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## Howard County: Officials refining budget

By **STEVE REAGAN**  
 Staff Writer

Faced with shrinking taxable values, budget cuts are an unavoidable fact of life for Howard County officials. The challenge, they say, is finding the right balance between trimming fat and cutting bone.

Since April, county leaders have been faced with the certainty that there will be an extreme drop in mineral valuations in this area. Preliminary appraisals released earlier this year estimate a \$700 million drop in county valuations from the previous fiscal year.

Lower mineral values mean a lower tax base, which in turn has left county officials faced with two unattractive options — raise taxes, or cut the budget.

"The county has gone with option B. 'We have to cut the budget,' County Judge Kathryn Wiseman said. 'We don't have a choice.'"

To that end, Wiseman and commissioners have directed department heads within the county to cut their operating expenses by at least 10 percent. That effort, Wiseman said, has borne fruit.

"Just about every department has complied with our request, and I'm very proud of them," she said. "We asked them to tighten their belts and they did it."

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## Swing time at Marcy Place



HERALD photo/Steve Reagan  
 Texas Swing musician Jody Nix, right, performs for the residents of Marcy House retirement center Thursday afternoon.

## US 87 relief route:

# TxDOT effort now aiming north

By **LYNDEL MOODY**  
 Staff Writer

First half down, second half to go. Construction of the northern half of the Highway 87 Truck Relief Route will soon take center stage now that TxDOT officials held a celebration

Wednesday for the completion of the southern route.

The \$130 million project is the largest in the TxDOT Abilene District's office history and was made possible by the contributions of area towns and cities of their TxDOT allot-

ments.

"This project would have never happened — \$130 million dollars. We just don't have a lot of congestion out here in West Texas. We have a lot

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## Clinton looks to steal Trump thunder with VP selection

The Associated Press

CLEVELAND — Hillary Clinton moved closer to introducing her running mate, snatching attention from newly crowned Republican nominee Donald Trump just hours after he closed out his convention with a fiery and foreboding turn at the podium.

Crews were still sweeping confetti from the GOP convention hall floor, as the Clinton campaign signaled an announcement was coming soon. In a tweet Friday morning, her campaign urged supporters to text the campaign to get first word. Virginia Sen. Tim Kaine had emerged as the leading contender, according to Democrats famil-

iar with Clinton's search. The news could quickly steal Trump's thunder. In a 75-minute speech Thursday night, Trump made forceful promises to be the champion of disaffected Americans, capping his convention on a high note for the party, not a moment too soon after shows of disharmony and assorted flubs before the four-day closer.

Speaking to "the forgotten men and women of our country," the people who "work hard but no longer have a voice," he declared: "I am your voice." With that, he summed up both the paradox and the power of his campaign — a billionaire who made com-

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## Trying to get the light right

Big Spring City Manager Todd Darden, right, and city employee Nick Reyna work on the control box of the traffic signal at the intersection of Lancaster and W. 17<sup>th</sup> streets Thursday morning.

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## Obituaries

### Tommy E. Dixon



Tommy Earl Dixon, age 53, passed away Monday, July 18, 2016, at a nursing home in Brownwood, Texas, after a lengthy illness.

Tommy was born Sept. 19, 1962, in Big Spring, Texas to Clarence Hartfield Jr. and Anita Dixon. He attended Lake View High School; graduating from Big Spring High School in 1980. He was a member of Power House Church of God in

Christ and a choir member for many years. He also helped out on Saturday's serving barbecue dinners for the church. Tommy was a chef for many years for Golden Corral in Texas and North Carolina.

Tommy married Temeka Rushin on Sept. 19, 2000. He moved to San Angelo in 2010, where he became a member of Church of Miracles. Shortly after moving to San Angelo he got ill and became disabled.

Tommy is survived by his wife, Temeka Dixon of

Big Spring; father, Clarence Hartfield Jr. of Big Spring; three brothers, Lorenzo Jackson of Austin, Arthur Jackson of Big Spring, and Henry Jackson of Dallas; three sisters, Shirley DeWitt of Austin, LaSandra Jackson of Waco, and little sister, Pamela Palmer of Waxahachie. He is also survived by aunts, uncles, cousins, and several nieces and nephews. He had two nieces he took care of for many years, Iesha Jameson of Bossier City, La., and Moshae Hurrington of Big Spring.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Anita; a grandmother; two brothers, Lionel Jackson and Kenneth "Kenny" Hartfield; grandfather, Clarence Hartfield Sr.; and one aunt, Jessie Nelson.

Memorial service for Tommy will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, July 23, 2016, at Cornerstone Covenant Church Chapel (706 E. 12th St., Big Spring, Texas), with Elder Eddy Nelson officiating; private interment at a later date. Arrangements under the direction of Blaylock Funeral Home of Brownwood. Online condolences for the family are welcome at [www.blaylockfuneralhome.com](http://www.blaylockfuneralhome.com).

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### Milton Wayne Walker



Milton Wayne Walker (Wayne) of Houston, formerly of Big Spring, passed into the next life on July 20, 2016, surrounded by family.

Services will be at 3 p.m. Saturday, July 23, at Myers and Smith Chapel with Dr. William Welsh officiating. Burial will follow at Salem Cemetery.

Wayne was born in Howard County on Dec. 22, 1937, to Alex Walker Jr. and Frances Thomison Walker. He graduated from Coahoma High School in 1956. He lived most of his life in Big Spring, Texas. He worked in the oil industry, account collections, and as a jeweler. He was well known in west Texas as a hip pocket trader with an immense knowledge of coins.

He is survived by son, Wayne Walker of Houston; daughter, MaLinda Scheirman of Houston; daughter, Shayna Acuff of San Angelo; daughter, Jennifer

Bell of Childress; stepson, Danny Gambol of Midland; sister, Linda Merritt of Kennett, Mo.; grandsons, Patrick Bell, Timothy Bell, Jack Waddell, and Parker Gambol; granddaughters, Molly Waddell, Addison Elliott, Priscilla Hernandez, Hunter Gambol and Jentry Foley; nephews, Nathan Sparks and Rob Sparks; nieces, Charlene Land and Chanda Jones.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one sister, Francene Minchew; son-in-law, Mike Bell; son-in-law, Jeremy Acuff; brother-in-law, Mike Merritt.

In lieu of flowers, family requests donations to the Salem Cemetery Fund, c/o Salem Baptist Church, PO Box 1743, Big Spring, Texas, 79721-1743.

Pallbearers will be Bob Scheirman, Patrick Bell, Rob Sparks, Keith Chaney, Jeff Land, and Danny Gambol.

Arrangements are by Myers and Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at [www.myersand-smith.com](http://www.myersand-smith.com)

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### Andres A. Rodriguez



The Rev. Andres A. Rodriguez, 95, of Big Spring passed away Wednesday, July 20, 2016, at Parkview Nursing and Rehabilitation Center.

A prayer service will be at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, July 24, 2016, at Myers and Smith Chapel. Funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Monday, July 25, 2016, at Myers and Smith Chapel. Burial will follow at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

He was born April 21, 1921, to Ramona Flores Rodriguez and Lazaro Rodriguez in San Marcos, Texas. Andres married his first wife Teodora in 1939 in San Marcos. She preceded him in death on Aug. 25, 2005. He had lived most of his life in Ackerly and Big Spring. He married Margie

Ramirez July 14, 2007, in Big Spring. He was a pastor for more than 50 years, being ordained on Jan. 24, 1965. He pastored at Baptist Temple Church in Big Spring, Iglesia Central Bautista in Ackerly, and did missionary work in Mexico.

Andres is survived by his wife, Margie Rodriguez of Big Spring; one daughter, Carmen Rios of Big Spring; one son, Frank Montemayor and wife Barbara of Big Spring; seven grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his first wife of 65 years, Teodora Rodriguez; one grandchild; his brothers and sisters: Ramon, Margarita, Willie, Lazaro Jr., Nicholasa, Leonor, Abolina, Abolina II, Beatrice, and Ramona Felicia.

Arrangements are by Myers and Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at [www.myersand-smith.com](http://www.myersand-smith.com)

## Sheriff, Fire, and EMS

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

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 78 inmates at the time of this report.

- **KODY MARK BARBER**, 17, was booked by BSPD on a warrant for speeding.
- **DANTA MACKENZIE CHAVERA**, 18, was booked by HCSO on a warrant for criminal mischief (\$750 to \$2,500).
- **MARCUS LAMON COLE**, 29, was booked by HCSO on a warrant for criminal mischief (\$100 to \$750).
- **ANGELIC JOYCE ERVIN**, 26, was booked by HCSO on a warrant for theft of property (4100 to \$750).
- **ELIJAH ESPARZA**, 18, was booked by BSPD on charges of public intoxication and evading arrest or detention.
- **SUZANNA MONTEZ HILARIO**, 29, was booked by HCSO on a warrant for terroristic threat against a public servant.
- **DARION DONTRIELL KINDER**, 29, was booked by BSPD on a charge of assault causing bodily injury/family member; and on a warrant

for assault causing bodily injury/family member.

- **TOMMY MANUEL**, 43, was booked by HCSO on a warrant for theft of property (\$100 to \$750).
- **TIM LAVERNE MULLENAX**, 23, was booked by DPS on a motion to revoke probation for theft of property; on a bond forfeiture for theft of property (\$20 to \$500); and on a warrant for theft/stolen property (\$1,500 to \$20,000).
- **CRYSTAL NICOLE RAMIREZ**, 29, was booked by BSPD on warrants for public intoxication, disorderly conduct (vulgar language), failure to appear in court, and failure to appear.
- **ABEL LOZANO TORRES**, 27, was booked by HCSO on a warrant for criminal mischief/impair or interrupt public utilities.
- **ANGEL JUNIOR VILLA**, 19, was booked by HCSO on a warrant for disorderly conduct.
- **KAMARA MARIESHAW WILLIAMS**, 22, was booked by HCSO on warrants for possession of marijuana (less than 2 oz.) and theft of property (\$750 to \$2,500).
- **KEVIN LAMONT WILLIAMS**, 23, was booked by HCSO on a warrant for criminal trespassing.
- **THOMAS ALLEN YOUNG**, 21, was booked by HCSO on warrants for theft of property (\$100 to

### Local 5-Day Forecast

Sat 7/23	Sun 7/24	Mon 7/25	Tue 7/26	Wed 7/27
<b>99/75</b> A mainly sunny sky. Very hot. High 99F. Winds SSE at 10 to 20 mph.	<b>97/75</b> Mostly sunny. Highs in the upper 90s and lows in the mid 70s.	<b>95/74</b> A few clouds. Highs in the mid 90s and lows in the mid 70s.	<b>93/73</b> Mostly sunny. Highs in the low 90s and lows in the low 70s.	<b>93/73</b> Afternoon t-storms. Highs in the low 90s and lows in the low 70s.
Sunrise: 6:55 AM Sunset: 8:49 PM	Sunrise: 6:56 AM Sunset: 8:48 PM	Sunrise: 6:56 AM Sunset: 8:48 PM	Sunrise: 6:57 AM Sunset: 8:47 PM	Sunrise: 6:58 AM Sunset: 8:46 PM

### Texas at a Glance



### Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	101	77	Sunny
Amarillo	101	71	Sunny
Austin	101	77	Sunny
Beaumont	96	76	Sunny
Brownsville	95	77	Sunny
Brownwood	101	75	Sunny
Corpus Christi	95	78	Sunny
Coriscana	102	78	Sunny
Dallas	102	81	Sunny
Del Rio	102	79	Sunny
El Paso	103	77	Sunny
Fort Stockton	100	74	Sunny
Gainesville	101	76	Sunny
Greenville	102	78	Sunny
Houston	99	79	Cloudy
Kingsville	97	75	Cloudy
Livingston	98	73	Sunny
Longview	100	77	Sunny
Lubbock	101	72	Sunny
Lufkin	98	74	Sunny
Midland	101	76	Sunny
Raymondville	98	75	Sunny
Rosenberg	97	75	Sunny
San Antonio	102	77	Sunny
San Marcos	101	75	Sunny
Sulphur Springs	101	78	Sunny
Sweetwater	100	77	Sunny
Tyler	100	78	Sunny
Weatherford	102	77	Sunny
Wichita Falls	104	76	Sunny

### National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	94	74	Cloudy
Boston	95	74	Cloudy
Chicago	90	72	Cloudy
Dallas	102	81	Sunny
Denver	94	66	Sunny
Houston	99	79	Cloudy
Los Angeles	92	69	Sunny
Miami	87	77	Cloudy
Minneapolis	96	72	Sunny
New York	96	76	Cloudy
Phoenix	114	90	Cloudy
San Francisco	67	50	Cloudy
Seattle	71	59	Showers
Saint Louis	99	79	Iso T-Storms

## Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **CRYSTAL RAMIREZ MUNIZ**, 30, of 611 N. San Antonio St. was arrested on outstanding warrants.
- **ELIJAH ESPARZA**, 18, of 5904 Interstate 20 South Service Rd. was arrested on charges of public intoxication and evading arrest or detention.
- **DARION DANTRIEL KINDER**, 29, of 800 Andree St. was arrested on charges of possession of a controlled substance (4 to 200 grams) and assault causing bodily injury/family member.
- **SUZANNA MONTEZ HILARIO**, 29, of 1401 N. Highway 87 Apt. #1201 was arrested on a warrant for terroristic threat against a public servant.
- **DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 900 block of Northwest First Street.
- **THEFT** was reported twice in the 3600 block of West Highway 80.
- **MINOR ACCIDENT** was reported near the intersection of Lynn and Allendale.

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COUNTY

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Those cuts have come in the area of operating expenses. Wiseman was quick to stress that staffing will not face the budget axe.

"We will not cut personnel and we will not cut payroll," the judge said. "In fact, a great regret of mine is that we're not able to give our employees raises this year ... What we have done is take a close look at each department's operating budget. If there were some line items in there that haven't been used for a few years, we've cut them out."

The work is far from finished, however. As they have for the past few months, commissioners will hold a budget workshop prior to their regular Monday meeting. Wiseman predicted it will be an "interesting" meeting, because officials will take a close look at streamlining policies in the employee manual, particularly in the area of sick leave.

The county's budget and tax rate is expected to be finalized later this summer.

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• Registration for the Children's Miracle Theater for the Arts' (CMTA) two-week August camp is now ongoing.

CMTA a non-profit organization open to children from ages 6-12. The registration fee for "Your Are A Star" summer camp is \$30. The camp will be held Aug. 8 through 19, and classes are 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. CMTA shirts are \$10. Classes will be held in the New Hope School building, 118 Cedar Road.

Children will learn stage set and prop design, building, painting and stage setting as well as on stage acting.

For more information or to register, contact Sharon Rich, program director, at 432-517-0723. Space is limited.

• The biennial Forsan Reunion is scheduled for the first weekend in August, 5-6. Festivities kick off with a dinner for former students, teachers, parents and spouses at Spanish Inn. Following the dinner, all participants are invited to an open house reception in the banquet room

Take note

at La Quinta Inn at 7:30 p.m. On Saturday, Aug. 6, reunion day activities begin at 9 a.m. in the Forsan School Cafeteria. A continental breakfast is provided at 9 a.m. followed by introductions and an invocation.

At 1 p.m., Al's Bar-B-Que will cater the lunch.

• Seniors and mature adults are invited to a dance on the first, third and fifth Friday of each month at the Dora Roberts Community Center. Dances are from 7:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. with live bands. No alcohol or smoking permitted. There will be a pot luck as well so bring a dish if you want to eat. Cost is \$8 per person.

Meetings

• 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.

• Order of the Eastern Star Big Spring Chapter 67 meets the third Tuesday of each month at 219 Main St. Dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. Lodge meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome. For more information, contact Jimmy Ruth at 271-2176.

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

• Membership to the Big Spring Native American Association is open to the public. People interested in Native American culture are encouraged to find out more about the organization by calling Richard "Indio" Lesser at 432-935-0125,

Volunteer opportunities

• The Scenic Mountain Medical Center volunteer program is in need of volunteers. A variety of opportunities are open for members of the community. For more information, call Anita Cline at 268-4721.

TXDOT

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of connectivity issues but we don't have a lot of congestion and most of TxDOT's dollars are allocated on the basis of congestion relief and population," said State Rep. Drew Darby, (R-District 72) to the crowd gathered at a grand opening ceremony held on the southern portion of the route. "So how did we do it? Well we worked together. It's what West Texas does and for the first time ever we got districts throughout this corridor to contribute money for this project. We

got the entire district's budget for the Abilene district to be focused on this roadway. It's never happened folks."

The Relief Route removes a large hurdle and is expected to increase connectivity along the Ports-to-Plains corridor according to promoters of Ports-to-Plains. Big Spring is located along the Ports-to-Plains route, a designated trade corridor for the transportation of goods between Mexico and Canada.

According to Stan Swiatek, TxDOT Abilene Engineer, the bidding processes for the northern project is expected to begin in September with construction be-

ginning as early as January 2017.

Construction of the northern Truck Relief Route will most likely begin by Interstate 20 and head north to re-connect to Highway 87, according to Glenn Allbritton, TxDOT Director of Construction for the Abilene District. However, those plans may change depending on what input of the winning contractor has, Allbritton said.

Daily commuters to the Midland-Odessa area will still contend with construction zones for the next few years as plans call for a new bridge across Interstate 20, but Allbritton said the work on I-20 "will

not have the near impact for this particular job."

"There will be one phase of construction where we will have to get in the medium of I-20," he said. "There will be a bridge going over I-20, so we will have to get in the medium to build some of the drill shafts and columns. We will have lane closures on I-20 on the inside lanes for both directions while they are putting that in."

That part of the construction should last about a month, Allbritton said.

"Anytime you have road construction, especially something this big, you run the risk of

having inconveniences for everyone," said Mary Belle Turner, TxDOT Abilene District public information officer. "We try to avoid that as much as possible and make it where it doesn't inconveniently impact people. Anytime it does inconvenience people we are going to make it as quick and easy as possible. The end result is a new nice road that will have a wonderful impact for the community and the county and the area."

Once complete, TxDOT expects the route will relieve truck congestion along Gregg St. An estimated 30 percent of the traffic along Gregg is from trucks,

TxDOT estimates.

The northern portion is a 7.5 mile, 4-lane project of mostly newly constructed roadway with some existing road connecting Interstate 20 to north FM 700, according to TxDOT information. It will include four interchanges at the following roadways: I-20, State Highway 176, Country Road 21 and FM 700.

Completion of the northern by-pass route is expected sometime in 2020.

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TRUMP

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mon cause with struggling Americans alienated from the system, or at least a portion of them.

The speech was strikingly dark for a celebratory event and almost entirely lacking in policy details. Trump pledged as president to restore a sense of public safety, strictly curb immigration and save the nation from Clinton's record of "death, destruction, terrorism and weakness."

"I have joined the political arena so that the powerful can no longer beat up on people that cannot defend themselves," Trump said. He shouted throughout as he read off a teleprompter, showing few flashes of humor or even smiles.

Democrats offered a different assessment, with Clinton campaign chairman John Podesta arguing that Trump "offered no real solutions to help working families get ahead or to keep our country safe, just more

prejudice and paranoia. America is better than this. America is better than Donald Trump."

Clinton opens a two-day campaign swing Friday in Florida and is expected to introduce her running mate either at a Friday afternoon rally at the state fairgrounds in Tampa or on Saturday at Florida International University in Miami.

Kaine, 58, appeared to be the favorite for her choice, according to two Democrats, who both cautioned that Clinton has not made a decision and could change direction.

In Cleveland, Trump's acceptance of the Republican nomination capped his improbable takeover of the GOP, a party that plunges into the general election united in opposition to Clinton but still torn over Trump. Under-scoring his unorthodox candidacy, Trump reasserted the hard-line immigration policies that fired up conservatives in the primary but broke with many in his party by expressing support for gays and lesbians.

Ever the showman, he fed off the energy of the crowd, stepping back to soak in applause and joining the delegates as they chanted, "U-S-A."

It was an altogether smoother — and more scripted — chapter in a footloose convention shocked a night earlier by Ted Cruz's prime-time speech, a pointed non-endorsement of the nominee by the Texas senator who finished second in the race and came to Cleveland harboring grievances — and future presidential ambitions.

During their convention, Republicans were relentless and often raw in demonizing Clinton. As fired-up supporters at Trump's acceptance speech broke out in their oft-used refrain of "Lock her up," the nominee waved them off, and instead declared, "Let's defeat her in November." Yet he also accused her of "terrible, terrible crimes."

"This is the legacy of Hillary Clinton: death, destruction, terrorism and weakness," he said. "But Hillary Clinton's legacy does not have to

be America's legacy."

In a direct appeal to Americans shaken by a summer of violence at home and around the world, Trump promised that if he takes office in January, "safety will be restored."

He also said young people in predominantly black cities "have as much of a right to live out their dreams as any other child in America." And he vowed to protect gays and lesbians from violence and oppression, a pledge that was greeted with applause from the crowd.

"As a Republican, it is so nice to hear you cheering for what I just said," he responded.

The Democratic convention in Philadelphia, which starts Monday, is expected to be a more orderly affair. Clinton is, if anything, disciplined.

Kaine has been active in the Senate on foreign relations and military

affairs and built a reputation for working with both parties as Virginia's governor and mayor of Richmond.

"I'm glad the waiting game is nearly over," Kaine said Thursday.

Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack, a long-time friend of Hillary and Bill Clinton, is still in the mix, according to one of the two Democrats. Both Democrats are familiar with the selection process and spoke on the condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to discuss it publicly.

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Cindy Gonzales, 29, died Friday. Vigil service will be at 7:00 PM tonight at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral mass will be at 11:00 AM Saturday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church with burial at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Wayne Walker, 78, died Wednesday. Funeral service will be at 3:00 PM Saturday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Burial will follow at Salem Cemetery.

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1 John 4:18

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(Joel 2:23)

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# Did You Ever Wonder? Marching Order of God's people

The Book of Numbers deals with the census. It gives the number of men between the ages of 20 and 60 ... the men of fighting age. The total number is 603,550. This is the same total given when the census was first mentioned. In this account, the Bible takes time to give totals for each tribe.

This may need explanation. Many times, the Bible mentions things in the chronological order to put things in the proper sequence. Then later, at a more convenient time, it gives the event in more detail.

This time, the purpose of the census seems to be the layout of the Israelite camp. Each time the Pillar of Cloud which led them settled in one spot, Moses had the Levites set up the Tabernacle in that exact place. It always faced east. The Levites were to camp around it, making a buffer zone to protect the rest of the people.

God designated the marching formation and camping location. The tribe of Judah was designated the leader of tribes; in case of war, this tribe was the vanguard. Each tribe carried a banner; Judah's insignia was a lion. The tribes of Issachar and Zebulun marched next. And when they encamped, these three tribes camped in front of the Tabernacle... on the east side.

Reuben led the next section of the tribes. Following Reuben were the tribes of Gad and Simeon. These three tribes camped on the south side of the Tabernacle.

As they traveled, the Levites and the Tabernacle occupied the central position for protection. Did you notice that the Levites were not numbered in this census? They served the Lord and would not be required to fight in case of war.

Ephraim led the third section of the Israelites. The tribes of Manasseh and Benjamin were

assigned to Ephraim's camp. These three tribes followed the Tabernacle in marching order, and they camped on the west side of the Tabernacle.

The tribe of Dan led the rear guard. Asher and Naphtali completed this section, and these three tribes camped on the north side of the Tabernacle.

This was not a 'camp wherever you like' situation. Picture this as a military encampment. Positions were assigned according to rank within the tribe.

Take a minute to envision the size of this marching column. Over 600,000 men of family age with their wives, children and livestock. There is no way to estimate the number of men over 60 years and their families; at this time men lived to around 120 years of age.

The news of the Hebrews leaving Egypt quickly spread to all the other nations in the Mid-East. Archeologists have uncovered scrolls from several ancient kings that mention this mighty nation that had left Egypt. These nations were afraid that the Hebrews would attack them and take their land. Spies sat on top of mountains watching the Hebrews traveling in the valleys.

News of the Tabernacle and the grand, gold furniture inside it also spread like wildfire. These same kings who feared the Hebrews would like to have the gold furniture and vessels for their own treasury. In their secret chambers they considered attacking the Hebrews.

But they had no reason to fear that the Hebrews might attack. God had promised them the land of the Canaanites. This was the land where God had led Abraham long ago. Abraham, Isaac and Jacob had each bought sections of land in this small country.

God was now taking them back to "The Promised Land."

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EUNICE FILLER

# FBC kids enjoy summer camp



Courtesy photos

A group of children and youth from First Baptist Church attended 'Step Up' summer camp recently. Above, youngsters enjoy the cool air conditioning while waiting for their bus to depart. Below, fifth and sixth graders take time out for a game of "Ginormous Basketball."



ning at 11:50 a.m. for a small fee. All are welcome.

While the adult Celebration Choir continues its summer vacation through July, the worship band for the Bridge will still rehearse at its regular time on Wednesday night at 5:30 p.m.

For more information on any activity, please visit the FUMC website at [www.fumcbs.com](http://www.fumcbs.com) or phone the church office at 267-6394.

## First Presbyterian Church

The Lectionary Bible Study, led by Craig Holstedt and Tom Koger, meets in the library at 5:17 p.m. The Chancel Choir is not meeting this month.

Dianne Pippin is in charge of refreshments for "Take Ten" this Sunday.

Lectionary for the tenth Sunday after Pentecost is Hosea 1:2-10; Psalms 85; Colossians 2:6-19; Luke 11:1-13. The Rev. Shannon Wiesenfeld, Associate Pastor at First Presbyterian, Midland, will deliver the sermon. Laura Holleman, organist, will provide the music. First Presbyterian acknowledges and expresses appreciation to Julie Wingfield for her presentation of a solo anthem, "How Deep the Father's Love for Us" by Stuart Townend last Sunday.

Please note that Sunday worship begins at 10:50 a.m. to give time for announcements and parish concerns before the radio broadcast starts at 11.

If you cannot attend worship, you can listen in on KBST 1490 AM beginning at 11 a.m. If you wish to have a printed bulletin for the service, call the church office at 263-4211. You can also see what's happening at the church by visiting the website [www.fpcbs.org](http://www.fpcbs.org). On the website you can find a link that will enable you to listen to several recent sermons by the Rev. Holstedt.

## First Church of the Nazarene

This Sunday, Pastor Cal will be continuing his series "Under Construction."

# Church News

## Spring Creek Fellowship

The annual picnic for MHMR is scheduled for the last weekend in July. The church is in need of gifts to be given to the attendees. If you would like to help or need more information, please contact Reheah Statham. A new Men's Bible Study entitled "To Live is Christ, To Die is Gain" will begin on July 28. A kick-off gathering is scheduled July 21.

The Pain Management Group meets Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. Contact Steve Purdy for more information.

The church continues taking donations for the new kitchen. If you would like to contribute or would like more information, contact the church office or attend the Sunday worship service.

The Mother's Day Out program is now in session on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7:30 to 3:30 for children of ages 6 weeks through 4 years old. The 5-day summer program is also in full swing weekdays from 7:30 to 5:30 for children 5 years old through junior high school age. Contact Donna Sue Looney for more information.

The Spring Creek Fellowship app is a simple way to make tithes/donations, leave messages, send prayer requests, follow prayer chains and learn about upcoming events. There will also be a Bible reading plan. Go to your app store on your smartphone and search for Spring Creek Fellowship and download. Be sure to allow notifications when given the option, those messages are generated by the church office, so it keeps you

updated about upcoming events and much more.

Weekly happenings:

**Sunday**  
8:15 a.m.-Classical Worship Service  
9:15-10:15 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.-12 p.m.-Worship Service  
**Tuesday-**  
12 noon- Narcotics Anonymous

6:30 p.m.-Pain Management Group  
**Wednesday**

Community Groups-various times and places  
**Thursday**

7 p.m.-"To Live is Christ, To Die is Gain" Men's Bible Study (begins July 28th)

**Friday**

7-8 p.m.- Narcotics Anonymous

**Saturday**

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

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

Spring Creek Fellowship meets at the Spring Town Plaza at 1801 E. FM 700 in Big Spring, Texas. Contact us at (432)714-4584 or visit our website at [www.springcreekfellowship.org](http://www.springcreekfellowship.org)

"Every Member a Minister"-1 Peter 4:10

## First United Methodist Church

First United Methodist Church is located just off Gregg Street at the

corner of Fourth and Scurry in downtown Big Spring.

Each Sunday morning, the 9 a.m. Traditions service features the church's pipe organ, the Celebration Choir, and classic hymns of the faith.

The Bridge at 11 a.m. is led by the church's worship band and includes contemporary, upbeat music. Worship at The Bridge is led by Adrian Calvio and many others. The Bridge is broadcast live each Sunday on radio station KXCS-105.5 FM.

This Sunday during both services, Pastor Ivins will continue a message series entitled "Summer of Love." Through the series, the congregation is exploring what it means to share the love of Christ with others inside and outside the church. Sunday's message is entitled "Compelling Love" and is taken from II Corinthians 5:13-21.

On Monday, the children's ministry is kicking off the church's Vacation Bible School at 6 p.m. This year's theme is "Hometown Nazareth." Kids will journey back in time as they experience life when Jesus was a boy. For more information, please phone Becky Woodall at (432) 267-6394.

On Wednesday, Pastor Ivins will continue his study in the Gospel of Mark at Noon Bible Study in Garrett Hall. A meal will be served begin-





# What's the plan to balance the physical and spiritual?

Are you a planner? You probably are when it comes to certain things. I remember, when I was younger, hearing the catch-phrase, "If you fail to plan, then you plan to fail." Planning is important — it helps you focus on a particular goal. So, what are your goals? Is your focus mainly on physical things or on spiritual things, and are these polar opposites of one another or can they work together in a person's life?

Scripture tells us as Christians that we are citizens of heaven (Philippians 3:20), and our focus must be on spiritual things and not physical things (Colossians 3:1-3). As Christians, do we forsake all that is physical and go out into the forest — or wilderness here in West Texas — and meditate, with no concern for food or water (Yes, I had to read "Siddhartha" by Hermann Hesse in high school)? Do we turn to a life of monasticism (that means living like a monk)?

Scripture also teaches us to use the physical things we have in this life. Read Proverbs 6:6-11. If we fail to prepare for our physical needs, then we will find ourselves lacking even the basic necessities of life. Paul mentions many times the importance of providing for yourself and your family, and using the extra to help others when they are in need (see Ephesians 4:28; 1Thessalonians 4:11-12; 2Thessalonians 3:7-8, 11-12; Romans 12:13; 1Timothy 6:18).

So we must plan for our physical future and our

spiritual future. But remember what a plan does: it helps you focus on a particular goal. What is your primary focus? What should be our ultimate goal? It should be everyone's desire to be in heaven with our Lord when this life is over. God has given us the principles by which we can plan for our physical lives, as long as we remember that He is ultimately in control, and we should strive to do everything according to His will (James 4:13ff).

It is the spiritual goal, however, that ought to be the number one focus in our lives. And when it comes to our salvation, God has provided the plan. Only by following His plan can we hope to attain eternal life. 1 Timothy 2:5 - "[God] who desires all people to be saved and come to a knowledge of the truth" (ESV). We must trust that only God can save us and that we cannot save ourselves. That is the foundation of faith. Hebrews 11:6 - "And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him" (ESV). Ephesians 2:8 - "For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not of your own doing; it is the gift of God" (ESV).

Knowing we cannot save ourselves, we must appeal to a higher authority. Scripture refers to this as "calling on the name of the Lord." In Acts 2, when everyone in that crowd miraculously heard Peter and the other Apostles in their own language, they were amazed. Peter told them this was a fulfillment of God's prophecy through Joel. Acts 2:21 - "And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved" (ESV). The rest of Peter's speech is proof that Jesus, the same one they had crucified, is that

Lord to whom they must appeal. Being convinced of that fact, they asked the question, What shall we do? And Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself" (Acts 2:37-39).

When Saul the persecutor was confronted by Jesus on the road to Damascus, his unbelief quickly turned to belief. Was he saved at that moment? He was told to go into the city and he would be told what to do. He followed those instructions and spent the next few days fasting and praying. Was he saved after saying those prayers? We read in Acts 22:16 what he was told by Ananias, "And now why do you wait? Rise and be baptized and wash away your sins, calling on his name" (ESV). That is when a person appeals to the authority of Christ. That is how we call on the name of the Lord in obedience to the gospel.

That is the plan that is laid out in Scripture. God's word gives us the plan for our salvation and the plan for living a life of godliness. So be good stewards of your bodies, your time, and your money, but most importantly, work the plan that God has provided for your redemption so that you can have "an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you" (1 Peter 1:4).

*Greg Surles is the pastor of Birdwell Lane Church of Christ.*



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## CHURCH

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VBS is coming Aug. 1 through 5 from 6 to 8:30 p.m. nightly. This year's theme is "Bold!! Prepare Children to be Bold for Jesus."

Check out all the small groups by visiting the website at nazfamily.org. Sunday Morning Youth, Adult and Children's Classes meet at 9 a.m. throughout the campus. Sunday Service begins at 10 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Children's Church starts at 10 a.m. Sunday in the Fellowship Hall.

Wednesday night's weekly prayer starts 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 the service. Contact the church office at 432-267-7015. The church is located at 1400 Lancaster.

### First Christian Church

This Sunday is the 10th Sunday after Pentecost. First Christian Church invites new and old visitors to stop by and join them for worship. Fellowship begins at 9:15 a.m. with coffee and donuts. Sunday School is at 9:45 in the parlor, then worship begins at 10:50 a.m.

This Sunday the Rev. Joel Miller will be preaching a sermon called, "Living By The Spirit" taken from Galatians 5:19-26. Our Liturgist will be Mary Beth Johnson. Serving at our Lord's table will be Erma Dunne and Shirley Burgess.

First Christian Church is pleased to have Tara Trowbridge, choir director, and Lawrence Thibeault, music director, providing music. Together they have selected music by Spagnoletti, Barbella and Gigout, and others, to enhance the service.

First Christian Church is located at 911 Goliad St. in Big Spring. For inquiries please call the church office between the hours of 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Monday through Friday at 432-517-4821.

### First Baptist Church

"Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good! His faithful love endures forever." - Psalm 107:1.

The people of FBC invite you to Sunday worship service at 10:50 a.m. Pastor Mark Lindsey continues the message series "Summer in the Psalms". Pastor Mark is exploring a different Psalm each Sunday. If you are unable to attend, you can join the worship service through the live stream on the

website at fbcbigspring.org.

At 9:30 a.m. Sunday School groups meet throughout the building. Adults, teens, and college students gather in second floor classrooms, while children's classes are on the first floor. Arrive early for a time of fellowship and coffee.

Sunday evening at 5:30 in the Family Life Center is a group study titled "I Will". There will be a time of worship, followed by a light meal, then multi-generational discussion groups. There is no fee for materials or the meal. The study focuses on providing tools to the "Body of Christ: the Church," so that every believer can make a lasting impact for Him through their life. Children will meet separately for a fun time of Bible based activities.

Mother's Day Out is open Tuesday and Thursday from 9 to 3. Call Tracy Boeker to find out about available openings for your children. It's not too early to reserve a space in the upcoming Fall Semester.

FBC 'Summerama' program also meets each Tuesday and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Under the direction of Morgan Metcalf, children are learning about heroes in the Bible, and going on some exciting field trips. Contact the church office to find out more.

It's time to start gathering school supplies in preparation for "Backpack Blessings" in which the donated supplies will be distributed through the Mission Center in mid-August. Call the church for additional information.

Wednesday evening begins with a meal served in the Family Life Center from 5 to 6 p.m. followed by adult Bible study and prayer time, adult worship choir practice, Saturate Youth group, and REAL LYF/Wacky Wednesday for kids. Go to fbcbigspring.org for details.

Meatloaf is on the menu this coming Wednesday.

FBC is located at 705 W FM 700. For more information call 267-8223.

### Crestview Baptist Church

This Sunday at 10 a.m., Crestview Baptist will continue the study of 2 Corinthians in Sunday School. Mark Watt is the teacher. Morning worship begins

at 11 a.m. The message entitled "The Water Jesus Gives" will be from John 4:1-14.

Sunday Night, at 6:30 p.m., the study in the book of Revelation continues, taught by Pastor Tom Lassiter.

On Wednesday nights, the pastor is teaching about the First Letter to the Corinthians. Wednesday night service is also at 6:30 p.m.

If you are Southern Baptist and reformed, Crestview Baptist Church is your place of worship and fellowship in the Big Spring area. The church's website is <http://1689lbc.wix.com/crestviewbaptist>

### Blessed Hands Deaf Church

The people of Blessed Hands Deaf Church invite you to worship with them Sunday at 10:50 a.m. or 2 p.m. Pastor Jim Walterhouse will bring the message, and the services will honor and glorify God for His unending love, mercy, and grace. Currently Blessed Hands Deaf Church meets inside First Baptist Church at 705 W FM 700. For detailed information about BHDC, including Wednesday evening schedule and activities, contact Pastor Jim at: [jwalterhouse@gmail.com](mailto:jwalterhouse@gmail.com).

### Birdwell Lane Church of Christ

Birdwell Lane Church of Christ, located on the southwest corner of 11<sup>th</sup> Place and Birdwell

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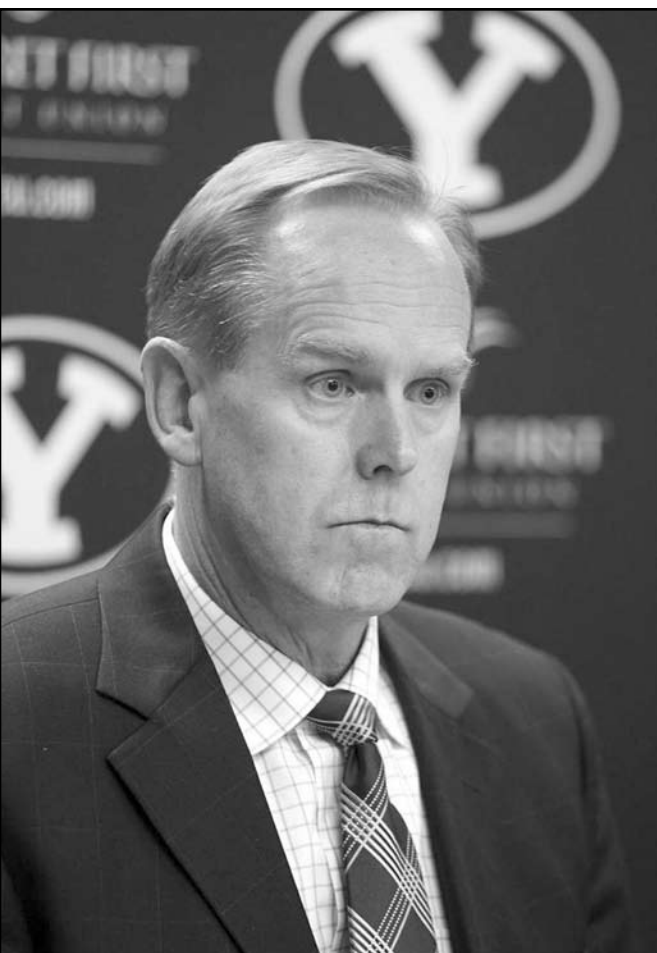
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### Potential expansion candidates for the Big 12



AP Photo

BYU athletic director Tom Holmoe, pictured, has his program in a position to join the Big 12. "I would like to see our student-athletes compete at the highest level," he said.

By RALPH D. RUSSO

AP College Football Writer

Commissioner Bob Bowlsby has referred to what the Big 12 is about to step into as it moves toward expansion as a seller's market.

The conference is selling salvation for two to four schools that are clamoring for a spot in the Power Five and all the amenities (mostly lots of money) that goes with moving up in the world.

Through open records requests to Big 12 schools, the reporting of other news organizations and statements released Wednesday by several obvious suits, here are the candidates (alphabetical order):

**BYU** — The Cougars have a huge national following, a history of competing at a high level and an affiliation with the Church of Latter Day Saints that prohibits the Provo, Utah-school's teams from competing on Sundays. This is not a small inconvenience. Nor will it keep BYU from possibly getting strong consideration. And as a football independent with its other sports in the West Coast Conference, BYU doesn't need to be coy and maybe could cut a football-only deal.

"BYU is known for its aca-

ademic excellence and I believe we have an exceptional athletic program," athletic director Tom Holmoe said in a statement. "As I have stated before, I would like to see our student-athletes compete at the highest level."

**Boise State** — The Broncos bring a top-notch football program, and an improving athletic program in general.

**Central Florida** — It has enormous enrollment (60,767) and is located in a recruiting hot bed, with a growing population in Orlando. The football was awesome a few years ago (BCS win against Baylor) and terrible last year (0-12).

**Cincinnati** — The school has just expanded and upgraded old Nippert Stadium, which now seats about 40,000. The football team has become a steady winner and moving into Ohio would not only give the Big 12 an eastern bridge to West Virginia but may be open up some solid recruiting territory. The Big 12 is very Texas dependent when it comes to recruiting.

**South Florida** — Kind of like American Athletic Conference rival UCF, but not as big (48,973 enrollment) and not as much recent football success. However,

right now, USF football is trending up. Wednesday was probably not the best day to announce the NCAA was investigating the athletic program.

**Connecticut** — Perhaps no school suffered more from conference realignment than UConn, a longtime Big East member that was shoved from college sports' main stage. Sure the football was always so-so, but UConn basketball was a power and a powerful brand. With the Big 12 no longer talking about a conference network, that foot in the New York and Boston television markets might not be as appealing.

**Colorado State** — The school has been doing what you do when you want to get noticed. Expanding stadiums, investing in facilities and coaches. Big 12 schools have lots of alumni in Colorado, especially the Denver area. Fort Collins is about 65 miles straight north, pretty and growing. Maybe the Rams can replace what the Big 12 lost in Colorado?

**Memphis** — The Tigers have a notable sponsor in FedEx CEO Fred Smith, an alum who has promised his company's sponsorship to the Big 12. The football

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### Big Spring High School two-a-days schedule

**Week 1**  
Monday, August 1 through Friday, August 5  
Freshman: 3-4:45 p.m.  
JV/Varsity: 5:30-6 p.m. meeting  
JV/Varsity: 6:15-8:15 p.m. practice  
Varsity will lift on Monday and Wednesday from 8:30-9 p.m.  
JV will lift on Tuesday and Thursday from 8:30-9 p.m.

**Week 2**  
Monday, August 8 through Friday, August 12  
Freshman: 3-4:45 p.m.  
JV/Varsity: 5:30-6:00 p.m. meeting  
JV/Varsity: 6:15-8:15 p.m. practice  
Varsity will lift on Monday and Wednesday from 8:30-9 p.m.  
JV will lift on Tuesday and Thursday from 8:30-9 p.m.

### Texans hope Osweiler can help them take next step

HOUSTON (AP) — The Houston Texans proved they were serious about upgrading their offense this offseason by luring Brock Osweiler from Denver with a four-year, \$72 million contract. Now it's time to see if the quarterback was worth it.

All eyes will be on Osweiler when the Texans begin training camp on July 31 — especially with star defensive end J.J. Watt sidelined by a back injury.

"I'm impressed with Brock, probably most of all in his ability to learn our system, our operation," coach Bill O'Brien said. "It's not easy to come in here and learn how we operate as an offense, how we meet, how we call plays at the line of scrimmage, how we teach defense ... we're really happy with his progress."

On Thursday night, a person familiar with Watt's condition said the star defender has had back surgery and will begin training camp on the physically unable to perform list. The person spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity



AP Photo/David J. Phillip, File

**FILE** - In this March 10, 2016, file photo, Houston Texans quarterback Brock Osweiler answers a question during a news conference in Houston. The Texans proved they were serious about upgrading their offense this offseason by luring Brock Osweiler from Denver with a four-year, \$72 million contract. Now it's time to see if the quarterback was worth it.

because the team hasn't confirmed the surgery or Watt's roster status.

Watt, the NFL sacks leader last season with 17 1/2, will miss the start of training camp, but is expected to be ready for the season opener.

Watt spent most of the offseason recovering after having surgery to repair a groin injury in January.

Watt's still looking to do more in 2016 and said he never watches his highlights, instead viewing his bad plays to

figure out how to get better. "There's so many great players in this league, and you want to learn and grow as much as you can and gain as much information as you can

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### Cowboys know Romo, Bryant only part of a turnaround

IRVING, Texas (AP) — The health of Tony Romo and Dez Bryant gives the Dallas Cowboys reason to believe they can have a turnaround as dramatic as the one that sent them tumbling in the other direction a year ago.

At the same time, executive vice president of personnel Stephen Jones isn't ignoring a defense that couldn't make game-changing plays and finished last in the NFL in takeaways and turnover margin.

"We're not sticking our head in the sand right here and saying, 'Well it's all about the injuries,'" Jones said. "But I still say a lot of teams have a big problem if they don't have their main signal caller. Should we have won more games? Of course we should have. I do think we can have a major turnaround."

Romo had a full offseason after missing 12 games in a 4-12 season with a twice-broken left collarbone. The other key com-

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### Brazil nabs 10 IS backers in Olympics anti-terror swoop

RIO DE JANEIRO (AP) — Ten Brazilians who pledged allegiance to the Islamic State militant group were arrested Thursday, authorities announced, describing them as "amateurs" who discussed on social media the possibility of staging attacks during next month's Olympics.

Justice Minister Alexandre de Moraes said in the capital, Brasilia, that the 10 were being held on two terrorism-related charges and that two more people were being sought.

Authorities said any attack plan would have had little chance of coming to fruition, citing the group's lack of resources and skills.

But officials and security experts argued that police were justified in being aggressive in light of "lone wolf" attacks staged in the U.S. and Europe by men with little or no training.

Moraes said police acted because the group discussed using weapons and guerrilla tactics to potentially launch an attack during the Olympics, which begin in Rio de Janeiro on Aug. 5. They will remain in police custody for



AP Photo/Eraldo Peres

**A Brazilian Army soldier walks through a military security installation, in front of the National Stadium that will host the soccer matches during the Rio 2016 Olympic Games, in Brasilia, Brazil, Thursday, July 21, 2016. Brazilian federal police have arrested 10 people who allegedly pledged allegiance to the Islamic State group on social media and discussed possible attacks during the Olympic Games in Rio de Janeiro.**

at least 30 days.

"They were complete amateurs and ill-prepared" to actually launch an attack, Moraes said. "A few days ago they said they should start practicing martial arts, for example."

He said that there were no specific targets for an attack,

but that even disorganized groups have to be taken seriously.

The possibility of an attack is not so "far-fetched" even though Brazil has never been a target for terrorism, said Alex Kassirer, a counterterrorism analyst at Flashpoint, a New York-

based intelligence group. "The Olympics is a really unique opportunity to be able to target a concentration of all of the enemies in one area," she said.

Kassirer pointed out the Islamic State group launched a messaging app Telegram to disseminate jihadi propaganda specifically in Portuguese. On Sunday, another channel vowed allegiance to IS, although its authenticity has not been determined, she said.

The arrests were made in 10 different states, including Sao Paulo and Parana in the southern part of the country, and it was not clear whether the suspects knew each other beyond their on-line contacts.

Moraes said authorities seized computers, cellphones and other equipment, but no weapons.

Authorities said the investigation that began in April showed the suspects had all been "baptized" as Islamic State sympathizers online but none had actually traveled to Syria or Iraq, the

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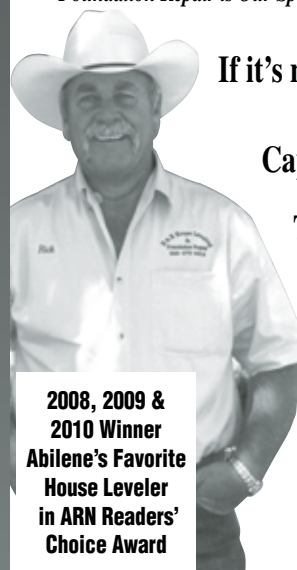
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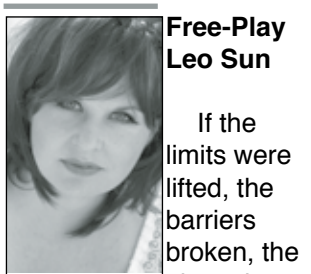
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## Tomorrow's Horoscope



**Free-Play Leo Sun**

If the limits were lifted, the barriers broken, the obstacles obliterated, what would you do? Come on: Think bigger, bolder, more colorfully about this one! Approach as though you could do anything at all your heart desired. The burst of free-play energy that accompanies the sun's breakthrough into Leo is not to be wasted!

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). Someone near you is lonelier than you know, but you can help. It won't take much. Children aren't the only ones who are fortified by social development efforts.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). There's a time and a place for self-scrutiny, but that's for another day. Right now, rest assured there is absolutely nothing to be gained from focusing on what you did wrong. Consider your successes and build on them.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). The thing that will

give you the most energy and motivation today will be something quite out of the ordinary. Travel off your usual path to sparkle up your mind's eye.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). Your favorite people will be around, and you'll all have time to enjoy each other, too. This is the best combination! It doesn't happen smoothly like this all the time, and you will appreciate the moments. Tonight will get even better.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). It will feel as though things are really starting to happen for you. Whether or not you see the hard evidence for this now, there's a vision in your head that's starting to solidify in real time.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Like most socially successful people, you spend so much time effectively controlling and censoring yourself to cater to the company you're in that when you finally find yourself with a kindred spirit, it's an absolute party.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Once you work yourself into a good mood, it will prove to be so much more than a good mood; you will exist in an optimal

state of being for a long stretch. Is this because of the exercise?

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). At certain times of the day your thoughts will be a whirlpool. Now, what's at the vortex of this swirl? If it's something wonderful, you might want to let yourself get dragged into it. If not, seek higher ground.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). It's easier to be organized when you don't have or want much, when the distractions are few and when your hours to work on what matters are many. It won't happen naturally, but how can you make it happen?

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). A few things will be accomplished piece by piece, but a lot of things will be finished with a system. Set it up so you can scale it up. If your life were a factory, what would that look like?

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Your most sincere wish is for the people you love to find happiness, be at peace, and experience beauty -- preferably, with you as a key component to the dynamic. If not, is this still your wish?

**PISCES** (Feb.

19-March 20). Your inside world is a landscape, some of which is lovely, as you have cultivated with mental gardening; still, much of it is wild. There will be an opportunity to grab your weed whacker and go to town.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY** (July 22). Your solar return comes with a deep sense of flourishing. You'll watch and learn from the best over the next 10 weeks so that you can deliver a state-of-the-art product and reap the rewards of excellence. Family, love and music fill your year-end. A financial reorganization effort will help other areas of life. Capricorn and Aquarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 13, 39, 4, 26 and 11.

**WEEKEND LOVE FORECAST: ARIES:** Temptations abound. The cookie jar is brightly colored and fully stocked. Much is riding on your appetite. **TAURUS:** You would prefer your ideas come to you fully baked, but a half-baked one will lead to some high-quality romance. **GEMINI:** Attraction secret: eye contact. It's this thing people used to do to seduce one another before phone

screens were invented. **CANCER:** Claiming a person doesn't automatically make that person yours -- but it's a start. **LEO:** You're the flirt master now. Poor everybody else! **VIRGO:** When you can't say it in words, or emojis, you'll say it with the way you move. **LIBRA:** The way you go back and forth with your special someone -- this is a click to be celebrated. **SCORPIO:** Romance and the sunset will go hand in hand. **SAGITTARIUS:** You're not imagining things. There is something more than friendship going on. **CAPRICORN:** You can't control your dreams, and with the stellar ones you'll have this weekend, you wouldn't want to! **AQUARIUS:** You'll flirt by taking and sending attractive pictures of yourself doing interesting things. **PISCES:** The love you want can really happen. Don't give up!

**COUPLE OF THE WEEKEND:** The Leo sun, in all its glory, has those born under the sign of the lion in full roar. Pisces has a subtler approach, but the coy and mysterious style won't be lost on Leo under the current

lunar vibration. There is an irresistible tug of heart, mind and body at play this weekend between these two. That said, this is one couple combo that will find great romantic benefit in taking things slow.

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## Annie's Mailbox

**An Out-of-Control Diet**

**Dear Annie:** One day a few months ago, my 15-year-old daughter got into the car after school with bloodshot eyes and red cheeks. I could tell she had been crying. I asked her what was wrong. At first, she said nothing. Then, with some gentle prying, she burst into tears and said, "Jason came up to me at lunch and said, 'Nancy, you would be really pretty if you lost some weight.'" As she relived the story, tears welled up in her eyes again. "Mom, I really want to lose weight. I am so tired of being picked last at gym because I can't run as fast as the other kids. Please help me."

My sister had just lost 30 pounds at a local diet center. I quickly went online and signed Nancy and myself up. Although I only had a few pounds to lose, I wanted to do the program with her so that we could make the necessary eating habit changes together. Our first meeting was at the same type of center. Nancy weighed in 25 pounds overweight. We learned tips for healthy eating and the importance of daily exercise. We heard women's success stories of losing over 100 pounds. When we got in the car, we were both excited to start losing weight.

We began writing down everything we ate

in a food diary and would make all sorts of delicious veggie dishes we could snack on all day. Every evening, we would take our dog out for long walks for exercise. It was a great bonding experience.

Week after week, Nancy and I were losing weight. She was feeling more and more confident and even told me that Jason had asked her to go to a party with him. After about 12 weeks, she and I reached our goal weight and were instructed to begin the maintenance program.

I began to adjust my daily food intake for maintenance, but Nancy did not. At the next weigh-in, she had dropped another 3 pounds, which was below her healthy weight. When I told her that she could eat a little more, she became very defensive and said she was still heavy and overweight. I reminded her to look at the number on the scale.

During the following weeks, she was eating less and less. She said she was not losing fast enough. It was then that I noticed she had basically stopped eating. She would just move food around her plate. She now refused to go back to the diet center meetings. She was wasting away. I didn't know what to do. I took her to the pediatrician for a checkup. He told me that Nancy had the early signs of anorexia

nervosa. I was so upset. I felt as if the whole thing was my fault. I should never have taken her to the diet center. I should never have dieted alongside her. Did I contribute to this disorder? -- Regretful Mother

**Dear Regretful:** Jason sounds like a shallow jerk, and I'd discourage your daughter from spending any more time with him. But don't beat yourself up about what you might have done differently. You took action to try to help your daughter, which proves you care. That love and support is what's going to

help get her better. Ask your pediatrician for a recommendation of a therapist who works with girls suffering from body image problems. There are many great organizations that offer help. One of my favorites is The Renfrew Center,

which can be reached at 800-RENFREW. With professional help and your continued support, your daughter can come to love and accept herself so the next time a guy says she'd "be so pretty if," she has the self-confidence to stop

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ANSWERS

**Contract Bridge**

By Steve Becker

**Bidding quiz**

You are South and have the following hand:  
♠AQ953 ♥10 ♦K6 ♣AQJ72

1. The bidding has gone:  
North East South West  
1 NT Pass 1 ♣ Pass  
1 ♦ Pass 3 ♠ Pass  
3 NT Pass ?  
What would you bid now?

2. The bidding has gone:  
North East South West  
1 NT Pass 3 ♠ Pass  
1 ♦ Pass 4 ♣ Pass  
4 ♠ Pass ?  
What would you bid now?

3. The bidding has gone:  
North East South West  
1 ♣ Pass 1 ♠ Pass  
1 ♦ Pass 3 ♣ Pass  
4 ♣ Pass ?  
What would you bid now?  
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1. Pass. Partner has a minimum opening bid (his one-notrump rebid indicated 12-14 points), and he does not appear to be enamored with either of your suits. Since a slam is unlikely under these circumstances, and because there is no good reason to insist on playing the hand in one of your suits, the best bet is to pass.

Partner's hand may look something like: ♠K6 ♥AK7 ♦Q9752 ♣964, in which case three notrump would be relatively safe, while a slam would be well against the odds.

2. Six clubs. You can't very well settle for less than either six clubs or six spades opposite an opening 15- to 17-point notrump bid even though partner does not seem enthusiastic about a slam. However, since he may easily have better clubs than spades in this sequence, you should offer him a choice of suits by jumping to six clubs. Partner may have as little as ♠K8 ♥K972 ♦AQ94 ♣K103, in which case six clubs would be an excellent contract.

3. Six spades. Partner's two-spade bid indicated a minimum opening bid with three- or four-card spade support. However, his jump to four spades shows that his two-spade bid was on the upper end of the range, and that he also has four spades -- which is about all you need to know to undertake a slam.

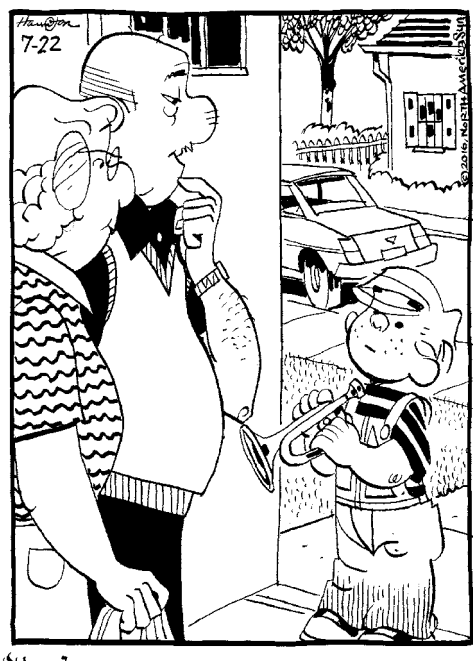
You could use Blackwood first, if you were so minded, but you'd surely bid a slam whether partner showed one or two aces in response. Partner's hand might look something like: ♠KJ64 ♥72 ♦AQ853 ♣K10, in which case slam is a virtual lay-down.

Tomorrow: An example of prestidigitation.  
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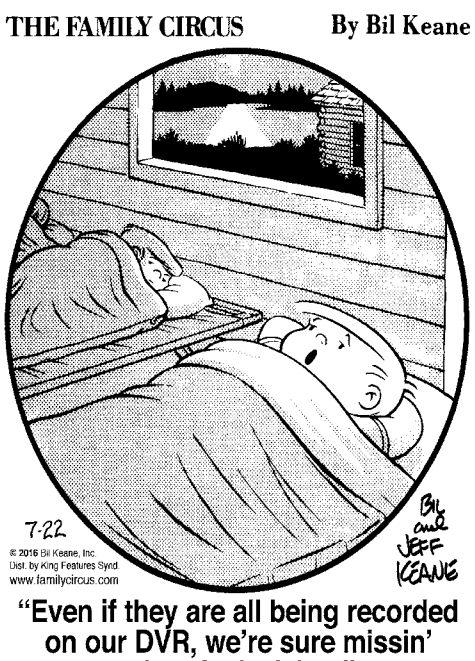


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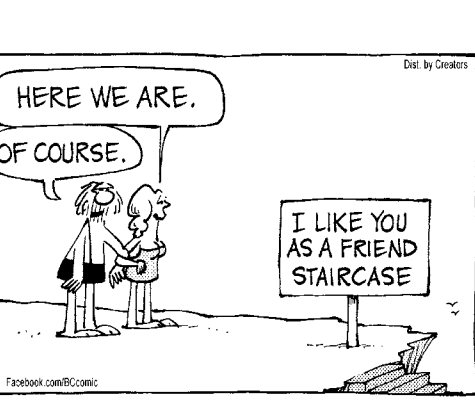
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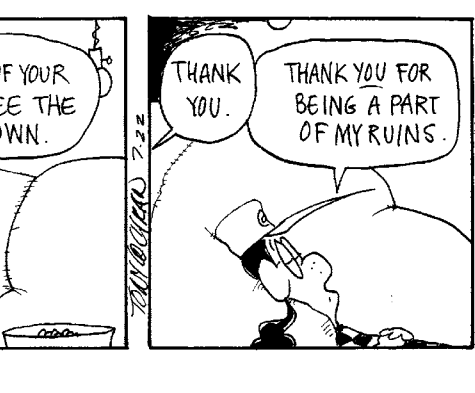
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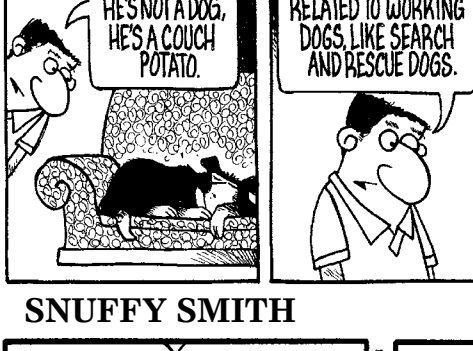
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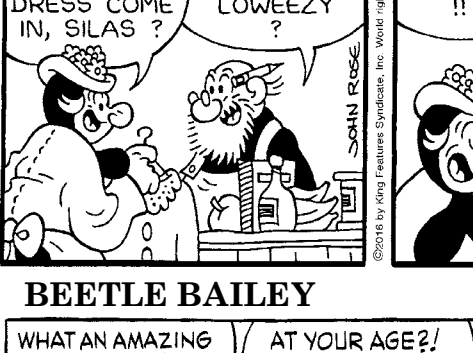
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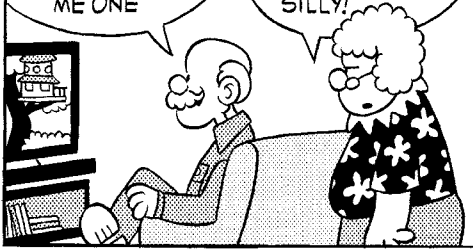
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This Date In History

Today is Friday, July 22, the 204th day of 2016. There are 162 days left in the year.

Today’s Highlight in History:

On July 22, 1916, 10 people were killed when a suitcase bomb went off during San Francisco’s Preparedness Day parade, an event sponsored by the local Chamber of Commerce in anticipation of America’s entry into World War I. Two anti-war labor radicals, Thomas Mooney and Warren K. Billings, were accused of the bombing and imprisoned; they were released in 1939 amid doubts about their guilt.

On this date:

In 1587, an English colony fated to vanish under mysterious circumstances was established on Roanoke Island off North Carolina.

In 1796, Cleveland, Ohio, was founded by General Moses Cleaveland (correct).

In 1862, President Abraham Lincoln presented to his Cabinet a preliminary draft of the Emancipation Proclamation.

In 1934, bank robber John Dillinger was shot to death by federal agents outside Chicago’s Biograph Theater, where he

had just seen the Clark Gable movie "Manhattan Melodrama."

In 1943, American forces led by Gen. George S. Patton captured Palermo, Sicily, during World War II.

In 1946, the militant Zionist group Irgun blew up a wing of the King David Hotel in Jerusalem, killing 91 people.

In 1957, Walter "Fred" Morrison applied for a patent for a "flying toy" which became known as the Frisbee.

In 1963, Sonny Liston knocked out Floyd Patterson in the first round of their rematch in Las Vegas to retain the world heavyweight title.

In 1975, the U.S. House of Representatives joined the Senate in voting to restore the American citizenship of Confederate Gen. Robert E. Lee. (President Gerald R. Ford signed the measure on August 5.)

In 1986, for the first time in a half-century, the House of Representatives impeached a federal official: Judge Harry E. Claiborne was later convicted by the Senate of tax evasion and bringing disrepute to the federal courts.

In 1991, police in Milwaukee arrested Jeffrey Dahmer, who later confessed to murdering 17 men and boys (Dahmer ended up being beaten to death by a fellow prison inmate).

In 1995, Susan Smith was

convicted by a jury in Union, South Carolina, of first-degree murder for drowning her two sons. (She was later sentenced to life in prison, and will not be eligible for parole until 2024.)

Ten years ago: Israeli tanks, bulldozers and armored personnel carriers knocked down a fence and barreled over the Lebanese border as forces seized the village of Maroun al-Ras from the Hezbollah guerrilla group.

Five years ago: Anders Breivik (AHN-durs BRAY-vihk), a self-described "militant nationalist," massacred 69 people at a Norwegian island youth retreat after detonating a bomb in nearby Oslo that killed eight others in the nation’s worst violence since World War II. A jury in Cleveland convicted Anthony Sowell of killing 11 poor, drug-addicted women.

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Newsday Crossword

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  - 42 Luminary
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  - 57 Optimistic feeling
  - 58 Beasts that sound like Brooklynese
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**COWBOYS**

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ponent of Dallas going from first to last in the NFC East following a 12-4 run in 2014 was Bryant breaking his right foot in the opener and never getting to full speed coming off an All-Pro season.

While Bryant was mostly held out of offseason workouts coming off two surgeries on the foot, all signs point to him being ready when training camp opens July 30 in Oxnard, California.

And that has Romo and his top receiver getting questions about how good the offense

can be after adding Ohio State star running back Ezekiel Elliott with the fourth overall pick in the draft, which has produced three first-round picks in the offensive line for Dallas since 2011.

"We're not ready to talk about the season," Romo said during offseason practices. "We are trying to figure out how to get better right now. For us, we have a long way to go. Just got to get to work and put your head down right now and work your butt off."

The defense had trouble rushing the quarterback last season and will be without young projected starters DeMarcus Lawrence and Randy Gregory the first four games

on substance-abuse suspensions.

Rolando McClain will miss the first 10 games for the same reason, and might even get released before camp because the mercurial linebacker will be out more than half the season anyway.

"Right now on paper I don't think we've got anybody who's ever had 10 sacks in a season on the roster," Jones said. "That one sticks out like a sore thumb."

Things to consider with the Cowboys coming off a two-year run of .500 (12-4 and 4-12 for 16-16) after three straight 8-8 seasons that ended with losses to division rivals with a playoff berth at stake:

**FORGET THE PAST:** Bryant said it's not about regaining the form that led him to an NFL-high 16 touchdowns receiving two years ago. "I'm going to be better than that," said Bryant, who had career lows in catches, yards and TDs last season. "The way we've been working, the way the coaches have been on us, the way we've been holding each other accountable, I think that alone is going to make us all be better than what we were in these past years."

**ON THE RUN:** Darren McFadden, the team's rushing leader last year, will likely be sidelined into camp with a broken elbow sustained in an

accident at home. That could open the door for Elliott to be the lead back as a rookie, although Alfred Morris is in the mix as well. A two-time Pro Bowler in Washington, Morris signed as a free agent before the Cowboys drafted Elliott.

**BANGED UP D-LINE:** Rookie third-round pick Maliek Collins should return during camp after the defensive tackle missed most of the off-season with a broken right foot sustained in practice. End Benson Mayowa, signed away from Oakland on an offer sheet, had arthroscopic surgery on his left knee but should be available most of camp.

**BIG 12**

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has been mostly irrelevant but is coming off a couple of excellent seasons. Basketball is top-shelf and so is the FedEx Forum where the team plays. School officials are quick to note how the university's academic profile is on the upswing.

"The University is prepared to take action when opportunities to increase the level of positive attention and exposure for our city, campus and Athletic Department are presented," athletic director Tom Bowen said in a statement. "The University of Memphis continues to gain national recognition for its advancements in research, teaching and student accomplishments, and the

Athletic Department is one part of that winning combination."

Houston — A new on-campus stadium is sweet, and the Cougars picked an excellent time to be coming off a 13-1 season and a Peach Bowl victory under everybody's dream coach, Tom Herman. But will Herman be here long-term? If Houston is in the Big 12, that helps the cause a lot. Being in Texas is either a deal-breaker for a conference that already thinks Houston is Big 12 country, or a good way to lock up a part of the state that has been infiltrated heavily by the SEC since Texas A&M joined.

"At the University of Houston we are certainly honored to be mentioned as a progressive institution that places a competitive emphasis on both academics and athletics," athletic di-

rector Hunter Yurachek said. "As a Tier One research institution and Phi Beta Kappa member, Houston has seen a reinvigorated spirit in Athletics. We have returned our proud University to the national spotlight and we aim to compete on the highest levels as we build Champions for Life. Our mission will not change."

San Diego State — Getting the Texas-centric conference into Southern California makes some sense from a recruiting standpoint.

Tulane — Sounds a little crazy considering recent athletic success. The American thought it was buying low in Tulane and it still hasn't turned around. The Big 12 provides a lot more benefits (i.e. money) and the Big 12 likes New Orleans, where it plays in the Sugar Bowl.

**TEXANS**

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so that you can improve your own game," Watt said.

Oswieiler has started just seven games in his four-year NFL career and they were all last season. He was presumed to be Denver's starter this season after Peyton Manning's retirement, but he signed with Houston for megabucks instead.

He joins an offense highlighted by star receiver DeAndre Hopkins, who finished third in the NFL with 1,521 yards receiving last season, and that added running back Lamar Miller in free agency, then got receivers Will Fuller and Braxton Miller in the draft.

The Texans overcame quarterback woes last season to finish 9-7 and reach the playoffs for the first time since 2012. They were ousted in the wild-card round by Kansas City after Brian Hoyer committed five turnovers in the 30-0

loss.

Now Oswieiler takes over and he feels good about his grasp of Houston's offense after the work he got in practices and minicamp this spring and early this summer. He's looking to take his understanding to another level in camp.

"It's just focusing on the details of our offense," he said. "There's a lot of things that go into it — formations, motions, shifts, different cadences, different route concepts, run checks, pass checks — and so it's just focusing on the details and focusing on the line-of-scrimage operation."

Some things to know about the Texans, who open the season Sept. 11 against Chicago:

**EXPECTATIONS FOR CLOWNEY:** Outside linebacker Jadeveon Clowney is entering his third NFL season and so far the No. 1 overall pick in the 2014 draft has failed to live up to expectations during two injury-plagued seasons. Clowney played just four games as a rookie

before having season-ending microfracture surgery. He recovered from that for the start of last season, but missed three games and Houston's playoff match with various ailments. He did show flashes of the potential he displayed in college, though, and finished with 4 1/2 sacks and forced a fumble.

"It's frustrating. It feels like you're letting the team down when you're not out there," Clowney said. "Injuries happen, you've just got to be mentally tough to come back and show the guys you are ready to play."

**MILLER'S POTENTIAL:** The Texans snagged an intriguing player when they drafted Braxton Miller in the third round. Miller was the two-time Big Ten offensive player of the year in 2012 and 2013 after throwing for more than 2,000 yards and rushing for more than 1,000 in both of those seasons. He sat out for a season with a shoulder injury, but finished with 26 receptions for 341 yards last year.

**RIO**

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group's stronghold, or received any training. Several were allegedly trying to secure financing from IS.

Investigators said none of the suspects was of Arab descent, but released no details on their religion. They were described as being between the ages of 20 and 40, except for one minor.

Newton de Oliveira, a professor and security specialist at Mackenzie Presbyterian University in Rio de Janeiro, applauded authorities for detecting the group, saying recent world events raised worries about terrorism during the sporting event.

But he cautioned it was hard to say how serious this threat was.

"It's not clear whether we are talking about young people getting carried away or if they

were going to move forward with actions," Oliveira said.

The justice minister said one of the suspects communicated with a store in Paraguay via email in an alleged attempt to buy an AK-47 assault rifle, apparently the most concrete action taken toward a possible attack. The email communication was intercepted by police.

Brazilians are allowed to possess small firearms but must have a license and training to do so. Only members of the military may possess assault weapons like the AK-47, although those and other firearms are common in the country,

especially in slums controlled by drug gangs.

Last week the top military aide for Brazil's interim government said concerns over terrorism had "reached a higher level" after the truck attack that killed 84 people in Nice, France.

Officials did not raise the country's terror alert level Thursday following the raids.

Security has emerged as the top concern during the Olympics, including violence possibly spilling over from Rio's hundreds of slums. Authorities have said 85,000 police officers and soldiers will be patrolling during the competitions.

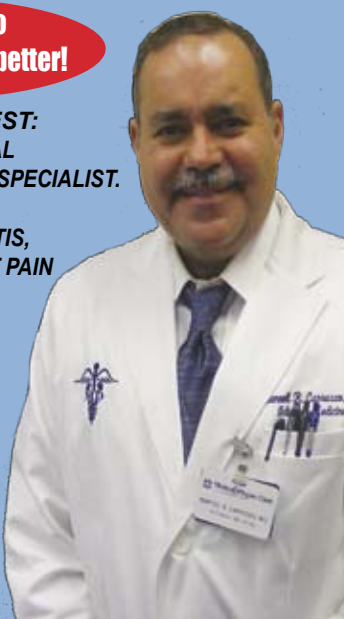
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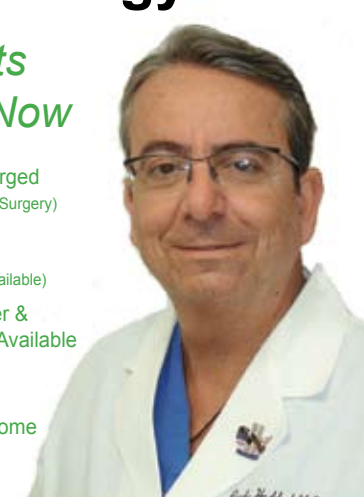
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# Reflections: Faith and hope in a hurting world

A significant event of faith and hope was little noticed last weekend. While we grieved over the horrific event in France, the attempted coup in Turkey, the ambush of police in Dallas and Baton Rouge, thousands of people, mostly in their 20s and 30s, gathered Saturday in Washington D.C. They did not gather to protest anything or to promote a political candidate. They gathered to pray.

Braving sweltering heat, young adults came from all over the nation to pray for reconciliation, healing and redemption in the name of Jesus Christ. Both those who attended and those who led the program were Black, Hispanic, Asian, Indian, and White, male and female. Pope Francis welcomed the crowd via video. They represented Christian young people who are seeking to proclaim God's forgiveness and compassion across all racial and cultural barriers.

Every generation must choose their faith. Some are choosing radical Islam. But many youth and young adults are choosing Christ. The question is whether they can stem the tide of violence, hatred,

and suspicion with a message of repentance, love, forgiveness, and faith.

When I was mid-fifties, I wrote down my goal for the remainder of my life: to encourage the younger generation to do greater things than I ever dreamed or imagined.

Three years ago we began hosting a Bible study in our home for international grad students. We welcomed students from China, Indonesia, Zambia, South Africa, South Korea, the Czech Republic, Vietnam, and Ghana. The students led the study. Some were already passionate followers of Christ. Some came to faith. A few are still seeking. Most will soon complete their degrees and return home.

One has already returned to Zambia to start a church and a school.

Another has returned to Indonesia and is teaching in a Christian College.

Another Indonesian student hopes to serve Christ in orphanages in West Africa. A 25-year-old will complete her Ph.D. in statistics and plans to return to South Africa, where she will serve Christ and help find solutions to deadly diseases. A student from China married an American, and they are expecting their first child. Her husband is learning Chinese. When he completes his Ph.D. in computer science, they will move to China to

continue her work strengthening and multiplying house churches.

Five years ago I started coaching young church planters. One started a biker church made up of biker enthusiasts. Another started a cowboy church, and another, who is African American, is starting a multi-ethnic church. Our oldest son and daughter-in-law started a Bible study for high school students in Sundance, Wyo. Sixty percent of the local high school students attend. Our daughter and son-in-law are helping start a new church in Fort Collins, Colo.

These are but a few, and their stories are anecdotal. But there are thousands of young believers who are committed to following Christ and changing the world with the gospel.

We will continue to hear reports of terrorist attacks and global unrest. But there is a worldwide movement among young adults to live devoted lives to Jesus Christ and proclaim God's good news of compassion and grace. They are the "yeast" of the Kingdom that Jesus talked about in Matthew 13:33.

*Bill Tinsley reflects on current events and life experience from a faith perspective. Visit [www.tinsleycenter.com](http://www.tinsleycenter.com). Email [bill@tinsleycenter.com](mailto:bill@tinsleycenter.com).*



BILL TINSLEY

## CHURCH

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Lane, holds Sunday services starting with Bible study at 9 a.m. Worship follows at 10 a.m. There is another worship service at 5 p.m. Sundays.

This Wednesday at 7 p.m. is the monthly singing devotional. For more information call 267-2132.

### Cornerstone Covenant Church

Cornerstone Covenant Church would like to invite you to join them for worship and study of God's word this Sunday at 10:30 a.m.

This coming Wednesday at 7 p.m., is Mid-Week Bible Study. Ladies will

meet with First Lady Bella Willard in the Main Sanctuary, and men will join Pastor Willard in the ARC for study of God's Word.

Aug. 7 there will be communion during the morning service.

Mark your calendars on Aug. 27 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. for the annual back to school picnic. This year, it will be held at the Old Settlers Pavilion at Comanche Trail Park. There will be food, fun and games for all ages.

Sunday, Aug. 28 at 6 p.m., evening worship will be at Life Church, 1004 Johnson St.

CCC is located at 706 E. 12<sup>th</sup> St. For office hours or other question about the ministry contact the administrative office at 432-264-0015.

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Alive in Christ Lutheran Church is located at 2805 Lynn Drive in the Kentwood Neighborhood of Big Spring.

To connect with the church call (432)264-7818, ore-mailataliveinchrist-tx@gmail.com.

### Midway Baptist Church

Midway Baptist Church will show the movie "Miracles From Heaven" Sunday at 5 p.m.

The movie, based on a true story, features a girl with life-threatening illness and her mother's struggles to save her.

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