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Police probing complaint at school

By **LYNDEL MOODY**
 Staff Writer

Big Spring Police have confirmed an investigation is ongoing into a claim of alleged misconduct by a Big Spring Independent School District (BSISD) employee.

"The district received a report from local law enforcement officials that a district employee may have acted improperly towards a student," stated Chris Wigington, Big Spring ISD superintendent in a Thursday news release. "The district has taken interim corrective measures to ensure our students remain safe during the pendency of the investigation and will continue to cooperate with law enforcement as needed."

Big Spring Police Sgt. Tony Everett confirmed a complaint was filed with the police department around 11 a.m.

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Fired up for homecoming



Deena Richardson photo/Deenasphotos.photorelect.com
 A Coahoma High School Band member is silhouetted by the school's homecoming bonfire this week. Both Coahoma and Big Spring celebrate homecoming tonight.

County fair continues through Saturday

Crandall's dolls make anyone's best-dressed list



Courtesy photo
 Helen Crandall, a longtime volunteer at The Chalet, Big Spring State Hospital's Volunteer Services Council's Resale Shop, poses with two of the dolls she outfitted with material she found at The Chalet.

Special to the Herald

Helen Crandall became an expert in designing and assembling doll clothing out of necessity.

Do the math: 12 grandchildren, more than half females, and all cherished dolls.

A gifted seamstress, Crandall just couldn't let her talents go to waste, especially if it would save money and be appreciated. Her granddaughters loved the American Girl dolls, which were all the rage but for anyone who has looked at a price tag lately and hadn't fainted, you'd understand why Crandall became

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Fair schedule

Tonight
 5 p.m. — Fair and carnival open
 7-10 p.m. — Karaoke with Scars Entertainment
 10 p.m. — Fair barn closes

Saturday
 10 a.m. — Fair opens
 10:30 a.m. — Kountry Kids Contest
 11 a.m. — Carnival opens
 Noon — Pet show/contest
 1:30 p.m. — 4H cooking demonstration
 2 p.m. — All Washed Up washer tournament; Dance Gallery performance
 3 p.m. — Howard College Dance Team
 4 p.m. — Cheer Explosion
 7-10 p.m. — Country Showdown
 9:45 p.m. — Fair quilt winner announced

A contest that is going to the dogs — literally

Special to the Herald

Three of Howard County's most respected and biggest dog lovers will judge Saturday's Howard County Pet Show and Contest at the Howard County Fair.

Happy Day Humane Society Board of Trustees Treasurer Kristen ParTEE, Happy Day Humane Society Executive

Director Angie Mims, and Big Spring State Hospital Superintendent Lorie Dunnam will judge Saturday's noon contest.

The contest kicks off at 12 p.m. under the Entertainment Tent at the Howard County Fairgrounds, 2900 Old State Hwy 80.

The dogs will be judged in

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All hail the queen!

Alexis Roach, right, was crowned Howard County Fair Queen Thursday evening, while Sterling Cheyenne Fuller, left, was runner-up.

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Obituaries

Dewey "Dew" Glenn



Dewey "Dew" Glenn, 28, of Big Spring died Friday, Sept. 16, 2016, at his home.

He will lie in state from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 23, 2016, with visitation from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Myers and Smith Funeral Home.

He was born Dec. 23, 1987, in Dallas. He came to Big Spring about three years ago from Dawson, Tex-

as, where he lived most of his life. Dew worked at Carlos' Restaurant.

He is survived by his wife, Bella Glenn of Big Spring; one daughter, Riley Glenn of Dawson; one son, A.J. Glenn of Dallas; his father, Jeff Glenn of Dawson; mother-in-law, Betty Taylor of Big Spring; and five brothers, Sonny Carson of Whitney, Al Pinkston of Okla., Josh Pinkston of Dallas, Levi Rigsby of Big Spring, and Donnie Hebbly of Dawson.

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

Alicia Guerrero



Alicia Guerrero, 41, of St. Lawrence died Saturday, Sept. 17, 2016, in a Midland hospital.

Vigil services will be 7 p.m. Friday at St. Lawrence Catholic Church. Funeral Mass will be held at 10 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 24, 2016, at St. Lawrence Catholic Church. Burial will follow at St. Lawrence Cemetery.

She was born June 23, 1975, in Rio Verde SLP, Mexico. Alicia grew up in Mexico and moved to St. Lawrence in 1999. She was a member of St. Lawrence Catholic Church. Survivors include one daughter, Itzamara Car-

ranza; one son, Miguel Carranza; and her father, Abdias Guerrero, all of St. Lawrence; three brothers, Francisco Guerrero of St. Lawrence, Sergio H. Guerrero of Dallas, and Cesar Guerrero of St. Lawrence; two sisters, Estela Guerrero of North Carolina, and Elia Guerrero of Mexico; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Cleofas Juarez.

The family suggests memorial to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, Tenn., 38105.

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

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **THOMAS STEINHOFF**, 22, of 1310 S. Johnson St. was arrested on a warrant for aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.
- **DAVID CANALES JR.**, 31, of 4201 W. Highway 80 Apt. #1 was arrested on a warrant for criminal mischief (\$500 to \$1,500).
- **PATRICIA FRANCISCA REED**, 33, of 1310 Sycamore St. was arrested on warrants for

driving with an invalid license, expired registration, and failure to appear.

- **ADRIAN RODRIGUEZ**, 37, of 1605 Harding St. was arrested on an outstanding warrant.
- **KIEF INMAN BLACK**, 22, of 120 Hooser Rd. was arrested on a warrant for possession of marijuana (less than 2 oz.).
- **JOHN ROBERT FARMER**, 42, of 5700 Cedar Rd. Space #30 was arrested on a charge of criminal mischief (\$2,500 to \$30,000).

• **DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 4200 block of West Highway 80.

• **MINOR ACCIDENT** was reported in the 700 block of East FM 700.

• **THEFT** was reported in the 1600 block of South Gregg Street and the 200 block of North Gregg Street.

• **HARASSMENT** was reported in the 1300 block of Ridgeroad Drive.

Sheriff

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

- Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 83 inmates at the time of this report.
- **JACOBSON THOMAS ANDREW**, 30, was booked by Glasscock County on a charge of public intoxication.
 - **KIEF INMAN BLACK**, 22, was booked by HCSO on a warrant for possession of marijuana (less than 2 oz.).
 - **DAVID CANALES JR.**, 31, was booked by BSPD on a warrant for criminal mischief (\$500 to \$1,500).
 - **JOHN ROBERT FARMER**,

42, was booked by HCSO on a charge of criminal mischief (\$2,500 to \$30,000).

• **ANTHONY RAY GARZA**, 32, was booked by BSPD on warrants for possession of drug paraphernalia, failure to appear, failure to maintain financial responsibility, and expired registration.

• **GILBERT BUSTAMANTE GONZALES**, 27, was booked by HCSO on a motion to revoke probation for unauthorized use of a vehicle; and on warrants for unauthorized use of a vehicle, burglary of a building, possession of a controlled substance (less than 1 gram), bail jumping/failure to appear, burglary of a habitation,

failure to appear for unauthorized use of a vehicle, failure to appear for burglary of a building, and failure to appear for possession of a controlled substance (less than 1 gram).

• **PATRICIA FRANCISCA REED**, 33, was booked by BSPD on warrants for driving with an invalid license, expired registration, and failure to appear.

• **ADRIAN RODRIGUEZ**, 37, was booked by BSPD on a warrant for possession of a dangerous drug.

• **THOMAS HUNTER STEINHOFF**, 22, was booked by BSPD on a warrant for aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3600 block of Calvin. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3700 block of Wasson. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2600 block of Gregg. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1100 block of Wood.

ed in the 2700 block of Wasson. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• **MOBILE HOME FIRE** was reported in the 100 block of Davis Road.

• **FALSE FIRE ALARM** was reported in the 3300 block of Duke.

• **OUTSIDE TRASH FIRE** was reported in the 1100 block of Wood.

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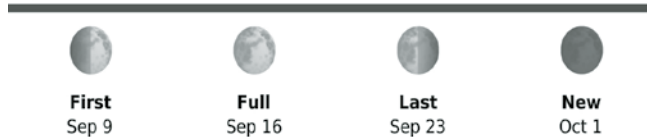
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| City | Hi | Lo | Cond. | City | Hi | Lo | Cond. |
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| Abilene | 88 | 71 | Cloudy | Kingsville | 95 | 76 | P Cloudy |
| Amarillo | 87 | 62 | Sunny/Wind | Livingston | 88 | 73 | M Cloudy |
| Austin | 93 | 76 | Cloudy | Longview | 92 | 72 | Sunny |
| Beaumont | 89 | 75 | M Cloudy | Lubbock | 87 | 68 | Sunny |
| Brownsville | 94 | 78 | M Cloudy | Lufkin | 91 | 72 | M Cloudy |
| Brownwood | 92 | 72 | Cloudy | Midland | 92 | 72 | Sunny |
| Corpus Christi | 92 | 80 | P Cloudy | Raymondville | 96 | 76 | P Cloudy |
| Corsicana | 92 | 74 | M Cloudy | Rosenberg | 89 | 74 | P Cloudy |
| Dallas | 95 | 76 | M Sunny | San Antonio | 94 | 77 | P Cloudy |
| Del Rio | 93 | 75 | Sunny | San Marcos | 92 | 74 | Cloudy |
| El Paso | 90 | 65 | P Cloudy | Sulphur Springs | 93 | 73 | Sunny |
| Fort Stockton | 94 | 70 | Sunny | Sweetwater | 90 | 71 | P Cloudy |
| Gainesville | 90 | 72 | Sunny | Tyler | 93 | 73 | P Cloudy |
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| Houston | 89 | 77 | P Cloudy | Wichita Falls | 90 | 73 | P Cloudy |

National Cities

| City | Hi | Lo | Cond. | City | Hi | Lo | Cond. |
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| Atlanta | 89 | 69 | Sunny | Miami | 86 | 77 | P Cloudy |
| Boston | 83 | 55 | Cloudy | Minneapolis | 69 | 61 | Cloudy |
| Chicago | 73 | 65 | Cloudy | New York | 87 | 64 | Sunny |
| Dallas | 95 | 76 | M Sunny | Phoenix | 86 | 63 | Sunny |
| Denver | 82 | 46 | M Sunny | San Francisco | 66 | 55 | Sunny |
| Houston | 89 | 77 | P Cloudy | Seattle | 59 | 51 | Showers |
| Los Angeles | 81 | 63 | Sunny | Saint Louis | 91 | 68 | Sunny |

Moon Phases



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FRIDAY

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

SATURDAY

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

SUNDAY

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

MONDAY

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

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Friday, September 23

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Saturday, September 24

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Country Showdown

DOGS

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the following categories: Best Dressed; Ugliest; Cutest; Best Trick; and Pet/Owner Look-A-Like.

Prizes will be awarded in each category.

The competition is expected to be fun and expertly judged as all three judges own nearly close to 20 dogs between them — maybe more.

"I really don't know what to expect, but I think it will be so much fun," Dunnam said. "I have always owned dogs and cats and all of mine are rescues, several of which are from Happy Day Humane Society, so I'm really looking forward to it. I'm taking my daughters too and I know they will have a great time."

Mims and Partee, who started the animal rescue group Yellow Rose Animal Rescue and now run Happy Day Humane Society expect to see many of the dogs they have adopted out during the past year and a half.

Happy Day Humane Society has adopted out close to 2,000 dogs since April of 2015 and they

hope the competition will be a homecoming of sorts.

"I hope to see many familiar faces," Partee said. "Often when we adopt dogs out, we have families send us pictures from time to time and we so enjoy that. So it would be great if we had a huge outpouring of all our dogs show up for the competition. We would love it."

So many times the dogs Happy Day Humane Society receives initially from shelters or other rescues are in poor shape, Mims said. Her job is to give them good health care and sound nutrition before adopting them into loving families.

"After they've been in homes it's amazing to see the transformation," Mims said. "So I wouldn't be surprised if they did show up for the competition and we didn't recognize them."

Dunnam, Partee, and Mims said although their heart is with rescue dogs from Happy Day Humane Society, they love all dogs and will be impartial in the fun competition.

"I just love dogs," Dunnam said. "I can't wait to see them all. I



Big Spring State Hospital Superintendent Lorie Dunnam poses with her two daughters, Chloe and Lauren, and two of their rescue dogs. Dunnam, Kristen Partee, Happy Day Humane Society treasurer, and Angie Mims, executive director of the Humane Society, will judge Saturday's Howard County Pet Show at the Howard County Fair.

Courtesy photo

hope we have a huge turnout."

Howard County Fair Secretary Sandy Stewart said the pet competition is one of her favorites, not only because she's an animal lover

but because it's a fun show.

"Also, the animals don't care if they win or lose," she said. "They don't get their feelings hurt. They just really have a good time."

Entry forms may be downloaded on the Howard County Fair website www.hcfair.org/files/Petshowform.pdf and must be returned on the day of the show. No entry fee is required to enter the contest.

For questions or additional information, please contact Cindy Jones at 432-517-9115 or Sandy Stewart, secretary at 432-935-1604.

DOLLS

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turned to her sewing machine as holidays and birthdays rolled around.

"I have 12 grandchildren and seven are girls," she said. "They liked the American Girls dolls and to buy a dress it was like \$34 and for shoes it was \$14. Well, I thought, 'I can just take a pattern and adapt it to the dolls and make something just as nice.'"

And she did. Over and over and over again.

Often she used fabric donated to The Chalet where she has been a volunteer since 2005. Crandall was quick to add that she always paid for the material.

Big Spring State Hospital Director of Community Relations Dee Lindsey said at last count Crandall has volunteered more than

8,200 hours for Big Spring State Hospital.

Crandall became so gifted at sewing doll's clothing that one of her granddaughters urged her to do something she had never thought of before.

"She said I should put one of my dolls in the Howard County Fair. Well, I did and I got a blue ribbon," the modest Crandall said laughingly. And then she got another and another.

This year she's taking a break from entering a doll in the Howard County Fair, but the volunteers at The Chalet aren't taking any time off from running their shop or working at the fair. They are manning a booth at the Howard County Fair hoping to garner more interest in The Chalet.

"Oh, the Chalet is plenty [busy] the five days a week it is open for three hours a day," co-chair Ruth Nanny

said. "People are waiting at the door when it opens at 10 a.m. and are still grabbing bargains off the racks when they are closing the doors at 1 p.m. They can always use more shoppers."

What The Chalet needs mostly are more volunteers, she said. More volunteers to sift through clothing, purses, shoes, toys, books, dishes, knick-knacks, decorations, and whatever else comes through the door.

What The Chalet has is a "good problem," Lindsey said.

"We have such generous people who live in Howard County and the surrounding communities who give so richly to The Chalet that it takes an enormous amount of manpower to go through all the items and sort and sort them and get them ready for sale."

"Not only do we need volunteers at the front

of the store running the cash register and assisting customers with questions and looking for items but we need a whole host of worker bees in the back helping with donations," she continued.

Nanny and Co-Chair Jobeth Corwin thought the Howard County Fair would be a great recruiting ground for new volunteers.

"Lots of our friends and long-time Howard County supporters visit the fair each and every year," Corwin said. "We thought what a great place it would be to draw them over and have a conversation with them and talk to them about volunteering at The Chalet."

"If we could just get them to commit to a couple of hours a week on a set day of the week, that would be fantastic," Nanny said.

The volunteers will be offering a drawing with a basket of goodies, in-

cluding a Coach purse and woman's bracelet, a wreath — all that were donated and a \$25 Chalet gift certificate. Also, information on Cars, Stars and Handlebars will be available as well as jobs available at Big Spring State Hospital.

The Chalet is located at 115 E. Second St. in downtown Big Spring. It is open Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Donations are accepted during working hours and up until about 2:30 p.m. For more information, call the Chalet at 432-263-0528.

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Betty Worthington, 80, died Friday. Graveside services will be at 2:00 PM today at Trinity Memorial Park Peace Chapel.

Alice Harris, 94, died Monday. Graveside services will be at 2:00 PM Saturday, at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Dewey "Dew" Glenn, 28, died Friday. He will lie in state from 9:00 AM to 9:00 PM today. A visitation will be from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

SCHOOL

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Thursday. Later that day, a person claiming to be the student's father posted about the incident on the Facebook group Big Spring Issues, a closed group claiming

more than 3,400 members.

"Anytime information relative to the safety of one of our students or staff members comes to the attention of campus or district administrators, appropriate, cautionary, and swift action is taken," Wigington said in the release.

"That's certainly the case with recent reports about a situation at one of our campuses. The Big Spring ISD is dedicated to the welfare of our students and staff. We will swiftly act to do whatever is necessary to maintain the safety of everyone involved," he added.

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Amarillo gives \$15 million for proposed Texas Tech vet school

LUBBOCK — The Amarillo City Council approved a \$15 million grant Tuesday from the Amarillo Economic Development Corporation (AEDC) to the Texas Tech University System to support the establishment of a new College of Veterinary Medicine in Amarillo.

The grant was approved at the Amarillo City Council meeting on recommendation from the AEDC. It is a major step forward for Texas Tech's vision of enhancing rural and large-animal veterinary medicine by providing an innovative model focused on improving animal health in the heart of the beef and dairy cattle industry.

"We are truly grateful to the Amarillo Economic Development Corporation and the City of Amarillo for their continued generosity and philanthropy to the Texas Tech University System and our universities," Texas Tech University System Chancellor Robert Dun-

can said. "Once again, they have stepped up to support our vision — this time for veterinary medicine and the needs of this community, our region and the agriculture industry."

The new veterinary college is expected to add 100 highly skilled jobs and approximately \$10 million in annual labor income to the Amarillo economy. Texas Tech's proposal will have an annual impact of more than \$76 million on the Amarillo economy and serve as a catalyst for industry partnerships and expanded research in food technology, animal health and prevention of disease outbreaks.

"Not only is this a wonderful opportunity for students seeking careers in veterinary medicine, particularly in a region known as the livestock capital of the United States, it's an investment in our community and economy," Amarillo Mayor Paul Harpole said.

The new veterinary college



will be built in Amarillo on the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center campus, which headquarters the School of Pharmacy and is home to the schools of Medicine, Nursing and Health Professions.

"The Amarillo Economic Development Corporation is proud to be a part of this investment in our community," said Doug Nelson, interim president and CEO of the AEDC. "Aside from the innovative educational opportunities the TTUHSC College of Veterinary Medicine will

offer to our local and regional students, this initiative is an investment into the future of the animal science and food technology industries in our region. The partnerships that will develop as a result of the new campus will solidify our area as an optimal location for companies interested in expansion or innovation opportunities in these two rapidly growing sectors."

In a report approved by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board in July, the need to address the critical shortage of rural and large-animal veterinarians in Texas was reinforced and a door was opened for Texas Tech to move forward with its plans to create a veterinary medicine college in Amarillo.

Texas Tech proposed a non-traditional model for a veterinary school when plans were announced in December. Building on established strengths at two of its universities, Texas Tech University and the Texas Tech Univer-

sity Health Sciences Center, the Texas Tech University System is creating a program tailored to address a specific need as identified by the report in a cost-efficient and innovative manner.

"Texas has a severe shortage of rural veterinarians who are crucial to the foundations of our economy, the vibrancy of our communities and the safety of our food supply," Duncan said. "There is no better place to transform the future of veterinary education and answer this call than in Amarillo, the heart of our nation's livestock production."

The new college will produce practice-ready veterinarians who serve and enhance rural communities throughout Texas while substantially reducing the cost of education at the same time. Texas Tech's model increases accessibility and affordability, while not duplicating the state's existing veterinary medicine efforts.

Election date remains big question for TRE opponents

By STEWART DOREEN

Midland Reporter Telegram via AP

If there has been one question that has driven debate leading up to Midland ISD's tax ratification election, it involves the election date.

The school board chose to set the election on Oct. 8, instead of one month later on the general election ballot. Early voting for the election begins today at the Midland County Elections Office at the County Annex, 2110 N. "A" St.

The school board in August chose Oct. 8 because members wanted a stand-alone election that would put the focus on this one issue. Midland ISD board President Rick Davis said there was no reason the community's "No. 1 priority" should be lost in the back-and-forth between presidential candidates Donald Trump and Hillary Clinton.

Since then, Davis also has defended the choice of date and the \$30,000 to \$50,000 cost — which is paid for by MISD — of holding a separate election. He said the October date allows tax bills to have accurate information when the Midland Central Appraisal District sends them out later that month. If the district had waited until November and the measure didn't pass, MISD would have to pay the cost of sending out new tax bills, and the price tag for sending out new bills is about the same as the election, Davis said.

MISD's reasoning hasn't stopped opponents from criticizing the district for the choice of election dates in op-eds, online and on talk radio. Those comments generally focus on two issues.

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Amid scrutiny, for-profit colleges see enrollment slide

By COLLIN

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Associated Press

Some of the nation's largest for-profit colleges are suffering steep declines in enrollment amid growing competition, new regulation and government pressure that led to the collapse this month of one of the industry's biggest players, ITT Technical Institute.

The industry has been losing students for the past six years, but the crisis appears to be deepening with alarming speed. In their latest corporate filings, some schools reported a pro-

nounced drop.

Enrollment at the University of Phoenix chain fell 22 percent this year, to 171,000 students, marking a 70 percent loss since 2010. DeVry University reported a 23 percent drop this year, to just under 26,500. Hondros College, a chain of nursing schools, slid 14 percent.

Meanwhile, community colleges are reaping the benefits.

In Columbus, Ohio, Beth Kulp withdrew from ITT Tech when she heard it was in trouble. She considered other nearby for-profit colleges but feared they

might close, too, so she transferred to Columbus State Community College.

"I didn't want to waste any time or money just to end up where the students at ITT ended up — with nothing," said Kulp, 34, who is studying to become a nurse.

For-profit colleges underwent years of rapid growth before seeing their fortunes change. With jobs more plentiful, fewer adults are going back to school, experts say. Traditional universities have lured students away with new online programs.

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And the Obama administration has cracked down on for-profit colleges amid allegations many were using aggressive recruiting tactics, lying about the success of their students, pushing them into risky loans and leaving them saddled with heavy debt and few job prospects.

Officials at many of these companies had no comment. But Steve Gunderson, president of Career Education Colleges and Universities, an industry lobbying group in Washington, said some schools are in danger of collapsing, in part because of "the incredible eight-year regulatory, ideological assault by the administration and their allies."

Under the updated federal rules, schools can no longer pay recruiters bonuses based on the number of students they enroll. The government has vowed to cut funding to academic programs if their graduates don't find jobs that pay well. And a new proposal would force colleges to repay student debt if they're found guilty of fraud.

Last month, the Education Department barred ITT Tech from enrolling new students on federal financial aid and ordered it to put up \$152 million as a kind of insurance in case it went out of business. The money was to be used to cover student refunds and other liabilities.

ITT reacted by closing all 130 of its campuses in 35 states, leaving 35,000 students in the lurch and

throwing 8,000 people out of work.

It was the second major chain to topple under government pressure. The 72,000-student Corinthian Colleges group agreed to sell or close its more than 100 campuses in 2014 amid fraud allegations.

Other chains have been accused of deception in scores of lawsuits and investigations, including DeVry and the University of Phoenix. One effect: The University of Phoenix saw the number of new students fall 38 percent this year.

Some schools say enrollment has also been hurt by a dispute that could cause hundreds of for-profit schools to lose their accreditation — and with it, their eligibility for federal financial aid. Federal education officials are considering whether to cut ties with the Accrediting Council of Independent Colleges and Schools, which is accused of overlooking misconduct at some colleges.

To cope with the drop-off in enrollment, some for-profit chains are scaling back. Since 2014, DeVry has closed 39 campuses and plans to shutter more in the upcoming year.

But some are starting to take cues from traditional universities, offering more scholarship money and focusing on improving their graduation rates, said Kevin Kinser, an education professor at Pennsylvania State University who studies the industry.

"What they're doing is investing in students so that students have positive outcomes," he said. "Before, they were focused on lobbying their way out of the problem."



AP Photo/Andrew Welsh-Huggins

Beth Kulp poses for a photo in Hilliard, Ohio. Kulp withdrew from the for-profit college ITT Tech in Columbus when she heard it was in trouble.

TRE

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The first is a guaranteed audience that will show up in November. That is pretty obvious, since more than 44,000 residents inside Midland County voted in the previous two November general elections.

The second is voter apathy. Voter turnout totals of past elections inside Midland County indicate that people generally don't care enough or aren't educated enough about local issues — especially compared to presidential elections — to drive to a voting site, even with two full weeks of early voting, to make their voice heard. Those who oppose a higher tax rate said the MISD board is taking advantage of the fact that people will not have the motivation to go to the polls twice (the tax ratification election and then general election). They also said that setting the election on a Saturday is a move to suppress voter turnout.

Midland ISD has held bond elections at the same time as presidential election and even won. The most recent bond election — the largest in the his-

tory of the city (\$163 million) — was held in November 2012 at the same time as the presidential election involving Barack Obama and Mitt Romney. Voters approved that bond by more than 20 points.

The last MISD election of comparable significance — a \$63 million bond — not held at the same time as a presidential election was in 2003. Nearly 15,000 people cast a ballot in that election. The bond passed by around 27 percent.

Tax ratification election campaign officials have said they are operating on the idea of a lower-turnout election. Co-chair Laura Roman told the Reporter-Telegram last week the campaign is targeting the consistent voters in Midland.

"We have looked at those who turned out in elections other than general elections," Roman said when asked about the final push for turnout. "The push will be targeted to those 15,000 voters that have the highest probability to show up for this election."

Tax ratification election 101

• What's on the ballot?

A 5-cent increase in the school district's maintenance and operations tax rate (from \$1.04 for \$100 valuation to

\$1.09). With a 2-cent drop in the interest and sinking (I&S) rate, an approved TRE will mean a net increase of 3 cents compared to last year (from \$1.14 to \$1.17 per \$100 valuation).

• What's the reason for the deficit?

The MISD school board is asking the voters for more revenue to deal with a higher school finance payment to Austin (\$53 million to be distributed to districts that are considered "property poor") and lower oil mineral valuations.

• What does the TRE mean to taxpayers?

The impact on a property assessed at \$200,000 (but with available homestead exemptions) would be \$46.50. Currently, the tax bill for that property is \$1,767, according to Midland ISD. The amount of school taxes will not increase for those who claim the 65-or-older exemption.

• What happens if the TRE fails?

The school board must cut another \$6.4 million from its budget. The school board has already cut nearly \$6 million from its budget, which originally called for comparable spending as last year.

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Psalm 91: 14-16

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Honesty and integrity

Proverbs 11:1-7 (ESV)

"A false balance is an abomination to the LORD, but a just weight is his delight. When pride comes, then comes disgrace, but with the humble is wisdom. The integrity of the upright guides them, but the crookedness of the treacherous destroys them. Riches do not profit in the day of wrath, but righteousness delivers from death. The righteousness of the blameless keeps his ways straight, but the wicked falls by his own wickedness. The righteousness of the upright delivers them,



GREG SURLES

but the treacherous are taken captive by their lust. When the wicked dies, his hope will perish, and the expectation of wealth perishes too."

Honesty and integrity seem to be qualities that are fading from our society, especially from the more popular people – politicians, celebrities, etc. I know there are still many good people out there, but everyone is susceptible to pride and arrogance. What are some lessons we can learn from the wise man from this passage?

1. God wants everyone to be honest and fair – People will say, "I just want a fair shake." Usually what that means is, "I don't like the way things turned out and I want to change them." We want to "tip the scales" in our favor. Paul wrote in Philippians 2:3-4, "Do nothing from rivalry or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others."

2. When we begin to justify our dishonesty, it will ultimately lead to our downfall – we may rationalize "cutting corners" here and there in the beginning. We may tell ourselves that we will only do it this one time, but our attitude can change because we like the results. We may gain financially by being dishonest or we may be seen as being successful by others.

3. Material things (money and possessions) will do us no good on the day of judgment – the richest person in the world will not be able to stand before the Lord and buy his way into heaven, and neither will you. Jesus said in Mark 8:36-37, "For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul? For what can a man give in return for his soul?"

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

Church News

Cornerstone Covenant Church

Cornerstone Covenant Church extends an invitation to the public to join them Sunday at 10:30 a.m. for fellowship, praise and worship, and the Word of God.

Tuesday at 6 p.m., the Soul Sisters small group will gather at Katheryn Lane's house. For address and further information, please contact the church office.

Wednesday at 7 p.m. is Mid-Week Bible Study. Men's and women's classes are combining during the month of September as Pastor Willard shares a teaching that will benefit both men and women.

Cornerstone Covenant Church will soon be offering seasonal Sunday school classes. The first class will be on the topic of marriage, and will be held in the Academic Resource Center from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. If you would be interested in attending, email Info@cccbigspring.org, call the church office, or register online at cccbigspring.org.

CCC is located at 706 E. 12th St. For office hours or other question about the ministry contact the church office at 432-264-0015. You can also visit facebook.com/CCCBigSpring or www.cccbigspring.org if you would like more information.

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 service 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, Pastor Ivins will share a message entitled "The Lost Brothers" which is taken from I Timothy 2:1-7 and Luke 15:1-2; 11-31. This sermon will help to frame the four-week series on prayer that begins in October.

On Wednesday, Pastor Ivins will continue a new study at the Noon Bible Study in Garrett Hall. Over the next several weeks, the pastor is teaching an overview series of the en-

tire Bible. This Wednesday, participants will examine selected passages from the Book of Judges. A meal will be served beginning at 11:50 a.m. for a small fee. All are welcome.

Real Life on Wednesday is in full swing as well. Supper is served from 5:30 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. A donation is requested for the meal. Wednesday's menu includes a choice of chicken spaghetti or Italian spaghetti, garlic bread and salad. A drink and dessert are included. Donations for the meal are requested.

Groups for all ages begin at 6 p.m. For adults, Dan Kiley is facilitating Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University and Pastor Ivins will continue a short course entitled "Unwrapping Your Spiritual Gifts."

The music ministry rehearses on Wednesdays. The Bridge Worship Band gathers for rehearsal each Wednesday at 6 p.m. in the Sanctuary; while the Celebration Choir rehearses each Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in the Music Suite on the second floor.

This Sunday, Dr. Charles Webb will be the guest organist during the 9 a.m. worship service. He will also present an organ concert on Sunday evening at 5 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Dr. Webb served as organist at First United Methodist Church during the 1960s. He was also instrumental in the design and installation of the church's 1966 Reuter Pipe Organ.

Webb was the long-time Dean of the Jacobs School of Music at Indiana University in Bloomington, Ind., before his retirement. During his tenure, the school of music grew to be one of the world's largest university-based music schools. Webb has written numerous hymns and hymn arrangements for the United Methodist hymnal. Now retired, he continues to make his home in Bloomington.

Also just around the corner is the biannual Lord's Acre. Slated for Saturday, Oct. 1, the Lord's Acre is a day-long event in Garrett Hall, which includes a bake sale, a live auction, a silent auction, and a delicious steak dinner at noon. A "Kids Korner" will also be available for children. All proceeds will fund various missions supported by First United Methodist Church.

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

First Christian Church

First Christian Church invites you

to join them this Sunday. Each Sunday begins with a fellowship hour featuring donuts and coffee, beginning at 9:15 a.m. Sunday school is at 9:45 in the parlor, and worship begins at 10:50 a.m.

Guest minister Joel Miller will be preaching a sermon called, "God's Word Is Alive" taken from the scripture Hebrews 4:12-16. Liturgist will be Mary Beth Johnson, and helping to serve at the Lord's Table will be Shelane Roberts and Dan Miracle.

Choir Director Tara Trowbridge and Music Director Lawrence Thibeault will lead the choir in various hymns, such as "Beneath the Cross of Jesus" and "More about Jesus Would I know," as well as "Peace be Upon You".

First Christian Church is located at 911 Goliad St. Big Spring. The office hours are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday. If you have any questions regarding their services or any goings on please call 432-517-4821.

Crestview Baptist Church

Sunday School at Crestview Baptist Church this Sunday begins at 10 a.m., and worship is at 11 a.m. Elder Tim Merki will preach the message this Sunday.

Sunday night at 6:30, Pastor Tom Lassiter will be teaching on Revelation chapter 17. On Wednesday night at 6:30, he will continue the study in Revelation.

Crestview Baptist is located at 2305 Gatesville Road. For more information visit the website at <http://1689lbc.wix.com/crestviewbaptist>

Blessed Hands Deaf Church

Pastor Jim Walterhouse, his wife Julie, and the people of Blessed Hands Deaf Church invite you to join them for worship services Sunday at 10:50 a.m. or 2 p.m. Blessed Hands Deaf Church meets inside First Baptist Church at 705 W. FM 700. For detailed information about BHDC, including Wednesday night schedule and activities, contact Pastor Jim at jwalterhouse@gmail.com.

First Baptist Church

"...I will rejoice in the LORD, I will be joyful in God my Savior." – Habakkuk 3:18.

Join the people of First Baptist Church Sunday at 10:50 a.m. and 6 p.m. for worship services.

This week, Pastor Mark Lindsey will bring the morning message titled "True Light". Drawn from John 1:4-5, these scriptures discuss Christ as The Light. Under the direction of Music Minister Alan Schantz, the worship choir will bring the music offering "God of Heaven".

Those with mobility issues may use the west circle drive, and someone will assist you inside and park your vehicle. If you are unable to attend, you can join the service through the live stream on the website at fbcbigspring.org.

At 9:30 a.m. Sun-

day School classes meet throughout the building. Pastor Lindsey will continue the "New Beginnings" class in room 240, which is focused on exploring the beliefs, practices, and structure of FBC. This class is designed for new members and those desiring to learn more about FBC. All Sunday School groups are an excellent way to study the Bible and form lasting friendships. Come early to enjoy a time of fellowship and coffee; greeters are available to help you find a class.

All area children are invited to participate in Kids' Connection at 5:30 p.m. Led by Children's Minister Justin Green, this is a fun time of Bible based activities, songs, and games. There is no fee to attend.

Teens gather at 6 p.m. at the Raffini's home. There will be a snack supper, and a time of Bible study and fellowship. If you need a ride, the bus will leave the east/kitchen parking lot at 5:50. Contact Youth Pastor Jonathan Raffini at 270-8332 for more information.

Evening worship service begins at 6 p.m., and Pastor Mark continues the message series from Ephesians. Based on Ephesians 1:13-14, this week's evening sermon is titled "Saved, Sealed, and Secure".

The annual "See You at the Pole" prayer event for area schools is this Wednesday. Most schools will begin the event at 7 am, but you should check with your school for confirmation of time and location. There will also be a "Saw You at the Pole" rally that evening, hosted by Circle 6 Camp in Stanton. Attendees will leave the church by bus at 6 p.m., and return to Big Spring around 9 p.m. Cost is \$2, and includes supper. Contact Jonathan Raffini at 270-8332 with questions.

Registration is now underway online for the upcoming season of Upward Basketball. Go to fbcbigspring.org to sign your child up or call 267-8223 if you would like to volunteer to help.

Wednesday evening activities begin with a meal served in the Family Life Center from 5 to 6 p.m., followed by prayer time and Adult Bible study, Adult worship choir, Saturate Youth group for teens, and Real LYF for children. Parmesan Chicken is on the menu this week.

FBC is located at 705 W. FM 700.

Birdwell Lane Church of Christ

Sunday services at Birdwell Lane Church of Christ include Bible study at 9 a.m., worship at 10 a.m., and evening worship at 5 p.m. Bible study this week will focus on Leviticus 25, while the worship message will be on the Holy Spirit and evening worship will focus on caring for the elderly.

Wednesday, Ladies' Class is scheduled for 9:30 a.m., and singing and devotional is slated for 7 p.m.

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

Midway Baptist Church

Midway Baptist Church, 6200 South Service Road in Sand Springs, will host Andrea Thompson, a concert evangelist, Sunday, Oct. 2, at 11 a.m. A veteran of several national and international tours, Andrea has pre-

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Did you ever wonder?

Water in the desert

Nearly 38 years have passed between the instructions about the Red Heifer in Numbers 19 and Numbers 20. Numbers 20 tells about Miriam's death in the Wilderness of Zin. Probably they are placed together to emphasize the benefit that the nation of Israel received from Miriam's presence.

Miriam had been a prophetess from childhood, meaning that she was very close to the Lord. Her joy was to sing and praise Him. She often led the women in singing and dancing before the Lord in praise and worship.

The first generation of the people who left Egypt was very despondent because they realized they would never see the land that was promised to Abraham and his descendants. When Miriam died at Kadesh, the people began to notice that they were without water! What a startling realization! Wherever they had gone in the desert they had found water. The sages phrased it "the water followed them" as long as Miriam lived.

The multitude did not believe God would give them water. They became angry at Moses and Aaron because they did not lead them to water! So Mo-

ses and Aaron prayed.

God told Moses to take his staff that had turned into a serpent in Pharaoh's court and gather the elders. God told Moses to "speak" to the rock in front of these witnesses so that they will see the rock give its water at Moses' command. At an earlier time God had told Moses to tap the rock twice with his staff to bring forth water.

However, Moses was angry that the people now blamed him for the lack of water. You can hear his frustration. He said, "Listen now, O rebels, must we give you water?" And in his frustration Moses struck the rock twice.

He should have said, "God will give you water from this rock," and touched the rock with his staff. Do you envision these weary travelers, each holding his little cup and waiting in line for his turn to get water? No! These people thought they were about to die of thirst. They would have turned into a mob, pushing and shoving, trampling the weaker people!

This was probably the Split Rock I spoke of earlier that Jim and Penny Caldwell found in the Arabian Desert. It stands three or four stories high. It is split from top to bottom with space for a person to walk between the halves.

You can see that the topsoil has been deeply eroded all the way down the mountain, ending in

a valley. The water would have filled about a 40 or 50 acre lake.

All the people and all their livestock could have drunk at the same time. God's miracles can be small and quiet, but sometimes they can be overwhelming... take your breath away... large!

God performed His miracle of water from the rock just as He had planned it. But He did not overlook that Moses had slighted God!

God spoke to Moses and Aaron, "Because you did not believe in Me to sanctify Me in the eyes of the Children of Israel, therefore you will not bring this congregation to the Land that I have given them."

Can you imagine the heartbreak Moses and Aaron experienced? They had the opportunity to glorify God before a large congregation, and they failed. God loved them dearly, but they would not be rewarded by getting to go to the Promised Land.

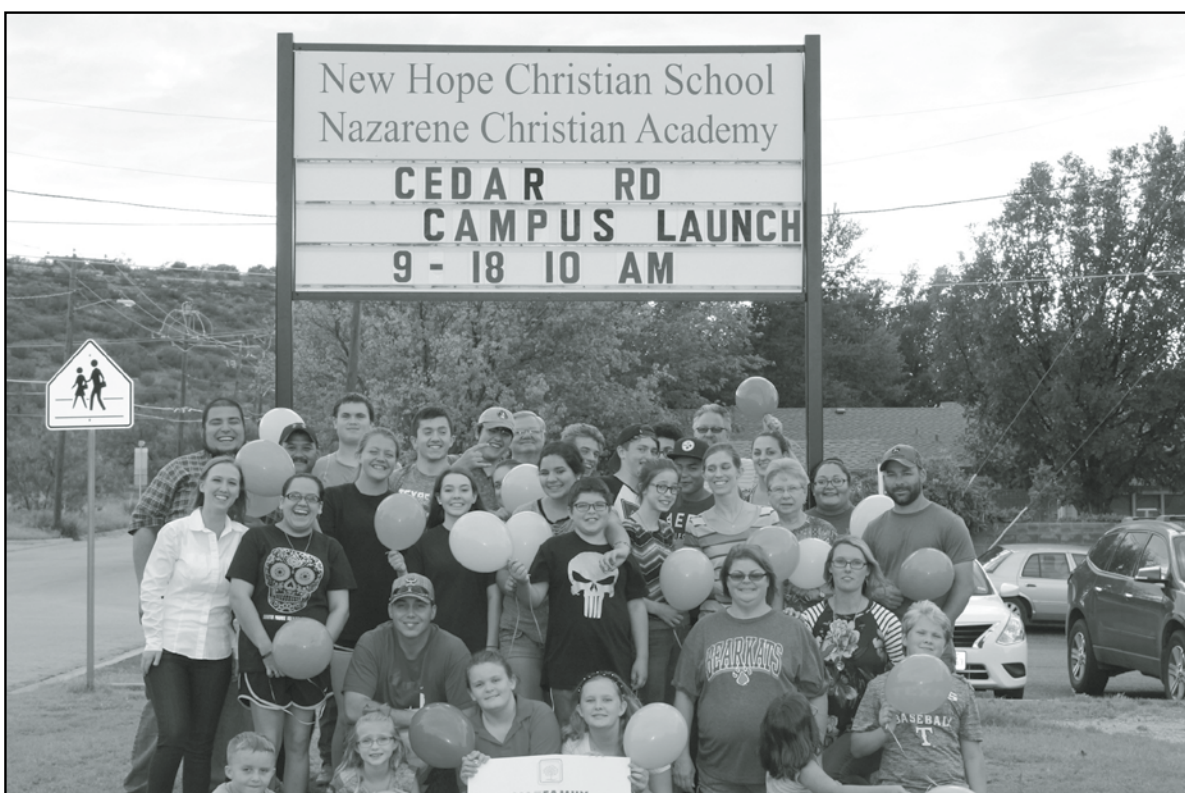
This congregation of people wavered between praising God when everything went good and blaming Him when the going got tough. Once again, I point out how near we all stand to Korah with his fist upraised!

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



EUNICE
FILLER

A new place to worship



Courtesy photo

Big Spring's First Church of the Nazarene has started a new Sunday morning worship service in the cafeteria of New Hope Christian School. Here, the congregation celebrates the grand opening of the new location last Sunday.

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sented the gospel in song to churches and universities in Toronto, Canada, as well as Washington, D.C.; Germany; Austria; Switzerland; Australia; and Rio de Janeiro. A nursery will be provided and a love offering will be taken. If you have any questions, contact Mark Bird at 903-292-3583.

Saturday, Oct. 8, Midway will have a car show and silent auction from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. All proceeds benefit the Midway Baptist Youth Group. If you have an antique or classic car, truck, or motorcycle you would like to show, contact Greg Moore at 432-816-3375 before Oct. 7 to reserve a spot. The entry fee is \$10. The schedule will be: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.: Cars on display, silent auction in the Fellow-

ship Hall; 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.: Lunch served (hamburgers, hotdogs, drinks and ice cream floats - donations will be accepted); 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.: Auction winners will be announced along with trophy presentation for the car show - "Best of Show" and "People's Choice" trophies will be given. If you would like to donate an item or baked goods for the silent auction please contact Carole Madry at 432-268-9191.

Sunday services at Midway start with Bible study at 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship begins at 11 a.m. Randy Cotton will preaching this Sunday at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. For more information visit midwaybcbigspring.com or email at midwaybaptist@gmail.com.

First Church of the Nazarene

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week, Pastor Cal will continue the series titled "I Love My Church." You can view the service at either the 118 Cedar Road or 1400 Lancaster campus. NazFamily invites you to visit either location. You can also listen each Sunday to KBST 95.7 at 10 a.m. for a live broadcast of the service. The church's motto is "Loving others, loving God, and loving community."

Small group information can be found by visiting the website at nazfamily.org.

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

Wednesday night's weekly prayer service starts at 6:30 p.m. at both NazFamily campuses.

Contact the church office at 432-267-7015 for more information.

Spring Creek Fellowship

Oct. 9 to 11 will be the fall youth event, "CHOICES," with guest speaker Ken Freeman.

All men are invited to experience "Warrior Weekend." This event is scheduled for Oct. 14 to 16 at Prescott Ranch outside of Blanco, Texas. Activities will include camping, fishing and hiking, and trap and target shooting. A \$20 suggested donation is requested to help with food cost. If you are interested, call 432-714-4584 for more information.

The "Cheeze Nips" Women's Ministry is going to have a Pumpkin Patch at Spring Town Plaza parking lot from Oct. 17 to 31. Volunteers and a few items are needed to make this event a success. If you are interested,

you can sign up in the foyer or contact Jen at 432-425-5141. The Pumpkin Patch will be open Monday through Saturday from 12 noon to 8 p.m., and Sundays 2 to 6 p.m. This is the annual fundraiser for the Cheeze Nips Women's Ministry. The patch will offer a variety of pumpkins from tiny to giant. There will also be a variety of gourds. Families can come and sit for story time offered throughout the day, plus games and other family-friendly activities. It is designed to be a fun place for fall family pictures, too. The Pumpkin Patch will be cash only.

"People Caring for People" is a ministry serving local widows with small projects and "honey do" kinds of things. This ministry has no operating budget, so repairs are made with donations. If you would like to be a part of this ministry, either in a "hands on" way or by donation, please contact Bob Abendshan at 432-528-7397. Some recent projects include a wheelchair ramp, kitchen repair/cabinet installation and minor electrical repair/outlet installation.

New Connection Groups are in session now. The new offerings include: "Blending Families" - a class for remarried couples with children; "Ready to launch" - for parents; and "Hebrews" - a study of the book of Hebrews. Continuing classes include "Walking through the Gospel" and "Men's 33."

Check out the Operation Christmas Child store in the church foyer. Items to be placed into the Christmas shoe boxes are available for purchase, or you can make a donation towards the purchase of items. The goal is to send 120 boxes to children overseas this year. Contact Sue Smith or Dana Tompkins for more information.

Men's Bible Study meets on Thursday nights from 7 to 9 p.m. The title of the study is "To Live is Christ, To Die is Gain".

The current session of the Pain Management Group meets Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. Contact Steve Purdy for

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Reflections:

Brand new grandson Eli

Today I held Eli for the first time. Eli is my grandson, born Sept. 16 to our daughter Allison and son-in-law Noah. A harvest moon baby!

I have experienced the birth of my three children. It took five years for our second son to be born, and eight more years before our daughter.

I have witnessed the birth of five grandchildren before Eli. With each one, the miracle and mystery becomes more astounding. How does this happen? From a few microscopic cells, from the union of a man and a woman who find each other, in nine short months, a human being is born.

As I watched my daughter cradling her newborn son, I thought about her birth. She was born the year I turned 40. My wife was 37. We had two sons, ages 13 and eight. We had not expected any more children. On our first visit to the doctor, he asked if we wanted to terminate the pregnancy.

We sat dumbfounded by his question. We looked at each other for a moment and said, "No." This was not a pregnancy. This was our child. We wanted this child. We would do nothing to risk her full and complete health. We changed doctors.



BILL TINSLEY

Eight months later, Allison was born, as perfect a daughter a father could ever wish to hold. I rocked her to sleep every night and sang songs to her about Jesus until she finally told me she thought she was too old to be rocked any more. Those were treasured moments when I celebrated God's gift of our daughter. Moments when I often reflected on the doctor's question.

Years later I started writing poetry and wrote a poem about the daughter God gave us:

You came into my life unexpected,
unrequested, unplanned and unknown,
bursting the bands of my being,
redefining and rewriting
the schemata of my soul.

You appeared to me:
a formless faded phantom on a screen,
echoes of flesh, a beating heart,
tiny fetal foot reflected in the womb
of your mother.

We wanted you, longed for you,
waited for you, prayed for you,
prepared for you:
a room, built with my own hands,
a yellow crib and mobile,

fluffy toys and dolls,
to greet you when you came ...
home.

And you came,
revealing my arrogant ignorance,
that I could think my world complete;
that I could live if you were not;
that life could be without you;
that life could be again in your going.

You pose the question in my mind,
with your smile, your girlish giggle,
the stroking of your cat,
the tears upon your cheek,
the weight of your slumbering body
at rest in mine, curled up in the arms
of a big blue chair:
"What is there I know not that I have not
and could not live without?"

So, today I held Eli, my daughter's son, and reflected on God's miracle, His goodness and His grace.

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

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more information.

The new kitchen is taking shape. Cabinets, sink, and a center island have been installed, and the church continues taking donations to complete the project. If you would like to contribute or would like more information, please contact the church office or come to worship on Sunday morning.

The Mother's Day Out program is now in session on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. for children ages six weeks through four years old. Contact Donna Sue Looney for more information.

Take a look at our "Spring Creek App". With this app you can make tithes/donations, leave messages, send prayer requests, follow prayer chains and learn about upcoming events from your phone. The app will also have a Bible reading plan and a "Baby On Board" feature highlighting new babies coming to the church; and information about Vacation Bible School. Go to the app store on your smart phone and search for "Spring Creek Fellowship." 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 28)

Friday-
7-8 p.m.- Narcotics Anonymous

Saturday-
7:30 a.m.-Weekly Men's Prayer Breakfast and Fellowship
10:00 a.m.-"Sowing Seeds of Hope" Crafting fellowship

Spring Creek Fellowship meets at the Spring Town Plaza at 1801 E. FM. Contact the church at 432-714-4584, or visit the website at www.springcreek-fellowship.org for more information.
"Every Member a Minister"-1 Peter 4:10 NKJV

First Presbyterian Church

First Presbyterian Church is celebrating its 125th year as a congregation; Saturday, Nov. 12, and Sunday, Nov. 13, are the dates for reunion and worship with all the former members and current members.. At the moment, the planning committee needs names and addresses of former members and friends of the church so that they can be notified in time to return for the event. Anyone having names and addresses is asked to bring those to the church office as soon as possible.
On Wednesday, the Lectionary

Bible Study, led by Craig Holstedt, meets at 5 p.m. in the church library. Please note that the Bible Study time has been changed to 5 p.m. to give more time for study and discussion. The Chancel Choir rehearses Wednesday at 6 p. m.

Yearbooks for Presbyterian Women for 2016-2017 are available at the church or from Susan Holstedt, Patti Horton, or Helen Glass. The yearbook contains meeting times and dates, as well as a complete list of all addresses and phone numbers for the women in our church.

Presbyterian Women will begin the year with a luncheon this Tuesday in the Fellowship Hall. Women from both Coahoma Presbyterian Church and Big Spring First Presbyterian are invited to this meeting. After lunch Helen Glass will lead the Intro and Lesson 1 of this year's study "Who Do You Say Jesus Is?" written by Judy Yates Siker.

Deborah Jones is in charge of Take Ten for this Sunday. Helen and Lynn Glass and Vicki and Mark McLean are ushers for the month, and Jenn Patterson is lector, but Glen Burch was acting lector last Sunday.

Sunday evening activities include children's choir at 5:30 p.m., youth dinner at 6:00 p.m., handbell choir at 6:30 p.m., youth group at 7:15 p.m.

The lectionary for the 19th Sunday after Pentecost (or 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time) is Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15; Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16; 1 Timothy 6:6-19; Luke 16:19-31. Rev. Craig Holstedt will deliver the sermon. The Chancel Choir will present "On Eagle's Wings" by Michael Joncas as the anthem. Organist Laura Holleman will present "Nicaea" by Calvin Hampton as the offertory.

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

If you cannot attend worship, you can listen in on KBST 1490 AM, beginning at 11:00 a.m. If you want a printed bulletin for Sunday services, please call the church office at 263-4211. You can also see what's happening at the church by visiting the website www.fpchs.org. On the website, you can find a link to several recent sermons by the Rev. Craig Holstedt.

Alive in Christ Lutheran Church LCMS

"Celebrating and Sharing God's Love and Grace in our lives".

Bible Study and Sunday School begin at 9:30 a.m. and Sunday service begins at 10:30 a.m. If you are new to



the area or haven't been to church before or in a while, you are invited for worship this Sunday.

Bo Vizcaino will present the scripture readings this week.

Wednesday night Bible study will begin again soon. More information to come soon about the new Bible Study.

Tune in to KBYG on 106.3 FM or 1400 AM between 6:45 and 6:50 every morning for a devotional entitled "Morning Meditation Thoughts" sponsored in part by the Lutheran Hour. Also tune in every Sunday morning at 8:30 to listen to the Lutheran Hour.

Alive in Christ Lutheran Church is located at 2805 Lynn Drive in the Kentwood neighborhood in Big Spring. To connect with them call 432-264-7818,

or e-mail aliveinchristtx@gmail.com.

Church representatives can email church news and events to life@bigspringherald.com by noon Wednesday for inclusion in the Friday Religion pages.

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 22-24:
Howard County Fair:
Howard County Fair Grounds.
www.hcfair.org/

October 1:
Big Spring Symphony Presents:
"Festival Opening Concert"
Municipal Auditorium, 7:30 pm

October 1:
5th Annual Fundraiser sponsored by Guardians of the Children Wildcat Chapter:
Eagles Lodge 4pm-11:30pm

October 6:
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Houston linebacker Steven Taylor, left, sacks Cincinnati quarterback Hayden Moore during the second half of an NCAA college football game, Thursday, Sept. 15, 2016, in Cincinnati. Houston won 40-16.

No. 6 Houston rising behind stingy defense

By MARK ROSNER
Associated Press

While dazzling quarterback Greg Ward Jr. has gotten the lion's share of the attention during Houston's rise to prominence, the sixth-ranked Cougars have dominated this season behind one of the nation's top defenses.

That unit, led by linebacker Steven Taylor and freshman lineman Ed Oliver, has capitalized on turnovers and kept opponents out of the end zone.

Houston (3-0) ranks 11th nationally in total defense (257.7 yards a game), 13th in yards (13 points a game) and first against the run (38.3 yards). The Cougars returned two interceptions for touchdowns during the fourth quarter of a 40-16 win at Cincinnati last week. Houston limited Oklahoma to 70 rushing yards and Cincinnati to 30.

Second-year coach Tom Herman, an offensive wizard who remains on everyone's short list for prominent vacancies

after the season, credits defensive coordinator Todd Orlando, who left Utah State to join the Houston staff.

"I knew what kinds of defenses kept me up at night as an offensive coordinator, so I knew I wanted to run that kind of defense," said Herman, whose team is heavily favored in a nonconference game at Texas State on Saturday.

Taylor, a senior, produced nine tackles, including two sacks, and

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5 things for Week 4: Chubb's chance; Pressure on Malzahn

By RALPH D. RUSSO

AP College Football Writer

Week 4 of the college football season has the Southeastern Conference in the spotlight as a couple teams try to break long losing streaks to their opponents, and a few coaches face referendum games with their fanbases.

BEST GAME

No. 10 Texas A&M vs. No. 17 Arkansas at Arlington, Texas.

No. 14 Tennessee-No. 19 Florida probably has the most pressure in one team — hello, Volunteers. No. 12 Georgia-No. 23 Mississippi has star power with Nick Chubb, Chad Kelly and the potential for a bunch of points. But we'll go Razorbacks and Aggies, who have gone to overtime each of the last two seasons.

It's very early, but the winner has to feel as if it could be the team in the SEC West to push Alabama. That's especially the case of the Aggies, who could come out of this 2-0 in conference with both wins coming away from College Station.

A game inside the game to watch: Texas A&M defensive end Myles Gar-



AP Photo/Sam Craft

This Sept. 10, 2016, file photo shows Texas A&M defensive lineman Myles Garrett (15) spying on Prairie View A&M quarterback Janen Morton (12) during an NCAA college football game in College Station, Texas.

rett, maybe the best defensive player in the country, against Arkansas left tackle Dan Skipper, a 6-foot-10 NFL prospect. Garrett gets moved around and the Aggies' other end, Daeshon Hall is good, too. It'll be interesting to see if the long reach of Skipper helps can fend off Garrett, who has three sacks.

HEISMAN WATCH

Chubb is averaging 121 yards rush-

ing per game and has scored three touchdowns. Solid work, but not exactly stuff that will get him into the Heisman Trophy conversation.

He has a good chance to grab attention in Oxford, Mississippi. The Rebels' run defense ranks near the bottom of the SEC at 4.99 yards allowed per carry, but Kelly and the Rebels are

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Local golf results

Permian Basin Playday at Comanche Trail Park Golf Course

Tuesday's final results

First flight

First gross, Denise Carbajal, 74, Ratliff Ranch Golf Course; second gross, Debra Lusk, 84, Comanche Trail Golf Course

First net, Debbie Peden, Odessa Country Club; second net, Alice Watkins, Andrews Country Club

Low putts: Linda DeWaters, 29, Comanche Trail Golf Course

Second flight

First gross, Cathy Scott, 88, Ratliff Ranch Golf Course; second gross, Vickie Purcell, 89, Comanche Trail Golf Course

First net, Lorraine Wilson, 65, Ratliff Ranch Golf Course; second net, Mary Molnar, 68, Hogan Park Golf Course

Low putts: Eileen Jones, 31, Ratliff Ranch Golf Course

Third flight

First gross, Liz Lara, 93, Ratliff Ranch Golf Course; second gross, Mary Jane Belden, 101, Hogan Park Golf Course

First net, Patsy Sharpnack, 71, Comanche Trail Golf Course; second net, Shirley Pendleton, 74, Green Tree Country Club

Low putts: Pebble Corbell, Ranchland Hills Golf Club

Four hours and counting: Some NCAA games turn into marathons

By DAVID BRANDT

AP Sports Writer

If you're watching a college football game this weekend, go ahead and get comfortable.

It could take a while.

Major NCAA football games continue to last much longer than their NFL counterparts. The NCAA's statistics show the average FBS game has lasted 3 hours and 25 minutes through the first two weeks of the season, compared to a few minutes over 3 hours for the NFL, according to statistics supplied by the league.

No. 23 Mississippi has already played two

games that have topped four hours this season. The Rebels' 45-34 loss to Florida State took 4:04 to complete while last weekend's 48-43 loss to top-ranked Alabama lasted 4:02.

In the sweat-soaked aftermath of the Ole Miss-Alabama game — which was played on a day when the temperatures approached 90 degrees in Mississippi — Crimson Tide coach Nick Saban said that there were coaches and players who needed IVs.

Ole Miss coach Hugh Freeze acknowledged the Alabama game felt particularly long.

"It's definitely some-

thing that has to be looked at," Freeze said. "Certainly for the fan experience. Both teams — there were a lot of players cramping. It was a physical game."

Ole Miss isn't the only team that's dealt with lengthy games. Troy's 37-31 victory over Southern Mississippi last weekend took 4:12, while California's thrilling 50-43 win over Texas lasted 3:56.

The gap between NFL and NCAA game times has existed for years, but is slightly more pronounced so far this season.

While fans might gripe about constant

TV commercials and lengthy delays while officials review calls on instant replay, both the NFL and NCAA have to deal with those issues.

Rogers Redding, the former national coordinator of officials who sits on the NCAA's football rules committee, says there are a few key differences in NCAA and NFL games that could lead to the NCAA's unique issues. Among them:

— Halftime: A normal halftime in the NFL lasts 12 minutes — though there's usually a delay as teams head to the locker rooms — while the NCAA's usual

break is 20 minutes. Halftime at both levels can be lengthened for certain situations, such as a special ceremony, but a college game's halftime is almost always longer thanks to band performances and other pageantry.

— Clock rules: The NFL and NCAA have slightly different clock rules, including after a team gains a first down. In the NFL, the clock continues to run after a first down while in the NCAA, there is a stoppage while the referee positions the ball and the chain crew on the sidelines readjusts its position.

"I do think there's some merit in doing what the NFL does on first downs," Freeze said.

But overall, there isn't a huge push to shorten the college game. Redding said he didn't sense it was a pressing issue.

So sit back, relax and grab some extra snacks. It doesn't look like college games are going to get shorter any time soon.

"I don't mean to sound flippant, but most fans make college football an all-day event anyway," Redding said. "They're already in the stadium, so I'm not sure if they care that much."

Astros lose ground in wild card race with 2-0 loss to Nolasco and Angels



AP Photo/David J. Phillip

Los Angeles Angels' Andrelton Simmons, left, slides under the tag of Houston Astros shortstop Carlos Correa as he steals second base during the ninth inning of a baseball game Thursday in Houston.

HOUSTON (AP) — The Houston Astros don't have enough time for their bats to go quiet like they did Thursday night.

Albert Pujols hit a two-run homer in the first inning and Ricky Nolasco pitched seven solid innings, helping the Los Angeles Angels hinder the Astros' wild-card hopes with a 2-0 victory.

The Angels ended an 11-game skid and pushed Houston 1 1/2 game behind the Tigers for the second AL wild card.

"We're not perfect," Houston manager A.J. Hinch said. "I don't know if anybody is going to run the table, and I think losses anytime of the

year hurt. These obviously hurt when you're glued to what's going on."

Pujols homered into the Crawford Boxer in left field, helping Los Angeles move to 2-11 against the Astros this season.

"It's nice to win," Los Angeles manager Mike Scioscia said. "We have played some tough games. Those guys have had our number. They're a tough team. They have played well against us, but we are going to keep playing hard."

Nolasco (7-14) gave up five singles and struck out five. He did not allow a baserunner past second. Nolasco had a second straight score-

less start after throwing six shutout innings Saturday against Toronto.

"I was spinning the ball pretty good," Nolasco said. "I thought I was feeling the strike zone for the most part. I was challenging with fastballs when I had to. I was pitching off some good breaking balls to keep them off balanced."

JC Ramirez pitched the eighth before Andrew Bailey pitched the ninth for his fifth save.

Mike Fiers (11-8) allowed two runs and four hits with a season-high nine strikeouts in 6 1/3 innings.

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The Court reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

#9179 September 16 & 23, 2016

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DISTRICT 08 Rule 37 Case No. 0301789 DATE OF ISSUANCE: September 22, 2016 Status/Permit No. 818460 NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Oct 27, 2016 Address: Railroad Commission of Texas ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit P.O. Box 12967 Austin, Texas 78711-2967 Fax: (512) 463-6780 Email: SWR37@RRC.TEXAS.GOV

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the JPM EOC OPERATING, INC., [RRC Operator No. 448014] has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statute Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the lease line distance requirement because the Applicant is less than the required Rule 37 lease line distance to an unleased or non-pooled interest within the subject unit for the NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 29, Bk. 32 T1N, T&P RR CO Survey, A-142, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, HOWARD County, being 3.1 miles NE direction from BIG SPRING, Texas.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted **WITHOUT A HEARING** if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and

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THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

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Nearest Well on Lease (ft) :
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1133.0 F S
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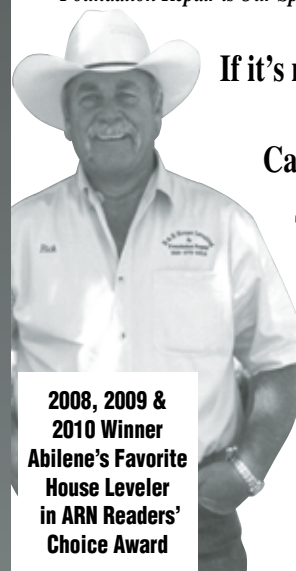
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Libra Solar Shift

It takes a heightened awareness to find the answers under this current change of sky. The sun has moved from analytical Virgo to balanced Libra. Use all of your observational powers, including your olfactory sense, to solve life's mysteries. Most people can smell the truth -- if, in fact, the truth is what they really want to know.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). How have your choices, for better or worse, landed you here? It's the question you'll keep asking yourself. In order to make your next move you have to understand your last one.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You haven't a clue what's coming, and the surprise of that makes life interesting for you. A fantastic new circle of friends will celebrate your ideas and support your plans.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). In the same way that flowers can't recognize their own beauty and grizzly bears don't think of themselves as ferocious, you have this talent that's so close to you that you can't even see it.

CANCER (June 22-

Tomorrow's Horoscope

July 22). How will you control the wild energy? Never doubt that there's a way to tame and direct it to create huge beauty in the world. A Sagittarius or Aquarius will be your ally in this endeavor.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). It's more than a cliché: Everyone is busy. It's almost gotten to the point of being a contest -- not a contest you'd want to win, though. Clear some space. Somehow, when you are less busy, you'll get more accomplished.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Someone is pressuring you to move before you are ready. Don't buy into that person's time frame; you have your own! That someone has a different sense of pacing doesn't make your pace wrong.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Needing to be the best can help you break records and push back limitations. It can also create the kind of tunnel vision that disables you to see the bigger picture. Be extra mindful of the space and feelings of those around you.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). It's not always easy to let go of the baggage. The current nugget of emotional dead weight you're trying to drop might require more work. Celebrate your small steps.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Brainstorm. You'll have a good sense, when all is said and done, what the best ideas really were. Allowing yourself that space to explore, well, that's crucial. The elements will fall in place and you'll do very well.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). There's nothing quite so poignant as

outgrowing your mentor, parent or teacher. This is what you're facing now -- the bittersweet goodbye to your wide-eyed point of view.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You're trying to go back, and yet there is no "back." All your opinions are changing. What happened then will be colored by what you now know, which is a lot more and better.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). If a partner is looking for reasons your relationship won't work out, this is a sign that it won't -- though not for the reasons they reach for. You're better than this. You'll be blessed when heavy baggage leaves your life.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Sept. 23). It's a year of high ambition, and, remarkably, you'll match your aims. Whoever stimulates that dreamy side of your personality is a true godsend. You'll appreciate, give to and help the ones who support you, and in return you'll all be lifted high. January brings hot discussion and fast travel. Aquarius and Gemini adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 9, 6, 44, 29 and 11.

WEEKEND LOVE FORECAST: ARIES: There is no reason to feel insecure. You are held in the highest esteem. Believe it, and pay it forward. TAURUS: You want to be around a person who is secure enough not to demand attention through questions or shows. The strong, silent type will draw you in. GEMINI: Your plan for fun matches the plan that someone else made. Could this person be your soul mate?

CANCER: Being able to tell your story well is not a skill to be underestimated. LEO: There are certain people who would find you no matter where you were. It's like they were meant to find you. VIRGO: Your smile lights up when that certain person looks your direction. This is love. LIBRA: The change you're thinking of making for another person will benefit you too, so just do it. SCORPIO: Getting along with your loved one's friends is part of the day -- the hard part. SAGITTARIUS: The way you greet a person and leave a person are signature parts of your style, worthy of contemplation and refinement. CAPRICORN: What you choose for entertainment will make the score. AQUARIUS: The last person to leave the party will be the first person on your mind. PISCES: You don't have to tell all. There's enough truth in the part that pertains to them.

COUPLE OF THE WEEKEND: Libra and Cancer will feel the delicious cosmic tension this weekend as the sun favors Libra and the moon favors its Cancer home. These two normally make amazing business partners but love comes into the mix now and that works just as well, so long as both feel heard. These are artistically inclined individuals, and they need to feel like life is supporting their creations.

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Annie's Mailbox

Facebook account when I was trying to set one up for him so he could use it to receive some promotional offers. I then discovered that he was searching for old girlfriends, singles sites, pornography and other women on Facebook for two years behind my back.

Some of the women my husband was looking up on Facebook were our daughter's age or even a couple of years younger. We live in a small town, and some of these women work where he gets his hair cut, where we bank or at other places where we do business. He visited several of the women's Facebook pages multiple times. This is all very disturbing to me. When I try to discuss this with him, he gets extremely defensive and becomes angry with me. I am hurt

and don't believe that what he is doing is right. Please help. -- Feeling Very Broken

Dear Broken: The only one who should feel broken is your husband. Honesty is the cornerstone of a healthy marriage.

Though it's definitely questionable that he's been browsing (very) young women's Facebook pages, there could at least plausibly be innocent explanations for that. The alarm bells sounded for me when you mentioned that he has been on singles sites. This could indicate offline, real-life infidelity.

Talk to him about going to marriage counseling. If he refuses, then consider separation or divorce. It's better to live alone than with a louse.

Dear Annie: My wife's nephew and his wife, "Susie," moved from Oregon to Pennsylvania last year for him to go to graduate school. Recently, there was a collectors show that I was going to about two hours from where they now live. I suggested to my wife that if she wanted to visit them, I could drop her off at their condo Thursday afternoon and then go to the show. I returned Sunday morning for us to leave for home on Monday.

When we got back to their condo, I noticed Susie standing in the kitchen eating something from a bowl. She then went into the living room to continue eating. My wife has a restricted diet, and as she was getting out her lunch fixings, she asked her nephew whether there was some bread to make a sandwich. After some digging, "Bob" did find a couple of pieces in the freezer. I found the dynamics a bit peculiar but thought, "No big deal."

Then, after we got back home, my wife told me about Bob and Susie's breaking out the chocolate ice cream after I had gone to bed Sunday night. (Ice cream is not

part of my wife's restricted diet, and they knew it from the previous day.) I feel that their handling of food and meals was clueless, if not outright rude. I have no desire for a return visit because of that. When I mentioned a future trip by their town next summer, my wife said she wants to include a return visit. I have no desire to subject myself to a repeat episode. Help. -- Snubbed for Snacks

Dear Snubbed: I'm a little confused here. If it didn't bother your wife, the one with the food restrictions, I'm not really sure why it bothered you. It's her family and her diet restrictions, so I would let her take the lead as to whether or not to go back. Also, if she's on a tightly restricted diet, it would be best to pack snacks and small meals of her own when traveling.

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Secret Facebook Account

Dear Annie: My husband and I have been married for over 20 years. We've had our share of highs and lows during our time together. However, recently I discovered some things that are really bothering me.

My husband always said he didn't "do the whole Facebook thing." I discovered he's been lying about not having a

Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Bidding quiz

You are South, both sides vulnerable. The bidding has been: South West North East 1 ♠ Pass 1 ♥ 1 ♣ ?

What would you bid now with each of the following six hands? 1. ♠ Q94 ♥ Q2 ♦ K83 ♣ AQ765 2. ♠ 42 ♥ KQ83 ♦ AK ♣ KQJ73 3. ♠ 87 ♥ K64 ♦ KQ5 ♣ AJ732 4. ♠ KJ94 ♥ 5 ♦ A92 ♣ AKJ43 5. ♠ 85 ♥ AJ74 ♦ AQ ♣ KQ652 6. ♠ AJ8 ♥ Q2 ♦ A10 ♣ AQJ964 ***

1. Pass. East's spade overall relieves you of the obligation to respond to partner's heart bid, and by far the simplest way of letting him know you have no clear-cut action at this point is to pass. To bid one notrump would tend to indicate something more than a dead-minimum opening and/or better spades, while to bid two clubs would show a stronger suit than you have. 2. Four hearts. You certainly aren't going to play this hand in less than game, so you bid four hearts to show the expectation of making 10 tricks even if partner has only six points. Three hearts -- a nonforcing bid -- would be altogether inadequate. 3. Two hearts. Admittedly, you'd

like to have four trumps for the single raise, but three is all they dealt you. Raising with three-card support is surely better than passing and running the risk that partner will allow East to play in one spade.

4. Double. With six probable defensive tricks in your hand, and a partner likely to contribute one or two more, the best contract would seem to be one spade doubled played by East. Some of the biggest profits in bridge are collected on hands where opponents bite off more than they can chew. 5. Three hearts. Game prospects are good, but not good enough to ensure 10 tricks. All you can properly do at this point is make a jump-raise to invite partner to carry on to game. If he passes, which he might do with a bad hand, he may struggle to make even nine tricks. The raise to three hearts shows 16 to 18 points, including distributional values. 6. Three notrump. It would be wrong to bid only two notrump or three clubs at this stage, either of which partner could pass with minimum strength for his one-heart bid. You should feel confident of making nine tricks in notrump and disregard the relatively few hands partner might have that would not produce a good play for game.

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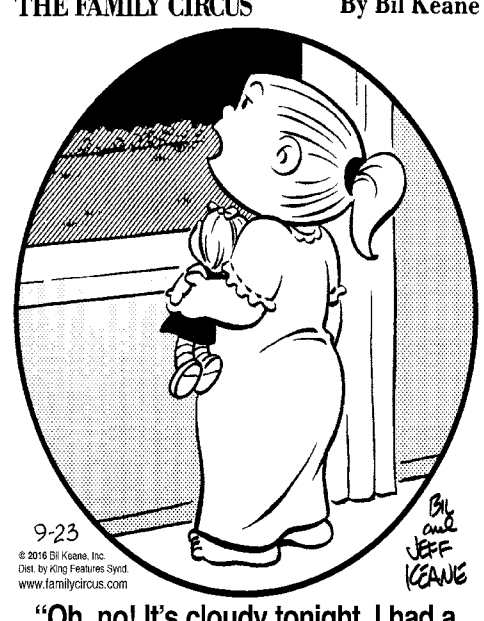
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"How come Mr. Wilson has a workshop, when he's never workin' in it?"

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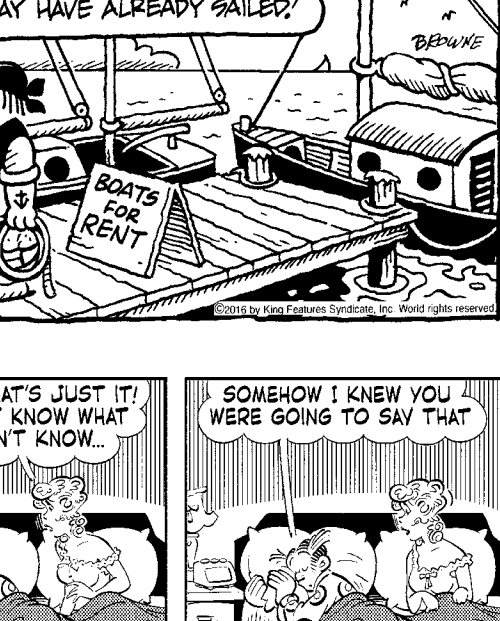
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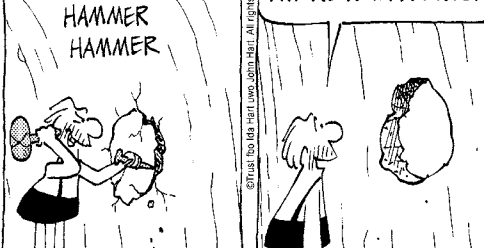
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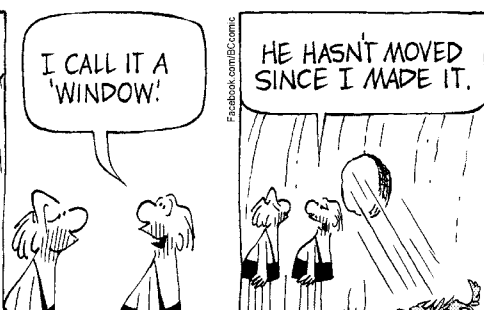
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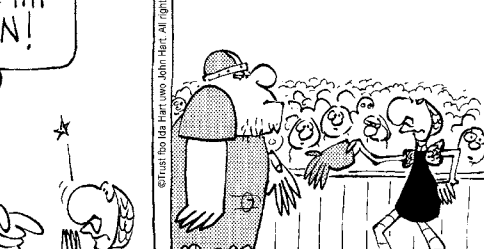
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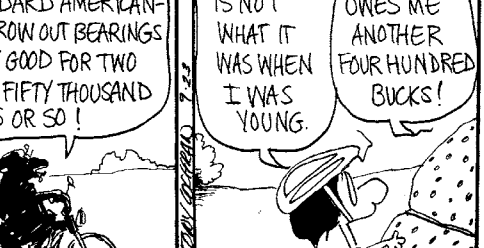
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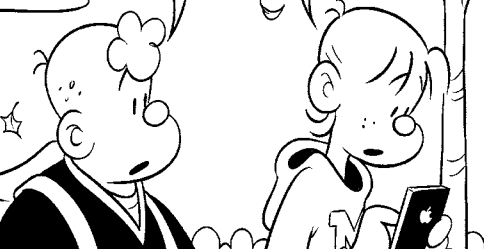
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No. 16 Baylor's 1st real test another shot for OSU's Rudolph

By SCHUYLER DIXON

AP Sports Writer

WACO, Texas (AP) — On a late November night two seasons ago, Oklahoma State suddenly pulled the redshirt off their highly touted quarterback.

Mason Rudolph lost his debut that night at Baylor, but the Cowboys won their regular-season finale at rival Oklahoma the next week to get bowl eligible.

Oklahoma State then won its first 10 games last season before a home loss to the Bears.

In a Big 12 opener Saturday night, Rudolph gets another

chance to win against the only conference opponent the junior quarterback hasn't defeated yet when the Cowboys (2-1) play at 16th-ranked Baylor (3-0).

"When he was a freshman, he played down (in Waco), and actually played pretty well. Since then, he's played in about 16 or 17 games ... He's mature," Oklahoma State coach Mike Gundy said.

Rudolph, 14-4 as a starter, threw for 540 yards last week in a win over Pittsburgh as the Cowboys rebounded from an officiating debacle at the end of the Central Michigan game that cost them a win.

That was a school record for passing yards, and the most for any quarterback this season.

"It was good to get some early adversity," Rudolph said. "Despite the loss, we're stronger and better for it and we're really excited about league play."

This will be the biggest test so far this season for Baylor, the league's only three-win team and along with West Virginia the only Big 12 teams still without a loss. Two of the Bears' victories have come against 0-3 teams.

"I think we're about as ready as we're going to be,"

Bears quarterback Seth Russell said. "It's the start of a new season. Preseason is over with. As our strength coaches say, 'It's our heavy-weight rounds.' These guys are coming in swinging hard, and we need to answer back."

Other things to know when Oklahoma State plays its first road game:

SECONDARY NIGHTMARES

Oklahoma State's James Washington (19 catches, 399 yards, 3 TDs) and Baylor's KD Cannon (24 catches, 352 yards, 4 TDs) are the Big 12's top receivers. Both had five catches and two touchdowns

in last year's matchup in Stillwater, though Cannon had 210 yards receiving and Washington had 88. In the Cowboys' victory over Pitt, Washington had nine catches for 296 yards.

RUNNING TRIO

While Russell has thrown nine TD passes, the Baylor quarterback has a trio of running backs that he said "complement each other for sure." Freshman JaMycal Hasty (79 yards per game rushing), sophomore Terence Williams (77.3 ypg) and senior Shock Linwood (71.0 ypg) are all in the top seven for rushing in the Big 12.

ASTROS

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"We knew in April losing to any team in our division was a big loss," Fiers said. "Obviously coming down here in September it seems bigger but it's one game."

The right-hander retired 13 straight at one point. Fiers had his second straight strong outing after throwing six scoreless innings Saturday in Seattle.

"Just came out of the gate slow and made too many mistakes in the first inning," Fiers said.

"Pujols capitalized on a first-pitch fastball and after that I settled in and got my pitches working and kept them off-balance for the most part."

Jose Altuve had three hits for Houston, which grounded into three double plays.

"We couldn't piece an inning together where we had multiple hits in a row or multiple baserunners," Hinch said. "There was always something in the way either too late after a couple outs or starting something up with two outs and then them making a big pitch at the right time."

TRAINER'S ROOM

Angels: LHP Tyler Skaggs (left forearm tightness) played catch and will throw some bullpens in the coming week. "He's symptom free, but we are going to obviously be very conservative where his treatment is now to make sure that this doesn't re-occur or turn into anything bigger," Scioscia said. "Right now he feels great."

Astros: RHP Lance McCullers, who has been out since Aug. 2 with a mild right elbow strain, threw a full bullpen Thursday. McCullers was pain free and will have another bullpen in a few days.

COUGS

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returned an interception 74 yards for a touchdown at Cincinnati. Herman said the three-man defensive line creates situations for Taylor to excel.

"Steve gets to reap the benefits of the dirty work that those guys do," Herman said.

Oliver, a five-star recruit from Houston, already has a reputation for energetic, relentless pursuit of ball carriers.

"He opens a lot of gaps for me," Taylor said. "He is a blessing to the team."

First-year Texas State coach Everett Withers noticed something unexpected while watching Houston defeat Oklahoma 33-23.

"I thought they physically beat Oklahoma," Withers said.

Some things to look for when the Cougars and Bobcats kick off Saturday:

ROUGH STRETCH:

Houston is the highest-ranked Texas State opponent since the Bobcats moved to the Bowl Subdivision in 2012. This game comes a week after Texas State lost 42-3 at No. 17 Arkansas. Texas State received a reported \$1 million for the game at Arkansas. Withers has others reasons as well for facing good teams.

"I think there is a lot of value in playing top-quality opponents," Withers said. "You learn more about your team when you play teams that are elite."

WARD WATCH: Ward suffered an injury to his right shoulder in the season opener against Oklahoma. He sat out the next game, against Lamar, and then accounted for 399 yards and ran for two fourth-quarter touchdowns at Cincinnati. He received treatment on the sideline during the game. Herman said Ward would receive treatment and evaluations during the week.

"He's one of the best competitors I've ever

been around, and he's taken a lot of big hits," Herman said.

DEPTH CHART: Through three games, Texas State has used more than 30 freshmen and sophomores on offense, defense and special teams. Withers said he encourages his staff to take chances with younger players.

"I've challenged every one of our assistants coaches; I've challenged myself to get them on the field," Withers said.

BIG CROWD: Houston is expected to attract one of the top four crowds at Bobcat Stadium since the facility was expanded to a listed capacity of 30,000 for Texas State's arrival in FBS. The top three: Texas Tech in 2012 (33,006), Navy in 2014 (32,007) and Southern Miss in 2015 (27,250).

HERMAN, THE EARLY YEARS: Herman was an offensive graduate assistant at Texas in 1999-2000 when Withers was coaching the Longhorns' defensive backs. They also worked together at Ohio State.

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hard to slow down.

The Bulldogs, who have won 10 straight against Ole Miss dating to 1997, are going to need to score some points and control the ball. No doubt coach Kirby Smart took note of how Alabama ran for over 300 yards against the Rebels last week. It's a perfect setup for Chubb to go off and re-enter the Heisman discussion.

NUMBERS TO KNOW 8 — Number of consecutive games of at least 200 all-purpose yards by Stanford's Christian McCaffrey. Also, the seventh-ranked Cardinal have beaten UCLA eight straight times. Stanford visits the Bruins in the Rose Bowl.

11 — Tennessee's losing streak to Florida. If the streak reaches 12, with the Gators' set to start a backup quarterback in Knoxville, the locals might be ready to run coach Butch Jones right out of town.

24 — The number of plays 20 yards or more that Louisville quarter-

back Lamar Jackson is responsible for in three games. He has six runs of at least 20 yards, tied for second most in the nation, and 18 passes of 20 yards or more, third-best in the country. Jackson and the third-ranked Cardinals travel to Marshall.

OFF THE RADAR

East Carolina will try to run its winning streak against Virginia Tech to three games and its streak against Atlantic Coast Conference opposition to seven in a row when the Pirates visit the Hokies.

The Pirates already have one ACC victory this season. They beat North Carolina State. ECU also has the nation's second-leading receiver in Zay Jones, who caught 22 passes — one short of the NCAA record — last week against South Carolina.

COACH IN NEED OF A WIN

Auburn has lost seven straight home games against Power Five competition, the second-longest streak in the nation to Kansas' nine straight. Any time your team is mentioned with Kansas football, things are not great — that's where Tigers coach Gus Malzahn is right now.

The Tigers host No. 18 LSU and are in danger of falling to 1-3 overall and 0-2 in the SEC while playing all the games at home. Malzahn needed to improve on last year's 7-6 record, so this is no way to start.

And if Malzahn's team can spring the mini-upset, the temperature rises for LSU coach Les Miles, who will have a team that was considered a serious playoff contender with two losses before October.

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