for a 15th consecutive year.

Kelli Ruth and Lauren Kendall placed first at the District 2-4A meet, qualifying them for the 106th Annual State Meet to be held the campus of the University of Texas, March 17-19.

"Kelli and Lauren have been working hard all year to be able to say that they are district champions," Coach Jennifer Adams said. "I can't even begin to tell you how much time they have put into this event."

For Ruth, the win makes this the third time she has qualified for the Cross-Examination State meet.

"I've gone to the State Meet two other times as the district runner-up," Ruth said. "It has been my goal since last year to finally earn the first place spot."

All of Ruth's qualifications have come with a different partner.

A Georgia native, Kendall had not participated in Cross-Examination until this year.

"I didn't know what to expect, but I've learned a lot about debate and the topic," she said.



Courtesy photo

Kelli Ruth, left, and Lauren Kendall will head to the state UIL Cross Examination Debate meet. This is the 15th consecutive year that a Big Spring High School team has qualified for state.

The topic debated is "Resolved: The United States Federal Government should substantially curtail its domestic surveillance."

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BSJHS cheer team bound for nationals

By **LYNDEL MOODY**
 Staff Writer

Months of practice for the Big Spring Junior High School cheerleading competition squad will culminate this Saturday at the NCA's Senior and Junior High School Nationals.

Fifteen students along with their sponsors will be heading to Dallas today to compete in the National Cheerleading Association nationals held at the Kay Bailey Hutchinson's Convention Center, a competition which is bringing hundreds of cheerleading squads from around nation to take part in the weekend event.

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Police & Sheriff's Reports

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **MICHAEL VELINDA ROBERTSON**, 33, of 207 Washington Blvd. was arrested on a charge of evading arrest/detention with vehicle or watercraft.
- **BRADLEY ALANDALTON**, 25, of 1002 N. Main St. was arrested on a warrant from another agency.
- **MICHAEL DEAN NALL**, 37, of 1007 S. Scurry St. was arrested on warrants for failure to display driver's license plate and failure to appear.
- **SHANE ALAN KNOWLTON**, 29, of 1809 Mittle was arrested on two warrants from other agencies.
- **DEBRA KNUCKLES**, 48, of 30476 C R DD31, Nucla, Colo. was arrested on a charge of assault – family violence, threat or offensive touch.
- **EVERETT LEE PARTON**, 51, of 1305 Barnes Ave. was

arrested on a charge of assault – family violence, threat or offensive touch.

- **THEFT** was reported in the 1600 block of S. Lancaster St., the 500 block of E. 3rd St., the 1500 block of S. Lancaster and the 500 block of W. 17th St.
- **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported in the 2400 block of Alabama St.
- **MINOR ACCIDENT** was reported at the intersection of 4th St. and Gregg St.
- **D O M E S T I C DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 600 block of Tubb Loop Rd.

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

- Note – Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 64 inmates at the time of this report.
- **BRADLEY ALANDALTON**, 25, was booked by the BSPD on a warrant for parole violation.

• **SHANE ALAN KNOWLTON**, 29, was booked by the HCSO on warrants for expired registration and failure to appear.

• **DEBRA LYNN KNUCKLES**, 48, was booked by the HCSO on a charge of assault – family violence.

• **MICHAEL DEAN NALL**, 37, was booked by the BSPD on warrants for failure to display driver's license and failure to appear.

• **GENEICE TORRES OVALLE**, 56, was booked by the HCSO on a warrant for theft of property, less than \$1,500 with 2 or more previous convictions.

• **EVERETT LEE PARTON**, 51, was booked by the HCSO on a charge of assault – family violence.

• **MICHAEL VELINDA ROBERTSON**, 33 was booked by the BSPD on a charge of evading arrest/detention with a vehicle or watercraft.

Local 5-Day Forecast

Sat 1/23	Sun 1/24	Mon 1/25	Tue 1/26	Wed 1/27
62/36	70/39	60/34	50/26	57/31
Except for a few afternoon clouds, mainly sunny. High 62F. Winds S at 10 to 20 mph.	Partly cloudy. Highs in the low 70s and lows in the upper 30s.	Mostly sunny. Highs in the low 60s and lows in the mid 30s.	Cloudy. Highs in the low 50s and lows in the mid 20s.	Mostly sunny. Highs in the upper 50s and lows in the low 30s.
Sunrise: 7:45 AM Sunset: 6:10 PM	Sunrise: 7:44 AM Sunset: 6:11 PM	Sunrise: 7:44 AM Sunset: 6:12 PM	Sunrise: 7:43 AM Sunset: 6:13 PM	Sunrise: 7:43 AM Sunset: 6:14 PM

Texas at a Glance



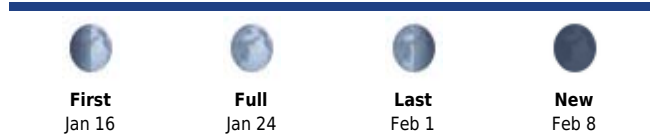
Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	50	29	Sunny	Kingsville	65	36	Sunny
Amarillo	53	28	P Cloudy	Livingston	50	31	M Cloudy
Austin	55	33	Sunny	Longview	47	26	P Cldy/Wind
Beaumont	52	32	M Cldy/Wind	Lubbock	56	29	P Cloudy
Brownsville	66	42	Sunny	Lufkin	49	27	Cloudy
Brownwood	51	27	P Cloudy	Midland	58	35	P Cloudy
Corpus Christi	62	40	Sunny	Raymondville	69	41	Sunny
Corsicana	48	28	M Cloudy	Rosenberg	53	33	P Cloudy
Dallas	48	28	M Cloudy	San Antonio	62	34	P Cloudy
Del Rio	66	34	Sunny	San Marcos	58	32	Sunny
El Paso	60	34	Sunny	Sulphur Springs	46	28	M Sunny
Fort Stockton	61	36	Sunny	Sweetwater	52	31	P Cloudy
Gainesville	45	25	Sunny	Tyler	48	28	M Cloudy
Greenville	46	26	M Sunny	Weatherford	47	27	P Cloudy
Houston	53	34	P Cloudy	Wichita Falls	47	28	Cloudy

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	43	28	Rain	Miami	74	60	T-Storms
Boston	29	21	Sunny	Minneapolis	20	11	M Cloudy
Chicago	30	25	Cloudy	New York	33	27	M Sunny
Dallas	48	28	M Cloudy	Phoenix	76	47	P Cloudy
Denver	55	32	Clear	San Francisco	60	52	Cloudy
Houston	32	18	M Cloudy	Seattle	53	42	Rain
Los Angeles	71	52	P Cloudy	Saint Louis	30	22	P Cloudy

Moon Phases



UV Index

Sat 1/23	Sun 1/24	Mon 1/25	Tue 1/26	Wed 1/27
4	4	4	3	4
Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate

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

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AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — These Texas lotteries were drawn Thursday:

All or Nothing Day
01-03-04-05-07-08-11-12-15-17-20-21
(one, three, four, five, seven, eight, eleven, twelve, fifteen, seventeen, twenty, twenty-one)

All or Nothing Evening
05-07-08-09-10-14-15-16-18-19-22-23

(five, seven, eight, nine, ten, fourteen, fifteen, sixteen, eighteen, nineteen, twenty-two, twenty-three)

All or Nothing Morning
01-02-04-08-10-11-13-14-17-18-20-23
(one, two, four, eight, ten, eleven, thirteen, fourteen, seventeen, eighteen, twenty, twenty-three)

All or Nothing Night
02-04-06-07-10-15-16-18-

19-22-23-24
(two, four, six, seven, ten, fifteen, sixteen, eighteen, nineteen, twenty-two, twenty-three, twenty-four)

Cash 5
11-14-15-24-32
(eleven, fourteen, fifteen, twenty-four, thirty-two)

Daily 4 Day
9-1-8-7, Sum It Up: 25
(nine, one, eight, seven; Sum It Up: twenty-five)

Daily 4 Evening
8-2-1-9
(eight, two, one, nine)

Daily 4 Morning
8-2-8-8
(eight, two, eight, eight)

Daily 4 Night
3-0-8-1, Sum It Up: 12
(three, zero, eight, one; Sum It Up: twelve)

Mega Millions
Estimated jackpot: \$39 million

Support Groups

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

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

MONDAY
• Alcoholics Anonymous, As Bill Sees it, 615 Settles, 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

• 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.

TUESDAY
• Big Spring and Snyder Parkinsons Support Group meet-

ing at the Big Spring Senior Center at 10:30 a.m. the second Tuesday of the month.

This is a group for all Parkinson's disease patients, spouses and caregivers.

For more information about the support group or about Parkinson's Disease, contact Jo Bidwell at the Lubbock APDA office at 806-785-0942

• VA Alcoholics Anonymous support group, 7:30-8:30 p.m., Veterans Healing Center.

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; newcomers meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

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

WEDNESDAY
• RSD (Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy) a chronic pain disease, a support and informative group, meets at 213 Circle. Call Lucy at (432) 517-9207 for more information.

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

THURSDAY
• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, open discussion noon to 1 p.m.; women's meeting; 6:30 until 7:30 p.m. Newcomers' meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

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

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

• A Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder support group meeting is at 6:30 p.m. at the VA Medical Center Veteran's Healing Center.

FRIDAY
• AA open discussion meeting from noon until 1 p.m. at 605 Settles. Open Big Book study meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

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Take note

4-H Clothing and Textile kick off.

The Howard County Clothing and Textile kick off will be held at 5:15 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 2, at the G.C. Broughton Ag Complex located on the Howard College campus, 1001 Birdwell Lane. The program is for students in grade three through high school interested in the fashion industry. For more information, contact Melissa Deeter, Howard County Extension Agent for Family Consumer Science, at 432-364-2236.

Chili cook off

The Fraternal Order of the Eagles is hosting its 14th Annual Chili Cook off on Saturday, Jan. 30. Cook teams of 1-3 people need to register at the Eagles Lodge at 8 a.m. with supplies to cook a minimum of 5 pounds of Chili. Chili must be cooked on site. Judging will take place at 11:30. If interested in judging, please contact David Pope at 432-816-8462. All-you-can-eat-chili will be available to the public for \$10 from 11:30 a.m. - 3 p.m. The Eagles Lodge is located at 703 W. 3rd St. Proceeds will go to benefit the Big Spring Crossroads Young Marines and the West Texas Centers for MHMR.

Little league signups

Big Spring Little League will be holding signups for the upcoming season each Saturday on Jan. 16, Jan. 23, Jan. 30, and Feb. 6 at the Springtown Plaza right next to the movie theater from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Also Monday - Friday, Feb. 1 to Feb. 5 from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. Cost is \$90 per child, ages 4 - 16 and you must provide a birth certificate.

Meetings

The Big Spring Art Association meets every third Tuesday, September through May at 7 p.m.

CHEER

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According to Kristia Fontana, junior high cheerleading sponsor, the journey to nationals began back in the summer of 2015 during cheerleading camp.

"Only a certain number of squads are allotted to go to nationals, and we did well enough to qualify," Fontana said.

Since October, the junior high squad has

been preparing for the competition along with holding a number of fundraisers, all while working around other extra curricular activities and school work, Fontana said. The trip will cost about \$800 per competitor, she said.

For the past few weeks, the squad has upped its practices to five to six days per week in order to be competitive against some very good, large school squads.

"We are competing against some pretty big

schools and that's what it takes to do well at this level," Fontana said.

Professional choreographer Neika Porter, who owns a gym in Snyder, developed the squad's routine and has been working with the group to prepare them for the stiff competition.

"Our routine is good enough, if we pull it off, I think we can do well," Fontana said.

Big Spring is scheduled to compete at 9:28 a.m., 11:47 a.m. and 2:01

p.m. Saturday in the Novice, Small School Junior/Middle School Division. Krystal Kindel and Abigail Fierro are also sponsors for the group.

To watch the competition via live stream, go to nca.varsity.com/Competitions/High-School-Nationals and click on the link. The cost for the weekend package is \$39.99.

Staff Writer Lyndel Moody can be contacted at 263-7331, ext. 234.

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Volunteer opportunities

- 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.

- Mobile meals is in need of volunteer delivery drivers. If you donate one hour per week to help deliver meals to the elderly, call Kim Plew at 263-4016 or 213-7960.

- Crossroads Hospice needs volunteers for patient

AARP

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complex taxes," said Sandra Wagoner, a volunteer with the AARP Tax Aide program. "We can do most simple taxes. We do have a dollar limit on things we can help file."

To receive help, please bring a photo ID, your social security card, and all tax information such as W-2s, 1099 forms, and any other forms needed to determine income. Bringing a copy of last year's filing and paperwork is strongly recommended, Alexander said.

"It's best if they bring their taxes forms from last year, especially if we did not do it," Alexander added.

Adding to the paperwork, filers will also need to bring proof of having a health insur-

ance plan, a stipulation from the Affordable Healthcare Act. For most people still in the job force, their W-2 will provide proof if they have their health insurance through their employer. Retirees using Medicare for their insurance can bring a copy of the social security statement. People who have purchased through the Health Care Market can bring their insurance card, Wagner said.

As for filers who did not have a health insurance plan in 2015, Wagner said volunteers can assist in determining if the filer will face a penalty or is exempt from the legal requirement.

"There are exemptions, such as income level," Wagoner said.

To help expedite the process, Wagoner suggests filers should come early to fill out the paperwork and have all

necessary tax information and required forms of ID on hand.

Once all the paperwork is filled out, volunteers can then e-file the returns for those who request it. Alexander said if e-filing, the filer should know within four to six hours if the IRS accepted the e-paperwork.

Volunteers comfortable working with numbers and computers are always welcomed, Alexander said.

"We are always needing volunteers," he said. "We have a full crew this year but if someone wants to come out, we can train them for next year as a preparer or a greeter and it's always nice to have some extra people in case we have a few people who can't make it."

The last day to Federal tax returns is Monday, April 18.

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DEBATE

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Teams must prepare an affirmative case as well as negative arguments for any case encountered.

Also placing at the

Cross-Examination District contest were the team of Matthew Wood and Kylie Palmer who placed third, and Ashlan and Andi Armstrong who placed fourth. The placings give Big Spring a 27 point lead in the race for the 2-4A Academic championship.

AIR EVAC

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skills after practicing in a different setting and with the expertise of the flight crew."

Debra Wallace, program director for the Big Spring Air Evac Lifeteam base, said the award confirms what she has known about her crew for a long time.

"These nurses, paramedics, pilots, our mechanic... they all believe in the Air Evac mission of providing rapid access to definitive healthcare," Wallace said. "This honor would not

be possible without the ongoing support we receive from the agencies we work with each and every day," she said. "The communities we serve have embraced Air Evac 54 and our mission."

Pete Wolf, regional director of base operations, said the Texas EMS Air Medical Provider of the Year is the second award for the base in just a couple of months.

"The Big Spring base was also honored as the Air Evac Lifeteam Region 5 Base of the Year," Wolf said. "Region 5 consists of 23 Air Evac Lifeteam bases in the state of Texas."

Air Evac Lifeteam, an air medical service, provides rapid access to definitive health care for those who live in medically underserved areas. Flight crews, consisting of a pilot, flight nurse and flight paramedic, are on duty 24 hours a day, seven days a week to respond to the scene of an emergency, or provide transportation between medical facilities. Air Evac Lifeteam currently operates 126 bases in 15 states. For more information, please visit www.lifeteam.net.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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Opinion

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The fiction behind Sanders' health plan

Bernie Sanders is a democratic socialist who thinks the United States needs a “political revolution.” His plan to replace our health insurance system with “Medicare for All” is in some ways a dramatic break with the status quo. But it rests on an old and thoroughly conventional formula: Promise voters they will get more and better health care without paying for it.



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Simply expanding Medicare to include everyone would be a big enough step. But Sanders' plan is to Medicare what a Tesla is to a Toyota.

It would encompass “the entire continuum of care,” including long-term care and dentistry. There would be “no more co-pays, no more deductibles, and no more fighting with insurance companies when they fail to pay for charges.” In sum: Every person will have everything he or she wants in the way of care and will pay zero at the point of service.

Contrast that with Medicare, which doesn't cover long-term care or dentistry.

It also imposes a deductible for hospital stays and a copay on doctor services.

In 2010, the average Medicare recipient spent \$4,734 for out-of-pocket costs.

Such obligations are an inconvenience and a burden to patients, but they serve two useful purposes: reducing what taxpayers have to pay and discouraging care that is only marginally helpful. This approach serves to contain costs. Sanders' change would serve to increase them.

He argues that his system will be more far cheaper than private insurance because it will cut down on “overhead, administrative costs and complexity.”

But a lot of private insurers' costs come from scrutinizing claims to prevent fraud, over-treatment and unnecessary treatment. Agreeing to pay all charges without review, as Sanders proposes, is an invitation to

be fleeced.

One reason he thinks the single-payer approach will work so well is that countries like Canada and Britain use it and spend far less than we do on health care. He takes care not to mention one major tool they use to hold down costs: limiting access to procedures that insured Americans take for granted.

“One in four Canadians reported waiting four months or more for elective surgery, similar to the proportion of patients in the United Kingdom (21 percent) but much higher than in Germany (almost 0 percent) and the United States (7 percent),” the Canadian Institute for Health In-

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formation found in 2012. One in 5 Canadians needing knee or hip replacements has to wait more than six months.

The Guardian newspaper reported in 2012 that Britain's National Health Service “has come under growing criticism for making it harder for patients to have operations for routine conditions such as hernia, cataracts, grommets, wisdom teeth, or hip or knee replacement, and denying infertile couples IVF.”

Single-payer advocates will argue that such limits are a small price to pay for guaranteeing coverage for everyone. It's a plausible cause that Sanders, alas, is unwilling to make. He would have us believe there will be no limits.

Democrats must address illegal immigration

As respectable Republicans panic over Donald Trump's storm of insults against Hispanics, Democrats may be tempted to sit back and watch the other party estrange millions of potential voters. But they do so at their own peril.

Democrats already have the luxury of being far less offensive, whatever position they take on immigration. But they must take a position, and that position must draw a line between legal and illegal. To do so, they can't flinch when advocates of open borders unleash unpleasant accusations against any Democrat who attempts to honor that line.

Fear of uncontrolled immigration is not limited to crazed right-wing white folk. Blacks have long felt themselves unfairly replaced by immigrants. As poet Toni Morrison wrote, “whatever the ethnicity or nationality of the immigrant, his nemesis is the undermind to be African American.” The evidence remains anecdotal, but many blacks have expressed support for Trump over this issue.

Many immigrants also have highly mixed feelings about open borders. To my surprise, a nonwhite nurse from the Philippines, a friend, has been sending me pro-Trump literature.

Over half of Latinos in the U.S. workforce were born in this country. They are thoroughly American. And that doesn't

count the huge number of foreign-born Hispanic workers here legally.

Their wages and benefits are also being depressed by unauthorized migrants willing to work for less. And as many states and cities raise their minimum wages, some employers will be even more tempted to hire the undocumented under the table and at lower pay.

Many Democrats who honor and admire immigrants remain frustrated by a surge of unskilled foreign workers into the hard-hit bottom rungs of the labor market. It is one cause of economic inequality. A Pew Research Center poll has 79 percent of Democrats saying that the immigration system needs to be completely rebuilt.

And just look at the exasperated comments by self-described liberals following opinion pieces praising the benefits of immigration without making any distinction between legal and not.

The reasonable path out of the mess is to legalize most of the undocumented while stopping future unauthorized migrants. President Obama valiantly tried to win over skeptics by demonstrating a will to enforce. For these efforts, the open-border crowd on the left condemns him as “deporter in chief.”

Note the hostile reaction to Obama's recent move to discourage a new surge of illegal immigration from Central America. Agents for his Department of Homeland Security had arrested for deportation 121 migrants whose claims for asylum were denied in the courts.

“Our borders are not open to illegal migration,” Homeland

Security Secretary Jeh Johnson said. In any other country, that would have been an unremarkable statement.

But advocates for undocumented immigrants and some Democrats in Congress went ballistic. They accused Obama of crimes against innocent families.

If powerful Democrats can't back deporting 121 people whose appeals for asylum were turned down, why would the American public trust them to respect a comprehensive immigration solution?

As the party of unions and working people, the Democratic Party used to be more hawkish on immigration than the GOP — and with the support of its immigrant members. At a certain point, though, many leading Democrats replaced the labor agenda with an ethnic one.

Because Trump's magic sauce includes a strong defense of the social security net, Bernie Sanders thinks he could attract some of the populist's working-class supporters. He or Hillary Clinton probably could. But each must first make clear that our national labor market can't be a global one. That means defunding the principle, without apology, that who and how many come into this country matters.

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(Joel 2:23)

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Did you ever wonder?: Jethro

Next, Exodus teaches us about Jethro. He was not a Hebrew; he was a Midianite. But when he became a believer in the God of the Hebrews, his life became intertwined with God's Children.

Did you remember that after Moses killed the Egyptian, he fled to the land of Midian? The young women he met at the well were the daughters of Jethro, and Moses later married one of them.

Ancient writings of the sages tell us that Job, Jethro, and Beor, who was the father of Balaam, were once the magicians and advisors in Pharaoh's court. They were ministers of the primary gods that the Egyptians worshipped.

Job and Jethro changed. They believed that Hashem, the God of the Israelites, truly was the Almighty

God. They left Egypt and ceased practicing the occult arts. Beor did not.

Jethro returned to his home in Midian. But if he no longer represented their god, he had lost the respect of the people. He seems to have remained a wealthy man, but he had forfeited the prestige of leadership.

There are seven names attributed to him in the Bible: Reuel, Jether, Jethro, Hobab, Heber, Keini and Petiel. Some may have been related to his role as priest of a pagan god. Some may be the same name spoken in another language, as Jethro and Jether seem so similar. Reuel may have been his father.

Eber or Heber was one of Noah's grandsons who remained strongly faithful to God. It is a name used of Abraham when he recognized God Almighty and turned his back on the pagan gods of Babylon. Jethro's conversion to worship God Almighty may be the cause for this name for him.

Mt. Sinai is in Midian. When Moses and the Israelites arrived at

Mt. Sinai, Jethro brought Moses' wife and sons to meet him.

After hearing of the Ten Plagues of Egypt, he said, 'Now I know that Hashem is greater than all the gods!' Jethro made an offering to Hashem; Moses and Aaron and all the elders of Israel came to feast with him.

Consider Moses' position. He was mediator between God and the people. As leader of the people, he had to assume the role of a king in judging between quarreling people.

Jethro saw that Moses had a very tiring schedule as he tried to hear the grievances of all the people and judge each case. So Jethro used his experience as a leader of people to help Moses.

He advised that Moses remain the people's representative to God and leader of the people. He suggested that Moses select trusted leaders among the people to be judges over them.

Moses respected his father-in-law, so he set up a court system. These judges had authority to judge, and

only cases that they were unsure of were brought to Moses.

Jethro stayed only a short while, then went back home. It may have been to gather more followers. It seems they became a clan among the followers of God.

Much later we hear of Jethro's sons as leaders of the Kenites who had settled in Amalekite territory. Gideon and his men were sent to stealthily remove them from among the Amalekites before an Israelite attack on Amalek.

Caleb was a Kenite, a descendant of Jethro. He became a strong prince of Judah and he conquered the area of Hebron for his heritage in Israel.

Jethro's descendants were grafted in and became a significant part of Israel because they believed in God.

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► Church News



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Area children have fun while participating in the Upward Basketball program sponsored by First Baptist Church.

First Baptist Church – Big Spring

Romans 10:13 declares: "For everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." Join us Sunday at 10:50 a.m. as we gather in worship of our Risen Savior and lift His Holy name on high.

Pastor Mark Lindsey continues the sermon series "New Year's Revolution" which calls us to focus on Christ's resurrection and its impact on all eternity. Drawn from 1 Corinthians 15:3-8, this week's message is titled "Set the Captives Free," and we will marvel at the certainty of Jesus' resurrection which is the fabric of our faith and the foundation of all freedom. If you are unable to attend, please worship with us through the live stream on our website at: fbcbigspring.org.

At 9:30 a.m. Sunday school groups meet throughout the building, with children's classes on the first floor and youth, college students, and adults gathering in second floor classrooms. Greeters are available to help you find your class. Come find your place and build friendships while studying the Bible.

At 5:30 a.m., special activities for children begin; contact Children's Minister Justin Green at 432-267-8223 for details and to find out how your little one can be a part of this fun time ... or just show up. All area children are invited to participate.

Evening worship service starts at 6 p.m., and is a wonderful way to prepare for the upcoming week. The sermon is titled "The Miracle of the Magi" and is drawn from Matthew 2:1-12, and reminds us that when we seek God, we will always find Him.

Jan. 29-31 is the DNOW (Discipleship Now) week-end retreat for youth. All area teenagers are invited, and we encourage you to register your teen by calling FBC at 267-8223. The cost is \$25; scholarships are available through the church.

Upward Basketball season is well underway, and

you are welcome to come support the players and coaches. Schedules are on our website at: fbcbigspring.org or call the church to see how you can be a part of this fun and uplifting event.

Wednesday night begins with a meal served in the family life center from 5-6 p.m., followed by activities for all ages. Come in the east kitchen doors to enjoy a tasty meal and time of fellowship. Join us this week for taco soup and corn dogs.

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Wednesday at 7 p.m. join us for our mid-week worship service in the main Sanctuary as we worship, fellowship, spend time in the word and in prayer.

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The congregation of Blessed Hands Deaf Church invites you to rejoice in The LORD with them Sunday at 10:50 a.m. or 2 p.m. Pastor Jim Walterhouse welcomes you to be a part of this vibrant growing group as they worship and study God's Word. Currently, BHDC meets inside First Baptist Church at 705 W. FM 700. For more information about Blessed Hands Deaf Church, including Wednesday night schedule and activities, contact Pastor Jim at: jwalterhouse@gmail.com.



First Christian Church

We invite you to join us at First Christian Church Big Spring. Our Sundays begin with fellowship at 9:15 a.m. where we enjoy a cup of coffee, donuts and conversation. We have adult Sunday school program that begins at 9:45 a.m. led by Dan Miracle, all are encouraged to sit in. Worship begins at 10:50 a.m. and we look forward to seeing and meeting new folks whether you are looking for a home church or just passing through.

This Sunday Rev. Joel Miller is our guest minister who will be preaching a sermon titled "Don't Shut Your Eyes." He takes his lesson from John 9: 24 - 34. He has selected some beautiful hymns such as "Let Us Break Bread Together" and "Jesus is tenderly calling".

We are pleased to have Paul Smith pulling double duty this week as our Liturgist and an Elder. Also serving as Elder is Mary Beth Johnson. Our Deacons will be Wanda Brock and Loretta Farquhar.

We are saddened as a congregation to see two of our members leaving us, Joe and Hollis McCright. Many may know Hollis from the Howard County Library. Her husband Joe is a very dedicated man who has served at Isaiah 58 for a number of years. Both of these institutions will feel a tremendous loss at their departure. A farewell luncheon is planned for them on Jan. 31. It will be a "super bowl" themed gathering. The luncheon will follow directly after worship around 12:15 p.m. All are welcome to stop by and wish them well.

If you have any questions regarding our services, Isaiah 58 or if you just need someone to pray with you don't hesitate to call our office between the hours of 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Monday through Friday. 432- 517-4821.

We are located at 911 Goliad St. Big Spring, TX.

Forsan Baptist Church

This Sunday morning we will continue the mes-

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One body: Ephesians 1:22-23

In his letter to the church in Ephesus, the Apostle Paul explains God's eternal plan for man's salvation. God had this plan in mind even before the foundation of the world (Ephesians 1:4). So what did God predestine, or foreordain? He had determined that those who are in Christ would be blessed with all spiritual blessings (1:3). He had determined that those who are in Christ would be his adopted sons and daughters (1:5). He had determined that those who are in Christ would be redeemed by



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the blood of Jesus and have their trespasses forgiven (1:7). The Father revealed his plan and fulfilled his plan through his Son by raising him from the dead and seating him at his right hand (1:20). Paul finishes this point in Ephesians 1:22-23, *And he put all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all* (ESV).

So to be in Christ one must be in the body of Christ. In Ephesians 4, Paul begins the practical application to these Christians. He begins by encouraging them to live the life of a child of God (4:1).

This must be done with the proper attitude and with love (4:2). Followers of Christ are to strive to maintain unity (4:3). Paul then stresses the

point about unity by listing 7 ones in verses 4-6. The first one that he mentions is there is one body. From the context of the letter we can understand that Paul is saying that there is only one church. The church is the body and the body is the church and Jesus is the head. Jesus promised to build his church in Matthew 16:18. How many was he going to build? One.

But, as we noted in last week's article, all those who claim to follow Jesus are not in one body. There are so many different churches today. That is not part of God's plan. Jesus is the only head and he has only one body. Christianity at large, however, has divided and fractured according to the teachings of men. People have

left the teachings of the Bible either by adding to or taking away from the Scriptures. They have perverted God's design by trying to place one head (Jesus) onto multiple bodies (churches). It is like Frankenstein's monster on steroids.

To be in Christ means to be a member of his body. We must follow him. We must submit to his authority. We must believe and practice only what is authorized in his word. We must not add any creed, confession, or tradition to it nor take from it. God's word alone must be our authority! May we all be united upon it and strive to be united in the one body of Christ.

Greg Surles is the preacher at Birdwell Lane Church of Christ.

CHURCH NEWS

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-sage series on the topic of salvation. We will be asking the question, "How Does It Feel to be Saved?" The message comes from Luke 19:1-10.

Our new Sunday evening study is called "Does This Mean Me?" It will deal with discerning which passages in the Bible are descriptive stories, which are instructions for us in the modern day, and which are exemplary to apply to our lives.

We will have a men's breakfast at 9 a.m. on Feb. 6. That same evening we will have a church-wide activity night to include indoor games for all ages.

Regular youth and children's activities have resumed on Wednesday afternoons. Youth and children's meal will be served at 5:30 p.m., and age-appropriate classes will begin at 6 p.m. We will be offering CHAOS for youth, GA's for girls, RA's for boys, and Heroes in Training for kids age 3-5. We also have a Bible study geared toward adults.

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.

First United Methodist Church

The First United Methodist Church's 9 a.m. Traditions service on Sunday morning features our pipe organ, the Celebration Choir led by Gershom Garcia, and the classic hymns of the faith. The Bridge at 11 a.m. is led by our worship band and includes contemporary, upbeat music. Worship at The Bridge is led by Gershom Garcia, Adrian Calvio, and many others. The Bridge at 11 a.m. is broadcast live each Sunday on radio station KXCS-105.5 FM.

This Sunday, our Youth Pastor, Beau Niewoehner, will be preaching a sermon entitled "Restart Your Marriage!" His sermon is part of a series Pastor Ivins recently began entitled "Restart Your Life!"

To go along with the new series, First Methodist is also launching several new groups to help people restart their lives in 2016. Those new groups include Divorce Care, Financial Peace University, and First Place 4 Health.

We'll also be celebrating strong marriages with our Sweetheart Banquet on Sunday Feb. 14. The cost of the banquet is \$40 per couple and includes a delicious meal catered by the Blue Ribbon Café, childcare, and door prizes. For more information, please visit our website at fumcbs.com or phone our church office at 432-267-6304.

Pastor Ivins is teaching a new study in the Gospel of Mark at Wednesday Noon Bible study this coming week. Meal service begins at 11:50 a.m. in Garrett Hall. There is a small fee for the meal.

The church's Lenten observance is just around the corner. First United Methodist Church will mark the beginning of Lent with an Ash Wednes-

day Service at Noon on February 10.

On Wednesday, Feb. 17, First United Methodist Church will host the first of the Lenten Lunch Series at Noon in Garrett Hall. The series will then move to First Baptist Church on Feb. 24, followed by the Salvation Army on March 2, and First Presbyterian Church on March 9.

For more information on any activity, please visit our website at www.fumcbs.com or phone the church office at 432-267-6394.

First United Methodist Church is located just off Greg Street at the corner of 4th and Scurry in downtown Big Spring.

Spring Creek Fellowship

You are invited to our new Classical Worship Service Sunday at 8:15 a.m. We are excited about this more traditional service with more traditional hymns we all grew up singing. This worship service is in addition to our current Contemporary Worship Service at 10:45 a.m. Please join us for a morning of uplifting music and timely messages from God's Word.

Join us for a "United Night of Worship" Sunday, Jan. 31 at 6 p.m. at the City Auditorium. This is a combined effort between Spring Creek Fellowship, Family Faith Center, Cornerstone Church and Life Church coming together to provide an amazing night of worship for the whole community.

If you are interested in attending the Marriage Conference at Gateway Church February 12-13, contact Lloyd or Chelsea Wells for more information.

- Weekly Happenings:
- Sunday- 8:15 a.m. - Classical Worship Service - More traditional music, etc. than our current Worship Service
 - 9:15 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. - Sunday school/connection groups
 - 10:15 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. - "Holy Grounds Café" is open with snacks and fellowship.
 - 10:45 a.m. - Noon - Worship Service
 - Tuesday- Noon - 2 p.m. - Prayer team
 - Noon - Narcotics anonymous
 - 6 p.m. - Pain management group
 - Friday- 7 p.m. - 8 p.m. - Narcotics anonymous
 - Saturday- 7:30 a.m. - Weekly men's prayer breakfast and fellowship
 - 10 a.m. - "Sowing Seeds of Hope" crafting fellowship

Sunday 4 p.m. - "Grief Share"

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

Spring Creek Fellowship meets at the Spring Town Plaza at 1801 E. FM 700. Contact us at 432-714-4584 or visit our website at www.springcreekfellowship.org.

First Church of the Nazarene

We are continuing the series this week called "Church & Culture." Sunday, Pastor Cal will be talking about using culture to help us understand our need for God using Acts 17.16-34. It's going to be a fun series.

Check out all of our small groups by visiting our website at nazfamily.org. We have a lot of exciting groups for you to choose from throughout the week.

Sunday morning youth, adult and children's classes at 9 a.m. throughout the campus.

Sunday Service begins at 10 a.m. in the Sanctuary.

Children's Church at 10 a.m. Sunday in the Fellowship Hall.

Wednesday nights we have weekly prayer 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 a.m. for a live broadcast of our service.

Contact the church office at 432-267-7015 if you have any questions, or visit us in the glass class following Sunday service to sit and visit.

Pope changes church rule for gender-friendly pre-Easter rite

VATICAN CITY (AP) - Pope Francis has changed church regulations to correspond to his rule-breaking celebration of the Easter Week ritual of washing the feet of men and women, Christians and not, in a sign of universal service.

Vatican rules for the Holy Thursday rite had long called for only men to participate, and popes past and many priests traditionally performed the ritual on 12 Catholic men, recalling Jesus' 12 apostles.

Shortly after he was elected, Francis raised conservative eyebrows by performing the rite on men and women, Christians as well as Muslims, at a Roman juvenile detention facility in Rome.

He has continued to include men and women, young and old, sick and healthy and people of different faiths, travelling each year to encounter them to show his willingness to serve. It was a tradition he began as archbishop in Buenos Aires.

On Thursday, the Vatican published a decree from the Vatican's liturgy office introducing an "innovation" to the church's rules that corresponds to Francis' way of doing things.

The decree said the rite can now be performed on anyone "chosen from among the people of God." It specifies that the group can include "men and women, and hopefully young and old, healthy and sick, clerical, consecrated and lay."

Priests must make sure that those participating are instructed beforehand as to the significance of the gesture. While the phrase "people of God," generally refers to baptized Christians, the decree also said "both the chosen faithful and others" should be instructed by the priest, suggesting the rite could be open to non-Catholics as well.

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Reflections: Risk and risk tolerance

Investors talk about "risk" and "risk tolerance." A few years ago, even the most conservative of investors could expect to receive a return of 5 percent, or more, by simply placing their money in CDs or savings accounts. But times have changed. Those kinds of risk free investments have disappeared. Savings Accounts usually earn 1 percent or less. Certificates of Deposit do little better.



**BILL
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Those who want to invest for the future, including retirement funds, are left with higher risk options. But for many of us, risk leaves our stomachs queasy. Our introduction to 2016 has been gut wrenching. The Dow Jones industrial average recorded its worst ever

open to a new year. Losses overall totaled more than \$3 trillion in the first two weeks of January.

Stocks, investments and economics have always confused me. I have never been able to figure it out. I guess that is why I find Jesus' story in Luke 19 confusing. He told of a wealthy owner who left his servants in charge of his money while he was gone. To each he gave the same amount. Let's say he gave each \$1,000. When he returned one servant had invested and multiplied the \$1,000 into \$10,000. Another had invested and multiplied it into \$5,000. But the third was afraid of losing the \$1,000. Maybe he wrapped it in some newspaper and hid it under his mattress.

The wealthy owner commended the first two, but he was furious with the third. "You should have at least put it in the bank so it could earn inter-

est," he said. He then took the \$1,000 from the last one and gave it to the one who had \$10,000. He said, "I tell you that to everyone who has, more shall be given, but from the one who does not have, even what he does have shall be taken away." (Luke 19:11-27).

As with all of Jesus' stories, there are many applications to be made and much to learn. Of course, I don't think Jesus was all that concerned about money. After all, when he died all he had were the clothes on his back. But he clearly understood how the world works. And he clearly understood how life works.

So, what was his point? It seems to me that Jesus wants his followers to learn to take risk for the Kingdom's sake. Whenever we grow fearful and withdraw into ourselves, we shrivel up. What little we have is taken away from us. I have watched people do this. I have even seen churches do

this, pinching pennies and worried that they will not make budget. But when we lay it all on the line, when we give our lives away for others, we experience pleasure and joy unspeakable. This is why he said, "Give and it shall be given unto you, good measure, shaken together and running over." And, again, "He that will save his life shall lose it, but he who will lose his life for my sake and the gospel shall find it."

Jesus' early followers clearly understood this. There is no evidence that any of them became wealthy. But there is abundant evidence that they were willing to risk everything to serve God and help others.

Bill Tinsley reflects on current events and life experience from a faith perspective. For more info, visit www.tinsleycenter.com. Email Bill@tinsleycenter.com.

Pastor: Struggle for equality is far from over

(AP)- The annual Martin Luther King Jr. Day celebration was a day of remembrance, cultural awareness, but also was a time to reflect on where we are in achieving King's dream.

The evening service, hosted by the Negro Business Professional Women's Club of Midland, brought a packed house to the Martin Luther King Jr. Community Center.

People milled about the silent auction outside the event room, greeting and hugging each other. It was a celebratory atmosphere, but a seriousness hung in the air, as well.

"This is a day of celebration for all Americans, but especially the achievements of our African Americans", said the Rev. Tommie Hale, pastor of Mount Calvary Missionary Baptist Church. Being a native of Memphis, Tennessee, "I remember very precisely the marches and the stories that my mother told me. When Dr. King was killed, I was 3 years old. We lived about five miles from the Lorraine Motel (where King was assassinated in 1968). We visited it many times. So this is a day of remembrance, cultural awareness but also, where do we go from here?"

The theme of the night was "Where are we in the dream?"

"We have to make sure we celebrate one another, differences", said Hale's wife, Gwendolyn, who is a minister. "We may not all have the same skin pigmentation, but we are all special. God has given each of us a gift to use and it is to uplift and edify each other, to glorify him. So this day is about inclusiveness, including everybody in this dream. When we begin to look at each other as children of God, we can begin to treat each other as so."

The evening was full of conversation giving thanks for how far this country has come in relation to King's dream, but it was also a call for continuing the struggle toward equality, a struggle that is far from over, said the keynote speaker, the Rev. Wendell Smith, pastor of Visionary Hollowell United Methodist Church.

"How can we love this country if we don't love each other?", Smith said, garnering men from the crowd. "How do we live in a lie and turn a blind eye to the ills of society? Terrorism, domestic terrorism. Everybody want us to be the heroes of everybody else country. Yet here in this nation we have domestic terrorism. We have Americans attacking elementary schools, universities, movie theaters, Bible studies. ... The dream has to be protected."

The question of how, though, is what remains to be answered in full. Smith talked about mainstream America, reception of the Black Lives Matter movement, saying that it has been merely received as a protest, rather than understood by its true meaning.

"Why do we as citizens have to proclaim this in our own country?", Smith said. "Because life has been lost in a manner that transcends the law of protection. And it reflects the continued rejection of equal rights. I have to tell the truth here. Not by law-abiding officers, but by criminals, who would execute a man without due process. Violent men who harbor hate abuse the system that they vow to protect."

Whether you are wearing a badge on your chest, or a bandana on your face, a crime is a crime

according to the Constitution.

A large part of Smith's talk was appealing to the younger generations, who do not remember firsthand the struggle of King and those who fought and sacrificed during the Civil Rights movement.

"Even though the dream is challenged, we are making headway," Smith said. "I thank God I live in Midland, Texas. I thank God we have a district that will allow a junior high school student to pursue their education and graduate with a diploma and an associate degree. I'm talking about Midland College. We have to focus on the good things going on so our young generation knows that there are doors that are open and we have to go through them. You've got to go through that door for us. You have to meet the challenge, that equal opportunity presents. You gotta be there to answer."

Many young Midlanders take King's legacy and Smith's call to heart. Stephanie Cook, born and raised in Midland, is the founder of The Village, a program that will have the mission of uplifting young black women. She hopes to expand it to include a group of men that reaches out to the young black men in the community. The Village is expected to begin in the spring.

"We have lots of gaps to fill, that's why we're still marching," Cook said. "But instead of marching, we need to do. We need to be more active in our communities. Blacks need to be more active to make sure the communities have what they need." Cook emphasized that these calls to action cannot only be reserved for national holidays.

"This day is a day that we set back for Martin Luther King, but to me this day is every day, she said. We are black 365 days a year, 12 months a year. So this day, for me, is every day."

Cook sees obvious inequality that still exists in Midland. Growing up here, she has seen what has changed, and what hasn't

"I see a lot of development in Midland, but they tend to neglect the south side (which is predominantly black and Hispanic)," Cook said. "Our children don't

have recreational facilities on the south side. They don't have any entertainment on the south side. And you know what they say about an idle mind."

Cook's voice rang out during the singing of the Negro national anthem at the start of the ceremony. It is inscribed in her memory. In front of her, a young girl, perhaps 9 or 10, clutched her program and swayed rhythmically as she read the anthem to herself, printed on the last page of the brochure. It was an image that invoked King's hopes for his own four children.

"I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character," King said in his hallowed speech.

"Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter," said Smith, quoting King. "We stay hopeful in the dream. The Christian faith calls us to love, but people get so mixed up about what love means. Young people, just because they're smiling at you don't mean they love you."

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TODAY

Girls basketball
Big Spring at Sweetwater, 6:30 p.m.
Forsan at McCamey, 6:30 p.m.
Garden City at Sterling City, 6:30 p.m.
Stanton at Sonora, 6:30 p.m.
Sands at Grady, 6:30 p.m.

Boys basketball
Big Spring at Sweetwater, 8 pm.
Forsan at McCamey, 8 p.m.
Garden City at Sterling City, 8 p.m.
Stanton at Sonora, 8 p.m.
Sands at Grady, 8 p.m.

MONDAY

Women's basketball
NMJC at Howard College, 5:45 p.m.

Men's basketball
NMJC at Howard College, 7:30 p.m.

Hawks defeat NMMI



Tony Claxton photo (www.claxtonphotography.com)

Howard College's Shaquille Preston (22) splits two New Mexico Military Institute defenders to attempt a shot during their basketball game Thursday night in Roswell, N.M. Howard defeated NMMI, 77-75. The HC women's team was off Thursday.

Brady-Manning among best rivalries in sports

By **ROB MAADDI**

AP Pro Football Writer

Tom Brady has more championship rings. Peyton Manning has nearly all the passing records.

Fans will always debate which quarterback is better. But there's no arguing it's one of the greatest rivalries in sports history.

So it's fitting a Super Bowl berth is at stake for Brady-Manning 17.

Brady and the New England Patriots are trying to repeat and earn their fifth NFL title. Manning and the Denver Broncos are aiming for the franchise's first championship in 16 years and his second.

Brady won the first six meetings and he leads the series 11-5. They're tied 2-2 in the playoffs with Manning winning the last two, including the AFC championship game two years ago.

Some of the best individual rivalries from the other sports:

ALL-FRAZIER: Muhammad Ali and Joe Frazier fought three times, including two of the most famous matches ever. Frazier defended his heavyweight championship with a unanimous decision over Ali in 1971 at Madison Square Garden in the "Fight of the Century." Ali won the rematch by decision in 1974. Then came "The Thrilla in

Manila" in 1975. Ali won on a TKO after 14 rounds. Honorable mentions: Sugar Ray Leonard vs. Roberto Duran, Ray Robinson vs. Jake LaMotta.

CHAMBERLAIN-RUSSELL: Wilt Chamberlain and Bill Russell went head-to-head 142 times over a decade from 1959-1969. Russell's Boston Celtics beat Chamberlain's teams 85 games. Chamberlain shattered records. Russell collected championship banners, winning nine to Chamberlain's one. Honorable mention: Larry Bird vs. Magic Johnson.

NICKLAUS-PALMER: Jack Nicklaus and Arnold Palmer turned golf into a popular

spectator sport on television. Nicklaus holds the record with 18 majors while Palmer captured seven in his career. They finished 1-2 four times in majors. Honorable mention: Tiger Woods vs. Phil Mickelson.

FEDERER-NADAL: Roger Federer has a 17-14 edge over Rafael Nadal in career grand slam victories, but the head-to-head rivalry is one-sided. Nadal leads the series 23-11, including a 9-2 record in grand slams. Nadal's victory in the 2008 Wimbledon final is considered one of the best tennis matches in history. Both men also have long rivalries with Novak Djokovic. Honorable mentions: Chris

Evert vs. Martina Navratilova; John McEnroe vs. Bjorn Borg.

GRETZKY-LEMIEUX: The Great One vs. The Magnificent One. Wayne Gretzky and Mario Lemieux dominated the NHL for two decades with one of the two players winning the scoring title every year between 1980 and 1997 except for one season. They never faced each other in the playoffs, however. Honorable mention: Sidney Crosby vs. Alex Ovechkin.

DIMAGGIO-WILLIAMS: Joltin' Joe vs. The Splendid Splinter. Yankees-Red Sox had to make the baseball list.

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Spurs keep rolling, down Suns

By **JOSE M. ROMERO**

Associated Press

PHOENIX — The San Antonio Spurs keep rolling, and part of their overwhelming includes the NBA's struggling teams and making good use of their quality depth.

The Spurs did just that on Thursday night, putting the Phoenix Suns away with a 38-point fourth quarter driven by their bench. Starter Kawhi Leonard's 21 points led the way in a 117-89 win, San Antonio's 12th straight.

Leonard, selected as an All-Star starter for

first time in his career earlier in the day, scored eight of his points in the third quarter. Boban Marjanovic added 17 points and 13 rebounds for his first career NBA double-double, and Jonathan Simmons had 13 points.

The Spurs improved to 37-6 to match their best 43-game start in franchise history. They got 66 points from their bench.

"The bench guys got it done for us," coach Gregg Popovich said. "The starters weren't all that enthused."

The Spurs cruised de-

spite missing starters Tony Parker and Tim Duncan. Parker had right hip soreness and Duncan was given the night off to rest.

"We stopped their rebounds and their shooters and we started a lot of fast breaks," Marjanovic said.

Devin Booker's 24 points led the Suns, who lost their sixth straight and 15th in 16 games. Archie Goodwin added 20 points and Tyson Chandler grabbed a season-high 20 rebounds.

The Suns were down to only nine available players to start the

game, with starting guard Brandon Knight out due to an abductor strain. Forwards Mirza Teletovic (sprained ankle), Jon Leuer (back spasms) and Markieff Morris (shoulder strain) — all injured before or during Tuesday's loss to Indiana — also did not play.

All nine played Thursday, but forward P.J. Tucker took a shot to the chest midway through the first quarter trying to defend a drive by Leonard and didn't return due to a bruise.

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Bryant tops NBA All Star voting

By **BRIAN MAHONEY**

AP Basketball Writer

NEW YORK — Kobe Bryant is the leading vote-getter for his final NBA All-Star Game, and Kawhi Leonard and Kyle Lowry made late moves to join him in the starting lineup.

Leonard will start in his first All-Star Game and Lowry will start on his home court in Toronto after both made up ground in the final days of voting on Thursday.

Nobody was catching Bryant, who had 1.9 million votes and was selected an All-Star for the 18th time.

"It'll be a special All-Star because this is Kobe's last run," Miami's Dwyane Wade said.

"Obviously, I wasn't in the league and didn't get a chance to see (Michael) Jordan's, but I was watching as a fan and it looked like it would be something cool to be a part of. So this will be special."

MVP Stephen Curry of Golden State was next with 1.6 million and they will be joined in the Western Conference lineup by Oklahoma City's Kevin Durant and Russell Westbrook, and Leonard, the San Antonio star who was more than 12,000 votes behind Golden State's Draymond Green for the last frontcourt spot after the most recent returns.

Cleveland's LeBron James and Indiana's Paul George will start in the East frontcourt with New York's Carmelo Anthony, who held off Chicago's Pau Gasol by 360 votes.

Wade starts at guard with Lowry, who overcame a 32,000-vote deficit to Cleveland's Kyrie Irving after the last update.

The reserves will be voted by the head coaches and announced next Thursday.

Benn leads Stars past Edmonton

DALLAS (AP) — Jamie Benn made light of scoring his 27th goal, which helped the Dallas Stars beat the Edmonton Oilers 3-2 on Thursday night.

"Two bad plays, one mistake and then a lucky shot," Benn said of his second-period goal from the high slot.

It gave the Stars a 2-0 lead, and they held on to end a season-high four-game losing streak.

Benn has three goals and two assists in his last five games after going without a point for the first four games in 2016. Only Chicago's Patrick Kane and Washington's Alex Ovechkin have more goals this season.

Dallas coach Lindy Ruff had called on his team's leaders to help end the slump. Benn obliged.

In addition to his goal, the Stars captain had a game-high six shots on goal, won seven of 10 faceoffs and helped kill a third-period penalty. Oilers goalie Cam Talbot stopped Benn's attempt to deflect a shot into the net on the power play.

"Better," Ruff said of his top offensive players. "That last power play, two or three real good looks to get on the board. I thought they did a pretty good job."

Jason Spezza scored his 16th

goal 1:23 into the game to give the Stars a lead they didn't lose. He also assisted on Jyrki Jokipakka's second-period goal 15 seconds after Edmonton's Teddy Purcell scored on the power play.

"(Benn) such a big, strong man and so calm in and around the puck that he gathered it in after it bounced three or four times and snapped a shot by us," Edmonton coach Todd McLellan said. "Spezza did the same thing real early in the game, first shot on goal."

Spezza took a pass from Johnny Oduya in the slot, skated to his

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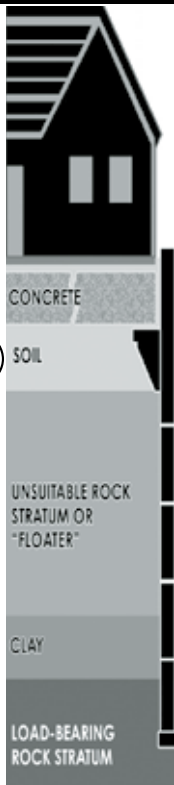
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GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You've been an idealist; you've been a cynic. And today you'll float around the vast middle ground between the two extremes. That's where you meet friends who think at your level. Such a treasure!

CANCER (June 22-July 22). When you were small you had to be in a familiar place to feel completely safe. Now you've grown into your "crab" essence. You're safe because of who you are, not because of where you are.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). The moon favors your every move; this is your day, your night, your extended-play dance in the spotlight. Savor the

Tomorrow's Horoscope

creative outlet. When your turn is over, the creativity will still be inside you, waiting for the next showcase.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Unless you're very aware of your surroundings and how others are feeling, you may not realize what's at stake in a situation. Challenge yourself to be more observant. What you'll note is that everyday life takes courage.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Education is expensive, especially the unstructured, informal education you get from hanging out with people in glamorous settings. Be frugal now so that you'll be able to weather the storm that is coming later.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Laughter is one of your favorite love notes. It means that someone is sharing in your joy of life, as well as your intellect, point of view and general experience. You'll connect in giggles and love.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). It's a day to pay the piper, and he's not offering a layaway plan or installment options, either. Regardless of how you choose to

handle it, by the end of the day you'll be square.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Of course there are no winners in conversation. However, if there were winners, the prize would go to the one who chooses the best topic. You've a knack for knowing which one will bring the most interest and fun.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You thrill to the unpredictable turns of this rollercoaster day. The anticipation will be sweet -- maybe even sweeter than the fast plunge that comes afterward.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Indulge your whims, or they will turn against you, pouting and dragging your mood through the mud. Your instinct to play needs expression. With no specific agenda, activities take you where you need to be.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Jan. 22). February brings a delightful someone to share the minutiae with. Family has a strong bearing on where you'll live and on professional concerns, too. You'll bank money from a

savvy sale in March. Networking and travel come in May. The cause that's near to your heart in June will lead you to others as passionate as you. Aries and Virgo adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 9, 40, 2, 11 and 17.

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ARIES: You may forget about the one who made you think, but you'll always remember the one who made you feel.
TAURUS: The loved one who is trying to rush you is being selfish. Go with your own timing.
GEMINI: Not knowing how the other person feels can be a torture or a delight, depending on your attitude.
CANCER: It's not all magic in love, so when the pyrotechnics do happen, you appreciate the effect.
LEO: Your timing is exquisite, so you know when to let it go, hold on to it or make a joke about it.
VIRGO: Because you're so close to an issue, you may miss the obvious solution. A true love will point it out to you.
LIBRA: The person who warms your heart also happens to make your body temperature shoot up. It's why you're sweating.
SCORPIO: Whatever your biggest fear

is about love, throw your arms around the thing and hug it tight.
SAGITTARIUS: The name of the one you love will be on the tip of your tongue and front of your mind.
CAPRICORN: You'll get a second chance and you're favored to win it.
AQUARIUS: How does it feel to be the "it" person everywhere you go now?
PISCES: Let down your guard and your heart magnetizes immediately to the heart of another.

COUPLE OF THE WEEKEND: Aquarius and Leo are zodiac opposites. Just as the full Leo moon reflects the glory of the Aquarius sun, the full Leo heart will take in all that Aquarius has to offer. Aquarius tends to intellectualize love, but Leo won't have any of that. The lion forces the water-bearer to dig deeper and risk more. Aquarius teaches Leo to bring something novel, bright and timely to the creation of a love affair.

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

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Test Your Play — Probabilities

1. You are declarer with the West hand at Seven Clubs, and North leads the jack of spades. You win with the ace and cash the ace of clubs, North following with the jack and South the deuce. You lead the queen of diamonds to the king and play a club from dummy, South following with the three. Would you finesse or play the king?

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

2. You are declarer with the West hand at Seven Spades, and North leads the nine of spades. How would you play the hand?

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

1. This is by no means an uncommon situation, and if you don't know the theoretically correct play, it's high time to become acquainted with it.

In the given situation, where you are missing the Q-J-x-x of the suit, your left-hand opponent will be dealt

a singleton honor roughly 12 deals out of 100, and the doubleton Q-J about seven deals out of 100.

Therefore, if LHO produces an honor when you play the ace, you will do better in the long run to finesse the ten rather than play the king. The king will prove to be the winning play in about seven deals out of 100, while the finesse will win in about 12 deals out of 100. Thus, the odds are about 12-to-7 in favor of the finesse, and you should not buck them unless there is a very good reason to do so.

2. You have two choices: You can draw the opposing trumps at once and hope the opposing diamonds are divided 3-2, or you can play the A-K and another heart, planning to ruff your third heart in dummy and get rid of the other on a high diamond after trumps are drawn. This, of course, runs the risk that the hearts might be divided 5-2 or worse.

There is a 68 percent chance of the diamonds dividing 3-2, and only a 62 percent chance of the hearts dividing 4-3. Therefore, since a favorable diamond division is 6 percent more likely than a favorable heart division, it is better to draw trumps at once rather than try to ruff a heart in dummy.

Tomorrow: Declarer makes a key play.

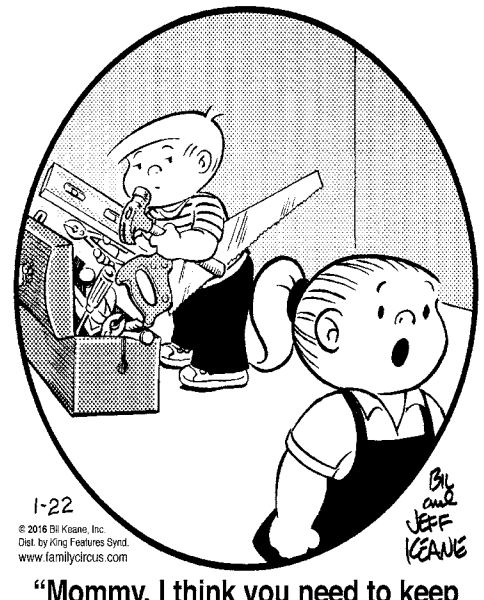
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DENNIS THE MENACE



"WHAT DO YOU WANT TO DEAL WITH FIRST... TEACHER'S NOTE, OR THE REPORT CARD?"

THE FAMILY CIRCUS By Bil Keane



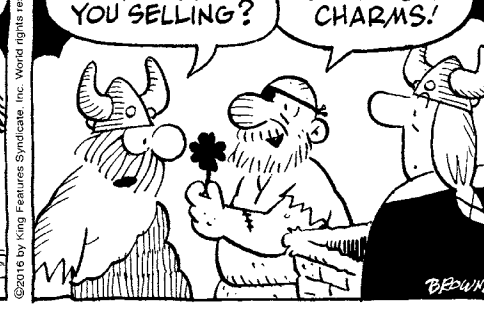
"Mommy, I think you need to keep YOUR eyes on Billy now."

HAGAR



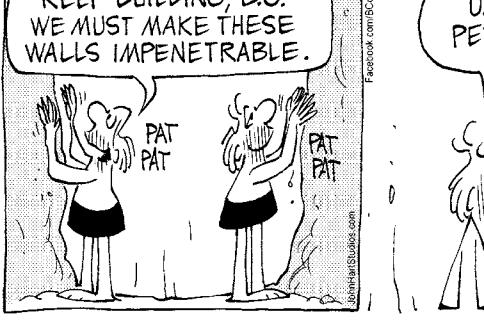
HAGAR, BUY SOMETHING FROM THAT POOR MAN!

BLONDIE



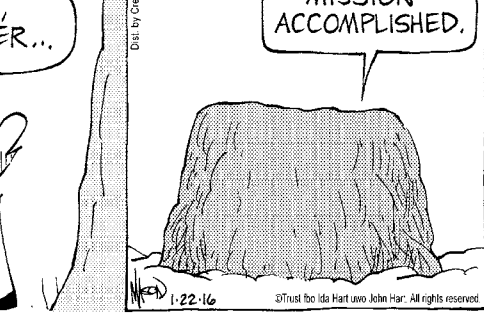
WHAT ARE YOU SELLING? GOOD LUCK CHARMS!

BC



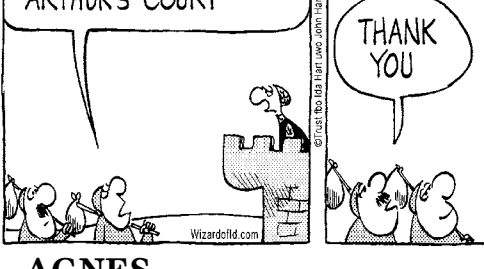
KEEP BUILDING, B.C. WE MUST MAKE THESE WALLS IMPENETRABLE.

WIZARD OF ID



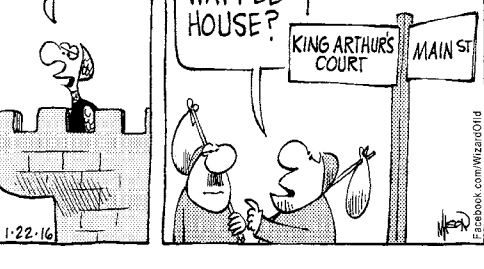
UM, PETER... MISSION ACCOMPLISHED.

AGNES



GREETINGS! WE TRAVEL IN SEARCH OF KING ARTHUR'S COURT

HI AND LOIS



OF COURSE. IT'S ONLY TWO BLOCKS AHEAD

THE OTHER COAST



CHIP'S BAND IS PRETTY GOOD...

SNUFFY SMITH



MAYBE I'LL LET THEM BACK ME UP WHEN I BECOME A DIVA.

BEEBLE BAILY



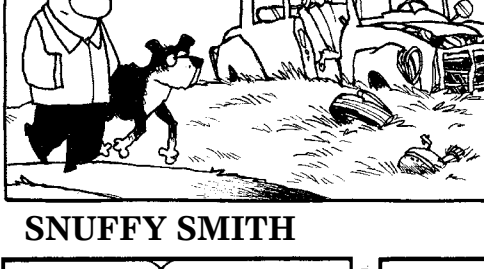
WHATCHA DOIN', PARSON? MEDITATIN' ON TH' PSALMS !!

THE FAMILY CIRCUS



THAT'S POINTLESS, SITTING IN THE DRIVER'S SEAT OF A CAR THAT'S IN PIECES.

THE OTHER COAST



WHY IS THERE A TANK IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD?

THE OTHER COAST



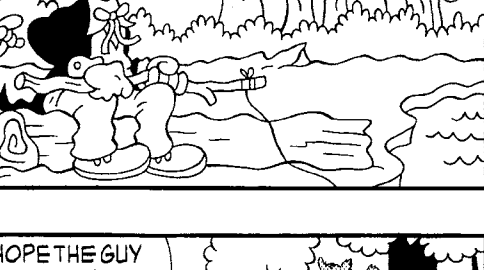
WELL, I'LL BE--SO THAT'S WHAT THAR CALLIN' FISHERY NOW-A-DAYS !!

THE OTHER COAST



WHY IS THERE A TANK IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD?

THE OTHER COAST



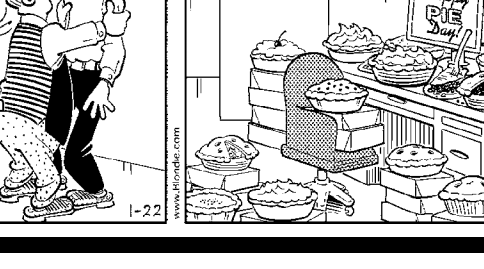
I HOPE THE GUY INSIDE THE TANK DOESN'T PUSH THE WRONG BUTTON!

BLONDIE



WELL, I'VE GOTTA HAND IT TO YOU, MY BOY!

BLONDIE



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This Date In History

Today is Friday, Jan. 22, the 22nd day of 2016. There are 344 days left in the year.

In 1970, the first regularly scheduled commercial flight of the Boeing 747 began in New York and ended in London some 6 1/2 hours later.

Today's Highlights in History:

In 1917, President Woodrow Wilson pleaded for an end to war in Europe, calling for "peace without victory." (By April, however, America also was at war.)

Answer to previous puzzle

1922, Pope Benedict XV died; he was succeeded by Pius XI.

On this date:

In 1922, Pope Benedict XV died; he was succeeded by Pius XI.

On this date:

In 1944, during World War II, Allied forces began landing at Anzio, Italy.

On this date:

In 1498, during his third voyage to the Western Hemisphere, Christopher Columbus arrived at the present-day Caribbean island of St. Vincent.

On this date:

In 1953, the Arthur Miller drama "The Crucible" opened on Broadway.

On this date:

In 1901, Britain's Queen Victoria died at age 81 after a reign of 63 years; she was succeeded by her eldest son, Edward VII.

On this date:

In 1984, the Los Angeles Raiders defeated the Washington Redskins 38-9 to win Super Bowl XVIII (18) at Tampa Stadium in Florida; the CBS-TV broadcast featured Apple Computer's famous "1984" commercial introducing the Macintosh computer.

On this date:

In 1995, Rose Fitzgerald Kennedy died at the Kennedy compound at Hyannis Port, Massachusetts, at age 104.

On this date:

In 1968, "Rowan & Martin's Laugh-In" premiered on NBC-TV.

Newsday Crossword

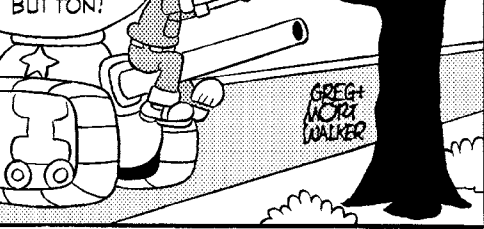
- ACROSS
 - 1 Patch up
 - 5 Fruit in Thai cuisine
 - 11 Outmoded: Abbr.
 - 14 Wagon part
 - 15 "I wish!"
 - 16 Express displeasure
 - 17 Atomizer
 - 19 Didn't sell
 - 20 Petal plucker's word
 - 21 Miner matter
 - 22 One of Dave's Late Night successors
 - 23 Up now
 - 24 Frequent Pope Francis request
 - 26 Consist of
 - 27 Newton address
 - 29 Thin fragment
 - 30 Drudge of yore
 - 32 Consulate purchase
 - 35 Rachel, in Sherlock Holmes
 - 36 Reason for optimism
 - 39 Iron button
 - 42 Highest part
 - 43 House actor
 - 47 Promoted recruit, perhaps
 - 49 DC stadium
 - 51 Sushi topper
 - 52 The Simpsons catchphrase
 - 55 Conjure up
 - 57 Campaign figures
 - 58 Formal denial
- DOWN
 - 1 Dines on
 - 2 Delve into
 - 3 The Morning Show Murders author
 - 4 Beat it
 - 5 First claim, so to speak
 - 6 Mysterious blip
 - 7 Turbine part
 - 8 Prefix for state
 - 9 Places for pins
 - 10 TV science educator
 - 11 Note
 - 12 Most gondoliers
 - 13 "Told you!"
 - 18 Hungers
 - 22 Evening bash
 - 23 Consisted of
 - 24 Aforementioned
 - 25 Smart-alecky
 - 28 Green creeper
 - 31 Noisy quarrel
 - 33 Airport near OAK
 - 34 Now: Sp.
 - 37 Antony's love
 - 38 Not up to par
 - 39 Dr Pepper
 - 40 Sister brand
 - 41 Hug
 - 42 Put in a plug for
 - 43 Nintendo franchise
 - 44 Date regularly
 - 45 Final Chinese dynasty
 - 46 Numbers game
 - 47 HBO talk host
 - 48 Rose of Damages
 - 49 Strong grippers
 - 50 City near Des Moines
 - 51 Since Jan. 1
 - 52 47 Across training ctr.
 - 53 Go last



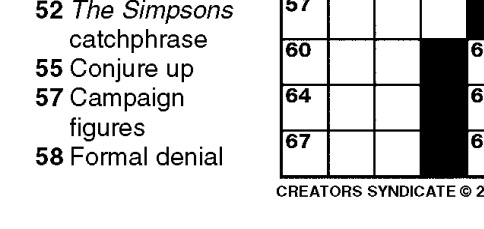
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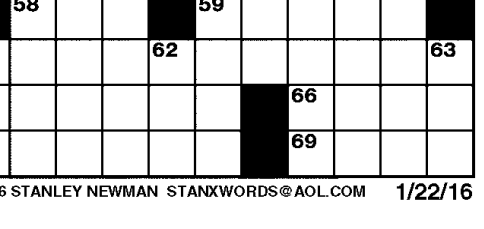
THE OTHER COAST



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SPURS

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"We're down a lot of players. We're going out there, we know we're less talented, so we just have to play harder," Booker said. "We were running out of men out there, so I feel like toward the end, we started wearing down a little bit."

The Spurs outscored the Suns by 18 in the

fourth.

The Spurs led by as many as 18 points in the first half after a layup by David West with 5:42 left in the second quarter.

The Suns were able to cut the deficit to 12 by halftime at 51-39 and trailed by as few as six points in the third quarter after Booker hit back-to-back shots.

But the Spurs held the lead with reserves playing quality minutes throughout the game. They took a 10-point ad-

vantage into the fourth quarter and built up the lead in the final 12 minutes.

No starter played more than the 29 minutes by Ray McCallum, who started in place of Parker.

"It was just a time for us to really execute our plays and make sure we were in our defensive rotation," Leonard said.

LEONARD HONORED BY ALL-STAR STATUS
Leonard said he wasn't really surprised

to be named an All-Star starter.

WINNING IN THE 90s
Thursday night's game, a 90s theme night for the fans, matched two teams who won well over 60 percent of their games in the 1990s. Phoenix was 509-283 in the decade, while San Antonio was 498-295.

TIP-INS
Spurs: Popovich said Leonard has a large responsibility being a standout two-way player.

STARS

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left and backhanded the puck under Talbot off his stick.

Nail Yakupov's goal pulled the Oilers within a goal with 3:03 remaining in the third period. Dallas goalie Antti Niemi held off Edmonton even after Talbot was pulled with 1:34 to play.

Niemi finished with 23 saves. Talbot had 32.

Edmonton had scored eight goals in splitting

the first two games of their three-game trip, but managed only 25 shots on goal against Dallas.

After returning from an 0-2-1 road trip, the Stars improved to 18-5-0 at home this season. Dallas (30-13-5) pulled within three points of first-place Chicago in the Central Division.

Dallas appeared to take a two-goal lead at 9:31 of the second when Jokipakka shot the puck under the crossbar. McLellan challenged the goal, and a video review showed that the

Stars' Ales Hemsky was offside before Jokipakka crossed the blue line.

The lead did increase to 2-0 at 13:16. Benn recovered a loose puck and put a wrist shot from high in the slot just inside the right goal post.

Edmonton cut the deficit to 2-1 at 17:04. Purcell sent one shot off the left goal post, but regained the puck in the high slot and put a wrist shot just inside that post. The Stars have allowed five goals in 10 opponents' power plays over the last four games, but

killed two of three on Thursday.

NOTES: Spezza has four goals in three games against Edmonton this season, including his first hat trick with the Stars on Oct. 13. He has 22 points (7 goals, 15 assists) in 20 career games vs. the Oilers. ... Dallas has won 10 of its last 12 home games - but the Stars are 0-5-3 in their last eight on the road. ... The Stars are 13-1-2 in their last 16 home games against the Oilers. ... Talbot has allowed only 19 goals in his last 11 games.


BEST

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Ted Williams remains the last player to hit over .400, but his tremendous 1941 season was overshadowed by Joe DiMaggio's 56-game hitting streak. Williams won two AL MVP awards and two triple crowns, but no World Series titles. DiMaggio was a three-time MVP who won nine World Series championships with New York.



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