

McLellan seeking 2nd term By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

Big Spring Mayor Larry McLellan is proud of what the city has accomplished during his first term in office and would like the chance to take that



improvement even further. McLellan confirmed during a Thursday interview that he will seek a second term as mayor.

The mayor had a lengthy history of public history in his resume — having served as a school trustee at both Big Spring Independent School District and Howard College,

McLellan

as well as on the board of directors of the local Economic Development Corporation - before he was elected mayor in 2013.

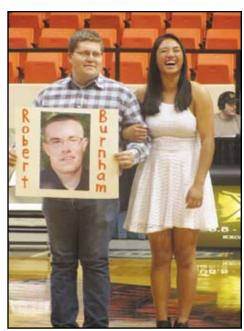
"I think there is still a lot we can do for the city," McLellan said. "We have moved forward in the past three years, but if the voters are willing to give me three more years in office, there's some things I'd like to see accomplished."

As it has during his tenure as mayor, infrastructure issues top McLellan's to-do list for a second term.

"Infrastructure is always going to be a big problem for this community," he said. "Big Spring is catching up with its infrastructure needs — we have made good steps with regard to the landfill and sewer and wastewater issues — but I'd like to see more done with our streets."

Securing a new landfill for Big Spring and Howard County is among the top accomplishments McLellan points toward. Scheduled to open in 2018, the facility will have an estimated life of 100 years and replaces a





Hawks come home

Howard College held homecoming festivities during the HC-Western Texas basketball games at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum Thursday night. In the above photo, College President Dr. Cheryl Sparks, left, congratulates KBST broadcaster Ace Little on calling the 1,200th competition of his career; at left, Katie Reyes is all smiles as she was named the Howard College Homecoming Queen for 2016 during halftime of the men's game. Homecoming King Robert Burnham couldn't make the game, as he was in Houston with the baseball team. Standing in for him was Robert Garcia who held a photo of Burnham.

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HERALD photos/Drew Williams and Lyndel Moody

2 more announce for Howard College board

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

Two more candidates have filed paperwork to run for one of four positions up for election this cycle on the Howard College board of Trustees.

Greg Moore, a life-long resident of Howard County and a Howard College graduate, is seeking to fill the position of Precinct 2 which is currently served by Murray Murphy. Murphy announced in late

January he would not seek a third term in office.

"Education has been a big part of my life, allowing me to pursue my goals in my cho-

sen career field,"

Moore said. "Howard College was where it all started and I know first hand the important role this college plays in the lives of our

Moore

students and family."

Current board member Ryan Williams, a physician's assistant employed with Affordacare, will seek to be elected to his first full term in office. Williams was appointed to the board in December to fill one of the vacancies left by the death of Dr. Charles Warren and the resignation of Marie Ethridge.

"I would like to see more of our citizens better their lives



and expand their opportunities through higher education," Williams said. "Howard College offers the people of Howard County and

Williams the surrounding

areas a perfect option to start their journey in higher education."

Both Williams and Moore have strong ties to the college

Williams, a fourth generation Howard County resident, took dual credit courses at Howard College while in high school. He grandmother taught nursing at the college and his mother earned her first nursing degree from Howard College.

"I really believe that community colleges are

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Plans being finalized for chamber banquet

By JULIE BASS

Staff Writer

Things are shaping up to make this year's Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce Annual Banquet, set for Feb. 16, an evening to remember.

This year's theme, "Howard County – It's a Trip,



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Let's do Something" reflects different destinations and adventure.

"Howard County is a destination and it is about what you are destined to do. Where to you want your business to go? Where do you want to go? Let's do something about it and find the destination," explains Debbye ValVerde, executive director of the Big Spring Chamber of Commerce.

The evening will be filled with laughs, stories, networking, door prizes, and Man and Woman of the Year awards. Additionally, president Amy Jacobs will pass the gavel to incoming president, Adrian Calvio.

Tickets for the banquet are \$30 per person which will include a dinner catered by Great Western Catering, a chance for door prizes, mingling with local business owners, and guest speaker Chet Garner.

"Chet Garner is the creator, host, executive producer and writer of The

Elrod's Furniture

Daytripper, a six-time Emmy award winning Texas travel show airing on PBS stations across Texas," said ValVerde. "Born in Comanche, Texas and raised in Por Neches, Texas, Chet's love for storytelling started at a young age around the campfire in Boy Scouts and toting around his grandfather's VHS video camera staging elaborate productions in his backyard."

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HEB recalls ice cream brand

SAN ANTONIO (AP) - H-E-B supermarkets have issued a voluntary recall for its Creamy Creations Caramel Pecan Turtle ice cream over possible wood pieces in the product.

In a statement Thursday, the San Antonio-based supermarket chain said there have been no reports of illness from its product.

H-E-B described the affected ice cream as having a Uniform Product Code (UPC) of 0 4122051877 7 and sell-by dates of 20 APR(ABR)16, 10 MAY(MAY)16, 07 JUN(JUN)16 and 18 JUL(JUL)16. Customers with questions may call 1-855-432-4438.



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Obituaries

Richard Walker



Richard V. Walker, 70, of Big Spring went to be with the Lord with a smile on his face Wednesday, Feb. 3, 2016 in Midland. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 6, 2016 at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Rev. Jim Binnix officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends

from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m., Friday, Feb. 5, 2016 at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Richard was born Jan. 28, 1946 in Colorado City, Texas and married Thelma Moore Nov. 20, 1976 in Reno, Nevada.

Richard moved back to Big Spring in 1977 to work for the family business, Walker Auto Parts. He was

Marie Dollins



Mrs. Marie Fay Dollins, 87, of Snyder. Texas passed away on Wednesday, Feb. 3, 2016 in Snvder.

Funeral Service for Mrs. Dollins will be held on Friday. Feb. 05, 2016, at 2 p.m. at 37th Street Church of Christ with Mr. Daryl Meador officiating, assisted by Mr. Louis Midwell. Internment will follow at Hillside Memorial Gardens. Services are under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale

Funeral Home.

Mrs. Dollins was born on Dec. 16, 1928 in Duke, Okla. to William and Ethel (Griffin) Terry. She married Don Dollins on Dec. 17, 1953 in Shawnee, Okla.

Mrs. Dollins has lived in the Snyder community

Duffy Yancey



Duffy Yancey, 40, of Big Spring, died Wednesday, Feb. 3, 2016 at his residence. The family will receive friends Friday, Feb. 5, 2016 from 7 to 8 p.m. at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral services will be Saturday, Feb. 6, 2016 at 11 a.m. at Hillcrest Baptist Church, with Rev. Ronnie Newton and Rev. Elwin Collom officiating. Interment will follow at Coahoma

Cemetery.

He was born Oct. 4, 1975 to Susie and Darrell Yancey. He was a lifetime resident of Big Spring. He was a very active and faithful member of Hillcrest Baptist Church. He attended and helped with all church activities including the choir, Christmas programs

an engineer at the Veteran's Administrative Medical Center for 20 years. Richard loved woodworking, fishing and shopping. He was a member of Midway Baptist Church.

Richard is survived by his wife, Thelma Walker of Big Spring; a son, Cary Walker and wife, Linda of Fort Worth; a daughter, Sherri` Ventimiglia and husband, Steve of Alpine, California; four grandchildren, Madison Caldwell, Makena Caldwell, Logan Ventimiglia and Taylor Griffin; a brother, Coit Walker and wife, Linda of Colorado Springs. Colorado and a sister-in-law, Toni Walker of Big Spring.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Edgar and Mary Beth (Butler) Walker and a brother Eric Walker.

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

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since 1956. She was involved in several organizations, including Snyder Pallet Club, Snyder Country Club Ladies Golf Association and a member of 37th St. Church of Christ.

She is survived by two daughters, Sharon Meader and husband Daryl of Snyder and Lisa Midwell and husband, Louis, of Snyder.

Six grandchildren: Louis Lee Midwell of Abilene, Texas; Kevin Dollins of Tyler, Texas; Kerry Dollins of Snyder; Chris and wife April of Meador, Miss.; Amanda Ann Midwell of Snyder: Stephanie Ruiz of Snyder. And 12 great-grandchildren

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, son, Randy Dollins; Sister, Rosie Daniels and 2 Brothers, Herman and Gene Terry.

Visitation will be held Thursday, Feb. 4, 2016 from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

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and services and vacation bible school. Duffy loved wrestling, fishing, hunting, traveling and watching any sport or other activity of his nieces and nephews.

He is survived by his parents: Darrell and Susie Yancey; one brother: Darrell W. Yancey and wife Cheryl of Yukon, Okla.; three sisters: Sissy Franklin and husband Odis of Coahoma; Tammy Griffith and husband Jody of Coahoma; Mitzi Hicks and husband Dustin of Paragould, Ark.; eleven nieces and nephews and three great nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers the family suggests memorials to:

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ing to Big Spring, five years ago. He was a retired

Roman is survived by one brother: Juan Bermea

of Big Spring; three sisters: Carlota Garcia, Isa-

bel Calvillo and Eulaia Rodriguez all of Charlotte,

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Jose Maria Bermea, Jr., Manuel Bermea, Marecelo

Bermea and Anastacio Bermea; two sisters: Dom-

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Texas; and numerous nieces and nephews.

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Police / Sheriff

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

• EMILY ANN MCKIERNAN, 17, of 4202 Parkway Rd. was arrested on a charge of evading arrest/detention with vehicle or watercraft.

• DENNY RAY WANNER, 40, of 617 Caylor St. was arrested on warrants for defective head lamps speeding, four counts of fail to appear, two counts of expired registration and a warrant from another agency.

 SAMANTHA BARBARA MUNOZ, 22, of 1007 Sycamore St. was arrested on warrants for possession of drug paraphernalia, no driver's license, two counts of fail to appear, a warrant from another agency and a charge of fail to identify – fugitive giving false/fictitious information.

 AARON COLBY PATTERSON, 20, of 1407 S. Johnson St. was arrested on warrants for bail jumping/failure to appear, failed to maintain financial responsibility, backed so as to interefere (or without safety) and failed to maintain financial responsibility - 2nd offense.

• NAHELY NICOLE CASANOVA, 19, of 1203 Settles St. was arrested on a charge of possession of marijuana, less than 2 ounces.

 VICTOR TY ROSENBERG, 40, of 1209 Monticello was arrested on warrants for disregard stop sign and failure to appear.

• JACOB IAN STRAIN, 36, of 1010 Nolan St. 21 was arrested on a warrant from another agency.

• CHARLIE JAKE TURNER JR., 36, of 109 N.E. 10th St. was arrested on a warrant for theft, more than \$50 but less than \$500.

• FELICIA MARIE HINOJOSA, 34, of 505 W. 4th St., Stanton, Texas was arrested on a charge of driving while license invalid and warrants for failure to appear, driving while license invalid and warrant from another agency.

• JULIAN SINTAS, 56, of 1715 E. Hwy 350 was arrested on a charge of assault - family violence, threat or offensive touch.

 BURGLARY IN PROGRESS, was reported in the 1300 block of E. Airpark Dr.

• THEFT was reported in the 1600 block of S. Gregg St., the 4100 block of Parkway Rd. and the 1600 block of S. Gregg St.

 DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported in the 1000 block of N.W. 2nd St. and the 1700 block of E. Hwy 350.

• MAJOR ACCIDENT was reported at the intersection of 18th St. and Gregg St.

• MINOR ACCIDENT was reported on 17th St.

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

Note – Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 80 inmates at the time of this report.

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Roman Bermea



Roman Bermea, 91, of Big Spring, died Wednesday, Feb. 3, 2016. A prayer service will be held Friday, Feb. 5, 2016 at 8 p.m. at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral services will be Saturday, Feb. 6, 2016 at 2 p.m. at Myers & Smith Chapel. Interment will follow at Tahoka Cemetery.

He was born Feb. 28, 1924 in Charlotte, Texas to Felipa Martinez Bermea and Jose Bermea,

Sr. He lived most of his life in Tahoka until mov-

Bernice Gibbs

Bernice Gibbs died Thursday, Feb. 4, 2016. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Guadalupe "Lupe" Sepeda, 74, of Big Spring, passed away Thursday, Feb. 4, 2016 at Midland Memorial Hospital. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.



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•The Big Spring Symphony Guild will sponsor 'Tea Around the World" on Feb. 6. at 11 a.m.

Potato soup and chicken salad sandwiches will be served. There will be a fashion show, door prizes and silent auction. Tickets are \$20 per person. Call 214-256-1674 for reservations.

• Big Spring Little League will be holding signups for the upcoming season Saturday at the Springtown Plaza right next to the movie theater from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Also, daily through Friday 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. in the basement of the Howard County Library. Everyone is welcome to attend. Memberships are available. The annual dues are \$20.

• The Big Spring Symphony Board of Directors meets every first Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. at the symphony office, 808 Scurry Street.

• The Kiwanis Club of Big Spring meets at noon every Thursday in the Cactus Room at Howard College. Visitors are welcome.

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Since 2010, he has

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CHAMBER

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"Chet earned a degree in Radio-Television-Film from the University of Texas in Austin and went on to graduate first in his class from Baylor Law School. However, after practicing law for three years, he decided to follow his passions and simultaneously inspire folks to appreciate the beauty, history and food of the Lone Star State." said Valverde. "He is a funny, witty guy and everyone will leave with a smile and a better appreciation for Texas," said ValVerde.

Currently, there are 370 members of the Big Spring Chamber of Commerce and with new businesses moving into Howard County and Big Spring, there is always room for more members.

"It is not what can the Chamber can do for you, it's what can you and the Chamber do for the community," said ValVerde. The Chamber of Commerce works to promote

Big Spring and the businesses within the community. People who move to the area can find resources to locate businesses to serve their needs such as banks, shopping boutiques and churches. The Chamber of Commerce can help direct people to different businesses.

The annual banquet will be on Tuesday, Feb. 16 at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum at 7 p.m. on the Sonic floor. Tickets will not be available after Thursday, Feb. 11.

Banquet sponsors this year are Alon, GEO, Oncor, Spring Creek Fellowship, Star Dodge, State National Bank, WalMart, Water Water, Wells Fargo Bank and the Big Spring Convention and Visitors Bureau.

For more information on Chet Garner, go to thedaytripper.com. For more information or to purchase tickets for the banquet, contact the Chamber of Commerce at 432-263-7641.

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BOARD

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undervalued by many," Williams said. "I want to be apart of that process that brings Howard College to the forefront of higher education so that our residents can take advantage of the economic, social and morale boosts that our college can provide."

Moore, a 1989 Coahoma High School graduate, earned his associate of science in physical education in 1992 from Howard and his associ-

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landfill that is dangerously close to capacity. "The landfill was a necessity," he said. "We were so close to running out of space at our current facility ... and if we had to close it, we would have had to ship our trash to Snyder or some other community at considerable cost to our taxpayers." Other major infrastructure outlays McLellan pointed to are expenditures on wastewater lines and streets, which approach \$1.5 million and \$1 million, respectively, each year. "We also need to get serious about recycling — I've said that all along," the mayor noted. "We ate of arts in business management in 1996. He continued his education through Western Governor's University earning a bachelor of science in business intechnology formation management in 2011 and is nearing completion of his master's degree in business management.

Williams received his bachelor of science degree in biology with a minor in chemistry from Texas Tech University in 1998 and his master's degree in physician assistant studies from the University of North Texas Health Sci-

know there will be much more recycling material material manufactured in the future ... and I'd like to see a recycling center built here in Big Spring."

duced the same amount of revenue, thanks in part to increased sales tax revenues," he said. "I believe we've been good stewards of the public's money, but we will still have to keep ahead of the curve in addressing the community's needs."

tals and all community based outpatient clinics that those hospital support.

"In my professional career, I am responsibility for leading our region as we explore new and emerging technology systems," Moore said. "I want to bring that experience and leadership to Howard College and be a vital part of guiding the college to the next level."

The two join Steve Escanuelas and current HC trustee Michael Flores who have both filed to run for the Precinct 1 position.



Candidates interested in running for any of the four positions can pick up paperwork a the Howard College business office during regular hours.

Early voting for the Howard College Board of Trustee election will begin Monday, April 25 and continue through Tuesday, May 3 at the Howard County courthouse elections office. Election Day is Saturday, May 7.

Contact Lyndel Moody at 263-7331, ext. 234, or by e-mailing citydesk@ bigspringherald.com.

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Of course, all these hopes carry hefty price tags and McLellan was quick to promise the city would continue to be as frugal as possible with taxpayer money.

"We dropped the tax rate seven cents in the last year, and still pro-

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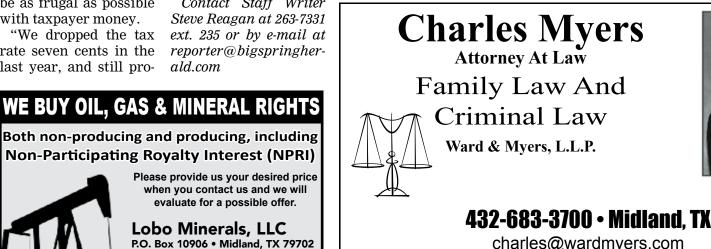
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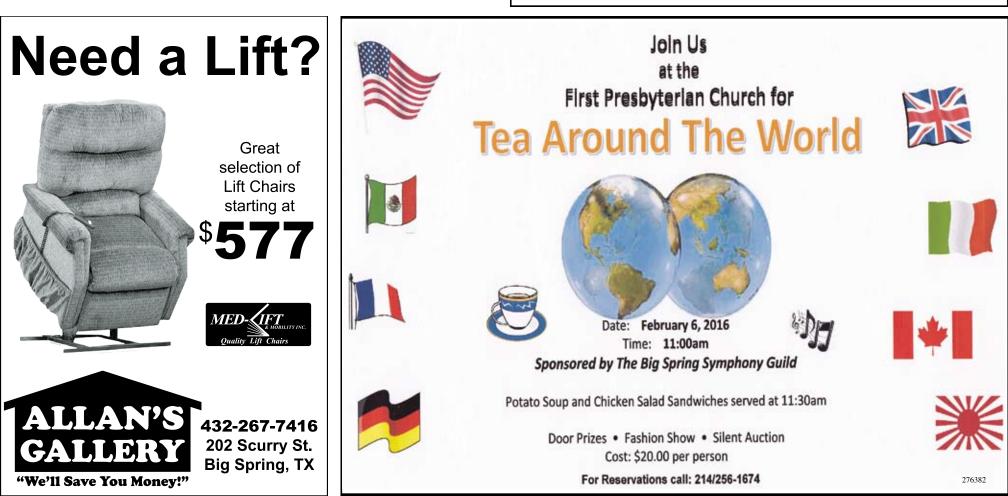




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come to wonder if you made a wrong turn

and ended up in church. If you are not a believer — an evangelical Christian believer, that is — you may feel ever so slightly unwelcome.

The deity-centric approach is working for Ted Cruz, who began his victory speech in Des Moines Monday by pointing heavenward, pursing his lips and uttering an especially unctuous line: "To God be the glory."

Among all the glorious wonders that his Creator has wrought, delivering slightly more than a quarter of the vote in an Iowa caucus has to fall pretty far down the list. You would think the Almighty would be powerful enough to produce a comfortable majority, or even a unanimous vote.

Cruz finished first on the strength of his appeal to evangelicals, who made up two-thirds of all caucus-goers. His success was not entirely the work of the Big Guy Upstairs. During the campaign, Cruz has done everything but run ads identifying him as "The Official Candidate of the Son of God."

He launched his campaign at Jerry Falwell's Liberty University, where he celebrated "the transformative love of Jesus Christ." During the campaign, he has missed no chance to quote the Bible and hoist the cross.

Ben Carson said he would not

accept a Muslim as president, but Cruz goes even further. "Any president who doesn't begin every day on his knees isn't fit to be commander-in-chief of this nation," he thundered. That rules out atheists, agnostics, non-Christians and any faithful churchgoer who feels perfectly capable of praying while seated.

Cruz, Rubio and God

At one event, the Texas senator urged his audience to pray every day as follows: "Father God, please, continue this awakening. ... Awaken the body of Christ, that we might pull back from the abyss."

With his trademark gift for hilarity, he said the job of a military chaplain "is to be insensitive to atheists." If this political gig doesn't work out, he'll do fine as a televangelist.

Though Cruz is the most overbearing candidate in his religiosity, his general theme is not unusual. Marco Rubio explained why his faith will play a large role in how he will govern: "Because in the end, my goal is not simply to live on this Earth for 80 years but to live an eternity with my creator."

He put out a video of a town hall encounter he had with a man identifying himself as an atheist. The senator insisted he would respect the guy's right to disbelieve — while somehow managing to make it sound as though he posed a threat to Rubio's religious freedom. The ad could have been titled: "St. Mario vanquishes the infidel."

Mike Huckabee is a former Southern Baptist minister whose announcement speech last summer recalled the good old days when students were taught the Lord's Prayer — in public school. He also insisted that its liberal enemies are on the verge

of "criminalizing Christianity."

The contenders often frame their sectarian appeals as promises to protect religious liberty. But when they talk about threats to religious liberty, they aren't thinking about municipalities blocking the construction of mosques or a Jewish student being forced to listen to Christian prayers at public school events. Christian religious liberty, expansively defined, is their sole concern.

About the only consolation for non-Christians in this campaign a very small one — is the popularity of Donald Trump, despite his impious lifestyle and obvious indifference to religion. But even Trump made the obligatory pilgrimage to Liberty University and touted his endorsement by President Jerry Falwell Jr.

The problem is not that politicians invoke faith to bond with audiences, attest to their good character and explain their motivations in public life. Even Hillary Clinton has been known to do that. So has Barack Obama. But they don't use it as a club against those whose beliefs are different.

Republicans often convey the impression that God is their exclusive property and that everyone else doesn't belong. But treating Christianity as a de facto requirement for office amounts to making nonbelievers second-class citizens. It suggests that Christian candidates owe nonbelievers no logical rationale for the policies they champion.

The Constitution, which Cruz and his rivals claim to revere, forbids any religious test for office and makes no claim to fulfill the word of God. Somebody ought to take the hint.







CHAPMAN

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DAILY PRAYER

The best kind of action, Lord, is the kind of action with You in mind.

Oscar for the most stunning actress goes to..

'e are here not to discuss the complex #OscarsSoWhite controversy but to address another sore point with perhaps similar origins: the

#OscarsSoGorgeous phenomenon.

At the risk of running afoul of some ardent fan clubs, let us note that the Academy Awards

for best actress tend to favor the young and beautiful, often for playing the down

and out. Some

older actresses survive the nominating process, but observe how many wouldn't be there had they not established their careers on earlier goddess roles.

This helps explain why there are so few good parts for women who are dark and short - or, for that matter, white but less than spectacular. As with the lack of black nominees, the perpetual dearth of non-beautiful actresses surely reflects the socializing preferences of the white men in charge.

This is not to disparage Jennifer Lawrence's acting talents, which many say are considerable. But it seemed odd that she was chosen to play the lead in "Joy," a performance for which she has been nominated as best actress. "Joy" is based on the

true story of Joy Mangano, a hard-luck working mother who found success inventing and selling homely mops.

Now the real Mangano is a fine-looking woman with strong Mediterranean features. But she was not born porcelain-skinned and blue-eyed. She did not pursue her dreams with a team of hair stylists maintaining the highest standards through her deepest indignities.

The Hollywood version lingers on endless close-ups of Lawrence's mug – a picture of northern European perfection, currently a "face of Dior." Of course, Lawrence has been on the cover of Vogue, which calls her "Hollywood's blockbuster blonde.'

In 2006, Julia Roberts won best actress for "Erin Brockovich,' a real-life story about a blunt, working-class girl's legal victory.

Nothing wrong with the real Brockovich's looks, but Erin was never the Roberts-level babe who could dominate the glossies from the lowliest fan mags to Vogue.

Roberts broke into stardom in "Pretty Woman," playing a character who was supposed to be beautiful. Had Roberts not already achieved stardom as a dazzler, would she have been cast in the meaty role of a vulgar crusader?

The 2003 Oscar went to former model Charlize Theron for her role as serial killer Aileen Wuornos in "Monster." Fan

magazines at the time marveled at how teams of makeup artists were able to turn a stunner into an ugly wretch.

You'd think that roles to play these tortured women would create opportunities for extraordinarily talented actresses of ordinary appearance, but that's not how Hollywood usually works. Hollywood demands that female actors do double-duty as thespians and glamour queens.

On Oscars night we see how, when it comes to gender, Hollywood actors inhabit two entirely different planets. The men romp into the Dolby Theatre, while the women must run the gauntlet of red carpet humiliation. You see them freeze in cheesy poses, every detail of their facades followed by a week of microscopic critique.

At the ceremony itself, the male winners joyfully bound up the stairs to the stage. The female winners in spikes gingerly climb the stairs, no doubt terrified that a heel could lock into a long hem.

So this is a night to pity the bombshells as well as the great female actors who never had the chance to win the great parts. Why even bother with this dated vision when we can stream fascinating stories of threedimensional women on our own screens day or night? And small wonder the Oscar audience numbers have been tanking.



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Did you ever wonder: God's covenant

id you notice that each time the Israelites camped for a rest they murmured and complained about things they didn't

have in the wilder-

ness? Some of them said that their life of slavery in Egypt was better because they remembered the flavorful foods they had to eat.



Now at Mt. Sinai they did not complain; they were very impressed with God's power and majesty.

They eagerly vowed,

"Everything that Hashem has spoken we shall do!"

They finally began to understand the glory of their God.

"If you harken well to Me and observe My covenant, you shall be to Me the most beloved treasure of all peoples, for Mine is the entire

world." (Exo 19:5) This is an offer, a promise from a loving father that if we will love him and do our best to do the things that please him, we will be the most blessed and protected people in the whole world.

God spoke this to the Israelites, who were the only people on Earth at that time who would love Him back. But in time many of them were pulled back into the sinful practices of the pagan societies around them.

Do you remember that we talked about God allowing the blood of an innocent animal to cover a person's sin so that the person did not have to die for his own sin?

There came a time in history when that window of opportunity passed. Then God sent His own son to be the substitute for all sinful people who believed on Him as the Messiah, the Savior that the Old Testament promised in many places.

This time Everyone was included in the bargain, not just the Israelites. That means God will extend the same promise to other people... gentiles... vou and me!

I want to be part of this promise! And all I have to do is love Him and observe His covenant.

Once when God called Moses up on the mountain, He asked that the Elders come part of the way up. After they had listened to God's words, He served them a meal. This is called a covenant feast which seals acceptance of a covenant by both parties.

But what is the Covenant we are talking about? The translators of the King James Bible called it the Ten Commandments. The Hebrew word can mean either.

God did not call it Commandments ... He was a loving God, not wrathful. He called it His Covenant. This is a list of things that He likes and does not like. It is a list of things that people who love Him will want to do, or not do.

But once again it seems to us that the people who love the idols of the world are having more fun than we are. Many people who call themselves Christians think they can get by with telling a 'little white lie' or let someone believe something they know is not true.

They think they can hide part of their income or claim more deductions than are honest. They willingly take advantage of people with less power, and that's okay because they are just making a living, providing for their family.

People seem to forget that God is watching this human drama play out. And I read that Jesus sits at His right hand, writing it all in a book! I wonder when this window of opportunity will close?

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

Church News

Holy Trinity Catholic Church

Wednesday is Ash Wednesday. Holy Trinity's schedule throughout the day is:

7 a.m. - Mass and Imposition of ashes

9:30 a.m. - Howard County Jail - Word Service and ashes

10:00 a.m. - Big Spring State Hospital - Word Service and ashes

10:00 a.m. - Lamun-Lusk-Sachez - Word Service and ashes

11:00 a.m. - Veteran's Hospital - Word Service and ashes

12:15 p.m. - Holy Trinity - Word Service and ashes

5:15 p.m. - Holy Trinity - Mass and Imposition of ashes

7:15 p.m. - Holy Trinity - Mass and Imposition of ashes

5:30 – 8:30 p.m. - Our Lady of Guadalupe Family Center - Fish Fry (next door to the church)

Friday, Feb. Noon - 6 p.m. Holy Trinity - Stations of the Cross

Holy Trinity Catholic Parish is located at 1009 Hearn. Office phone is 432.714.4930. Our priest is Msgr. Bernard Gully.

Regular Mass times are 5 p.m. Saturday and 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sunday. Confessions are 3:30 – 4:45 p.m. Saturday.

First United Methodist Church Big Spring

The 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, Pastor Bill Ivins, will be preaching a sermon entitled "Restart Your Life!" The message is designed to help people discover how they can begin again after loss. People experience grief for many reasons. Two of the more common reasons are due to loss through death and loss through divorce. Grief can be paralyzing too. So how can we move beyond it? We'll discover how on Sunday.

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 Financial Peace University, and First Place 4 Health. For more information on these new groups, please visit the church's website at fumcbs. com.

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 fumchs. com or phone our church office at 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. All are welcome.

Our Children's Ministry began working on an Easter Musical entitled "Crown Him with Many Crowns" on Wednesday, Feb. 3 at 6 p.m. Children who are age four through fifth grade are invited to participate. The musical will be presented on Sunday, April 3 during the 11 a.m. contemporary worship service.

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

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 267-6394. First United Methodist Church is located just off Greg Street at the corner of 4th and Scurry in downtown Big Spring.

and have caught nothing. They obey Jesus and are soon are rewarded. Come by and hear what Dan has to say on the topic.

Helping to enhance our worship is our Music Director Tara Trowbridge and her accompanist Lawrence Thibeault. They have some beautiful arrangements that really liven up the hearts.

Our Liturgist will be Shirley Burgess. Serving at our Table will be Shelane Roberts and Erma Dunne..

Our Sunday begins with Fellowship at 9:15 a.m., Sunday school at 9:45 a.m. and our Worship begins at 10:50 a.m. If you have any questions regarding our services, Isaiah 58 or if you just need someone to pray with you, please call our office between 9 and 3 Monday thru Friday. 432-517-4821. We are located at 911 Goliad Street.

Blessed Hands Deaf Church

The people of BHDC invite you to worship with us Sunday at 10:50 a.m. or 2 p.m. Pastor Jim Walterhouse will bring a message from God's Holy Word, and we will offer thanks and praise to our risen Savior, Jesus Christ. Currently, Blessed Hands Deaf Church meets inside First Baptist Church at 705 W. FM 700. For more information about BHDC, including Wednesday evening schedule and activities, contact Pastor Jim at: jwalterhouse @gmail. com.

Cornerstone Covenant Church

Cornerstone Covenant Church would like to invite you to join us Sunday at 10:30 a.m. for a time of great fellowship, praise and worship and the Word of God. Wednesday at 7 p.m., join us for our mid-week worship service in the main sanctuary as we worship, fellowship and spend time in the word and in prayer. Sundays, Feb. 7 -28 at 9 a.m., our "Receiving the Vision Course" starts a new class. If you would like to attend or know more about this course or about Cornerstone Covenant Church contact Valerie at 432-264-0015. Monday at 6 p.m. our Far Above Rubies woman's small group will be gathering in the Green Room for a time of enjoyment and laughter. Make your own Valentine box just like in elementary school and either make or buy a valentines card and bring it to the party. Bring a dish to share and your T.V. tray. Saturday, Feb. 13 at 5:30 p.m. the S.U.R.G.E singles ministry will get together at Joe's Italian Bistro at 5:30 p.m. for a time of laughs and fellowship then a movie will follow (TBD). Be sure to invite a friend. Saturday, Feb. 13 at 6:30 p.m. The 50's and over ministry will be gathering at KC's steak house for their 2016 Valentines Dinner. Please R.S.V.P by Feb. 11. Monday, Feb. 15 at 6 p.m. the Soul Sisters woman's small group will be studying "The Armor of God series" by Pricilla Shirer at 1709 Yale Ave (Kathryn Lane's home). All ages are welcome. If you would like to get ready for tax season early, be sure to get your request in for you giving records. Contact the front office at 432-264-0015. Please join us every Sunday at 10:30 a.m. for worship. CCC is located at 706 E. 12th Street. For office hours or other question about the ministry contact our office at 43-264-0015. You can also find us at facebook .com/cccbigspring or visit us at www. cccbigspring.org.

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First Christian Church

This Sunday is Transfiguration Sunday. Our guest Minister, Mr. Dan Miracle, will be taking the pulpit and preaching a sermon on the Gospel of Luke. Jesus sends the disciples to cast their nets even though they had been fishing all night long



Local children express themselves with Play-Doh while learning about God's creative power in Sunday School at First Baptist Church. Bring your little ones at 9:30 Sunday morning to be part of the fun.

First Baptist Church – Big Spring

"Blessed are the people whose God is the LORD!" declares Psalm 144:15. Join us Sunday at 10:50 a.m. as we worship and give thanks to God for His immeasurable love, mercy and kindness. Pastor Mark Lindsey begins a new sermon series titled "Everlasting Love", and the messages will unveil

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Religious

One hope of your calling

nat is your hope? What do you hope for? You might receive as many dif-

ferent answers to those questions as the number of people you ask. Someone may hope for riches while another hopes for notoriety. A struggling family may be hoping that they have food on the table today. A neglected



Greg SURLES

child hopes to be loved some day. With so many

objects of hope in our world, how can the Apostle Paul urge Christians to be united in one hope? Ephesians

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the scarlet thread of God's eternal love which runs to each of us today. The worship choir will bring the special music offering "Almighty Fortress". If you are unable to attend, please worship with us through the live stream on our website at: fbcbigspring.org.

At 9:30 Sunday School groups gather throughout the building with children meeting in the Good News Garage on the first floor, and youth, college students, and adults meeting in second floor classrooms. Greeters are happy to help you find your class; we look forward to getting to know you Sunday.

Kids' Connection starts at 5:30 p.m., and is a fun time of Biblically based songs, games, and activities. All area youngsters are invited to attend.

Sunday night youth group meets at 6 p.m.; call Youth Pastor Jonathan Raffini at 270-8332 for detailed information.

Also at 6 p.m., our evening service offers a wonderful way to worship and bask in God's presence while preparing our heart's for the week ahead. Pastor Lindsey continues the message series based on the life and ministry of Jesus as related by His disciple Matthew.

Thursday our Food Pantry/Mission Center will be open at 9 a.m. It is located on Lancaster, one block behind HEB. You do not have to be a member of FBC to assist with this ministry; come at 8:30 a.m. if you would like to help.

Thank you to all who offered prayers and support for the youth retreat 'Discipleship Now' last weekend. God was indeed glorified, and many were blessed through this experience.

Our Mother's Day Out program is underway each Tuesday and Thursday from 9-3. Contact Tracy Boeker at 267-8223 to inquire about openings for vour little ones.

Upward Basketball season continues, and game

4:4 states, There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called in one hope of your calling (NKJV). The key is in the words "called" and "calling." The root word here carries the idea to send for, summon, or invite. God calls us through his word. He invites every person into his assembly which is the church or body of Christ (see previous article on the "One Body").

The gospel, or good news, concerning Christ is how we are called by God. Paul is saying there is one central hope for every person who has responded to the invitation of the gospel - heaven. All who have obeyed the gospel are urged by the apostle to maintain a proper perspective concerning the things for which they hope. We must maintain a heavenly

perspective!

God doesn't promise us riches in this life. Jesus even said that a person cannot serve God and money, wealth, or possessions (Matthew 6:24). God doesn't promise us pleasure or ease in this life. What God has promised is eternal life for those who are obedient and faithful to hi

The basis of biblical hope is not some "we can't know for sure wishfulness." Biblical hope is what is anticipated and involves an earnest expectation. Jesus said we need to be askers, seekers, and knockers. Matthew 7:8, For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened (ESV). God is faithful and he will keep his promises. Everyone who has obeyed the gospel and

become a Christian can be united in the expectation of a home in heaven when the Lord returns. What a glorious hope! What confidence there is in being an obedient child of God!

The important question is whether or not you have obeyed the gospel. Have you asked the question that was cried out at Pentecost - what shall we do? (Acts 2:37) Saul the persecutor asked the same question when he was confronted by the Lord on the road to Damascus. He was later told by Ananias what he needed to do in Acts 22:16, And now why do *vou wait? Rise and be baptized and* wash away your sins, calling on his name (ESV).

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

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 Presbyterian Church Big Spring

Paula Farquhar is in charge of Take Ten for this Sunday. February ushers are John Yater, Patti Horton, and Mark and Vicki McLean. Jim Mark Morgan is Lector. Communion servers are Lucy and Paschal Odom, Danny Kennemur, Louise Hitch, and Buddy Cochrane.

The lectionary for the Transfiguration of the Lord Sunday is Exodus 34:29-35; Psalm99; 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2; Luke 9:28-43. Elder Tom Koger will deliver the sermon and preside at Communion. The Chancel Choir will offer "How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place" as the offertory anthem. Our guest organist and choir director for the day is Vernon Carey.

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

On Wednesday the Lectionary Bible Study, led by Craig Holstedt and Tom Koger, will meet at 5:17 p.m. in the church library. The Children's Choir meets at 4:30 p.m. and the Young Women's Choir at 5:15; the Chancel Choir rehearses at 6:30 p.m. On Sunday evening the Male Chorus practices at 5:15, the Youth Handbells at 6:00, and Youth Group at 7:15 p.m.

The church's Annual Meeting and Potluck Dinner, which was previously planned for January 31, has been changed to February 14. It will be held in Fellowship Hall following morning worship on that dental floss, and combs.

Ash Wednesday is Feb. 10, and our Ash Wednesday Service will be in the Chapel at 7 p.m. Rev. Mary Beth Anton, of Midland, will be our guest preacher.

If you cannot attend worship, you may listen in on KBST 1490 AM, beginning at 11 a.m. If you wish to have a printed bulletin for Sunday services, please call the church office at 263-4211. You may also see what's happening at the church by visiting our website www. fpcbs.org. On our website, you can find a link that will enable you to listen to several recent sermons by Rev. Craig Holstedt. Like us on Facebook.

Birdwell Lane Church of Christ

Sunday:

Bible study – 9 a.m.

Worship – 10 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Wednesday:

Ladies class - 9:30 a.m.

Bible study and devotional – 7 p.m.

Birdwell Lane Church of Christ is located at the southwest corner of 11th Place and Birdwell Lane.

Spring Creek Fellowship

We are skating the Hart's back to Zambia on

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schedules are available through our website. You're invited to come and cheer for the participants while enjoying the fun.

Wednesday evening begins with a meal served in the Family Life Center from 5-6 p.m., followed by adult Bible study and prayer time, adult choir practice, children's mission groups, and 'Saturate Youth'. Join us February 10 for chicken spaghetti.

FBC is located at 705 W. FM 700. Come check us out Sunday; we'll do our best to welcome you and make you feel at home. Jesus loves you.

Forsan Baptist Church

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

This Sunday morning we will continue the message series on the topic of salvation. We will be looking at "Shedding the Excess." The message comes from Luke 8:49-56.

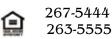
Our new Sunday evening study is called "Does This Mean Me?" It will deal with discerning which passages in the Bible are descriptive stories, which

are instructions for us in the modern day, and which are exemplary to apply to our lives.

Regular youth and children's activities continue on Wednesday afternoons beginning at 4 p.m. Youth and children's meal will be served at 5:30 p.m., and age-appropriate classes

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Sunday. The Session will provide fried chicken and sides, and members are asked to bring desserts for our Valentine's Day Lunch and Congregational Meeting.

With donations from the congregation and addition from our Local Benevolence Fund, we were able to send enough money to Marion Medical Mission to build 10 water wells, which will supply approximately 1,000 people with water for a lifetime.

Our Service Committee, Ellen Austin (chair), Christine Boling, John Ferguson, Katie Grimes, Patti Horton, Tom Koger, and Lane Reynolds, in addition to providing food to the Northside Center, Christmas Baskets for several families, snacks to the Boys and Girls Club, lunch money through the local schools, and Food2Kids, collects and distributes hygiene products. The drive to collects those products will take place Sunday, February 21 and Sunday, February 28. Travel size (if possible) items needed include deodorant, shaving cream, razors, tooth paste, tooth brushes, mouth wash,

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So much Play-doh, so many ideas, and so little time! An area child contemplates his creative options as he participates in the Children's Sunday School program at **First Baptist Church.**

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Reflections: The viral gospel

oing viral was once limited to communicable diseases, the kinds that are so easily transmitted that they can rapidly escalate into an

epidemic. In our day, it means something quite different. With the aid of the Internet, email, Twitter, Facebook, text messaging and You Tube, what was obscure can "go viral" and become suddenly famous.

Facebook went viral TINSLEY

when Mark Zuckerberg launched it from his dorm room at Har-

vard. Today, more than one billion people use Facebook every day and its market value exceeds \$300 billion. It has become one of the most powerful tools on the Internet to catapult others into the "viral" stratosphere.

When Susan Boyle stepped onto the stage at Britain's Got Talent April 11, 2009, she was unknown and unemployed, living alone with her cat in a small apartment where her mother raised her. Her frumpy attire drew snickers from the judges and the audience. But when she began to sing I Have A Dream everything changed. The video of her performance "went viral" on the internet. Within nine days it was viewed 100 million times. She is now an established star.

"Going viral" appears to be a twenty-first century phenomenon. But is it?

History documents that the Gospel went viral following the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus. There was no media campaign. There

were no reporters, no cameras, no photo ops, no internet, no Facebook. But somehow, Jesus impacted and changed the world. Growing up in the obscure and infamous village of Nazareth, Jesus' public ministry lasted only three years. He walked wherever he went and never traveled more than one hundred miles from his birth place. When He was crucified, there were no papers to report it, no news teams to film it. But the news spread around the world and is continuing to spread today. It did so by "going viral."

Paul spoke of the gospel which has come to you, just as in all the world also it is constantly bearing fruit and increasing, even as it has been doing in you also since the day you heard of it and understood the grace of God in truth." (Colossians1:6). And again, "For all things are for

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your sakes, so that the grace which is spreading to more and more people may cause the giving of thanks to abound to the glory of God." 2 Cor 4:15, "I thank my God through Jesus Christ ... because your faith is being proclaimed throughout the whole world." (Romans 1:8).

When the Gospel goes viral, it requires more than posting a few sentences or a video clip on the internet, more than "clicking" and forwarding information. The Kingdom of God goes viral when lives are transformed by faith in Jesus Christ so that society is saturated with honesty, integrity, justice and generosity. Changed lives change the lives of those around them.

Bill Tinsley column reflects on life experience and current events from a faith perspective.

Email church news and

pictures to

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Monday, Feb. 15! Bring your family to skate for whatever donation amount the Lord puts on your heart. 100% of the proceeds will go towards helping Shawn and Lauren Hart head back to Zambia to continue the work they have been called to do. They will also take this time to meet and greet anyone who doesn't yet know about their mission and the work they have been called to do. Let's all come out and support this great cause. Monday Feb. 15th from 6-8:30 p.m. at Skateland Reloaded at 2906 W. 8th St. in Big Spring.

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.

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Hawks snap losing streak, down WTC

By DREW WILLIAMS Sports Editor

It was a celebratory Homecoming night for Howard College fans, who saw the Hawks beat the Western College Westerners, 63-54, Thursday night.

"I thought the atmosphere here was great," Howard Head Coach Scott Raines said. "Guys were ready to play and the crowd just helps every time there was a letdown."

The Hawks went to the locker room up, 30-23, at the half, but an early second-half run gave the Westerners a 44-43 lead. After a timeout, Raines opted for a full-court press that forced Western College into two turnovers and possessions multiple deep into the shot clock. The result was a 7-0 run that gave Howard a 50-44 lead.

"We've got maybe a slight quickness edge on them," Raines said. "Sometimes we just try to get the tempo going and we feel like we're a little better in the open floor. It changed the game over in Snyder a month ago and it certainly changed the game today."

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It was close throughout, but the Hawks held on until the final buzzer. Raines praised his team's grit after the game.

"It was not a pretty game, but I thought we showed great toughness," he said. "We took this week and I said we were going to get a little more of that 'Howard College personality' about us and become better fighters and tougher guys."

It wasn't a typical Howard-style victory. The team got a lot of production inside and didn't dominate behind the three-point line, where they were 7-for-25.

"I didn't think we could have won a game before tonight making only seven threes," Raines said.

A big reason for the success inside was the relentlessness of guard/ forward hybrid Shaquille Preston's drives to the basket. He finished with a game-high



File photo Shaquille Preston (22), shown in action earlier this season, scored 17 points to lead the Howard College Hawks to a 63-54 win over Western Texas College Thursday night.

17 points, including 11 trips to the free-throw line. He also led both teams with four steals, including the gameclinching swipe with just under a minute left.

"He's a special, special athlete," Raines said. "Everything about that kid is quick and we tried to put him in situations where he could make plays."

The Hawks improved to 14-10 on the year and 4-6 in the conference. Their next game is at tor Drew Williams at 7:30 p.m. Monday when they'll be hosted by the Midland Chaparrals in

Midland.

Contact Sports Edi-432-263-7331, ext. 237, or by email at sports@bigspringherald.com

Sports Calendar

TODAY

Girls basketball

Big Spring at Snyder, 6:30 p.m. Coahoma at Colorado City, 6:30 p.m. Miles at Forsan, 6:30 p.m. Blackwell at Garden City, 6:15 p.m. Sands at O'Donnell, 6:30 p.m.

Defensive letdown dooms HC women

By DREW WILLIAMS Sports Editor

In a game decided on the boards and in the paint, the Howard College Lady Hawks fell to Western Texas College on Thursday night, 65-55.

Howard dropped to 16-8 overall and 6-3 in the conference with the loss.

The Lady Westerners outrebounded Howard 37-26 and shot 52 percent from the field. Howard College shot 39.1 percent from three-point range, but only 35.6 percent total.

"But you live by the jump shot and you die by it. We've got to get a better distribution of dribble-drives, post feeds, threes and post-up points. All year, we haven't got

added five rebounds, two assists and a steal in the loss.

"I'm happy that they're able to shoot like that and I'm happy that their teammates got them the ball," Diddle said. "But you live by the jump shot and you die by it. We've got to get a better distribution of dribble-drives, post feeds, threes and post-up points. All year, we haven't got enough points in the



Boys basketball

Big Spring at Snyder, 8 p.m. Coahoma at Colorado City, 8 p.m. Miles at Forsan, 8 p.m. Blackwell at Garden City, 8 p.m. Sands at O'Donnell, 8 p.m.

College baseball

Howard College vs. St. Petersburg (Fla.) (at Houston), 9 a.m.

To submit a calendar item, please call 263-7331, ext. 237, or e-mail reporter@bigspringherald.com

After the game, HC Head Coach Earl Diddle said his team needed to play better inside to have a chance at the win.

"We started out wanting to get the ball inside for various reasons," Diddle said. "Then we had some bad angles and we got a little careless with the ball.'

Diddle added that his team struggled with its enough points in the paint."

> Earl Diddle Howard College head coach

composure throughout the game.

"I thought we panicked a little bit and went away from our game plan," he said.

Guard Ashlyn Hoover and forward Aubrie Elliot led Howard in scoring with 15 points. Elliot paint.

Western College guard Malaik Muhammed was the top scorer for the Westerners, scoring 24 points with the help of six three-pointers.

Howard's next game is at 5:45 p.m. Monday when they take on the Midland College Lady Chaparrals in Midland.

Contact Sports Editor Audrey Drew Williams at 432-263-7331, ext. 237, or by email ing HC's game with at sports@bigspringher- Western ald.com

HERALD photo/ Drew Wiliams Howard College's Sutterfield fires a shot dur-Texas Thursday.

Both kickers hoping Super Bowl comes down to them

SANTA CLARA, Calif. (AP) — They both visualized Adam Vinatieri growing up, these even-keeled kickers who are hoping to emulate "Mr. Clutch" in Super Bowl 50.

Maybe it's not the mighty legs of Cam Newton or the beautiful mind of Peyton Manning that will decide who wins Sunday when the Carolina Panthers and Denver Broncos play for the silver trophy in this golden anniversary game.

It could come down to the big right toe of either Brandon McManus or Graham Gano.

Both are more than ready.

They've been envisioning a last-second kick to win the Super Bowl ever since they traded the soccer pitch for pigskins as kids.

While fans might be freaking out — just ask Minnesota fans who watched Blair Walsh miss a 27-yarder in the NFC playoffs last month these kickers are icy cool and confident.

"Yeah, I've been thinking about that since I first starting playing,' said Gano, Carolina's sixth-year kicker. "So, hopefully it does come down to that."

"The end of the game could end up on my foot," said McManus, Denver's second-year kicker. "I'm superexcited it might happen."

Both had their speed bumps during the season - Gano had four kicks blocked, including three field goals and Mc-Manus missed kicks in five consecutive games - and each missed an extra point, but both are 7-for-7 on field goals in



the playoffs.

McManus bounced back in a big way, making a pair of long field goals and history in the opener to get back in his teammates' good graces a year after his sideline erupted in anger when he shanked a short field goal, costing him his job.

McManus won his job back from Connor Barth last summer, then joined St. Louis kicker Greg Zuerlein as the only players in NFL history to make two field goals of 56 yards or longer in the same game in Denver's 19-13 win over Baltimore in the season opener.

kering with his kicking mechanics to eliminate a jab-step and improve his accuracy to salvage his NFL career.

That work paid off when he reclaimed the per Bowl wins over the kicking job from Barth with a spectacular summer that included a 70yard field goal in training camp.

He went on to make 30 of 35 field goals.

Gano was 30 of 36. Now each is one win away from fulfilling their childhood dream.

Vinatieri is the patron saint of kicking visionaries, the antithesis of Scott Norwood, whose miss against the Giants sent the Bills on a run of four consecutive Super Bowl losses in the 1990s.

Vinatieri, the Colts' 43-year-old kicker, has played in five Su-

McManus began tin- per Bowls, winning four rings, three with New England and one with Indy.

> He had winning kicks in the final seconds of the Patriots' Su-Rams in 2002 and the Panthers in 2004.

Gano has been envisioning himself as Vinatieri since high school.

"I think every opportunity, every practice it is in the back of your mind, the chance to make that winning kick," Gano said. "The opportunity to do that, I think that is what every position dreams of the quarterback dreams of throwing the winning TD pass, same as a running back scoring the winning touchdown, the cornerback dreams of making that interception return."



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Don't get hit with a penalty! "Render" your taxable Property by April 15th.

A "rendition" is a report to the appraisal district that lists all the taxable property you owned or controlled on January 1st of this year.

Who must file a rendition? You must file a rendition if you own tangible personal property that is used to produce income - such as the inventory and equipment used by a business. If you render late, do not render or file an incomplete or false rendition, a 10 percent to 50 percent penalty may be imposed.

Are there any advantages to you?

The advantages of filing a rendition are:

 You give your opinion of your property's value. The appraisal district must notify you in writing of any value change and explain how you can protest that value to the appraisal review board. You record your correct mailing address so your tax

bills will go to the right address. If your bill is mailed to the wrong address, the law still holds you responsible for paying your taxes on time or paying extra charges for late payments.

You can also file a "report of decreased value" to notify the appraisal district of significant depreciation of the value of your property in 2015. The district will look at your propenty before assigning a value in 2016.

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Who qualifies for an exemption?

Anyone who owns a home on Jan. 1 and uses it as a primary residence on that date is entitled to a \$15,000 homestead exemption to lower SCHOOL taxes this year...and it does not matter if your home is a house, condominium or mobile home. Counties, cities and special taxing districts may also offer homestead exemptions.

Are other exemptions available?

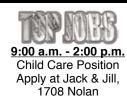
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Once the affidavit is on file, taxes are deferred - but not cancelled- as long as the owner continues to own and live in the home. Taxes continue to add up, along with 8 percent interest per year. The law extends the tax deferral to the surviving spouse of the person who deferred taxes on the homestead if the surviving spouse was at least 55 years old when the deceased spouse died.

If a tax deferral affidavit is on file, an older homeowner or one who is disabled cannot lose a homestead because of delinguent property taxes. A homeowner can halt a pending sale to foreclose on the homestead's tax lien. No taxing unit can start or continue a lawsuit to collect delinquent taxes. There are no penalties or delinquent taxes during the deferral period; however, a tax deferral does not cancel penalties that were already due.

All deferred taxes and interest become due when the homeowner or survivina spouse no longer own and live in the home. If the tax debt remains unpaid, penalties may be imposed and taxing units may take legal action to collect the past due amount.

For further details about property tax deferral contact Howard County Appraisal District at:

Howard County Appraisal District 315 S. Main Street Big Spring, TX 79720 432 263-8301 Further information is also available on the Comptroller's

When is the deadline to file?

The last day for filing 2016 renditions is April 15. You can get an automatic extension to May 15 (or the next business day if a weekend) if you ask for it in writing on or before the April 15 deadline. The chief appraiser may grant an additional 15 days after May 15 for an owner who shows good cause in writina.

Where do you file?

File renditions at your local appraisal district: **Howard County Appraisal** District 315 Main Street Big Spring, TX 79720 432 263-8301

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When and where should I file?

File applications by April 30 at your appraisal district office. If you need more time, contact your appraisal district at:

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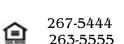
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Your issue will become a non-issue in a matter of moments. You have the answers and know how to apply them, so all you have to do is methodically walk yourself through this.

PISCES (Feb.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

bring many exercises in perspective. A single decision will lead to a completely new you by April. May brings money, applause and emotional support. July puts a vendetta to rest. Cancer and Libra adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 4, 39, 33, 1 and 40.

WEEKEND LOVE FORECAST: ARIES: A good omen will be something friendlier than a handshake, less intimate than a kiss. TAURUS: You

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many plans for your relationship. It can all happen, just not all at once. LIBRA: There are so many people who you see and think, "That should be me." Don't get jealous; get busy. SCORPIO: You're not all powerful, so nothing is all your doing. Nor is it all your fault. SAGITTARIUS: The difficulties of love are difficult to foresee. Form a mental vision of your goal in love and cling to it. CAPRICORN: Love will make you fight for your ideas, support your arguments and justify your choices. AQUARIUS: In love it's better to ask a dumb question than to make a dumb mistake. **PISCES: Becoming** clearer about your priorities will smooth

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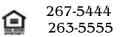
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love's path. List what matters in the order of importance.

COUPLE OF THE WEEKEND: Capricorn and Aquarius are zodiac neighbors who share a sense of social responsibility. Capricorn is driven to build the profile, stature and means to meet certain needs of society, whereas Aquarius works through groups, connecting individuals with a common purpose to create change. These two could now bond permanently in love as they go forward together to serve the bigger picture.

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ARIES (March 21-April 19). Everyone needs attention. There are those around you who seem to need it more than others and for some strange reason that makes you less likely to give it to them. It's human nature. You'll use the principle to your advantage.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). The conversation you really need to have is between you and you. The topic is, after all, a secret no one else really needs to know right now. You're entitled to your private world. They may want in, but you don't owe that to anyone.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). The thing that makes a bell a bell is its sound. The thing that makes a pen a pen is that it can write. As for you, you are a far more complex being and there is not one thing that you need to do to be who you are.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You're friendly, which will serve you well now since you don't know

Sept. 22). If you want to laugh hard (and possibly clean up a horrible mess later) just assume that the rest of the world has the same ideas as you do about what's appropriate to the situation at hand.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Stand your ground. You can afford to be cheeky at this point. Plus, you'll be endowed with the trust of the group for being strong in who you are. Of course, you're basically interested in impressing that one certain person.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You can lay all the groundwork perfectly and set yourself up with a fully functioning track to happiness. But still there are no guarantees. Doing the work isn't enough. You also must take a risk, climb on board and ride the ride.

SAGITTARIUS

(Nov. 2-Dec. 21). While seeking the very best that's out there, you may just find there is nothing but the best to choose from. Much depends on the fit and how well you know the particulars of what you need.

CAPRICORN (Dec.

19-March 20). You need more support. The person who is busy patting himself on the back isn't going to have a hand free to applaud your achievement. You'll get it when you actively seek friendship with modest and attentive people.

TODAY'S BIRTH-DAY (Feb. 5). You'll put yourself in a better position, and then start seeing things clearly. A friend comes along to help with this. The next four weeks will

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don't know who's going to fall in love with you, and you won't find out until you put yourself out there. GEMINI: Look for places you can "be" fun instead of "have" fun and the fun follows you wherever you go. CANCER: The special energy in your gaze is all the communication you need to start a fire. LEO: There's a love event in the distant future; the more planning you can do now, the

better. VIRGO: You've

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By Steve Becker **Bidding Quiz**

You are South, and the bidding nas gone West North East South Dble Pass What would you bid with each of the following four hands? 1. ♠ 8753 ♥ A74 ♦ 952 ♣ J63 2. ♠ KJ84 ♥ 92 ♦ 9764 ♣ AQ6 **♦** Q6 ♥ KJ94 ♦ KQ832 **♣** J5 4. ♠ Q854 ♥ — ♠ AJ63 ♣ KJ872

1. One spade. You might not like the looks of your spade suit, but you are not responsible for the quality of the suit you bid when you respond to your partner's takeout double. The doubler is expected to tread gingerly after a forced response unless responder makes a strength-showing bid

It is better to bid one spade than one notrump, which would show a hand of about seven to nine points in addition to at least one stopper in the opponent's suit.

2. Two spades. This hand is obviously much stronger than the preceding one, so you must inform partner of that fact by making a jumpresponse. If you were to bid only one spade, partner would have no way of knowing that you have 10 high-card points and a decent suit. He might pass one spade, which could cost you a game. In general, the responder to a

takeout double makes a single jumpresponse in his best suit with nine to 11 points, inviting but not forcing the doubler to bid again. (With 12 or more points, responder must make some stronger bid.)

3. Three notrump. Once partner has doubled, it is highly likely that there's a game in the combined hands. With 12 high-card points facing at least an opening bid, you should make a jump-response to identify your values.

The best game contract probably lies in notrump, which is why it's better not to respond with three diamonds, an invitational bid that partner might pass. With hearts doublestopped, it would seem to make more sense to aim for the nine-trick game rather than an 11-trick one

4. Two hearts. You ought to feel very bullish about game prospects with this layout opposite a takeout double. However, at this point it is uncertain where the best game lies. Instead of trying to guess which suit will serve best as trump, you can force partner to make the choice by cuebidding West's suit.

You intend to go to game in whichever suit partner chooses to bid. It is also possible that the combination of your cuebid and subsequent jump-raise to game will arouse partner's interest in a slam.

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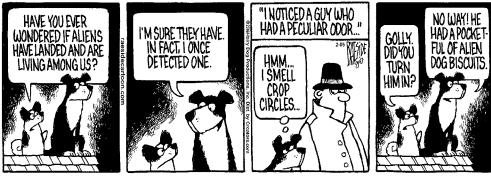
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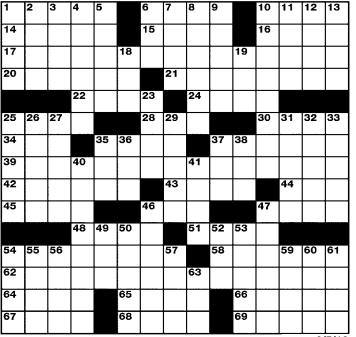
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KATHY MITCHELL MARCY SUGAR

Dear Annie: My mother-in-law has a decor that was personalized for her by my husband's long-term ex-girlfriend. Every time I go to her house, it's the first thing I see and it really bothers me. The problem is, I don't feel I can say anything to her because after all, it's her house and the decorating was a gift. It's not like I can tell her, "Hey, get rid of it." The second problem is that my mother-in-law already feels that I'm a "jealous wife" due to our past conversations (which turned into arguments) when she told me about all of the things she caught her son doing

with the ex and what a "cute girl" she was. It made me angry, and I said so.

Any suggestions about the house decor? - Bothered Wife

Dear Bothered: Yes. Control your reaction and leave it alone. You are right that this is not your house and you have no decision-making control over what's inside. Until Mom wants to redecorate, which can be pricey, speaking up about it will only confirm her opinion that you are jealous. And she won't change anything. She might, in fact, enjoy your negative reaction. So don't give her the satisfaction.

Your mother-in-law may have made an emotional investment in the ex and isn't ready to move on and accept that her son chose differently. Instead of silently fuming, try to win her over. Admire some of the decor (it will make her less attached to it as a knife to twist). Tell her how lovely her home is and that the ex did a good job. Ask Mom to help you out the next time you are shopping for a new lamp or arranging pictures on your walls. You can catch more flies with honey than vinegar.

Dear Annie: Like the wife of "Embarrassed," I am one of many with an incon-

tinence problem. I thought I was keeping my house and myself odor free until my daughter told me otherwise. (My sense of smell has diminished.)

First of all, she should use panty liners made for this problem and change them when necessary. Change any clothing that may get wet, and thoroughly rinse and dry them before putting in the hamper. Dispose of the pads in a closable plastic bag and when it's full, place the bag in the outdoor garbage container.

I no longer have the odor in my house or on my person. I was also embarrassed, but thankful my daughter told me. - Anonymous

Dear Anonymous: We heard from hundreds of incontinent readers and those who love them. Here's a sample:

From New York: I have a similar problem, and I wear the newer adult diapers that are thin and look like regular underpants. No one can tell. If she's too embarrassed to buy them, her

husband can do it for her. California: "Embarrassed" complained about the smell because his wife doesn't launder her undies fast enough. How about if HE does the laundry?

Coping With Aging: "Embarrassed" can use a deodorizing spray like Lysol. It's not an accusation, he's just taking care of it. She may appreciate his efforts, and begin to feel more comfortable coping with her situation. He can express his love (in sickness and in health) by giving her a little practical TLC.

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- 3. Who is the only player to win the Super Bowl MVP award playing for the losing team?
- Who connected on the longest touchdown pass in 4. **Super Bowl history?**
- 5. Who is the only player to score three touchdowns in a Super Bowl game twice?
- Which kicker holds the records for most field 6. goals attempted (10) and made (7) in the Super Bowl?
- 7. Who kicked the longest field goal in Super Bowl history?
- 8. Who is the only player to rush for three touchdowns in a Super Bowl game?
- Which quarterback threw the most passes in a 9. Super Bowl game?
- 10. Who are the only Co-MVPs in superbowl History?
- 11. What three players have scored touchdown in the Super Bowl for two different teams?
- 12. Of the nine players to return kickoffs for touchdowns, only one won the MVP in that game. Who was it?

- 13. Has there ever been a punt returned for a touchdown in a Super Bowl?
- 14. Who is the only player with three interceptions in a Super Bowl game?
- 15. List the highest-scoring and lowest-scoring Super Bowls and the combined points scored in each games?
- 16. In Super Bowl XVIII, which two little-known L.A. Raiders scored return touchdowns, one on a recovery of a blocked punt in the end zone. and the other on a 5-yard interception return of Joe Theismann?
- 17. Who were the two head coaches in Super Bowl I?
- 18. Which Redskin fumble recovery Dolphin Garo Yepremian's infamous throw on a botched field goal and raced 49 yards for a touchdown in Super Bowl VII?
- 19. Which Jets DB had two interceptions in Super Bowl III?
- 20. Which player scored the first and last points of two Super Bowls, 11 years apart?





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