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Sales tax allocations up in March

By LYNDEL MOODY
 Staff Writer

Figures released from the Texas Comptroller's office show March sale tax revenue is up across the Crossroads and Permian Basin, a cautious sign the area's economy is starting to recover after a lengthy slowdown in the oil and gas industry.

"I think this is a result of increased activity in the oil

and gas industry," said Terry Wegman, executive director for the Big Spring Economic Development Corporation. "We are seeing a lot more interest in projects in the area. We are receiving a lot more inquiries, so I think that's what attributing to the increase of sales tax revenue."



Wegman

However, Wegman is cautious about how strongly the economic recovery will pan out in the coming year.

"I think it will be a moderate recovery," he said. "Even though some of these numbers are pretty big, you have to compare them to this same month last year to see what was happening that month."

"I am still concerned," he continued. "The price of oil

has been dropping again and has just started to tick back up. We were producing so much oil it looks like we are getting back into having an oversupply issue again. So much of the economic trend is dependent on what OPEC (Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries) does, how much oil the U.S. produces, and many other global factors that effect our local economy."

Yet, Wegman said he was cautiously optimistic that the economy will begin to have moderate to slight growth although there are "still a lot of clouds out there to slow down or delay a recovery."

"We have been busy since the first of the year, more than we have been in the last two years," he said. "People are looking for opportunities

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Ribbon cutting for new Humane Society facility is Saturday



By LYNDEL MOODY
 Staff Writer

The Happy Day Humane Society will host a ribbon cutting and dedication for its new facility on Saturday from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

"The exciting part in unveiling this is Big Spring has something — our county has something — they should be really proud of," said Kristen Partee, Happy Day Humane Society board member.

The 6,400 square-foot building opened in December boasts indoor, heated/cooled kennels, areas for small dogs that allow access to the outside, a patio area where potential adopters can visit with the animals, a grooming room which can also be used as a exam area for veterinarians, a big outside covered kennel for large dogs near the main building, and a spacious spay and neuter clinic.

The cost for the new facility was estimated at a quarter of a million dollars, said Angie Mims, Director of Happy Day Humane Society. The majority of the funds were paid through the Dora Roberts Foundation which has supported the operating costs of the Humane Society for decades.

"When we took it over, they very generously added on to that knowing that (old) building needed major repairs," Partee said. "We knew that we wanted something bigger, and our ultimate goal was a spay and neuter facility, and this makes it a reality."

The old building is still being used as an intake processing facility for new dogs, Partee said.

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HERALD photos/Lyndel Moody
At top is the recently constructed building for the Happy Day Humane Society. A ribbon cutting and dedication ceremony will be held this Saturday from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Above, Kristen Partee, a board member of the Happy Day Humane Society, holds a Boxer mix puppy.

New York emergency worker run over by stolen ambulance

NEW YORK (AP) — A New York emergency medical technician and mother of five who authorities say was "bravely doing her job" was killed when she was run over by her own ambulance that had just been stolen.

Yadira Arroyo, 44, and another EMT were in the process of responding to a call Thursday night in the Bronx when they were alerted that a man was riding on the back bumper of their ambulance, Fire Commissioner Daniel Nigro said.

"So, they stopped the ambulance, they got out to see what was happening. This person, in turn, went around the other side of the ambulance and got into the driver's side," Nigro said.

The man then put the ambulance in reverse, striking Arroyo, who fell and got caught beneath the wheels, fire officials said.

"They were acting very bravely. They certainly wanted to

continue on their way to the call. This person had no business being in this ambulance," Nigro said.

Video posted on Twitter by a bystander shows the ambulance speeding across an intersection with one of its doors open, its lights flashing and the body of one of the EMTs being dragged beneath the vehicle.

The ambulance then crashed into several parked cars and got stuck on a snowbank. A passing Metropolitan Transportation Authority K-9 officer subdued the 25-year-old suspect with the help of a bystander.

The other EMT was in the passenger seat of the ambulance as it was being stolen. She was being treated at a Bronx hospital for minor injuries, police said.

"I want to thank those good Samaritans who helped apprehend the perpetrator," Mayor Bill de Blasio said at the hospital.

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2 indicted, accused of cyberbullying 18-year-old to suicide

GALVESTON, Texas (AP) — A Southeast Texas man and his girlfriend were indicted Thursday on charges arising from the cyberbullying of the man's ex-girlfriend until her suicide.

A Galveston County grand jury indicted Andres Arturo Villagomez, 21, and girlfriend Karinthya Sanchez Romero,

22, on charges arising from the Nov. 29 suicide of Brandy Vela, Villagomez's ex-girlfriend. The 18-year-old woman shot herself in the chest and died in front of her horrified family at their home in Texas City, about 10 miles northwest of Galveston. The Galveston couple is accused of actions that investigators

say drove Vela to take her own life.

Romero is charged with stalking and online impersonation, felonies punishable by two to 10 years in prison. Court documents allege that she, on multiple occasions, made threatening and harassing phone calls to Vela. In interviews shortly after

the suicide, Raul Vela said his daughter changed her cellphone number but her tormentors always found her. Romero also is accused of setting up fake Facebook pages in Brandy Vela's name to post content that was embarrassing, intimidating and harassing to the woman.

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Obituaries

E. Gorman Rainey Jr.



E. Gorman Rainey Jr., 86, of Big Spring died Wednesday, March 15, 2017, in a local nursing home.

Funeral services will be held at 5 p.m. Saturday, March 18, 2017, at Nalley-Pickle and Welch Rosewood Chapel.

The family will receive friends from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. Friday, March 17, 2017, at Nalley-Pickle and Welch Funeral Home.

He was born July 14, 1930, in Big Spring, Texas, and married Shirlene Walker Oct. 27, 1951, in Big Spring, Texas. She preceded him in death May 17, 2014.

A lifetime resident of Big Spring, Gorman worked as an operator for Cosden Refinery for 38 years. He served in the United States Air Force and was

a Baptist. He enjoyed golfing, fishing, and making designs and emblems on his digital embroidery machine. He loved family gatherings.

Survivors include three sons, Rex Rainey of Big Spring, Russ Rainey and wife Janet of Fort Meyers, Fla., and Kent Rainey and wife Cherri of Big Spring; seven grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; a sister-in-law, Brenda Rainey of Louisiana; and a niece, Diana Cantebury and husband Joey of Louisiana.

He was also preceded in death by his parents, Emrie Gorman Rainey Sr. and Lillie Lee Hollis Rainey; his brother, Royce Rainey; and his mother and father-in-law, Shirley and Nannie Lee Walker.

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

Paid obituary

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **KIMBERLY KAY MCGEE**, 31, of 1507 Lincoln St. Apt. B was arrested on a warrant for driving with an invalid license.
- **KAYLA LEE MORENO**, 28, of 200 Algerita St. was arrested on an outstanding warrant.
- **LOUIS ROBERT SALAZAR**, 18, of 1307 Sycamore St. was arrested on an outstanding warrant.
- **TIFFANY MARIE ALANIZ**, 23, of 2613 N. Midland Dr. Apt. #510 in Midland was arrested on an outstanding warrant.
- **MATTHEW IAN BUTMAN**,

33, of 1409 Heath in Merkel was arrested on a charge of driving with a suspended or invalid license.

- **RAMON MAGALLANES JR.**, 24, of 711 E. 16th St. was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.
- **EAST THOMAS**, 31, of 504 Cactus in Alice was arrested on a duty for striking a fixture or landscaping (more than \$200).
- **TONY GLEN BAKER**, 30, of 1806 Mittel Ave. was arrested on warrants for failure to appear, failure to maintain financial responsibility, and expired registration.
- **RICHARD DOUGLAS SHEL-**

TON JR., 38, of 11812 Savory Dr. in Keller was arrested on an outstanding warrant.

- **MINOR ACCIDENT** was reported on Interstate 20 near mile marker 177 westbound, and at the intersection of Bluebird and Cherokee.
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 3600 block of West Highway 80 and in the 1400 block of South Johnson Street.
- **THEFT** was reported in the 3600 block of West Highway 80.
- **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 200 block of Algerita Street, and in the 1500 block of Vines Avenue.

Take Note

The American Legion Post 506 will host a Fish Fry Saturday at 3203 W. Highway 80. Delivery will be available from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Serving begins at 11 a.m. and continues until 2 p.m. Delivery is from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. Plates are \$10 each. Carry out is available. To order, call 263-2084.

Forsan Elementary School has scheduled Pre-K and Kindergarten pre-registration for Monday, April 3, through Friday, April 7 in the elementary office located at 500 West Main in Forsan, Texas. The school office will be open for registration between 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m.

In order to be eligible for Pre-Kindergarten, the student must be four years old on or before Sept. 1, 2017, and meet at least one of the following criteria: Must be unable to speak or comprehend English; the household fully qualifies for free or reduced-price lunches; the family is homeless; one or more parents are on active-duty military service or have been injured or killed while serving on active duty; or the child is in foster care

If your child meets one of the above criteria, please bring the child's birth certificate, social security card, immunization records, proof of residency (utility bill with name and physical address), proof of income (paycheck stub for ALL household income), and enrolling parent/guardian driver's license.

The Howard County A&M Club is accepting applications from high school students who are graduating this May and have been accepted to Texas A&M University for fall 2017. Students must be Howard County residents and will enroll for at least 12 hours. Deadline for applications is April 3, 2017. For more information and to find the application, visit <https://westexags.com/>. Deadline for applications for current A&M students is June 1, 2017.

The Howard County Fair thanks everyone who has picked up a crossstitch square for the annual quilt fundraiser. There are still a few squares left, so if you can do one, please see Cheryl at the Heritage Museum during regular hours, Tuesday through Saturday.

Food 2 Kids Big Spring needs you! It is time to start sacking food for Big Spring elementary stu-

dents who do not receive adequate food over the weekends. Members of the community can be a part by volunteering to sack the food. It just takes a couple hours of your time and the work is very rewarding. To volunteer, just show up at the time and dates listed. For more information, call, 432-935-3998.

The next sacking session will be at 5:30 p.m. March 20 and 21 at the old Lakeview High School gym located at 1107 N.W. Seventh St. To get there, take Gregg Street north and turn left on Delaney, which is the block just past the Salvation Army retail store. Delaney turns into Seventh Street, you will go over the railroad tracks and the school is on the left.

If you want additional information about getting your child on this program please contact your child's school.

Seniors and mature adults are invited to a dance on the first, third and fifth Friday of each month at the Dora Roberts Community Center.

Dances are from 7:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. with live bands. No alcohol or smoking permitted. There will be a pot luck as well so bring a dish if you want to eat.

Cost is \$8 per person.

Meetings

The Big Spring Art Association meets the third Tuesday of each month a 7 p.m. in the basement of the Howard County Library.

The Christensen-Tucker Post-2013 Veterans of Foreign Wars meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7 pm at 500 Driver Road. For more information, contact David Leonard, Post Commander, at 432-816-6004. All combat veterans of foreign wars are invited to come.

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

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

Sheriff

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

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 86 inmates at the time of this report.

- **TONY GLEN BAKER**, 30, was booked by HCSO on warrants for displaying expired license plates, failure to maintain financial responsibility, and violation of promise to appear.
- **MARTY RAY EVANS**, 27, was booked by BSPD on a charge of bail jumping/failure to appear.
- **DAL JUSTIN HAYS**, 33, was booked by HCSO on a charge of burglary of a habitation.
- **JOHNNY LEE JUAREZ JR.**, 18, was booked by BSPD on charges of possession of marijuana (less than 2 oz.), and tampering with or fabricating physical evidence.
- **LAHOMA JURDAN**, 48, was booked by HCSO on a charge of failure to appear/manufacture or delivery of a controlled substance (less than 1 gram).

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1800 block of North Highway 87. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1000 block of Wildfire.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 700 block of North Douglas.
- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported at the intersection of FM 700 and Goliad Street. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2000 block of Rickabaugh. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3200 block of Parkway. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1600 block of Young.

Support Groups

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

Reformers Unanimous International is a faith-based addictions program helping people find freedom from addiction. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Mondays at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Enter at the main entrance of the church.

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

TUESDAY

Big Spring and Snyder Parkinsons Support Group meeting at the Big Spring Senior Center at 10:30 a.m. the second Tuesday of the month.

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

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

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

A six-week course in Wellness and Quality of Life with Chronic Pain will start Tuesday, Jan. 10, at 6:30 p.m. at Spring Creek Fellowship located in the Spring Town Plaza, 1801 E. FM 700. There is no charge for the course, and a workbook will be provided. Contact Steve Purdy at 432-517-4840 for more information.

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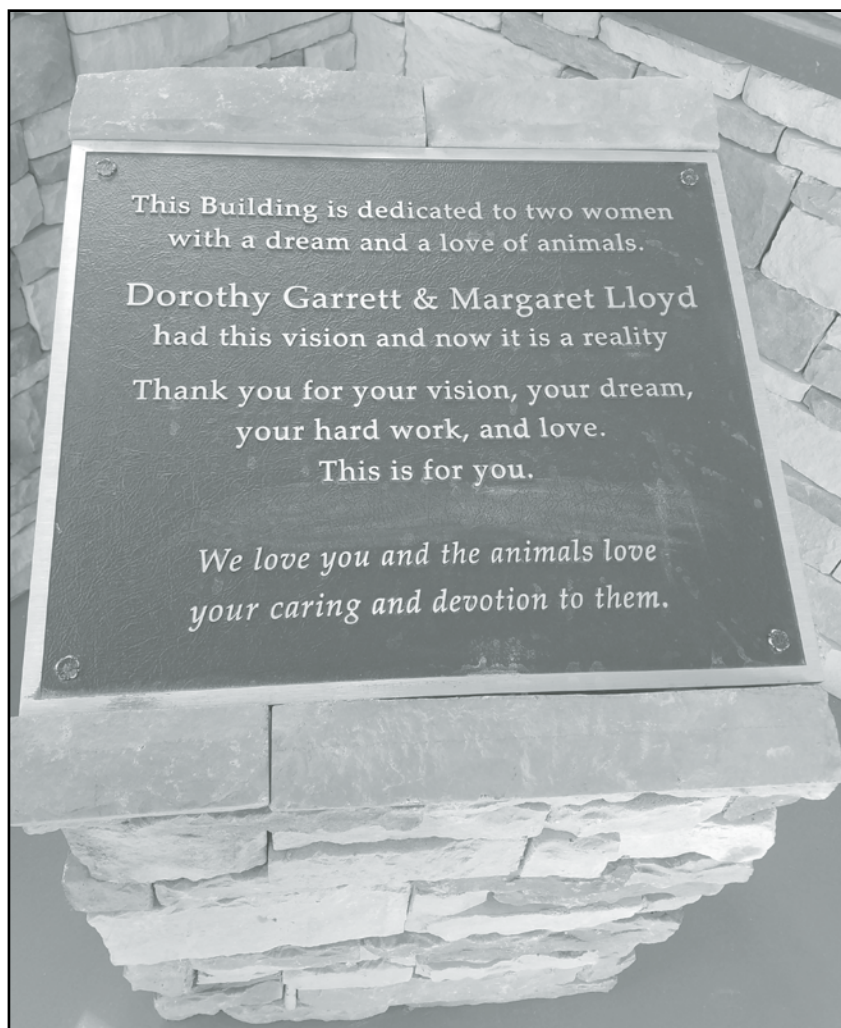
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Above, Boxer mix puppies vie for attention as they wait to get adopted at the Happy Day Humane Society. At right, A dedication plaque to Dorothy Garrett and Margaret Lloyd, founders of the Humane Society in Howard County, is located at the entrance of the new facility at the Happy Day Humane Society. A ribbon cutting and ceremony for the opening of the new facility will be held Saturday from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. The Happy Day Humane Society is located at 5710 West Interstate 20, off the north service road.



HAPPY DAY

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In particular, Partee and Mims are very proud of the on-sight spay and neuter clinic which should be up and running to take care of the facility's 100- to 120-dog population soon. Partee said plans are to eventually open the clinic to provide low-cost spay/neuter procedures for pets to the general public.

"Having a facility here to take care of our own dogs will save us immensely," Partee said.

Their ultimate goal, she added, is to help cut down on the population of unwanted animals at the source of the problem through the low cost spay/neuter program.

"We have three vets in town they are all wonderful, but they are all pricy," Partee said. "They are the standard for this area, and the average person on a low income is not going to pay for it, so we end up getting those litters."

Partee and Mims were part of the new management team which took over running the daily operations of

the Humane Society in April 2015. Since then thousands of dogs have been adopted from the no-kill shelter.

"This is truly a gift, and I feel like it was a gift from Dorothy Garrett and Margaret Lloyd (founders of the Humane Society in Howard County) and sort of a long time coming," Partee said. "We are able to see their vision come to fruition, and Angie and I are grateful to be a part of that."

Happy Day Humane Society is located at 5710 West Interstate 20, off the north service road. Hours are from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m., seven days

a week. Beginning in April, operating hours will be 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. For more information, call the Humane Society at 432-267-7832 or visit its Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/pg/HCHSYR/>. Anyone interested in volunteering at Happy Day is encouraged to visit the facility during operation hours or contact staff members through the organization's Facebook page.

Contact Staff Writer Lyndel Moody at 263-7331, ext. 235, or email citydesk@bigspringherald.com.

SALES TAX

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and trying to position themselves so when the oil and gas economy really gets clicking, they are in the right place and the time and not trying to place catch up. I think the smart ones are doing that and they are typically the bigger companies."

The following figures are the March payout sent to area cities from the state. The sales tax was collected in January. Also listed is the percentage of net gain or loss compared to payment prior year.

Abilene: \$3 million, 3.81 percent
Ackerly: \$10,820.78, 87.95 percent
Amarillo: \$5.31 million, -0.08 percent

Big Spring: \$630,684.38, 2.54 percent
Coahoma: \$10,077.26, 36.99 percent
Colorado City: \$43,057.38, -4.18 percent
Forsan: \$20,419.40, 35.24 percent
Lamesa: \$105,502.07, -1.72 percent
Lubbock: \$4.78 million, 4.72 percent
Midland: \$4.29 million, 7.90 percent
Odessa: \$3.33 million, 20.86 percent
San Angelo: \$1.82 million, -4.21 percent
Snyder: \$191,292.94, -3.18 percent
Stanton: \$64,709.65, -48.86 percent
Sterling City: \$12,212.68, -18.93 percent
Sweetwater: \$251,480.47, -69.85 percent
Information is provided by the Texas Comptroller's office.

STOLEN

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"A lot of heroism was on display amidst a great tragedy."

Jose Gonzalez, 25, of the Bronx, was arrested on charges of murder, grand larceny and driving while impaired by drugs. There was no immediate information on an attorney who could comment on his behalf.

Arroyo was a 14-year fire department veteran.

"We know our EMTs are brave. They do crucial work — they save lives — but they should not ever have to be subjected to violence. And yet, that danger always exists for them," de Blasio said.

Gov. Andrew Cuomo tweeted late Thursday: "EMTs are heroes who help countless New

Yorkers every day. Tonight's tragedy in the Bronx is horrible. My deepest sympathies to the family."

The video posted on Twitter captured both the arrest of the driver, and a scene of anguish as the second EMT kneeled, sobbing, over the body of her fallen partner.

Justin Lopez, 20, told the Daily News that he shot the video of the episode as his brother was driving.

"I was coming from the street, up to the red light and I just saw the ambulance, the sirens and lights, and I told my brother 'Look something's happening,' and then somebody just hopped in, and then he hit two cars and ran over the person," he said. "I realized he was hijacking the car."

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William Sidney (Bill) Birdwell, Jr., 85, of Madera, CA, formerly of Big Spring passed away February 26, 2017. Grave-side service will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

INDICTED

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The indictment charges Villagomez with unlawful disclosure or promotion of intimate visual material, a misdemeanor punishable by up to a year in jail. Court documents allege that he provided photographs to be posted on the internet that portrayed Vela in sexually graphic poses — images obtained from Vela that were meant to be private.

Romero is being held on bonds totaling \$20,000, while Villagomez is jailed on \$2,500 bond. Galveston County prosecutor Bill Reed said he's not aware of the two having attorneys.

Two days after Vela's suicide, her older sister told KPRC-TV that she

was at home when she "heard someone crying."

"So I ran upstairs and I looked in her room, and she's against the wall and she has a gun pointed at her chest and she's just crying and crying and I'm like, 'Brandy, please don't. Brandy, no,'" Jacqueline Vela said.

She said she went to her parents' room, "and I just heard the shot and my dad just yelled, 'Help me. Help me. Help me.'"

"I was almost certain that I could persuade her to put that gun down. It didn't work. She pulled the trigger," Raul Vela told media after his daughter's death.

Brandy Vela's final cellphone text message to her family was: "I love you so much just remember that please and I'm so sorry for everything."

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 1:
Big Spring Symphony
"Spring Pops Concert":
7:30PM
Municipal Auditorium.

March 31-April 2:
Hotel Settles:
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Love has no fear because perfect love expels all fear. If we are afraid, it is for fear of judgment, and this shows that his love has not been perfected in us.

1 John 4:18

The Lord says, "I will rescue those who love me. I will protect those who trust in my name. When they call on me, I will answer; I will be with them in trouble. I will rescue them and honor them. I will satisfy them with a long life and give them my salvation."

Psalm 91: 14-16

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Rejoice, you people of Jerusalem! Rejoice in the Lord your God! For the rains he sends are an expression of his grace. Once more the autumn rains will come, as well as the rains of spring.

(Joel 2:23)

God's love supply is never empty. "For his unfailing love toward those who fear him is as great as the height of the heavens above the earth."

(Psalm 103:11)

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Did you ever wonder? Samson and the foxes

Samson had paid the bride-price and held the wedding feast. He had done all of his part except consummate the marriage. Later on he decided to go to his wife...he expected her to be waiting for him. He took a small goat as a gift.

When he was told that she had been given as a bride to another man, Samson became enraged against the Philistines. He caught 300 foxes and tied their tails together in pairs. He attached torches to their tails and turned them loose in the Philistine grain fields.

The frightened foxes ran, trying to get away from the fire behind them. It was harvest time. They ran through the standing grain and through the shocks of harvested grain. The foxes also set fire to the vineyards and olive groves.

The Philistines were told that Samson did this because he was denied his wife. They immediately burned the wife and all of her father's household, just as they had threatened to do if she did not help them solve Samson's riddle.

Samson alone killed many Philistines and then he fled to Judah. The terrain was mountainous,

and he hid among the caves.

An army of Philistines marched to Judah to capture Samson. If the men of Judah angered them, the Philistines would have made war against them and destroyed their homes.

The men of Judah went to Samson and convinced him to surrender himself. They tied him with two strong, new ropes and led him out to the Philistines.

The Philistines rushed upon Samson, shouting, and the Spirit of the Lord came upon Samson in power. With his strength from the Lord, Samson snapped the new ropes as if they were made of flax.

He found the jawbone of an ass, and with it he struck down a thousand Philistines. So the place was named Ramath Lehi, which probably means 'the place of the great fighting.'

When the battle was over, Samson was very thirsty, almost unto death. He cried out to the Lord, and the Lord opened up a spring for him to drink.

Later, Samson went to Gaza, an important Philistine seaport town. He met a prostitute there and he stayed with her. The men of Gaza heard that Samson was there, so they surrounded the place and waited in ambush for him.

But Samson left her house early in the night and slipped through their trap. However, he was an-

gered that they sought to kill him.

As he left the city he took hold of the city gates and lifted the gates, their hinges and their framework to his shoulders. Samson carried away the city gates to the top of the hill to the east which faces Hebron.

Because of the great strength the Lord had given him, Samson led Israel for 20 years. He was a strong leader, but he did not live a pious life as we think is proper. He spent his life harassing the Philistines.

He had a lust for Philistine women, and he ventured out among the enemy. He seemed to taunt them and almost dare them to catch him.

This is hardly the kind of man we would expect the Lord to choose to do his work. But God had a special type of mission in store for Samson. This mission required great self-confidence and disregard for danger.

His mission for the Lord required bravado and delight in outsmarting and overpowering the people who were the oppressors of the Israelite people. And God blessed him with great strength.

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



EUNICE FILLER

Church News

Alive in Christ Lutheran Church LCMS

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

Alive in Christ will begin a new Wednesday Evening Bible Study soon. More information will be coming.

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're invited to join the congregation this Sunday.

Phillip Reid will present the scripture readings this week.

A meal will be served from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., and Lenten Services will begin at 7 p.m. for the next three Wednesdays. You are welcome each week.

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 contact the church, call 432-264-7818, or e-mail aliveinchrist-tx@gmail.com.

First Christian Church

First Christian Church is located at 911 Goliad St. Big Spring. Each Sunday, doors open at 9:15 a.m. for fellowship; Sunday school begins at 9:45; and worship begins at 10:50 a.m.

This Sunday March 19, 2017, guest minister the Rev. Joel Miller will preach a sermon called "The Most Important Commandment" taken from Mark 12:28-33. Assisting the Rev. Miller in worship will be Dan Miracle, who will serve as this Sunday's liturgist. Serving at the Lord's Table will be Shirley Burgess and Wanda Brock. Greeter will be Cora Beth Baker.

Some beautiful selections have been prepared by Choir Director Tara

Trowbridge and Music Director Lawrence Thibeault, such as "Wonderful Words of Life," "Let Us Break Bread Together," and "Tell Me The Story of Jesus."

All are most welcome to join in the service. If you have questions about the services or any goings on at First Christian Church, please call 432-517-4821.

Blessed Hands Deaf Church

Pastor Jim Walterhouse, wife Debbie, and the congregation of Blessed Hands Deaf Church invite you to worship with them Sunday at 10:50 a.m. or 2 p.m. Choose the service time that fits your schedule, and praise and celebrate the world's Savior, Jesus Christ. Currently, Blessed Hands Deaf Church meets inside First Baptist Church at 705 W. FM 700. For detailed information about BHDC, contact Pastor Jim at jwalterhouse@gmail.com.

First Baptist Church

"There is no one like the Lord: for there is none besides You; There is no Rock like our God." 1 Samuel 2:2

The people of First Baptist Church welcome you to join them Sunday at 10:50 a.m. and 6 p.m. as they join together in adoration and praise of the King of Kings, Jesus Christ. Pastor Mark Lindsey brings the morning message titled "A Community That Thrives." Drawn from Acts 2:42, listeners are encouraged to resolutely seek out sound teachings on Scripture, abound in worshipping God in every area of one's daily life, and come together consistently for encouragement and as an expression of love for Jesus. Morning service music selections will include "Great Is The Lord"; "I Stand Amazed in the Presence"; "How Great Thou Art"; and "Refiner's Fire".

If you have mobility issues, use the west circle drive, and someone will

be glad to assist you inside and park your vehicle. If unable to attend, you can join the service through the live stream on the website at fbcbig-spring.org.

At 9:30 a.m. each Sunday, Sunday school groups meet throughout the building. Children gather in the Good News Garage on the first floor; while youth, college students, and adults meet in second-floor classrooms. Greeters are available to help you find a class and direct you to coffee. Come early to spend time in fellowship with others.

All area children are invited to participate in Kids' Connection Sunday at 5:30 p.m. under the direction of Children's Minister Justin Green. This is a fun time of Bible-based activities, and there is no fee to attend. Teens will come together at 6 p.m. at the home of the Raffinis for a light meal and time of encouragement in God's Word and prayer. Contact Youth Pastor Jonathan Raffini at 267-8332 for details or if you need transportation.

Evening worship service begins at 6 in the chapel, and Pastor Mark will continue the journey through Ephesians.

Wednesday evening activities begin at 6 p.m., and include Adult Bible Study and prayer time, Adult Wordship Choir practice, Real LYF for children, and Saturate Youth Group for teens. For more information call the church at 267-8223 or go to fbcbig-spring.org.

FBC is located at 795 W FM 700. There is always a place for you at First Baptist Church.

Birdwell Lane Church of Christ

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

Each Sunday, Bible study starts at 9 a.m., and Worship services are at 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. On Wednesdays, Ladies Class is at 9:30 a.m. Bible Study and Devotional are at 7 p.m.

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

Midway Baptist to welcome new pastor, hold revival



Courtesy photo

The Rev. Michael Seay, left, and son Cody and wife Belinda. Rev. Seay will be the new pastor of Midway Baptist Church starting March 26.

Special to the Herald

The people of Midway Baptist Church have called Michael Seay to be their new pastor. Seay and his wife Belinda and son Cody will be in Big Spring at the end of March. His first Sunday in the pulpit will be Sunday, March 26. Brother Mike comes to Midway Baptist from Oklahoma; he has been in the ministry for over 30 years. The church has issued an invitation to the public to help welcome pastor Mike the Seay family to the community.

Evangelist Charles Masegee from Dallas will be in Big Spring to conduct a new-fashioned revival for the 21st century at Midway Baptist Church Sunday, April 2, at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. On Monday, April 3, through Wednesday, April 5, the conference will begin at 7 p.m.

Rev. Seay encourages everyone to come and hear Rev. Masegee nightly at 7 p.m. The inspirational music program will be under the direction of Beverly Masegee.

Midway Baptist Church is located at 6200 S. Service Rd. in Big Spring. The public is welcome to attend. Call 432-263-6274 for more information.

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

This Sunday, Pastor Ivins will continue a Lenten sermon series entitled "The Quest for Paradise." Since the fall of man in the Garden of Eden, humanity has been on a quest to regain paradise.

This Sunday continues the journey with a message entitled "The Search for Paradise." The message is based on the Lord's encounter with the Samaritan woman at the well in John 4.

Wednesday Noon Bible Study continues a short hiatus during Lent in order to allow attendees to participate in the Lenten Lunch Series. The third of the Lenten Lunches is scheduled to take place on Wednesday, March 22, at noon. The March 22 luncheon will take place at First United Methodist Church, 400 Scurry Street. Father Sam Mathieson, Parochial Vicar of the Holy Trinity Catholic Church, will be the guest speaker.

First Methodist is on its regular Wednesday night schedule next week. Supper is served at 5:30 p.m. with groups for every age starting at 6 p.m. The Bridge Worship Band also rehearses on Wednesday night at 6 p.m. in the Sanctuary. The Celebra



Evidence or experience

Hebrews 11:1, "Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen" (ESV). Another translation of the Bible reads thus, "Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen" (KJV). We like to use this verse as a quick definition of faith. Faith is more than just belief – it is trusting in something or someone to the extent that you submit your life to them and no longer fulfill your desires first but intentionally seek to do their desires first.

This can be a challenge. Mainly because we rely so much on our own experience. If I haven't seen it, then I'm probably going to be a little skeptical. We end up putting more "faith" and trust in what we perceive through our senses.

In Matthew 8:5-13, we have an excellent example of faith. It is the account of the centurion's faith. Being a centurion meant that this man was a Gentile, not a Jew. Nonetheless, he had been exposed to evidence. He had probably heard about a man who taught like no one else was teaching. This same man was doing things that others could not do – he was casting out evil spirits and curing the sick and healing the lame and crippled.

So when one of his servants is involved in an accident and becomes paralyzed and is suffering terribly, he knows the person to whom he must go. He doesn't doubt. He doesn't say, "I don't believe all these stories because I wasn't there to witness any of them." No, he considers the evidence (most of it presumably being eyewitness accounts) and it creates an under-girding, a substructure or foundation, upon which trust is built and a hope (not just



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wishful thinking but a reasonable expectation) is developed so that when a need is realized in his life, there is no doubt in his mind where he ought to go.

Does that describe your faith or my faith? If not, why not? Many today are skeptical or outright unbelievers because they haven't "experienced" God in their life. They have not seen him with their eyes or heard him with their ears or touched him with their hands. Because of their lack of experience, they refuse to believe. Remember Biblical faith is based upon assurance and substance. It is a conviction based upon evidence.

In a courtroom, members of a jury must make decisions concerning events with which they have no personal experience. They do this based upon evidence submitted by the two parties involved. Some of the most powerful evidence is that of eyewitnesses. With this evidence, the jury comes to a reasoned conclusion.

We can do the same today. The Apostles and other New Testament writers are the eyewitnesses and their testimony is powerful. You, as a member of the "jury", must not rely on your own feelings but reasonably and logically listen to the evidence. 1 John 1:1-3, "That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we looked upon and have touched with our hands, concerning the word of life – the life was made manifest, and we have seen it, and testify to it and proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and was made manifest to us – that which we have seen and heard we proclaim also to you, so that you too may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ" (ESV).

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

CHURCH

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tion Choir will rehearse in the upstairs Music Suite at 7:30 p.m.

It was announced last Sunday that Pastor Bill Ivins will become the new Senior Pastor of the Saint Paul United Methodist Church in Amarillo. His new appointment becomes effective in June. First Methodist leadership expects his successor will be named soon by Bishop Earl Bledsoe.

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

Spring Creek Fellowship

A "Women's Weekend" is planned for May 19 through 21 at Camp Butman in Merkel, Texas. All women are invited but space is limited. For more information, contact Adriana Kocak.

Spring Creek has set a goal of 90 percent participation in church ministries, and will be focusing on two ministries each Sunday morning to get the word out about what is available. Stop by the Connections Table in the garden area to get more information, and join the "90% Club" by getting involved.

Parents who want to keep up and share in their children's Sunday Bible lessons can go to the website at www.springcreek-fellowship.org for the information. Just click on "Kid Connect" for past and current lessons.

"People Caring for People" is a ministry serving widows in the area 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.

Wednesday Night Kid's Activities are back in session from 6 to 8 p.m. in the children's areas. Kids will be learning about the traditions of Ash Wednesday and start learning the Lord's Prayer. A small snack will be served at 7:30. The schedule is set for parents that are participating in Missional Communities or youth. Drop off is at 5:45. Ages from babies through 5th grade will be included. Please let Donna Wenink know if you are interested in bringing your kids or helping out.

Spring Creek is starting a Food Pantry Ministry called "Our Daily Bread." If you are interested in participating in this ministry or need more information, please contact Kay Pittman.

The next Men's Warrior Weekend is scheduled for March 31 through April 2. The cost is \$30. Contact Michael McGuffey for more information.

The Worship Team is fundraising for eight wireless in-ear monitors. If you would be interested in donating to this fundraiser, please contact Clint Bratcher.

Our Youth and Family Camp will be heading back to Colorado this summer. If you are interested in this camp, contact Lloyd Wells.

"Let the Morning Bring", a downloadable song as well as a few other songs written and performed by the Spring Creek Fellowship Worship Team, is now on iTunes. To get these songs, go to iTunes and look for the download at <https://itunes.apple.com/us/album/let-the-morning-bring-single/id1176877429>

The "Connect Four" class meets once a month immediately after service on Sundays. This class is for new members and those who want to know more about the church and beliefs. It is a two-hour session. Lunch and childcare will be provided for those attending.

Men's Bible Study meets on Thursday nights from 7 to 9 p.m. The title of the study is "Ephesians".

With the Spring Creek smartphone app, you can make tithes/donations, leave messages, send prayer requests, follow prayer chains, and learn about upcoming events. Go to your app store and search for Spring Creek Fellowship and download. Be sure to allow notifications when given the option, those messages are generated by the church office and keep 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- Noon- Narcotics Anonymous
6:30 p.m.-Pain Management Group
7 p.m. Women's Bible Study, "Damaged Goods"
Wednesday- Community Groups-various times and places
Thursday 7 p.m.-Study of Ephesians Men's Bible Study

Friday-

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

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

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

Spring Creek Fellowship meets at the Spring Town Plaza at 1801 E. FM 700 in Big Spring, Texas. Call 432-714-4584 or visit the website at www.springcreekfellowship.org for more information.

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

First Presbyterian Church

The Wednesday Lectionary Bible Study, led by Craig Holstedt, meets at 5 p.m. and the Chancel Choir rehearsal at 6 p.m. is off for Spring Break.

The Children's Choir practice is at 5:30 p.m. Sunday afternoon. Also on Sunday, the Youth have the following schedule: dinner, 6 p.m.; handbells, 6:30 p.m.; and Confirmation Class at 7:15 p.m. in the Youth Room.

The next meeting of Presbyterian Women is slated for Tuesday, March 28, at 2 p.m. in the Library. Patti Horton will lead Lesson 7, which addresses the question "Who is Jesus?" according to the non-canonical gospels.

Once again we will join with other local churches for a series of Lenten Luncheons. The schedule for the remaining luncheons follows:

- March 22, Host First Methodist, Preacher from Catholic Church
- March 29, Host Salvation Army, Preacher Sam Segundo
- April 5, Host First Baptist, Preacher Craig Holstedt, First

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Reflections:

What About Our Soul?

Most of our conversation, it seems, revolves around our bodies and money: how we look, how to stay healthy, how to remain young, how to become wealthy.

Concern for our bodies drives a large segment of our economy. United States healthcare expense alone passed the \$3.2 trillion mark in 2015. Most of this, of course, is corrective surgery and treatment, but elective cosmetic surgery totals more than \$13 billion. This includes liposuction, breast augmentation and hair removal. The fitness industry with its books, talkshows, and exercise facilities is enormous. In 2014 fitness center revenues in the U.S. exceeded \$24 billion.

I can understand this. Since my body is the only one I have, I want to take care of it. Of course, I guess there are limits to which I want to do this. I love Blue Bell ice cream and I like to sit in the stands snacking on a hot dog while I watch healthier people compete on the field.

I can also understand our interest in money. We all have to pay our bills, and most of us have ambitions to own our home, drive a nicer car, send our kids to college, and enjoy vacations.

But what happened to the concept of the soul? We seldom hear the word mentioned, including our churches. Jesus taught that, as important as our bodies may be, nothing is as important as our soul.

Regarding the body in comparison to the soul, He said, "Do not be afraid of those who can kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather, be afraid of the One who can destroy both soul and body in hell." With respect to money, Jesus said, "What good will it be for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul? Or what can anyone give in exchange for their soul?"

Horatio G. Spafford, a wealthy lawyer in the 1860s, seemed to live a charmed life, enjoying both health and wealth. But, in 1870, he lost his son to scarlet fever. The next year he lost most of his holdings in the Great Chicago Fire. Suffering financial loss, he used most of his resources to feed the hungry, house the homeless and comfort the grief stricken. When his wife's health began to fail, he decided to move his family to Europe. Delayed by his commitments at work, he sent his wife and four daughters ahead. On Nov. 22, 1873, their ship sank at sea. Only his wife survived. Returning to the spot where the ship sank, Horatio Spafford stood looking over the swelling seas where his daughters drowned and wrote these words:

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Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,
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And hath shed His own blood for my soul.

Horatio and Anna Spafford spent the rest of their lives caring for homeless children, the poor and oppressed.

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Steers finish 2-0 in double-header

By **MARISSA LOFTIN**

Sports Editor

Game One: Henson throws shut-out in 3-0 victory over Alpine

This game was solely a defensive battle, as both teams were held scoreless until the bottom of the sixth inning.

Big Spring was able to bring three runs across the plate to end the shut-out on their end, thanks to an RBI single from Noah Gonzales, and a two-RBI single from Eli Munoz, which brought the Steers up 3-0.

The score would not change as the Steers quickly got three outs at the top of the seventh inning to end the game.

"Although we are not playing perfect and we still have a load of things to work on, I see a lot of growth," said head coach Daniel Carrillo. "We are holding runners better, making defensive plays that we haven't made all year, having better plate approaches, throwing more strikes and really embracing staying off of the emotional roller coaster, good or bad."

The Bucks were out-hit by the Steers 2-5 in this low scoring game.

Munoz and Gonzales each collected multiple hits for Big Spring, leading the team with two a piece.

The Steers were unstoppable defensively, not committing a single error. Edward Aguilar lead the team with a total of nine plays.

Game two: Steers grab early lead to beat Lobos 7-2

A double from Gonzales drove in a run in the opening inning of the game to give the Steers a quick lead over the Lobos.

While continuing to hold Monahans scoreless, Big Spring brought their lead up to 3-0 with an RBI single from Tarrats in the top of the third.

The Steers had a big four-run fourth inning thanks to an RBI single by Jason Miramontes, an RBI single by Brayden Sizenbach, an error allowing Aaron Olague to cross home, and a single by Gonzales to the bases loaded that brought Miramontes in to score.

With Big Spring now up 7-0, the Lobos started to watch the game spiral out of reach.

Displaying an excellent defensive performance, The Steers were able to keep Monahans off of the scoreboard until the seventh inning, when the Lobos managed to score a pair of runs to end what was almost another shut out by Big Spring.

Those runs would get Monahans nowhere as they came up short in the 7-2 defeat to the Steers.

"We are at a point in the season where you can determine if your team is getting better," said Carrillo. "I like what I am seeing from this club."

Big Spring out-hit the Lobos 10-4. Tarrats, Sizenbach, Gonzales, and Miramontes led the team offensively with two hits each.

"Playing all 21 outs, we are simply getting better and I couldn't ask for much more going into district," said Carrillo.

Up next, the Steers have a huge game this Tuesday, March 21, as they will host Sweetwater in their district opener.

Seguin gets power-play goal as Stars beat Canucks 4-2



Ben Nelms/The Canadian Press via AP

Dallas Stars' Jamie Benn (14) fights Vancouver Canucks' Nikita Tryamkin (88) during the second period of an NHL hockey game Thursday, March 16, 2017, in Vancouver, British Columbia.

VANCOUVER, British Columbia (AP) — Dallas Stars head coach Lindy Ruff said he needed more from his leaders after a string of demoralizing losses.

Tyler Seguin and Jamie Benn stepped up to the challenge

Seguin scored on the power play in the third period and the Stars beat the Vancouver Canucks 4-2 on Thursday night to snap a three-game slide.

"The guys did a great job responding," Seguin said. "Our compete level was a lot higher, just our will. ... We were missing it the last few games."

Ales Hemsky, Esa Lindell and Radek Faksa had the other goals for Dallas, which got 26 saves from Kari Lehtonen. John Klingberg and Jason Spezza each added two assists.

Sven Baertschi and Ben Hutton scored for Vancouver. Ryan Miller stopped 32 shots in his 12th start in the last 13 games.

Both teams are well back in the Western Conference playoff race, and the Stars were outscored 17-4 during their recent skid, including a 7-1 demolition at the hands of the Edmonton Oilers on Tuesday.

"It's no secret we were embarrassed by the last two games and

the season in general," Spezza said.

The Canucks, meanwhile, finished winless on their five-game homestand (0-3-2), with the last three losses coming in regulation.

Seguin snapped a 2-2 tie at 9:07 of the third, blasting a one-timer past Miller for his 24th of the season after the Stars zipped the puck around the Canucks' zone.

Faksa then took advantage of a turnover by defenseman Troy Stecher at the side of his own net to bury his 11th past a helpless Miller at 15:31 as the Stars improved to 12-0-1 in their last 13 games against Vancouver.

Dallas grabbed a 1-0 lead at 8:41 of the first period after its 30th-ranked penalty kill held Vancouver's 28th-ranked power play off the scoreboard during an early four-minute man advantage.

Hemsky, who has missed 59 games this season with hip and groin injuries, swooped past Hutton and beat an indecisive Miller for a loose puck before scoring his first goal since March 24, 2016.

"It's frustrating," Hutton said. "We want to win, especially here in our home rink in front of our fans. One mistake here, one mistake there and it's two points for

the other team and not us."

Vancouver responded when Reid Boucher, playing in his 100th NHL game, fed a slick pass to a pinching Nikita Tryamkin. The big defenseman had both his initial shot and rebound stopped by Lehtonen before the puck popped into the slot to Baertschi, who buried his 17th at 13:27.

The Stars nudged back in front with 7.2 seconds left in the period when Lindell scored his sixth on a wrist shot from well out that went in off Miller's blocker.

Tryamkin tossed Jamie Benn to the ice with under four minutes to go in a previously sleepy second period, with the

Stars captain going back at the hulking Russian and dropping the gloves in what was a spirited fight. Both players went to their respective locker-rooms after the dust up, but Benn didn't come back for the third because of what the Stars called an upper-body injury.

It wasn't clear if the injury to Benn, who will be re-evaluated Friday, happened during the fight or earlier in the game.

"I like it," Ruff said of seeing his captain and second-leading scorer drop the gloves. "It sends a message to the team that the fight is still on. You've got to win games and play hard."

Hutton then tied the score on the power play to snap a 1-for-33 stretch on the man advantage.

NOTES: The Stars are 6-0-1 in their last seven games at Rogers Arena since the 2012-13 season. ... Vancouver D Christopher Tanev missed a third straight game because of food poisoning. ... Dallas F Jiri Hudler was a healthy scratch for the fifth straight game.

Stars: Wrap a four-game trip at Calgary on Friday night.

Canucks: Open a five-game trip Saturday night to Edmonton.

Bulldogs defeat Indians 5-4 after big seventh-inning triple

By **MARISSA LOFTIN**

Sports Editor

The Coahoma Bulldog varsity baseball team faced off with the Seminole Indians yesterday, where they came out on top with a 5-4 win.

The game got off to a slow start offensively for both teams, as the first runs of the game were brought across by Seminole in the bottom of the fourth.

Going into the bottom of the fifth inning with a two-run lead over the Bulldogs, the Indians brought another across as A. Dominguez scored on a steal of home, bringing the score to 3-0.

The sixth inning, much like most of the game, was a defensive battle as neither team could bring a run across home.

Coahoma faced their last round at bat entering the seventh still down 3-0 to Seminole.

Alex Biddison would lead off the inning with a single, and stole second base just before Logan Grant got off another single for the Bulldogs.

With runners on first and second base, the

pitcher for the Indians would walk Nick Romero, thus loading the bases.

Biddison was able to score the Bulldogs' first run of the game on a wild pitch.

After another free base from the Indians pitcher, the bases were loaded yet again, and that is when Fletcher Mashburn made his way to the batters box.

Mashburn crushed a line drive to right field, bringing in three runs and giving the Bulldogs a one point lead over Seminole.

"Mashburn had two miserable at bats earlier in the game," said head coach Bryan Jacobs. "But he has such a competitive attitude that he finally came through with the bases loaded to put us ahead in the top of the seventh"

Coahoma was not done just yet. Logan Franklin hit a ground ball, reaching first base on an error by the Indians short stop. This brought Mashburn across home plate and put the Bulldogs up 5-3.

As Seminole watched the game slowly slip

away from them, they knew this was their last chance as they entered the bottom of the seventh, to piece together a comeback and regain the lead.

While the Indians were able to bring in one run, it was not enough for the win and the Bulldogs prevailed with a final score of 5-4.

"We hit the ball very well today, and our pitchers competed very well by not giving up free bases, and kept us in the game," said Jacobs. "Overall, it was a solid performance and a good win for us heading into district."

Offensive leaders for Coahoma were Biddison, who went 2-2 on the day; and Mashburn, with all of the Bulldogs' three RBIs.

Coahoma was sure-handed and did not commit a single error. Gage Hill made the most defensive plays for the team with 9 total.

Coming up for Bulldog baseball, the team will host Jim Nedd on Tuesday, March 21, at 7 p.m. for their district opener.

Bulldogettes make strong plate appearance to beat Miles 16-2

By **MARISSA LOFTIN**

Sports Editor

The Coahoma Bulldogette varsity softball team hosted the Miles Lady Bulldogs yesterday, where they were able to end the game early in a 16-2 victory.

Coahoma set the tone of the game right away, pulling out a defensive stop against Miles followed by two Bulldogette runs across home plate.

The 2-0 start was thanks to an RBI double from heavy hitter Annie Chandler, and an RBI single from Makayla Overton.

While Miles was able to score a run in the top of the second inning, they still could not keep up as Coahoma answered right back by bringing across six runs to put the score at a big 8-1 Bulldogette lead.

In the top of the third, Coahoma put a stop to Miles' offense, getting three outs on three batters.

The Bulldogettes would ultimately put the game out of Miles' reach after having, yet another six run inning. This resulted from Lexi Montelongo's score on an error, an RBI single from Reagan Deel, an RBI from Sydney Rinard, Kodi Howard's score on an error and a two-RBI triple by Kaigan Howard.

By the bottom of the fourth inning, Coahoma had a whopping 15-point lead over Miles.

In an attempt to decrease their deficit and try to make an ambitious comeback, the Miles Lady Bulldogs were able to bring only one run across the plate on a ground out, followed by a strikeout for their third out to end the game.

In this very one-sided match, Coahoma came out on top with a final score of 16-2.

Chandler earned the win for the Bulldogettes on the mound, tossing five innings, surrendering two runs, five hits, striking out eight and walking only one.

"Chandler is an all around player," said head coach Alex Orosco. "She got the win for us today, and she will catch for us tomorrow. She can play any infield and outfield position."

Coahoma was a force at the plate, breaking off a team total of 18 hits to Miles' five.

Overton, Montelongo, Kodi Howard, Rinard, Kaigan Howard, and Deel each collected multiple hits for the Bulldogettes. Chandler led the team on offense, going 4-4 on the day with a double in the first, a homer in the second, a single in the third and fourth and a total of four RBIs.

"Not only today, but going back to the Big Spring game and the Wylie game last week, I think the girls are starting to hit better," said Orosco. "They are starting to see the ball better and they're putting it in play."

Up next, Coahoma will take on the Lady Wolves in Colorado City tonight at 5 p.m. for their district opener. Last season, Colorado City made a state championship appearance, and came close to winning it all but fell short.

"Hopefully our girls don't get too nervous about it," said Orosco. "It's hard to ignore something like that, but I think if our girls can look past that and not let the game get really big, we'll be alright. We still have to play softball."

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HOLIDAY MATHIS

Pisces-Sun Profundity

Incongruent with the usual festive tone of St. Patrick's Day festivities, the Pisces sun squares with Saturn to call for a deep respect of the times we're living in. As one American president said, "There is a mysterious cycle in human events. To some generations much is given. Of others generations much is expected" (Franklin Delano Roosevelt).

ARIES (March 21-April 19). There are so many reasons to spend time with the people who make you laugh. First of all, it's more fun. Secondly, you'll get the added benefit of sharpening your own sense of humor, which helps many areas of your life.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You've

been given the raw goods but not much in the way of instruction. That's fine. It's actually better this way. You'll build it into something that's all yours and utterly different from what others expected.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Parents fully appreciate what it takes to get other (sometimes unwilling) people dressed, ready and where they need to be at the expected time. You'll have a similar responsibility today.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Everyone gets lost. This is especially easy to do today regarding the seemingly minor matters of good taste. If you're attracted to something and you love it, it can't be all bad. And maybe it's very right. Start there.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Life is complicated enough without any help from an overactive mind and imagination. When you feel yourself edging toward unnecessary "what if" scenarios, stop before you start.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). It is very important to obey your thirst. The scientists suggest that by the time you realize you

are thirsty and go searching for water you are already dehydrated. The same goes for your thirst for certain kinds of attention.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). The others may believe that a mystical and elusive force is at your command, but the reality is that you have purposefully trained to increase your capacity to produce brilliant results.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Solitude is not necessarily isolation. Just because you want to be alone doesn't mean you (SET ITAL) are (END ITAL) alone. Your favorite people will be the ones who understand and honor your need for peace and quiet, which is intensified now.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). In musical terms, when two unharmonious notes are played together and cause tension that goes unresolved, it's called "dissonance." Today it happens in nonmusical areas, too, intensifying a craving for resolution.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Don't take your senses for granted, as

exploring the textures and processes of life will amplify your joy. And if there's a part of your everyday world that's an eyesore, this is the day to handle it.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). In order to accomplish a lofty aim, you'll need to solve a problem not just once but perpetually. This will take stamina. There are a few habits and structures in your life that could be fine-tuned to accommodate the goal.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Matters of scale will affect the social swirl. What seems to you to be a small effort could be quite large in the mind of one who endeavored it. Measure not with rulers and scales but with social awareness.

WEEKEND LOVE FORECAST:
ARIES: Your brain will scan for reasons that your loved one is right, fair, attractive and good. As long as you are aware that you're totally biased, you'll be fine.
TAURUS: It's not good or bad, it's just a fact: You need more affection than the average person does.
GEMINI: Your smile will open doors, and the guards of those

doors will take a liking to you. **CANCER:** Forgive yourself for mistakes made in the name of love. Love makes a fool of all who love. **LEO:** What's in your heart will leave your lips. **VIRGO:** You're not just giving your love; you're giving all the love you have been given, too. **LIBRA:** Your loved one wants a fresh start. Is it possible? **SCORPIO:** You'll fall in love with the way someone sees you. **SAGITTARIUS:** Even dogs put conditions on their love, so don't blame yourself if you can't get too "unconditional" in your style of loving. **CAPRICORN:** The way your significant one treats your friends is a reflection of respect and love for you. **AQUARIUS:** You can't change the other person, but you might inspire that person to want to change. **PISCES:** Focus on love the way you would focus at work: Accomplish one thing for love; forget everything else.

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Annie's Mailbox

Stop With the Subtweeting

Dear Annie: My best friend and I have been friends for over 15 years now, and we get along very well and definitely know each other better than anyone else. However, we are very different people. I guess you could say that I am a lot simpler than she is. I don't really

beat around the bush, whereas she is passive-aggressive; and I am on the quiet side, while she likes to be heard.

She has been complaining to me a lot about the drama she has in her life, and I don't mind. I am always there for her, whether it's to give my straightforward opinion or just to listen to her rambling on the phone in the middle of the night. When we

are communicating openly, it's great. But, Annie, the issue is that she has taken things to another level, and I have no control over it. She is very active on Twitter, and I don't have an account, much less an understanding of the social media platform.

A few close mutual friends have been telling me that she has been passive-aggressively tweeting about me in a negative way -- and it's very obvious that it's about me. I don't understand. I am always there for her, and I am open and honest when we communicate. But when I don't understand what I've done wrong, it's hard to grasp any un-

derstanding of what to fix. I would like to ask her what her deal is, but I don't know how to do so because I'm obviously pretty miffed that she is being so publicly passive-aggressive and I am offended. But I also don't want her to get upset with our other friends, because it will be obvious that they shared the information with me. I am in a bit of a strange pickle here and would love your input. I don't want there to be any unspoken issues between my best friend and me, but I don't know how to deal with this rude and immature behavior. -- Anti-social Media

Dear Anti-social:

Rude and immature is right. Passive-aggressive behavior has always been exasperating. Social media have taken it to a new level.

The best approach in dealing with such people is to refuse to play their game. Be positive but direct. Tell her that you saw her Twitter page (no need to mention that your mutual friends told you) and were concerned by the tweets. Don't let her wriggle out of it. Try to get her to admit that she's upset with you, thus denying her the ability to keep silently sulking. At the end of the day, she should respect you for holding her accountable. Friends don't let friends get away with passive-aggressive behavior.

Dear Annie: This is in response to "Wits' End," whose adult daughter has been verbally abusive to her. This poor woman does not need this daughter in her life, period. I, too, have daughters who hold their hands out, lie, are dishonest and rarely ask how they can help or do something for others. Guess what. My husband and I choose to stay away from both of them and all the unpleasant negativity they bring. We own businesses and are busy raising their

little brother and my mentally handicapped sister. We are very happy with our lives; our days are filled with dates, flowers, laughter and more.

Are we disappointed that our grown daughters choose to act so self-centeredly and uncaring? Of course. But people do not change unless they want to. We are no longer subjecting ourselves to their unacceptable behavior. If others did the same, they would save themselves a great deal of heartache.

"Wits' End" can make it clear to her daughter: "I deserve happiness, too, and unless you want to be a positive loving force in my life, you are not welcome." -- Happy to Let Go

Dear Happy:
Good for you and your husband to have made the choice to be happy. I hope one day that your daughters mature, but in the meantime, keep enjoying your drama-free lives.

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Test your defensive play

You are West, and the bidding has gone:
South West North East
1♥ Pass 3♥ Pass
6♥

NORTH
♠K 4 2
♥A J 6 3
♦Q 7
♣K 10 5 2

WEST
♠Q J 10 7
♥8 7 4
♦J 9 5 2
♣9 8

You lead the queen of spades, won by South with the ace. Declarer cashes the ace of diamonds, plays a low trump to dummy's jack — to which East follows with the nine — and then trumps the queen of diamonds. Declarer next cashes the K-Q of trumps, East discarding two diamonds, and then plays the king and another spade, East and South following suit to both spades. You win the spade with the ten. What would you lead now? *

A simple count of the three suits declarer has played thus far tells you that he started with precisely three spades, five hearts and one diamond. His other four cards must therefore be clubs. Although you can't be sure

precisely which clubs South has, you can assume from the bidding that he must have the ace. Having gotten this far, you can place South with the A-Q-x-x, A-J-x-x or A-x-x-x of clubs. In the first and third cases it doesn't matter whether you lead a club or give declarer a ruff-and-discard by returning a spade or a diamond. Declarer makes the slam in the first instance and doesn't in the third, regardless of what you do.

This leaves you with the remaining possibility — that declarer might have A-J-x-x, in which case his hand originally looked like:
♠A 9 3
♥K Q 10 5 2
♦A
♣A J 7 4

It is only after you take the time to visualize declarer's possible club holdings that you find the correct play. After winning the spade with the ten, you return the jack of spades (or a diamond).

This allows South to ruff in one hand and discard a club from the other, but he must then guess finesse after he ruffs. He might guess right and he might guess wrong, but that is much better than handing him the contract by returning a club after winning the spade.

Tomorrow: There's only one right play.

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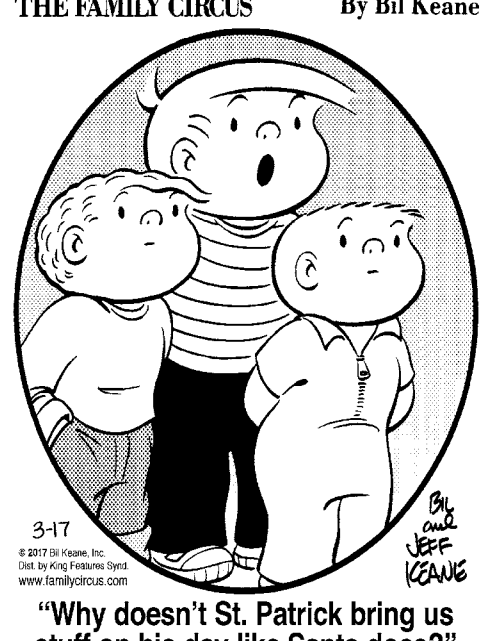
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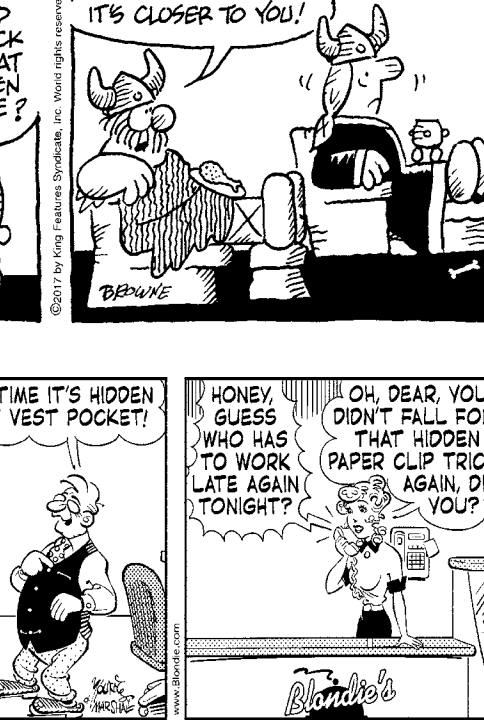
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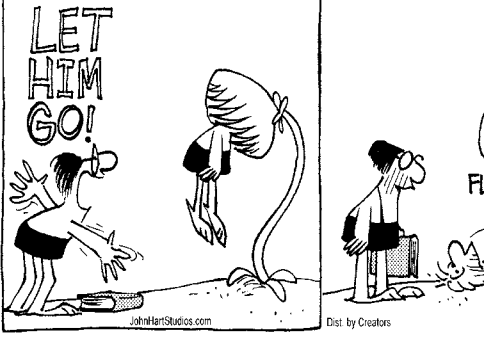
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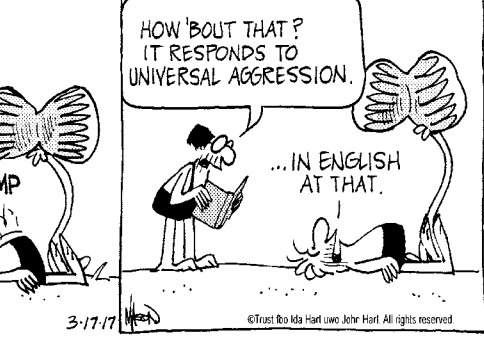
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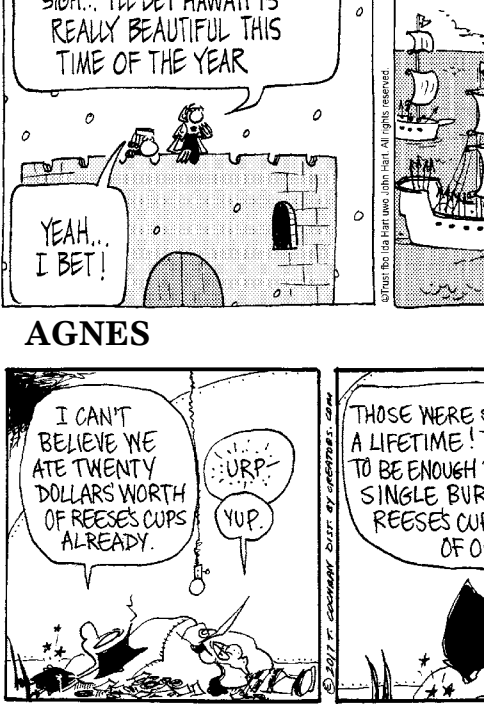
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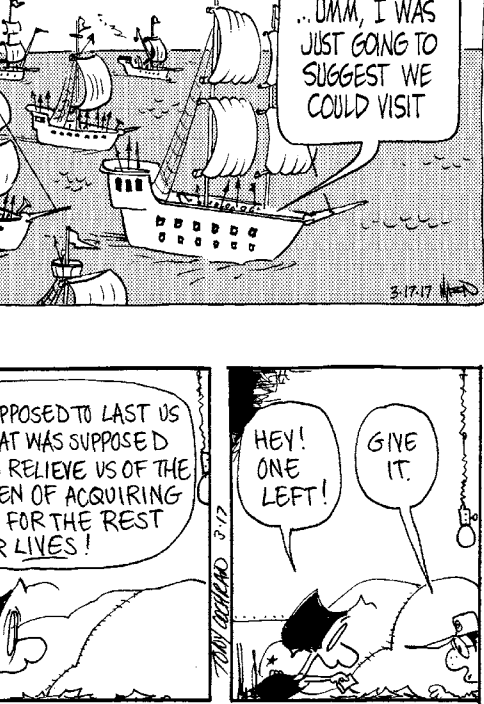
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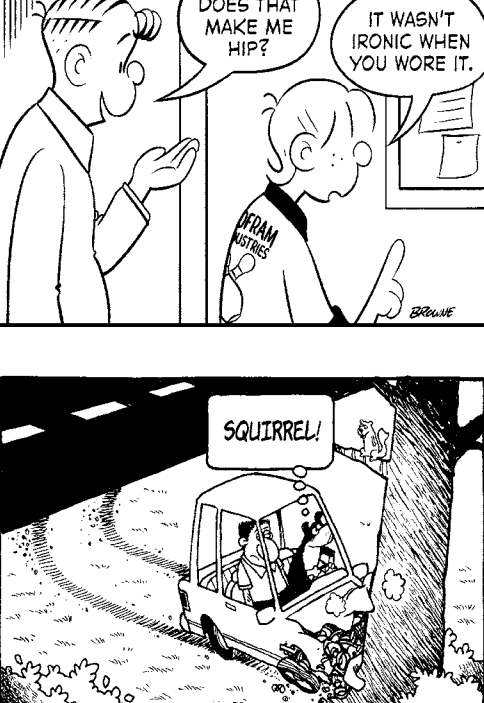
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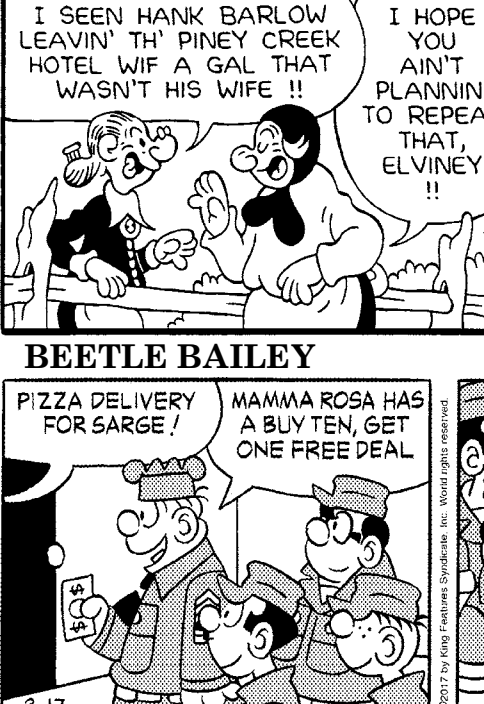
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NEWSDAY CROSSWORD

ACROSS

- Chum
- Things to learn first
- Expression of dread
- Japanese port
- As deemed fit
- Highly efficient
- Phased-out Canadian money
- Surgeon on TV
- Señora
- Spin in a stream
- Amish Country excursions
- Saison française
- Expense limit
- Disney World patrons
- Permeable
- '60s Motown star
- 14 Across agreement
- Fundamental
- Gets stuck, with "down"
- Position for effective advocacy
- Chapters of history
- Walden, for one
- Prefix meaning "green"
- Will prove profitable
- Water south of Sinai
- Botanical shelters
- Ready to roll
- Ballpark figs.
- Easterdite outfits
- DW Griffith leading lady
- Galaxy Tab alternative

DOWN

- Nursery rhyme subject
- Fully comfortable with
- Anger, informally
- Designer initials
- Exclamation of exultation
- Sound logical
- Small town
- Thick-soled shoe
- 9 Celestial alignment
- Blast from the past
- Photo with some résumés
- Trade show handout
- Groom in 1968 headlines
- Soup seasoning
- Repent of exercise
- Tchaikovsky's 71 (The Nutcracker)
- Shows disbelief
- The Penn Stater recipient
- Words of surprise
- Small singer
- 34 Caramel-colored beverage
- 35 Fuzzy, as some monitor images
- 36 Artist Mondrian
- 37 More like an otter's paws
- 38 Not many
- 41 Dig too deeply
- 42 Besiege
- 43 Persian rug city
- 45 Synthetic
- 46 Welsh fashion designer
- 48 Flan its course
- 49 Far from avant-garde
- 52 Disentangle
- 53 Advised of
- 54 Sanskrit word for "teacher"
- 57 Gentle tease

This Date In History

Today is Friday, March 17, the 76th day of 2017. There are 289 days left in the year. This is St. Patrick's Day.

Today's Highlight in History:
On March 17, 1942, six days after departing the Philippines during World War II, Gen. Douglas MacArthur arrived in Australia to become supreme commander of Allied forces in the southwest Pacific theater.

On this date:
In 1776, the Revolutionary War Siege of Boston ended as British forces evacuated the city.
In 1861, Victor Emmanuel II was proclaimed the first king of a united Italy.
In 1906, President Theodore Roosevelt first likened crusading journalists to a man with "the muckrake in his hand" in a speech to the Gridiron Club in Washington.
In 1912, the Camp Fire Girls organization was incorporated in Washington, D.C., two years to the day after it was founded in Thetford, Vermont. (The group is now known as Camp Fire.)
In 1936, Pittsburgh's Great St. Patrick's Day Flood began as the Monongahela and Allegheny rivers and their trib-

utaries, swollen by rain and melted snow, started exceeding flood stage; the high water was blamed for more than 60 deaths.
In 1941, the National Gallery of Art opened in Washington, D.C.
In 1956, comedian Fred Allen, 61, died in New York.
In 1966, a U.S. Navy midget submarine located a missing hydrogen bomb which had fallen from a U.S. Air Force B-52 bomber into the Mediterranean off Spain. (It took several more weeks to actually recover the bomb.)
In 1969, Golda Meir became prime minister of Israel.
In 1970, the United States cast its first veto in the U.N. Security Council, killing a resolution that would have condemned Britain for failing to use force to overthrow the white-ruled government of Rhodesia.
In 1988, Avianca Flight 410, a Boeing 727, crashed after take-off into a mountain in Colombia, killing all 143 people on board.
In 1992, 29 people were killed in the truck bombing of the Israeli embassy in Buenos Aires, Argentina. Whites in South Africa voted by a greater than 2-1 majority to forge ahead with talks to end white rule and give blacks voting rights for the first time in the country's history. In Illinois, Sen. Alan Dixon was defeated in his

Democratic primary re-election bid by Carol Moseley-Braun, who went on to become the first black woman in the U.S. Senate.
Ten years ago: Denouncing a conflict entering its fifth year, protesters across the country raised their voices against U.S. policy in Iraq and marched by the thousands to the Pentagon. John Backus, the developer of Fortran, a programming language that changed how people interacted with computers, died in Ashland, Oregon, at age 82.
Five years ago: Twin suicide car bombings killed at least 27 people near intelligence and security buildings in the Syrian capital of Damascus. John Demjanjuk (dem-YAHN-yuk), 91, convicted of being a low-ranking guard at the Sobibor death camp died in Bad Feilnbach.

Answer to previous puzzle

WHOM	TOAST	LOLL
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SHEA	BUTTER	ONES
TARTAN	SNEAKOUT	
SYNCS	TAGS	
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ETAT	TEAS	PAINT
NATURE	PRESERVES	
IRENE	TINA	PERE
MEDALS	SOLO	ITA
SINS	REIGN	
COCACOLA	SLUMPS	
ABEL	COUNTYMAYO	
SODA	ATRIA	BIRD
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Spring Rhule: New Baylor coach ready to finally get on field

WACO, Texas (AP) — Matt Rhule has been in perpetual motion since becoming Baylor's coach more than three months ago.

Now, Rhule finally gets to coach football when the Bears open spring practice Saturday.

"I'm unbelievably excited," Rhule said this week in his office as workers prepared the practice field outside the window. "I'm anxious to see what some of these guys can do. ... I haven't seen a quarterback throw a ball yet. We haven't done any technique stuff."

Rhule took over a program reeling from the sexual assault scandal that cost two-time Big 12 champion coach Art Briles his job last May.

The world's largest Baptist university is facing several federal lawsuits from women who say the school for years ignored or mishandled reports of sexual and physical assault, some against football players.

Baylor officials have said an internal investigation found at least 17 women who reported being sexually assaulted by 19 football players in recent years, although one lawsuit puts the number of women much higher.

"You have to move forward while acknowledging the past, and acknowledging what's happened. And the best way to acknowledge it is to make sure that it doesn't happen again," Rhule said. "While you'd love for just kind of a new chapter to begin, that's not the reality."

Knowing that what happened in the past will continue to be talked about, Rhule still tries to put his head down and be concerned about today — the way he approaches football and life. He said the program's reaction to anything that happens in the future "is going to be honest and full of integrity, and it's going to be done the right way."

Returning senior starting nickelback Travon Blanchard is suspended indefinitely from all team-related activities after the school was notified that a court granted a woman's request for a protective order against him. According to court records, the woman with whom he had a relationship accused him of multiple acts of violence and threats against her.

Two operation staff members brought to Baylor by Rhule have already been dismissed.

An assistant strength and conditioning coach was fired after being arrested in a prostitution sting last month. An associate director of football operations lost his job this week for sending inappropriate text messages to a teenager, though the person was considered an adult under Texas statute.

"There's a standard we've set and if you don't meet that



Jerry Larson/Waco Tribune-Herald via AP

Baylor head football coach Matt Rhule answers questions from the media Thursday, March 16, 2017, in Waco, Texas, as discuss the upcoming season.

standard, action will be taken," Rhule said. "I recognize the scrutiny our program is under. I knew that when I came in. That scrutiny doesn't guide our decisions. We will hold our students and our staff to the highest standards of conduct."

When Rhule took the job Dec. 6, he had to immediately start recruiting. Baylor had only one firm commitment then, but on Feb. 1 had a solid and balanced 27-player signing class that ranked among the upper half of the Big 12.

Rhule also put together a coaching staff. He didn't keep any of the assistants from Briles' staff that had been retained last season to work with interim coach Jim Grobe.

Six of Baylor's new assistants were with Rhule at Temple, which was the AAC champion with its second consecutive 10-win season. Two others came from NFL staffs.

Baylor goes into the spring with a full allotment of 85 scholarship players on a roster nearing 100 players. They were all split into smaller groups this week for a series of team-bonding challenges, like others throughout the offseason.

"I said when I got the job, I believed that this is where I was supposed to be. ... I didn't say that I believed that it was going to be easy," Rhule said. "I have enjoyed every moment being here, and I've enjoyed getting to know these players, and I really believe that there's going to be really a lot of success ahead."

Cowboys re-sign RB Darren McFadden and OL Johnathan Cooper



AP Photo/Tony Gutierrez

Dallas Cowboys running back Darren McFadden (20) carries the ball as he works through a drill during training camp.

FRISCO, Texas (AP) — The Dallas Cowboys have re-signed veteran running back Darren McFadden and guard Jonathan Cooper.

McFadden will go into his 10th NFL season as a backup to Ezekiel Elliott, who has the league's leading rushing as a rookie last season. Cooper gives depth on the offensive line that lost Ron Leary to Denver in free agency.

The Cowboys made the moves Thursday, when running back Lance Dunbar left Dallas for a free-agent deal with the Los Angeles Rams and cornerback Brandon Carr signed for a four-year deal with the Baltimore Ravens.

McFadden joined the Cowboys in 2015, when he ran for 1,089 yards. But he played only three games last season because of a broken elbow suffered in the offseason. He was the fourth overall pick by the Raiders during the 2008 draft.

Cooper joined Dallas before the playoffs this past season but didn't play in a divisional loss to Green Bay by the NFC's top seed.



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Presbyterian

Sarah Salinas is in charge of Take Ten for this Sunday. Danny Kennemur is lector. Ushers for March are Gordon and Susan McDaniel, Lynn and Helen Glass.

The lectionary for the Third Sunday in Lent is Exodus 17:1-7; Psalm 95; Romans 5:1-11; John 4:5-42. The Chancel Choir will lead the service with the Introit "You Satisfy the Hungry Heart" by Robert Kreutz. The Rev. Craig Holstedt, minister, will present the sermon. The anthem will be "Lord, Keep Us Steadfast" arranged by Gary Matheny. The offertory will be an instrumental arrangement of "Forgive Our Sins As We Forgive" arranged by Edwin T. Childs.

Please note that the 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 a.m. If you would like a printed bulletin for Sunday services, call the church office at 263-4211. You can also see what's happening at the church by visiting the website www.fpcbs.org. On the website are links to audio of several recent sermons by the Rev. Craig Holstedt.

Forsan Baptist Church

This week the series in Ephesians will continue with a message from Ephesians 3:1-7 called "Mystery Revealed."

Men's breakfast will take place this Saturday, March 18, at 9 a.m. at Crispy's Café.

The Sunday evening study series is called "The Names of God," and examines each name given in both the Old and New Testaments.

Youth and children's activities on Wednesday evenings include classes for elementary students at 4, a meal for youth at 5:30, and classes for youth and adults beginning at 6.

Forsan Baptist Church is located at 201 Main in Forsan. Sunday School begins at 9:50 a.m. each week, with worship services at 10:50 a.m. and 6 p.m. Wednesday services begin at 6 p.m. Rides for all youth activities are available if arranged ahead of time. Call the church at 432-457-2342 or Pastor Darren Weaver at 432-213-2348.

Midway Baptist Church

The Midway Baptist Church Women's Prayer and Share Group meets every Monday from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. in the Church Fellowship Hall. Midway Baptist Church is located at 6200 South Service Rd. in Sand Springs. Fellowship and Bible study programs are available. Refreshments are provided and children are welcome. Call 903-263-6274 for more information.

Cornerstone Covenant Church

The people at Cornerstone Covenant Church would like to connect with you. Please join us this week at one of the following events:

Sunday, March 12: Find out how your life is impacted when you become radical in your prayer, radical in your praise, and radical in your generosity. Join the congregation at 10:30 a.m. for the morning Worship Service as they seek to discover the meaning of "Radical Attraction."

Monday, April 10: "Far Above Rubies" Women's Ministry. All ladies are welcome and encouraged to connect with other women for food, fun, and fellowship. The ladies will gather in the east wing downstairs in the Chosen Generation youth area at 6 p.m. Each lady is asked to bring a favorite dish to share. For more information, please contact Debbie Rieger at 432-935-1257.

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In sect that shuns medicine, case against pastor is novel



This Feb. 3, 2017, photo shows the Faith Tabernacle Congregation in Mechanicsburg, Pa. The church's pastor, the Rev. Rowland Foster, has been charged in connection with the pneumonia death of his granddaughter.

By **MICHAEL RUBINKAM**, Associated Press

READING, Pa. (AP) — A pastor in a fundamentalist Christian sect that rejects doctors and drugs has been charged in the death of a child — his own granddaughter — from medical neglect. The novel prosecution is raising hopes among some advocates that it might spur change in a church that has resisted it.

Faith Tabernacle Congregation has long told adherents to place their trust in God alone for healing. As a result, dozens of children, mostly in Pennsylvania, have died of preventable and treatable illnesses. Church members reject modern medicine as a bedrock tenet of their faith, even as some have faced manslaughter charges in child deaths dating back 35 years.

Until now, though, no leader in the sect has ever faced charges.

"It could be a new tool to save the lives of these children," said

Rita Swan, one of the nation's top experts on faith-based medical neglect. She leads the group Children's Healthcare is a Legal Duty, which works to eliminate religious exemptions in state laws requiring parents to provide appropriate medical care.

With a routine course of antibiotics, 2-year-old Ella Foster would have almost certainly beaten the pneumonia that took her life in November. But her parents refused medical care, and she succumbed shortly after they asked the Rev. Rowland Foster to anoint her.

Foster, 72, pastor of a Faith Tabernacle Congregation church district in eastern Pennsylvania, was charged with a felony this month under a state law requiring clergy members,

teachers and other "mandated reporters" to turn the names of suspected child abusers over to authorities for investigation. The law makes no exception for clergy who happen to be related to the abused child, as Foster was to Ella.

Most states have similar laws that require clergy to report abuse.

"He was well aware of the fact that this child was in need of medical treatment and he never reported it, nor do I believe that he ever had the intention to report it," Berks County District Attorney John Adams, whose office is prosecuting Foster, said in an interview.

Cathleen Palm, of the Pennsylvania-based Center for Children's Justice, said she hopes the prosecution, at a minimum, will spur action in the Legislature to protect children whose parents don't seek necessary medical care based on religion.

"What the district attorney has done is clearly pivotal," she said.

Neither the Rev. Foster nor his attorney returned calls for comment. Foster is due in court next month for a preliminary hearing that will likely attract a heavy presence of church members.

Ella's parents, Jonathan and Grace Foster, were charged earlier with involuntary manslaughter and await trial. Police have said Jonathan Foster attributed Ella's death to "God's will."

The reclusive sect, founded in Philadelphia more than a century ago, does not give media interviews. At the Faith Tabernacle church and school campus in Mechanicsburg, where Rowland Foster is the pastor, an Associated Press reporter who entered the building was quickly ordered to leave. An older man who accepted a letter seeking comment from church officials promised to shred it.

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