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## Wigington stepping down as BSISD superintendent

Unofficially slated as new superintendent of Bushland ISD, final vote Dec. 7

By **ERIN STEPHENS** and **ROGER CLINE**  
 Staff Writer

Current Big Spring Independent School District Superintendent Chris Wigington is set to replace Don Wood as superintendent of Bushland ISD.

This is Wigington's fifth year as superintendent for Big Spring's school district. Bushland ISD Board of Trustees voted 6-0 Nov. 15 to name Wigington as the lone finalist

for superintendent. State law requires the board to wait 21 days before they can finalize their selection so his new position won't be official until after the 21 days has passed.

If named superintendent after the final vote on Dec. 7, Wigington's new position at Bushland ISD would begin Jan. 9, 2018.

Wood said Wigington was selected from approximately 50 applicants for the Bushland superintendent position.

"He was definitely one that rose to the top pretty quickly, through the process, just reviewing the applicants, and he remained at the top through the whole process," Wood said. "Jumping in in the middle of the year, it's a

great time for superintendents. You don't jump right into the hiring phase. You don't jump right into the budget phase, like when you jump into the new district in the middle of summer, like is traditional. You can kind of use the whole semester to kind of get acclimated to the district and learn more about the district, and then you get into the budget phase and hiring phase of the year. He'll have that behind him going in. So that's going to be an

easier transition for him."

"My experience with the school board at BSISD, faculty, staff, and the community as a whole has been amazing," said Wigington. "Big Spring has a great group of kids and being part of BSISD is absolutely something I'll always remember."

Wigington went on to add that he feels he and fellow board members have created a culture of teamwork and

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Wigington

## CHS FFA heads to Area

Special to the Herald

The Coahoma FFA ag issues team has been studying the topic of cloning animals for months and plans to show off that work at area competition set for Saturday at Howard College.

"We all sat down and wrote our speech together at the beginning of the year and then we went through and revised and updated it," explained Aubrey Parum, a senior at Coahoma High School and team member. "Then we assigned our parts and we've been working on it since."

The team consists of Parum, seniors, Trey Brumley, Diana Gonzalez, Raegan Deel, junior Ethan Lopez, and sophomores Gage Hill and Garrett Anderson.

As part of that research, team members have been corresponding by e-mail with a company who researches and performs cloning. For the competition, three team members are assigned to debate "Pro" cloning and three are on the "Con" side with one person serving as the mediator.

With the current technology available, cloning an animal can cost \$85,000 or more, according to Gonzalez, who debates against the issue on the team.

"I think we can lower the cost," said Parum, who presents on the pro cloning side. "I think that is something we can figure out in the future. It think it going to be cool when you can clone animals and keep the genetic line going. In our speech, we talk about bringing back extinct species. If I think we could do that, it would be pretty cool."

Gonzalez said cloning could be useful in the future to meet the demands of a growing worldwide population.

"As the population increases, we need to find ways to keep up with feeding people," she said.

"I think it could be more efficient," Parum added. "Certain genes do better than others. I think if we could take those genes and recreate it, we could reproduce faster."

However, Hill pointed out the

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## A new era in Big Spring



*HERALD photo/Roger Cline*  
**Big Spring's renovated Historic Spring is now open. In this photo, Big Spring Community Services Director Debbie Wegman prepares to cut the ribbon at the site's Grand Opening Ceremony, held Thursday afternoon. With Wegman are several community leaders including (on the front row) Aubrey Weaver Jr. (blue shirt, on left), who proposed the idea for the Spring renovation; Mayor Larry McLellan; Tourism Coordinator Hayley Herrera, and architect Kelly Cook of KDC Associates in Midland, who created the design for the Historic Spring area.**

## BSI hosts Thanksgiving lunch



*HERALD photos/Erin Stephens*  
**Big Spring Intermediate School hosted their Thanksgiving lunch Thursday and invited parents to come join their students. At left, Jennifer Martinez and her son Jaylen Martinez enjoy spending time together. At right, Gracie Moore is all smiles as she eats lunch with her dad Jackie.**



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## Obituaries

### Dorothy Allen Wheeler



Dorothy Allen Wheeler, 83, of Big Spring, died Wednesday, Nov. 15, 2017, in Midland. Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 18, 2017, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Rev. Mark Lindsey, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating.

The family will receive friends from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

She was born June 8, 1934, in Dickens County to R. M. "Bob" and Ruby Thompson Allen and married Robert E. "Bob" Wheeler July 1, 1955, at Calvary Baptist Church in Midland.

Dorothy's family moved to Glasscock/Midland Counties in 1944 and she attended schools at Patton Springs, Garden City, Three Way and graduated from Midland High School in 1951. She then attended Hardin Simmons University. Dorothy worked for Cities Service Oil Company and Texaco in Midland. She and Bob lived in Big Spring almost all of their married life. They joined First Baptist Church in Big Spring in Sept. of 1959, where Dorothy taught children's Sunday school for many

years. Bob started Big 3 Auto Salvage in 1960 and Dorothy worked there until they closed in 2007.

Survivors include her husband, Bob Wheeler of Big Spring; three children, Carrie Claunch and husband, Chris of San Antonio, Kyle Wheeler and wife, Terry of Midland and Beverly Warren and husband, Jay of Valencia, California; seven grandchildren, Chad Wheeler of Plymouth, Vermont, Elizabeth Wheeler Dell'aquila and husband, Nicholas of Raleigh, North Carolina, Garrett Wheeler of Stephenville, Catherine Claunch of San Marcos, Caroline Claunch of Dallas, Jay Jay Warren and John John Warren both of Valencia, California; a sister, Bobbie Edwards of Abilene; and a host of nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; two grandchildren, Joshua Wheeler and Grace Ann Warren; one brother, Carroll Allen; and two sisters, Lois Laverne Allen and Pauline Burrow.

The family suggests memorials to First Baptist Church, 705 W. Marcy Dr., Big Spring, Texas 79720.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Crematory. Online condolences can be made at [www.npwelch.com](http://www.npwelch.com).

*Paid obituary*

### Gary Brian Donelson



Gary Brian Donelson, 55, of Big Spring died Tuesday, Nov. 14, 2017. A memorial service will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at First United Methodist Church with Rev. Sharon Weise and Rev. Darrell Patterson officiating.

Gary was born Sept. 27, 1962, in El Paso, Texas and moved to Big Spring, Texas, when he was three years old. He attended Big Spring schools and graduated Big Spring High in 1981. He attended Howard College, Texas A&M, and graduated from Lubbock Christian University.

He befriended many people, especially the elderly, enjoying cooking and delivering meals to them. Gary and his dad remodeled homes for many years, for the resale and rental markets. He loved to travel, loved people from all walks of life, was incredibly outgoing, and never met a stranger.

Gary was preceded in death by his grandparents Floyd and Pauline Smith, Aaron and Addie Donelson, and one uncle Smitty Smith. He is survived by his parents Barbara and Delbert Donelson, sister Debra Donelson, Aunt Olivia and Uncle Norman Donelson, Aunt Gaylynn Smith, and cousins Michelle Cox and husband Allen (children Casey, David, Cody, and Austin), Devin Donelson, and Shannon Donelson and wife Alexi (children Tyson and Tess).

Gary will be remembered most for his quick wit, big smile, big laugh, and big heart.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials to The First United Methodist Church, P. O. Box 1229, Big Spring, Texas, 79721; or favorite charity.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at [www.myersandsmith.com](http://www.myersandsmith.com).

*Paid obituary*

## Sheriff

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

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 74 inmates at the time of this report.

- **DANIEL HULL**, 31, was arrested by BSPD on warrants of expired registration, failed to maintain financial responsibility.

- **ANTAVIUS JAQUAN TOLER**, 19 was arrested by BSPD on a warrant of another agency.

- **STEVEN AUDIS EMMONS**, 52, was arrested by BSPD on warrant of two counts on possession of controlled substance in be-

tween one to four grams, and a warrant of another agency.

- **APRIL FERN SMITH**, 36, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of burglary of habitation.

- **JESSICA FAYE BROOKS**, 30, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant of bail jumping and failure to appear.

- **WILLIAM BEAN**, 37, was arrested by HCSO on warrant on assault causes bodily injury.

- **VICTORIA BAIRD**, 43, was arrested by BSPD on warrants of two warrant of different agencies.

- **SARAH DARLENE HAYES**, 32, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of unauthorized use of ve-

hicle.

- **RODNEY CHASE BURROW**, 33, was arrested by BSPD

- **CAMILLE CATALINE REGALADO**, 21, was arrested by BSPD on charges of possession of marijuana, possession of controlled substance less the one gram, and possession of controlled substance in between three to 38 grams.

- **NATHANIEL GAGE COSTILLA-GARIBAY**, 21, was arrested by BSPD on charges of possession of marijuana less than or equal too two ounces, possession of controlled substance less than one gram, and a warrant with another agency.

## Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported on HWY 350.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 6400 block of S Service Rd. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported in the 1100 block of FM 849. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 300 block of S Owens. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 700 block of S Johnson. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2500 block of Dow. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

## Take Note

- The Emergency Services Chaplains Corps is seeking volunteer chaplains. The corps provides spiritual services to Howard County residents and visitors in crisis situations. Prospective chaplains don't require any specific experience or education to qualify for the position, just a calling from God and a willingness to devote time to the program, which requires a 24- to 30-week training program and dedication of one day per week for emergency call-outs. Those interested should contact Senior Chaplain Joel Miller at 432-213-1221.

- Big Spring's Centennial Lions Club is holding a drive to collect books for the Salvation Army Boys and Girls Club. Books for kids in kindergarten

through about 10th grade will be accepted, with special preference for books for younger children in kindergarten through third grade. Cash donations to allow the Lions to purchase additional books are also appreciated. Books or donations can be taken to the Salvation Army, 811 W. Fifth St., or to the home of Lions member Ken Lawhon at 1707 E. 15th St. For more information, contact Lawhon at 214-998-9716 or Lions member David Stives at 432-270-2251.

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

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

## Correction

**Correction:** In the November 16, 2016 edition of the Big Spring Herald, the jump for the story entitled "Christmas Bazaar slated for this weekend" was not included on Page 3. The story is reprinted in its entirety on Page 3 today. The Herald regrets the error.

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## 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.

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Courtesy photo

Pictured are members of the Coahoma FFA Ag Issues Team. They are Garrett Anderson, Gage Hill, Diana Gonzalez, Aubrey Parum, Raegen Deel, Trey Brumley, and Ethan Lopez.

## FFA

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current technology for cloning is not only cost prohibitive but the results are limited.

"It cost so much money just to get a small percentage of a chance to be successful," Hill said.

"The success chance rate is two or three out of like 1,000 or 1,500," Gonzalez added.

The team met with success at the recent FFA District competition held Thursday, Nov. 9, at Coahoma High School. The Coahoma students earned

first place in the ag issues competition.

After their performance at District, Deel said she feels confident going into competition on Saturday

"I think we got the nerves out," Deel said.

FFA is a national youth organization focused on bringing about personal growth, leadership, and career success to its members through agricultural education.

Deel and Brumley are a four-year FFA members.

"FFA taught me to be more open with people and how to communicate with people and

not to be scared to talk in front of others," Deel said. "You grow a bond with people. I'm an area officer, and I've grown a huge bond with state officers. It's taught me to be open to my surroundings and don't get comfortable, to leave your comfort zone a little bit and learn more."

Area competition will be held Saturday on the campus of Howard College where students will compete for a chance to attend the state competition. The Coahoma FFA chapter has 49 students qualified for participation.

## Trinity Baptist to host craft fair Saturday

By ERIN STEPHENS

Staff Writer

Trinity Baptist Church is set to host its 2nd annual Fall Craft Fair this Saturday from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the gymnasium. The fair will include baked goods, wood crafts, quilts, and more items for sale that have been provided by members of Trinity Baptist Church.

"We had a great turnout last year and expect it to be similar this year," said member Donna Burcham. "Everyone is welcome and we'd like to invite the community to come join us."

Kyla Willey is the main organizer of the event. For more info, contact the Trinity Baptist Church office at 432-267-6344.

## Texas unemployment rate improves to 3.9 percent in October

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The Texas unemployment rate has improved for the sixth straight month with an October jobless figure of 3.9 percent. The Texas Workforce Commission on Friday reported that compares to a September unemployment rate

of 4 percent. The nationwide jobless rate in October was 4.1 percent, the lowest level in nearly 17 years. A TWC statement says Amarillo and Midland had the lowest unemployment rates in Texas last month at 2.4 percent. The Beaumont-Port Arthur area had

the state's highest jobless rate in October at 6.3 percent.

Recovery continues after Hurricane Harvey slammed Texas on Aug. 25, leading to storms and heavy rain that swamped parts of the Houston, Beaumont and Port Arthur areas.

## Christmas Bazaar slated for this weekend

By AMBER MANSFIELD

Staff Writer

Want to get a little Christmas shopping done and get the chance to purchase some unique and one of kind gifts for family and friends? Then come try your luck this Saturday at the the Knights of Columbus Annual Christmas Bazaar. The Christmas Bazaar boasts several different vendors with arts, crafts, antiques, and much more.

"You will find all sorts of unique vendors with a variety of goods," said Victor Torres, Grand Knight of the Knights of Columbus. "A selection of Christmas decor and homemade wreaths, things for the kiddos, and for the adults."

If you're getting a little famished while scooping out the vendor selections, no need to leave to satisfy your hunger pains. The Bazaar will offer a few food vendors available to purchase for the guest in attendance.

"At the Bazaar we will have two different groups selling food," said Torres. "Nothing big, just some burritos, and other easy to go foods, so our visitors can eat while shopping."

The Christmas Bazaar is open to the public, Saturday Nov. 18, from 9 a.m.

to 3 p.m. This year's Bazaar will be located at Our Lady Guadalupe Family Center at 1009 Hearn St. There are a few spaces available for vendors, with a choice of a small space at 12 ft. x 12 ft., and include one table and two chairs at \$30 a spot. Or there is a large space available at 12 ft. x 15 ft., and that includes two tables and four chairs at \$45 a spot.

"The Knights host and run the Bazaar with a goal to help out the local people with small business," said Torres. "Also all lot of the money made from the Bazaar will go to putting Thanksgiving baskets together for those families and individuals who are in need."

The Knights was formed to render financial aid to members and their families. Aid and assistance are offered to sick, disabled and needy members and their families.

"The Knights are dedicated to the church and helping them and the people who are in need of assistance, and the Bazaar is just one way that helps us achieve our goal," said Torres. "So come on down and see what the local vendors has in store for you."

For more information about the Christmas Bazaar or to rent a space out call Victor Torres at: 432-263-6112.

## CHS FFA shines at contest

Editor's Note: This is a reprint of a story that ran in the Wednesday, Nov. 15, edition of the Herald that was not included in its entirety.

### Special to the Herald

The Coahoma FFA Chapter had one of its best performances at a leadership competition during the El Rancho District FFA contest held Thursday at Coahoma High School.

Of the 64 Coahoma FFA chapter students who participated in the contest, 49 qualified to move on to Area competition set to be held on Nov. 18 at Howard College.

"This is a great thing," said Aaron Custer, CHS ag instructor and Coahoma FFA chapter advisor. "We not only participated, we worked hard to be competitive in every event. The Chapter won eight of the 13 contests and in three of the contests, Coahoma kids placed first and second. This is one of our greatest days."

The following Coahoma students have advanced to the Area contest:

District Champions (1st place)

Public Relations, the team of Julia Cox, Aubrey Green, Emilee Custer, and Micah Worley.

GH Creed, Julia Cox.

GH Chapter Conducting, Aaron Turnbough,

Richard Thurman, Jayden Whisennand, Tony Hagins, Dusty Wyatt, Luke Campbell, AJ Valencia, and DJ Hernandez.

Sr Chapter, Bailey Wells, Selina Baldwin, Madison Ramirez, Andrea King, Abbie Lopez, Jayden Barnes, Emily Bunning, and Chasity Burgans.

FFA Radio Broadcasting, Emilee Custer, Aubrey Green, and Micah Worley.

Ag Issues, Raegan Deel, Trey Brumley, Aubrey Parum, Ethan Lopez, Gage Hill, Garrett Anderson, and Diana Gonzalez.

Ag Advocacy, Emily Bunning, Sydney Rinard, Ashley Crisp, and Cailey Glover.

GH Skills, Seth Brooks, Grayson Glidewell, Kolt Redden, and Nick Biddison.

Reserve District Champions (2nd Place)

GH Skills, MaKynlee Overton, Kaylee Kernick, Jake Williams, Sean Striegler, and Bryden Fontana.

Sr Skills, Cutter Atkins, Brant Gartman, Jovi Gonzalez, and Braxton Chandler.

Ag Advocacy, Brynn Workman, Brylea Gordon, Selina Baldwin, and Macee Grant.

FFA Radio Broadcasting, Cailey Glover, Ashley Crisp, and Sydney Rinard.

Also placing but not qualifying for area

were: GH Creed, Patrick Gutierrez, 8th.

Sr Skills, AJ Gutierrez, Damian Rains, Zack Schneider, and Cameron Kerby, 4th.

Sr Creed, Bailey Wells, 7th; and Brylea Gordon, 8th.

Job Interview, Cutter Atkins, 8th; and Brant Gartman, 9th.

Sr Quiz Teams - 5th and 8th - Keegan Dobbs, Jonathon Schneider, Diana Gonzalez, Gage Hill, Andrea King, Madison Ramirez, Jayden Barnes, and AJ Gutierrez.

Jr Quiz Teams - 5th and 7th - Alex Grant, Nathan Chapman, Isiah Martin, Aaron Turnbough, Ethan Biddison, Hunter White, and Patrick Gutierrez.

"I am proud of all the kids. They did a fantastic job and represented Coahoma well," Custer said. "I also want to thank all the people that moved classrooms, prepared meals, helped shuffle kids, prepared for these kids to be out of class, chased official dress, or props, and helped with all the details that make this contest run."

The El Rancho District includes schools from Midland, Odessa, Greenwood, Stanton, Grady, Garden City, Andrews, Ackerly, Forsan, and Big Lake. The contest had 175 students competing.

## BSISD

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moved the district forward in recent years. Big Spring ISD has about 4,000 students, compared to 1,500 at Bushland ISD. Wigginton has been superintendent in Big Spring since 2014.

"I want to thank the community of Big Spring for trusting me to do this job for the last five years and I'd like to especially thank the school board here for giving me the opportunity and support I needed to move the district in a more positive direction," said Wigginton.

According to Wood, Bushland ISD, home of the Falcons, is a small 4A school, with expectations of returning to the smaller 3A designation next school year.

"We have about 1,500

students, and we're a rural community right outside of Amarillo," he said. "We're definitely not low economic. Our subdivisions out here are what you might call 'affluent.' We have a low socio-economic percentage here. Low minority percentage here. Pretty good scores. Of course, if you're not 100 percent in everything, there's always room for growth."

Wood said the district is known for its special education and dyslexia programs, and often draws students from the much

larger nearby Amarillo ISD specifically for those programs.

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Danya James, 58, died Thursday, Nov. 9, 2017. Funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel.

Gary Donelson, 55, died Tuesday. Memorial service will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at First United Methodist Church.

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# Did you ever wonder? Chaotic times

In Judah, Amaziah became king. His mother was from Jerusalem and she raised him to worship God. However, after his kingship was firmly established he executed all the officials who were responsible for his father's death.

But he did not kill the sons of the officials as was customary. He remembered that the Lord has commanded, "You shall not put fathers to death for their children, and children shall not be put to death for their fathers." (Deut 24:16)

Amaziah, king of Judah, fought against Seir and was victorious, but he brought back idols of their gods. He set up the idols in Judah and caused the people to bow down to foreign gods.

Amaziah then fought against Israel/Samaria and lost. He fled, but they followed and killed him. He was brought

back to Jerusalem over the back of a horse.

His son Uzziah became king of Judah at age sixteen. His mother was from Jerusalem. She taught him to love the Lord, and he reigned for fifty-two years.

Uzziah made many repairs and improvements in Judah. But after he became powerful, Uzziah became prideful. He became unfaithful to God.

King Uzziah, although he was not a priest, entered the Temple to burn incense. God had prohibited anyone but the priests to enter the sanctuary.

While he argued with the priests, leprosy broke out on his forehead. The leprosy continued and he lived in a separate house until he died.

His son Jotham became King of Judah. He followed the Lord, but the people continued to serve the idols. He did extensive repairs to the walls of Jerusalem; he built up other towns and built fortresses and towers.

Jotham's army conquered the Ammonites. In one year the Ammonites paid him 300 talents of silver; that is

3-3/4 tons.

They paid him ten thousand cors each of wheat and barley; this is 62,000 bushels each of wheat and barley each year.

Jotham reigned for sixteen years. When he died, his son Ahaz became king of Judah. He served the idols and incurred God's anger.

The Lord handed him over to the Arameans, and they took many captives back to Damascus.

The Lord also gave Ahaz into the hands of Israel. They killed one hundred, twenty thousand Judean soldiers. They sacked the treasure of the Temple and king's palace, and took two thousand wives and children prisoners back to Samaria.

A prophet of the Lord met the Samaritans and warned that their treatment and their anger toward Judah were excessive. So they returned the loot and the captives to Judah.

The Philistines raided towns in the foothills of Judea. Ahaz was devastated; he requested help from Assyria. Their king, Tiglath-Pileser, accepted

large gifts from Ahaz, but then turned on him. The Edomites also attacked Judah and carried off captives.

During this time, Israel had a succession of six kings who came to power not by birthright, but by violence. You can see how chaotic these times were...every strong man wanted a chance to be king of Israel.

The last king of Israel was Hoshea. Shalmaneser, king of Assyria, laid siege against him; it lasted for three years. In his ninth year, Assyria completely overpowered Israel and carried away the educated people and skilled craftsmen.

They repopulated the land with people from other conquered nations. At this time Israel became officially known as Samaria.

Perhaps you say, "God was cruel and vengeful." But think back. How long did He have patience with them while they continued to serve foreign gods? Even though He loves His people, isn't it only right to punish wayward children?



EUNICE FILLER

## Church News

### Christmas Bazaar

Saturday, Nov. 18, 2017 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. A variety of unique vendors, arts, crafts, antiques, food and so much more! Come and do your Christmas shopping with us! This event will take place at Our Lady of Guadalupe Family Center on 1009 Hearn.

### Annual Live Drive Through Nativity

Mark your calendars, the Live Annual Drive Through Nativity starts December 8th through the 10th from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Come enjoy the magic of the Christmas presentation in the comfort of your vehicle while you view stunning scenes of the life and resurrection of Christ Jesus.

This Sunday, Nov. 19th the Thanksgiving Potluck will follow the morning service. Bring a dish or just come enjoy fellowship with others.

Sunday Service starting at 10 a.m. Nazfamily offers two different types of services. Visit either the 118 Cedar Road Campus inside the New Hope Christian School cafeteria for a more contemporary setting or the 1400 Lancaster campus which is more traditional for Sunday Service.

On Wednesday at 6 p.m., the Cedar Road Campus has a meal, bible study and children's and youth activities. At 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, the Lancaster campus has prayer and children's and youth activities. Other small groups meet throughout the week, if you are interested pick up our small group bulletin.

A ministry of the NazFamily Church is the Nazarene Christian Academy for K-6 grades at 118 Cedar Road. The Academy is fully accredited. Contact Alyssa Clark by calling the main church number. For more information contact the church office at (432) 267-7015.

### Crestview Baptist Church

Sunday School is at 10 a.m. Mark Watt is teaching on the book of Hebrews. Our Sunday Morning Worship is at 11 a.m. On Sunday and Wednesday Nights, both at 6:30 p.m., we are studying the doctrine of prayer, focusing on the Lord's Prayer in Matthew 6:9-13. Pastor Tom Lassiter is teaching through this, one petition at a time. Come and grow with us! 2305 Gatesville Rd., Big Spring.

### 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 2 p.m. Choose the service time that fits your schedule, and come 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.

### Alive in Christ Lutheran Church

Alive in Christ Lutheran Church LCMS Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost Nov. 19, 2017, "Celebrating and Sharing God's Love and Grace in our lives." We are located at 2805 Lynn Drive in the Kentwood Neighborhood in Big Spring. If you would like to reach Pastor Lamb or the church office please call (432) 264-7818, or e-mail us at aliveinchristtx@gmail.com. Bible Study and Sunday School begin at 9:30 a.m. and our 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, please accept this as an invitation to join us this Sunday. It is not too late to join us for our Mid-Week meal and classes. The meal is served from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30pm and the Bible Study is from 6:30 p.m to 7:30 p.m. The adult class is led by Pastor Lamb and is called "A Man Named Martin." The youth have a class led by Dolline Budke. Bo Vizcaino will present the scripture readings this week. Tune in to KBYG every morning for a devotional sponsored in part by the Lutheran Hour. Tune in to 106.3 FM or 1400 AM between 6:45 and 6:50 each morning for these wonderful devotions: "Morning Meditation Thoughts." Also tune in every Sunday morning at 8:30 to listen to the Lutheran Hour.

### First Christian Church

This Sunday, Nov. 19, 2017, Pastor Sandy Sandlin will be preaching a sermon called "This Journey Called Life" which is taken from Exodus 15:22 - 26. Assisting Pastor Sandlin in worship serving at the Lord's table will be Shirley Lee and Dan Miracle.

Helping to enhance worship with music are Choir Director, Tara Trowbridge and Music Director, Lawrence Thibeault. A few selections they are presently working on are, "Great is Thy Faithfulness," "They'll Know We Are Christians" and "Softly and Tenderly."

First Christian Church is located at 911 Goliad St., Big Spring.

Sunday morning fellowship begins at 9:15 with coffee & donuts. Sunday School is at 9:45 a.m.

Worship begins at 10:50 a.m. If you would like more information regarding their services or any goings on, please call 432-517-4821.

### Forsan Baptist Church

This week the message comes from 2 Peter 1:1-4 and is called As We Partake.

The Forsan Christmas Parade will take place Dec. 2.

Wednesday youth and children's activities continue throughout the school year. Students from pre-k to 6th grade are provided a light snack right after school, with age-appropriate classes beginning at 4 p.m. Van rides are available at 5 p.m. IMPACT youth begins with a meal at 5:30, followed by class at 6 p.m. Van rides are available at 7 p.m.

Wednesday adult Bible study class begins at 6 p.m.

If anyone needs a ride to or from Wednesday evening activi-

ties, please call Pastor Darren Weaver at 432-213-2348.

### Midway Baptist Church

Midway Baptist Church is located at 6200 S Service Rd in the Midway area, with Dr. Michael Seay serving as pastor. Services at Midway Baptist Church begin each week with Sunday school classes for all ages at 9:45 a.m., followed by Sunday morning worship at 11 a.m. A children's church and nursery are provided. On Sunday and Wednesday evenings, worship begins at 6 p.m. Children's and youth programs are also available.

Every Monday, a morning ladies' prayer and share group meet at 9:30 a.m. in the fellowship hall at Midway Baptist Church.

This Sunday, we will be having our Thanksgiving fellowship in the fellowship hall following the morning service. We would love to have you join us.

We will not have Wednesday night bible study next Wednesday night during the Thanksgiving week.

We would love to have you join us at Midway Baptist Church. We look forward to seeing you!

### First Baptist Church

"Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praise: be thankful unto Him, and bless His name." Psalm 100:4.

Pastor Mark Lindsey, and wife Sherry, join the congregation of First Baptist Church in wishing everyone a blessed Thanksgiving holiday, and extend a warm welcome to rejoice with them in worship of The Alpha and The Omega, Jehovah God,

Sunday morning at 10:50. Music Minister Alan Schantz will lead worshippers in a selection of foundational hymns of the faith and contemporary praise and worship songs.

Pastor Mark will bring the message titled "Finding Thanksgiving." Drawn from Colossians 2:6-7, listeners will be reminded of each person's spiritual craving and need to be deeply rooted in relationship with Jesus Christ, and when our Ives are built on Him we will overflow with thankfulness.

If you have mobility issues, use the west circle drive and someone will be happy to assist you inside and park your vehicle. If unable to attend, you may join the service through the live stream on the website at: fcbigspring.org.

Following the service, please make plans to attend the Thanksgiving Celebration meal in the Family Life Center. Everyone is welcome.

At 9:30 a.m. Sunday School groups meet throughout the building with children gathering in grade level rooms in 'Kids' City' on the first floor, while





# Reflections: Our sexual crisis

Every day we are bombarded with new allegations of sexual abuse and harassment by celebrities, corporate executives and politicians. The list is long. Perhaps it started with Bill Cosby, then Harvey Weinstein, Kevin Spacey, Bill O'Reilly, Roger Ailes and others. The list is growing by the day.



BILL  
TINSLEY

How did we get into the mess? How did we sink so low?

It seems to be a "frog in the kettle thing." You know, if you place a frog in boiling water, it will immediately jump out and save itself. But if you place a frog in room temperature water, it will rest there as you gradually raise the heat until the frog eventually cooks and dies. It is unaware of

the danger and does not jump out.

Maybe it was the mid-1950s that our sexual mores began to gradually change. Our commitment to marriage started to slip. Divorce and remarriage, multiple times, became acceptable. Consensual sex began to replace the covenant monogamous relationship that had guided sexual standards.

I don't think there is any single source to blame. TV sitcoms gradually adopted the consensual sex standard and portrayed it easily and somewhat attractively. We went from Father Knows Best, The Nelson's, I Love Lucy and Leave It to Beaver to Friends (with benefits) Seinfeld and The Big Bang Theory and a whole slew of day-time soap operas. Movies portraying casual sex are too numerous to list. "Sleeping around" became entertaining and acceptable.

Fifty Shades of Grey was originally self-published as an e-book in 2011.

The book includes erotic scenes of bondage/discipline, dominance/submission and sadism/masochism. It became a best-seller around the world with 125 million copies sold by 2015, the fastest selling paperback of all time in the U.K.

Pornography, once only available in seedy newsstands, became a click away on laptops, PCs, iPads and tablets. Email inboxes were bombarded by invitations to smut.

Repeated moral failure on the part of national leaders undermined our moral standards further. Bill Clinton's sexual tryst in the oval office, chief among them. Of course, President Trump's recorded "locker room language" didn't help. The world and our culture will likely continue down this path. But God calls followers of Christ to a different path, a different standard, a healthier way of life.

The standard set by Jesus has always been the same. David P. Gush-

ee, noted Christian ethicist stated it best: "What is the sexual ethics standard that applies to followers of Christ? Celibacy outside of life-time covenantal marriage, monogamous fidelity within life-time covenantal marriage. That norm applies to all Christians. It is demanding, counter-cultural, and essential to the well-being of adults and children."

Jesus was clear in setting the bar high when it came to sexual standards. "You have heard it said, 'You shall not commit adultery.' But I say to you, he who looks on a woman to lust after her has already committed adultery with her in his heart." (Matthew 5:27-28).

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

## CHURCH

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youth, college students, and adults meet in second floor classrooms. Greeters are available to help you find your class and direct you to coffee; come early to enjoy a time of fellowship.

Sunday evening at 5:30 p.m., the Fall Semester of "B.U.-Becoming the yoU God intends you to become" continues. The classes are designed for all age groups, beginning with teens. These offered classes are concluding this Sunday evening, and a new group of classes will begin in the new year.

"Cherish: The One Word That Changes Everything for Your Marriage" in which couples can learn to not just survive, but actually thrive in marriage when they practice the simple art of cherishing: appreciating, noticing, honoring, and encouraging one another. Old patterns can be reversed, and each marriage can be infused with fresh life and hope through this course; meets in Room 210.

"Fresh Encounter: God's Pattern for Revival and Spiritual Awakening." Participants will explore God's expectations and requirements for revival and spiritual renewal, which have historically included intensive prayer and a focus on God and His Word; meets in the chapel.

All area children are invited to participate in Kids' Connection Sunday evening at 5:30. Contact Children's Minister Justin Green at 267-8223 for more information about this fun time of Bible based activities.

Mother's Day Out is open each Tuesday and Thursday from 9 p.m. to 3 p.m. Contact Tracy Boeker at 267-8223 for information about available openings for your little ones.

Come join the fun Sunday evening Nov. 26 at 4 p.m. in the church sanctuary for "The Hanging of the Greens," which is a joyful time of decorating for Jesus' birthday, aka: Christmas. Following the festivities, there will be a worship service at 6 p.m.

Church offices will close at noon on Wednesday, Nov. 22, and re-open Monday Nov. 27.

FBC is located at 705 W FM 700. There is always a place for you at First Baptist Church.

vice and our very own Children's Church department will be singing and performing.

Cornerstone Covenant Church (CCC) is a unified, spirit-led, purpose-driven church, which cultivates an atmosphere of faith so that lives can be transformed by Jesus Christ. Please join us every Sunday at 9 a.m., 11 a.m. and Wednesday at 7 p.m. for worship services.

CCC is located at 706 East 12th Street. For office hours or other questions please contact our Administrative Office at 432.264.0015 or email us at [info@cccbigspring.org](mailto:info@cccbigspring.org). You can also find us at [facebook.com/CCCBigSpring](http://facebook.com/CCCBigSpring) or visit us at [www.cccbigspring.org](http://www.cccbigspring.org) if you would like more information.

### Cornerstone Covenant Church

We at Cornerstone Covenant Church would love the opportunity to Connect with YOU! Please join us this week at one of the following events:

Sunday, Nov. 19th - Join us this Sunday as we focus on God as our true source of all our blessings. We offer both at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. worship service so come on out as you can expect biblical teaching and preaching, genuine loving fellowship and live spirit filled praise and worship. We would love the opportunity this Sunday to share what God has for you, and get to know you better.

Starfish Program - Starfish is a tutoring program for 3rd graders. They meet on Tuesday and Thursday Evenings from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. in our Academic Resource Center. The first phase of our STARFISH program is to assist 3rd grade children by offering character building principles; academic tutoring; and remedial and reinforcement assistance. We are also needing volunteers. If you are interested in being a part and are willing and available to serve in this powerful ministry to our community we would love to hear from you.

Monday, Nov. 27th - Women's Ministry- Fearfully & Wonderfully Made Art with Larenda Harrison at 6 p.m. in the ARC Academic Resource Center. Dinner, drinks, canvases and paint will be provided. All donations are given/accepted by Larenda Harrison. Please RSVP!! Contact Debbie Rieger by Wednesday, Nov. 22nd at 432-935-1257.

Monday, Dec. 18th- Far Above Rubies- Ornament Exchange/ Potluck held in the ARC Academic Resource Center at 6 p.m. Bring and share your Christmas ornament and a favorite dish.

Covenant Life New Believers Course - Are you a New Believer? Were you recently baptized? We have a course just for you. Our CLNB Course will be held each Sunday in December from 10 a.m. to 10:50 a.m. in the Academic Resource Center. Members of our Pastoral Care Team will be sharing this four week course designed to walk you through the steps of: Salvation, Faith & Assurance, Power of the Holy Spirit and Overcoming Trials.

Sunday, Dec. 24th Christmas Concert at 11 a.m. Service- The days are getting shorter and the nights colder, meaning the countdown to Christmas is on its way. Join us as we honor and celebrate our Saviors Birth. We will be having a Candle lighting ser-

### First Presbyterian Church

On Wednesday the Lectionary Bible Study, led by Craig Holstedt and Tom Koger, meets at 5 p.m. in the church library. This week the Chancel Choir rehearsal will be at 6 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 20, because there will be no Wednesday rehearsal.

On Saturday, Nov. 25, at 8:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall the Men of the congregation are cooking for a Prayer Breakfast. All are welcome and invited to bring the neighbors.

The North Side Center needs 10 turkeys for Thanksgiving baskets. Anyone willing to furnish a turkey may leave it in the freezer in the kitchen.

The Salvation Army is asking for pies to be donated for their Thanksgiving Dinner. Pies should be taken to the Salvation Army building on West 5th Street on Wednesday, Nov. 22 or early on Thursday, Nov. 23.

The Children's Choir meets at 5:30 p.m. Sunday afternoon and the Youth have dinner at 6 p.m., followed by Handbells at 6:30 p.m. and Youth Group at 7:15 p.m. .


Helen Glass is in charge of Take Ten for this Sunday. Lector for November is Danny Kennemur. Ushers for November are Ellen Austin, John Brode, Danny Kennemur, and John Yater.

The lectionary passages for the Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost are Judges 4:1-7; Psalm 123; I Thessalonians 5:1-11; and Matthew 25:14-30. Rev. Craig Holstedt will deliver the sermon. The Chancel Choir will open the service with the Introit "Come, Thou Almighty King" Italian hymn. The Choir will present the anthem "A Time for Turning" by Craig Courtney, and the Offertory will be "All Glory Be to God on High I & II," by James Coe (on the organ). Immediately after worship there will be a Congregational Meeting for the election of a new class of Elders.

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 may listen in on KBST 1490 AM, beginning at 11 a.m. If you wish to have a printed bulletin for Sunday services,

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## CHURCH

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please call the church office at 263-4211. You may also see what's happening at the church by visiting our website [www.fpcbs.org](http://www.fpcbs.org). On our website, you can find a link that will enable you to listen to several recent sermons by Rev. Craig Holstedt. We would be pleased for you to Like us on Facebook.

### Spring Creek Fellowship

Everyone is invited to join us at our Annual Holiday Meal this Sunday, November 19th at 5 p.m. at the church. Bring a favorite holiday dish or just bring your appetite! We would truly enjoy your fellowship and sharing this meal with you!

KID CONNECTION continues with THE GOSPEL PROJECT FOR KIDS. This Sunday's lesson is found in Acts 1:4-14, "Jesus Ascended to Heaven." The past several Sunday's we have been looking at the question, "What is our mission as believers?" Check out the lessons under the Kid Connect tab, Fall lessons, at [springcreekfellowship.org](http://springcreekfellowship.org).

KIDS ON MISSION: In an effort to do more than just discuss the lessons, our kids have been leading the church in collecting 126 gift filled shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child. Each box will begin its journey to a child this week with the purpose of sharing the greatest gift, Jesus.

Additionally, the kids are preparing "THANK YOU" cards to be included in "Christmas for the Troops Organization!" gift boxes which will be packed at the First Presbyterian Church this Sunday at 2 p.m. We are updating our files and need your help to make sure we have the correct information for you and your family. Please fill out the forms left on the seats in the Sanctuary or contact the church office.

Our Food Bank is now officially open the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month! If you or someone you know is in need, please contact the church office. Fresh produce, canned goods and many other delicious and nutritional items are available. Donations are needed for our Blessing Box just outside the front doors of the building. This is an ongoing ministry and food is needed to keep it stocked for those in need. Please consider donating on a regular basis if you are able! Everyone is welcome to take what they need and donations are greatly appreciated. If you are interested in participating with the "Blessing Box" ministry, the "Our Daily Bread Food Pantry" ministry or the "Yard Sign Fundraiser," please contact Kay Elder.

"People Caring for People" is a ministry serving widows in our 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 the church office. The Spring of Siloam Christian Women's Job Corps is meeting Monday through Thursday at 6 p.m. in the Adult Connect area. Spring of Siloam provides job skills training for women in a Christian environment. For more information about serving or participating in this ministry, contact Nancy Escalante at 268-3992. The Taylor School of Ministry is meeting in the room across from Evita's Restaurant in Spring Town Plaza. A two-year Associates Degree is offered through TSM. For more information, contact the church office. The Kingdom Warriors Men's Ministry is now in the "Wild at Heart," study by John Eldredge. They meet at 7 p.m. on Thursdays. Come a little early and visit. Contact Chris at 425-9664 for more information. The Cheeze Nips Women's Ministry meets for Bible study at 7 p.m. on Tuesdays. Space is limited so contact Jen at 425-5141, to reserve your spot. Community Groups meet during the week in various homes and locations. These groups promote fellowship, discipleship, and service. Contact the church office for times and locations.

Find out about our new Connection Groups for Fall! Our men will continue with "33," "Walk Through the Gospel," a study of Paul and his writings in the New Testament, "Marriage on the Rock" and "Discovering Who You Are In Christ" are all in session now. A new Connection Group, "Pray Like This" by Steven Gaines will start Nov. 7th. Sign up at the lemonade stand in the garden area. A new adult Connection Group, "Finding Your Identity in Christ," meets at 9:15 a.m., in Room 4 of the Adult Connect area. Harvey Davis and Tracy Watson will be facilitating this study.

All volunteers who work with our children and youth must pass a background each year. Please contact Chelsea Wells to make sure you are up to date. Our Nursery needs workers on Sunday mornings. If you have a heart for children and would like to give some of your time loving on our smallest members, please contact Donna Wennik.

Our Worship Team is fundraising for 8 wireless/in-ear monitors. If you would be interested in donating to this fundraiser, please contact Clint Bratcher. "Let the Morning Bring," a downloadable song as well as a few other songs written and performed by our own Spring Creek Fellowship

Worship Team, is now on iTunes. We hope and pray these songs will speak to you and draw you into His presence. We are so very proud of our Spring Creek worship team for stepping out and using their gifts for God and to witness to others! If you would like 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> Check our Spring Creek App." With this app you can learn about upcoming events, make tithes/donations, leave messages, send prayer requests, and follow prayer. We will also have a Bible reading plan. Go to your app store on your smart phone and search for SPRING CREEK FELLOWSHIP and download. Be sure to allow notifications when given the option, those messages are generated by the church office so it keeps you updated about upcoming events and much more.

Weekly Happenings: Sunday at 8:15 a.m. is the Classical Worship Service. At 9:15 a.m. To 10:15 a.m. is the Sunday School/Connection Groups. From 10:15 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. the "Holy Grounds Café" is open with snacks and fellowship. From 10:45 a.m. to noon is the Worship Service. At 5 p.m. is the Prayer Meeting. Tuesday there will be a meeting at noon is the Narcotics Anonymous meeting. At 7 p.m. is the "Cheez Nips" Women's Bible Study. Wednesday there are Community Groups at various times and places. Thursday at 7 p.m. is the "Wild At Heart" Men's Bible Study. Friday from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. is the meeting for Narcotics Anonymous. Saturday from

7:30 a.m. is the Weekly Men's Prayer Breakfast & Fellowship. If you would like any further information regarding any of our ministries or events, please contact the church office or visit our website at [springcreekfellowship.org](http://springcreekfellowship.org)

Spring Creek Fellowship meets at the Spring Town Plaza at 1801 E. FM 700 in Big Spring, Texas. Contact us at (432)714-4584 or visit our website at [www.springcreekfellowship.org](http://www.springcreekfellowship.org). "Every Member a Minister"-1 Peter 4:10 NKJV.

### 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. The usual Sunday Morning Schedule includes the 9 a.m. Traditions Service, featuring the pipe organ, Choir, trumpet, and hymns, followed by Sunday School, and then The Bridge service at 11 a.m. which features contemporary music led by a wonderful praise team.

On Sunday, Nov. 19, Pastor Derrell's message is "Thanks for the Ministries," and the scripture is from Matthew 25: 14-30. Such ministries as Music, Children, Youth, College, Worship, Missions, Outreach, and Evangelism will be highlighted for all to see. Worship services are broadcast live each Sunday at 11 a.m. on radio station KXCS-105.5 FM. You can also find the services live streamed on our Facebook page, at First United Methodist Church Big Spring.

The Wednesday Noon Bible Study and other regular Wednesday activities will not be held

# The unforgivable sin

What makes something wrong? Is there such a thing as evil? Who gets to make these determinations? Is something wrong because I think it should be wrong or because I don't like it? If I feel that I am a "good" person, does that mean whatever is not like me is evil?

There must be a standard – a measuring stick. There is a standard to inform us these things. It is the word of God. God's word, the Bible, was given to men as they were guided (lit. "carried along") by the Holy Spirit (2 Peter 1:21). The Scriptures are "God-breathed" or "God-spirited" which is source of the term inspired and inspiration (2 Timothy 3:15-17).

So, in order to follow the Divine standard, one would need to put personal feelings and opinions aside and look to the Scriptures to distinguish good from evil. When someone, based upon their own thoughts and feelings, calls something evil which God's inspired word calls good or calls something good evil, then they are impugning the Holy Spirit who is the giver of those words.

The Bible uses the word blasphemy to describe the act of demeaning speech. This word comes from two Greek words – one which meant "to injure" and the other which referred to a "rumor or saying". Blasphemy is

purposefully trying to hurt someone through your speech even if you have to "make something up" to do it.

We have been looking at Matthew's record of Jesus' casting out a demon from a man. The Pharisees said that Jesus did it because he was using power from the prince of demons. Jesus called them blasphemers since the power to perform his miracles came from the Spirit of God. They were saying these false things and spreading this story in order to hurt Jesus' reputation and to turn the people away from him.

Matthew 12:30-32, Whoever is not with me is against me, and whoever does not gather with me scatters. Therefore I tell you, every sin and blasphemy will be forgiven people, but the blasphemy against the Spirit will not be forgiven. And whoever speaks a word against the Son of Man will be forgiven, but whoever speaks against the Holy Spirit will not be forgiven, either in this age or in the age to come (ESV).

This is why we must not only trust in our feelings. This is why we must know God's word – all of God's word – and help others come to a knowledge of it as well. It should be our standard for right and wrong. If we willfully refuse to learn it and make judgments about good and evil based solely on our feelings and opinions, then we are thinking, saying, and doing what is hurtful to God's revelation. From what Jesus said, we do not want to stand before him at the judgment and face the consequences for such rebellion.



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on Nov. 22nd because of the Thanksgiving holiday on Thursday. We will resume the Wednesday activities on Nov. 29th. The Choir rehearses on Wednesday evenings. Next week the choir will rehearse on Tuesday evening instead of Wednesday, because of the Thanksgiving holiday. They are preparing for the Christmas musical called "Our Savior," to be presented for the community on Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 2 and 3. There are skits, a children's choir, dancers, full orchestra, drama, and special effects that make it an experience you will not want to miss. Singers from Big Spring and the surrounding area are invited to join the choir for "Our Savior" rehearsals from 7:15 p.m. to 8:15 p.m. You may view promotional videos of "Our Savior" on our Facebook page at First United Methodist Church Big Spring. You may contact Dan Kiley for more information at 214-883-1868. Evening Adult Bible Study, "Real Life", continues on Wednesday evenings from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. A meal is served from 5:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Garrett Hall. Besides children and youth programs, an adult Bible Study is also offered. The Adult Bible Study is led by Pastor Derrell, and is entitled "Sunday Sermon 2.0." Questions and group discussion help those who attend dig deeper into the scripture and sermon from the previous Sunday.

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

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### Coahoma JV falls to Post, varsity takes home a win



Courtesy photo

Austyn Montgomery, No. 33, reaches for the ball in the Coahoma JV Varsity game against Post Tuesday night. The Bulldogettes lost 31-2. The Coahoma varsity team won their second game in a row 56-58 against Post.

### Wentz, Prescott meet again, now with Eagles leading Cowboys

By SCHUYLER DIXON  
AP Pro Football Writer

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Carson Wentz and the Philadelphia Eagles started fast just as they did a year ago and have sustained it this time.

Dak Prescott hasn't quite found the formula that carried the Dallas Cowboys to the best record in the NFC when he and Wentz were fellow rookie quarterbacks in 2016.

Now Wentz has a chance to push his team to the brink of the NFC East title on Sunday night against the defending division champions.

Win, and the Eagles (8-1) would be four games up with six to play in pursuit of their first division title since 2013.

Meanwhile, the second-place Cowboys (5-4) would be scrambling for a playoff spot while facing four more games without suspended star running back Ezekiel Elliott, who paired with Prescott for remarkable routs in 2016 while Wentz and the Eagles faded from contention.

"Any time you're playing a divisional rival it just seems there's more riding on it just because division title's the No. 1 goal," said Wentz, the NFL leader with 23 touchdown passes. "We definitely view this game as a big one, but at the same time it's the next game."

Prescott is without his friend and backfield mate, who decided this week not to pursue the legal battle and accept the remaining five games of his six-game suspension over alleged domestic violence. Elliott had a federal appeals court hearing scheduled Dec. 1, four games into the ban.

The Cowboys could be without left tackle Tyron Smith again after replacement Chaz Green gave up five of Adrian Clayborn's Atlanta franchise-record six sacks in the Falcons' 27-7 win last weekend.

Byron Bell replaced the benched Green against the Falcons and is likely to start if Smith, a four-time Pro Bowler

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### Astros' Altuve wins AL MVP, Marlins' Stanton earns NL honor

By JAKE SEINER  
AP Sports Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Jose Altuve and the Houston Astros have grown together, enduring an arduous rebuild and coming out the other side among baseball's best.

These days, nobody is standing taller.

Altuve won the American League MVP award Thursday, towering over New York Yankees slugger Aaron Judge by a wide margin in capping Houston's championship season with another piece of hardware.

Giancarlo Stanton won the

NL MVP, edging Joey Votto of the Cincinnati Reds in the closest vote since 1979.

The 5-foot-6 Altuve drew 27 of the 30 first-place votes in balloting by members of the Baseball Writers' Association of America.

"I was surprised that I won it," Altuve said. "I wasn't expecting this."

It was a landslide long in the making. Altuve has been in Houston since general manager Jeff Luhnow took a scorched earth approach to developing a winner. The Astros lost 100-

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### Harden, Rockets score 90 in 1st half and rout Suns 142-116

By JOSE M. ROMERO  
Associated Press

PHOENIX (AP) — James Harden looked up at the half-time totals Thursday night and couldn't believe what he saw, the Houston Rockets had shot the ball.

"I thought there was something wrong with the score," he said.

There wasn't. Harden scored 23 of his 48 points in the second quarter and the Rockets put up 90 in the first half on the way to a 142-116 rout of the Phoenix Suns.

Houston dominated with Chris Paul back in the lineup after he missed 14 games because of a knee injury. The Rockets made 61 percent of their first-half shots to match the second-most points in a first half in NBA history.

"Everybody was psyched up to get Chris back," Rockets coach Mike D'Antoni said. "Just one of those nights where we played well offensively ... Chris played really well."

Houston finished 14 points shy of the franchise record for points in a game and improved to 8-1 on the road this season. The Rockets knocked down 21 of 44 3-point attempts, and Harden made all 18 of his free throws.

He is 37 for 37 from the foul line over the past two games,

with ease at the other end.

Harden, the league's leading scorer, had 33 points at halftime. Houston used a 13-1 run over the final 3:08 of the first quarter to take control and was never threatened after that, leading 45-23 going into the second.

Paul, who hadn't played since the season opener, got the start and didn't miss a beat, scoring 11 points and handing out 10 assists in limited action.

"I know I was gassed, especially early, but it was fun to get back out there with the guys," he said.

D'Antoni said before the game that getting the two stars, Harden and Paul, in sync will "take care of itself over the next week or so." D'Antoni planned to play Paul for 20 minutes — the point guard got 21 minutes of action and sat out most of the fourth quarter.

"The 20-minute restriction, first and foremost, I hate it," Paul said, "but I know they're trying to protect me."

Ryan Anderson added 24 points for the Rockets, who have won seven of eight.

The Suns also shot well in the first half, getting 65 points before the break. They got the lead down to 14 with one of Troy Daniels' six 3-pointers in the second quarter, but the Rockets repeatedly scored

Daniels tied a Suns record for 3s in a quarter and led Phoenix with 23 points. Devin Booker added 18 points and 10 assists.

"I felt like it was a good experience for us to see what a high-caliber team looks like up close and personal," Booker said. "But we were on the wrong end of that."

The Suns have lost seven of eight.

**FABULOUS FIRSTS**  
The Denver Nuggets scored 90 points in the first half of a game against San Antonio on Nov. 7, 1990. Three days later, they gave up 107 in the first half against Phoenix, the most ever.

**FAN INTERACTION**  
As the first half came to a close, a fan yelled at D'Antoni from the stands. "Sit down Mike, you're up 40!" D'Antoni, a former Suns coach, turned and deadpanned, "It's 25. You can't count."

**MONROE DEBUTS**  
Phoenix center Greg Monroe made his Suns debut, starting and playing 26 minutes. Monroe, acquired from Milwaukee in the trade for guard Eric Bledsoe on Nov. 7, was dealing with a left calf strain when he arrived.

Monroe finished with 20 points and 11 rebounds. He played amid speculation that he could be traded or have



AP photo

**Houston Rockets guard James Harden (13) is fouled by Phoenix Suns guard Tyler Ulis during the first half of an NBA basketball game Thursday, Nov. 16, 2017, in Phoenix.**

his contract bought out.

"The only guy in our lineup with four years of experience, and he just knows how to play the game and lets the game come to him," Suns interim coach Jay Triano said.

Rockets: F Luc Mbah a Moute (illness) did not play. ... C Nene returned from a right foot sprain that kept him out the past two games and scored 10 points in 15 minutes. ... F P.J.



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Taker in the Form of a Giver

**Dear Annie:** My brother-in-law, "Tom," is 70 years old and a totally disabled Navy veteran. He has been duped by a con man, "Mack."

Mack lived upstairs from Tom in an apartment building. Mack started a friendship with Tom, doing errands for him and otherwise helping him. Tom trusted Mack with his debit card, and Mack would go to the grocery for him and pay some of Tom's bills.

Well, a year and a half later, we found out that Mack had robbed

Tom of all his savings, leaving him penniless. In that time, Mack had moved in to another apartment complex. Tom was paying for Mack's rent, gas, groceries, utilities, dates at restaurants and big TV set, because Mack would take large sums of cash out of Tom's account. What do we do? The problem is that Tom would agree he gave Mack the debit card and knew about paying some of Mack's bills. Tom is softhearted and really not thinking clearly. We can't afford a lawyer. My husband is 15 years older than Tom and not well, either.

We closed Tom's account and opened

another one, putting cash in it for him and trying to pay down some of his bills to keep him from losing utilities. We are sick and frustrated about this. Should we go to the police if Tom won't cooperate? He doesn't understand what has happened and may deny what "friend Mack" has done to him. -- Frustrated Family in Florida

**Dear Frustrated Family:** Tom's soft heart has landed him in a tough situation. Because Tom knowingly has been giving Mack access to his accounts, your options for recourse are limited. Additionally, it doesn't even sound as

if he's too interested in recourse. If he's not of sound mind, you might be able to make a case that Mack is exploiting him and this is a form of elder abuse. Call Adult Protective Services (800-962-2873 in Florida) for guidance.

**Dear Annie:** I think you were so right to tell 13-year-old "Greg" that he should hand the issue of dealing with his mean biological father over to his parents. I'd like to add that Greg should consider handing his letter to his good stepfather, "Derek." I can pretty well guarantee that Derek would put that letter in his billfold and

pull it out and reread it so many times that it would become ragged and illegible, which wouldn't matter because he'd have memorized it by then. The best people don't realize how good they are, which is why it's so important to tell them. And speaking of that, Greg needs to hear what a good kid he is, too. His letter is full of empathy and intelligence and conscientiousness. And if the friend helped write it, gold stars for the friend but also for Greg, because good people have good friends and recognize good advice. -- I'd Love to Be His Grandma

**Dear Love to Be His Grandma:** I love your letter. I am printing it as a reminder to tell the good people in our lives just how much we appreciate them.

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## Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

### Bidding quiz

**You are South**, both sides vulnerable. The bidding has been:

North	East	South	West
1♦	Pass	1♥	Pass
1NT	Pass	?	

**What would you bid now** with each of the following four hands?

- ♠ 10 ♥ KQ863 ♦ K7 ♣ AJ942
- ♠ J6 ♥ AQ74 ♦ 832 ♣ AK95
- ♠ KJ4 ♥ QJ853 ♦ 75 ♣ K86
- ♠ AK7 ♥ AQ983 ♦ 7643 ♣ 5

**1. Three clubs.** A basic rule of bidding is that whenever the responder names a new suit, the opening bidder must bid again. In this case, for example, your initial one-heart response is 100 percent forcing, and partner must bid again even if he started with a rock-bottom minimum.

The same principle applies when responder, at his second turn to bid, again names a new suit. However, there is one important exception to this rule, and that is when the opening bidder rebids one notrump on the second round.

In that case, if responder wants to name a new suit and be sure that partner will bid again, he must jump to the three level. Since you have every reason here to believe that your side can make a game in some denomination, you must jump to three clubs to force partner to con-

tinue bidding.

**2. Three notrump.** With 14 high-card points and a notrump-type hand, you should go directly to game. There would not be much point to a three-club bid, as it is unlikely that game in either minor suit would prove a better proposition than game in notrump.

**3. Pass.** There is no good reason to disturb one notrump. Game is unlikely with only 10 high-card points facing a hand that can contain, at most, 14 points.

The only question to be resolved is whether one notrump or two hearts is the better partscore contract. Seven tricks at notrump figure to be made on high-card power alone, while two hearts runs the risk that partner might have poor heart support, in which case a bad trump break could cost you the partscore.

**4. Three diamonds.** Again we have an opening bid facing an opening bid, but the best game contract is by no means clear at this point. Partner's assistance in choosing the best contract should therefore be enlisted by jumping to three diamonds (forcing).

If partner next bids three hearts, indicating three-card support for your suit, you will happily carry on to four, while if he chooses diamonds or notrump as the best denomination, you intend to abide by his decision.

**Tomorrow:** The sure way is the best way.  
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## Tomorrow's Horoscope

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS



### New Moon Countdown

To the untrained eye, it may seem as though certain people and things are upsetting. However, you know better. The upset is caused by an interpretation of what's going on, not what's actually going on. An interpretation is something that can be changed. Decide how you're going to see things before tomorrow's new moon.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19).** Walk in the sunshine. Eat delicious food. The sensuality of life will somehow feel like a thrilling escape and the sweet embrace of home all at the same time.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20).** You like people who surprise you, even if the surprise is a bit weird. You'd much rather be jolted by the unexpected than lulled into a waking slumber by the tedium of the overly familiar.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 21).** The person who has to make everything about himself or herself won't change the pattern just for you. However, you may inspire this person to at least be more aware of that dynamic today, which is a start.

**CANCER (June 22-July 22).** Getting the approval of others, avoiding their disapproval, giving a stellar performance, having things the way you want them ... all of that is nice, but not necessary to your happiness.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22).** Avoiding responsibility doesn't make anyone happier or freer. It seems like it should! But there's a great deal of good that comes out of accepting responsibility, and you provide plenty of proof for that.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22).** You'll be developing a better way of looking at your life and some more supportive self-talk to go along with that new view. What would you tell a friend to help them if they were your

position?  
**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23).** Service makes you feel good about who you are and your place in the world. You'll love what comes out of this today, and you will likely sign up for more in the future.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).** Goodbyes are important. Whether they are happy, relieving or tearful, it is better to have the closure than not. Today, you'll get closure on a limbo situation.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21).** When experiencing unpleasant emotions, you know not to get stuck there. You will quickly do something to create a different emotion and this fluidity of feeling keeps the day clipping along.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19).** You'll be especially susceptible to imagery today. Take advantage of this by seeking out inspirational pictures of the life you desire, the person you want to be and the environment of your peaceful day-dreams.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18).** You're starting to accumulate many positive experiences. It's as though you could stack them high enough to block out the negativity of the past. This is a building project worth devoting yourself to.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20).** How you spend your day is how you're spending your life. You're so aware of this now that you may be moved to cut out an activity for good because it sucks time away from things you would rather be doing.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Nov. 17).** A new hobby or interest is bubbling up now and will take hold and so-

lidity in 2018. Once you figure out the particulars, your commitment to the endeavor will introduce you to new people and places. Your family will grow in the new year. Your leadership will be often requested and sometimes paid for. Pisces and Gemini adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 12, 2, 28, 40 and 15.

**WEEKEND LOVE FORECAST: ARIES:** When you like someone, make it known. Bonus points for including some of the reasons why. **TAURUS:** You refuse to fall into rigid patterns in a relationship and this is why the connection stays springy and fun. **GEMINI:** You don't set out to teach someone a lesson, and yet your love can't help but have a teaching aspect to it. **CANCER:** Someone is falling in love with your smile. **LEO:** You make the rules about how you get treated. If it's subpar, walk. **VIRGO:** Your love is keenly felt, but you're not quite ready to be vocal about it. Anyway, you hope your actions speak louder. **LIBRA:** The reason you plan your dates so well is that you want every minute someone spends with you to count. **SCORPIO:** Not in your usual mysterious mood, you'll give as much information about yourself as feels cool to do. Your main goal is to set the other person at ease. **SAGITTARIUS:** You give your love in a way that's very specific, memorable and completely unique.

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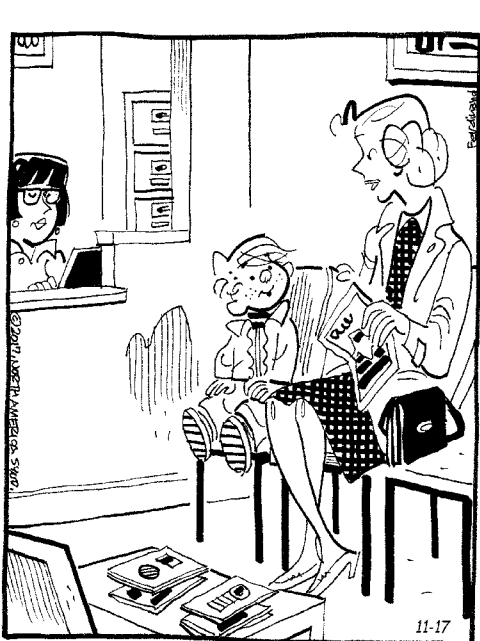
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ANSWER:



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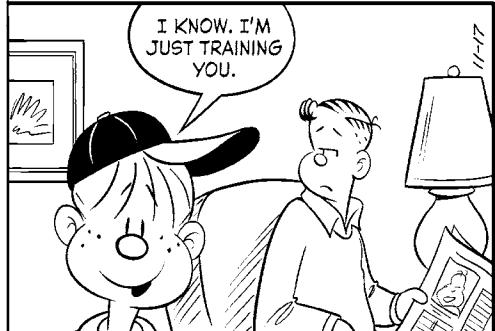
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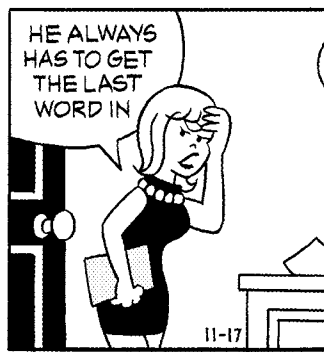
This Date In History

Today is Friday, Nov. 17, the 321st day of 2017. There are 44 days left in the year.  
Today's Highlight in History:  
On Nov. 17, 1917, French sculptor Auguste Rodin (roh-DAN) died in Meudon at age 77.  
On this date:  
In 1558, Elizabeth I acceded to the English throne upon the death of her half-sister, Queen Mary, beginning a 44-year reign.  
In 1800, Congress held its first session in the par-

tially completed U.S. Capitol building.  
In 1869, the Suez Canal opened in Egypt.  
In 1889, the Union Pacific Railroad Co. began direct, daily railroad service between Chicago and Portland, Oregon, as well as Chicago and San Francisco.  
In 1925, actor Rock Hudson was born Roy Harold Scherer Jr. in Winnetka, Illinois.  
In 1934, Lyndon Baines Johnson married Claudia Alta Taylor, better known as Lady Bird, in San Antonio, Texas.  
In 1947, President Harry S. Truman, in an address to a special session of

Congress, called for emergency aid to Austria, Italy and France. (The aid was approved the following month.)  
In 1968, NBC outraged football fans by cutting away from the closing minutes of a New York Jets-Oakland Raiders game to begin the TV special "Heidi" on schedule. (After being taken off the air, the Raiders came from behind to beat the Jets, 43-32.)  
In 1973, President Richard Nixon told Associated Press managing editors in Orlando, Florida: "People have got to know whether or not their president is a crook. Well, I'm not a crook."

BEETLE BAILEY



In 1979, Iran's Ayatollah Khomeini ordered the release of 13 black and/or female American hostages being held at the U.S. Embassy in Tehran.  
In 1987, a federal jury in Denver convicted two white supremacists of civil rights violations in the 1984 slaying of radio talk show host Alan Berg.

(Both men later died in prison.)  
In 1997, 62 people, most of them foreign tourists, were killed when militants opened fire at the Temple of Hatshepsut (haht-shehp-SOOT') in Luxor, Egypt; the attackers were killed by police.  
Ten years ago: U.S. Deputy Secretary of State John Negroponte (neh-groh-PAHN'-tee) delivered a blunt message to Pakistan's military ruler, President Gen. Pervez Musharraf (pur-VEHZ' moo-SHAH'-ruhv), telling him emergency rule had to be lifted and his opponents freed ahead of elections. A Nobel-winning U.N. scientific panel said in a landmark report released in Valencia, Spain, that the Earth was hurtling toward a warmer climate at a quickening pace.  
Five years ago: Israel destroyed the headquarters of Hamas' prime minister and blasted a sprawling network of smuggling tunnels in the southern Gaza Strip, broadening a blistering four-day-old offensive against the Islamic militant group. A speeding train crashed into a bus carrying Egyptian children to their kindergarten, killing 48 children and three adults.

83. Rock musician Gerry McGee (The Ventures) is 80.  
84. Singer Gordon Lightfoot is 79.  
85. Singer-songwriter Bob Gaudio is 76.  
86. Movie director Martin Scorsese (skor-SEH'-see) is 75.  
87. Actress Lauren Hutton is 74.  
88. Actor-director Danny DeVito is 73.  
89. "Saturday Night Live" producer Lorne Michaels is 73.  
90. Baseball Hall of Famer Tom Seaver is 73.  
91. Movie director Roland Joffe is 72.  
92. Former Democratic National Chairman Howard Dean is 69.  
93. Former House Speaker John Boehner (BAY'-nur) is 68.  
94. Actor Stephen Root is 66.  
95. Rock musician Jim Babjak (The Smithereens) is 60.  
96. Actress Mary Elizabeth Mastrantonio is 59.  
97. Actor William Moses is 58.  
98. Entertainer RuPaul is 57.  
99. Actor Dylan Walsh is 54.  
100. National Security Adviser Susan Rice is 53.  
101. Actress Sophie Marceau is 51.  
102. Actress-model Daisy Fuentes is 51.  
103. Blues singer/musician Tab Benoit (behn-WAH') is 50.  
104. Rhythm-and-blues singer Ronnie DeVoe (New Edition; Bell Biv DeVoe) is 50.  
105. Rock musician Ben Wilson (Blues Traveler) is 50.  
106. Actor David Ramsey is 46.  
107. Actor Leonard Roberts is 45.  
108. Actress Leslie Bibb is 44.  
109. Actor Brandon Call is 41.  
110. Country singer Aaron Lines is 40.  
111. Actress Rachel McAdams is 39.  
112. Rock musician Isaac Hanson (Hanson) is 37.  
113. Actor Justin Cooper is 29.  
114. Musician Reid Perry (The Band Perry) is 29.  
115. Actress Raquel Castro is 23.

Newsday Crossword

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- ACROSS**  
1 Lacks  
6 Bus Stop dramatist  
10 Own (up)  
14 Miscellaneous category  
15 Caroling tune  
16 Big name in '70s tennis  
17 Start of a Hitchcock quote  
20 Liven (up)  
21 Phone button letters  
22 Wordsworth, for one  
23 Blade that's a propeller  
24 St. Pete setting  
25 Coal region of Poland  
27 Mere pittance  
29 Scholarly attainment  
30 Monopoly outlay  
31 Hoops turnover  
32 Police blotter data  
34 Middle of quote  
37 Pointillist from Paris  
38 Craig's boss in Skyfall  
41 Be in sync  
44 Tom, in Apollo 13  
45 Wordsworth line  
46 Convenient, as shopping  
48 Volleyball arbiter  
49 Opposite of "passé"  
50 Pier group  
51 Makes haste  
53 Sneaker support  
54 End of quote  
57 Lookout

- 58 Trojan War instigator  
59 Composer pal of Gershwin  
60 Ender meaning "tooth"  
61 Where Ford is "F"  
62 Shoulder muscles
- DOWN**  
1 East Asian stews  
2 Deep down  
3 After-dinner wines  
4 Bottle part  
5 Starter for 60 Across  
6 With no skill  
7 City on the Seward Peninsula  
8 Transmission lever  
9 Student wearing a Y  
10 Commission of a sort  
11 Kay Thompson kid character  
12 Acts as a sub  
13 Assign to, as a desk  
18 Area beyond the cockpit  
19 Señor's sun  
24 Kemper of Netflix's ... Kimmy Schmidt  
26 Celebrated star  
28 Reason for a dash do-over  
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32 Outskirts  
33 Newly done with

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EWE ORCODES PRO  
DAD TESTER ITO  
HIS ANISTON  
SITUP UVTATTOOS  
IDOL EPEE GYM  
XYPLANES SIMILE  
ELLS HINT PRIZES  
SLY ADDS FLEETS

Thought for Today:  
"Education is a private matter between the person and the world of knowledge and experience, and has little to do with school or college."  
Lillian Smith  
American writer and social critic (1897-1966)





AP photo

This Sept. 25, 2017, file photo shows Dallas Cowboys quarterback Dak Prescott (4) throwing against the Arizona Cardinals during the first half of an NFL football game, in Glendale, Ariz. Carson Wentz and the Eagles have the best record in the NFL at 8-1 a year after Prescott led the Cowboys on an 11-game winning streak and the best record in the NFC when both quarterbacks were rookies.

## COWBOYS

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battling groin and back issues, can't go.

Dallas is likely to be missing 2016 All-Pro linebacker Sean Lee as well with a recurring hamstring problem. The Cowboys lost both games Lee missed earlier this season, and struggled to stop Atlanta after he left in the first quarter.

"We know the importance of this rivalry especially when they're playing the way that they're playing, people counting us out or whatever you want us to say, people claiming them to be the best team," Prescott said. "We're ready for it."

Things to consider going into the 117th meeting between franchises that have claimed three of the past four NFC East titles:

**TWO SIDES OF HISTORY:** The Eagles, tied with New Orleans for the longest active winning streak at seven games, have started 8-1 four other times. Twice they won the NFL championship, and the twice they reached the Super Bowl before losing. On the flip side, they're coming off the bye a year after they went into the break at 3-0 and lost nine of the first 11 on the other side of it.

"It's a fine line," coach Doug Pederson said. "But at the same time, when you're on a little bit of a roll, you just want to continue to play. It was a good time for us. Now it's just a matter of getting guys refocused."

**NO ZEKE, ROUND 2:** The Dallas running

game wasn't terrible without Elliott against the Falcons. Alfred Morris, a 1,600-yard rusher as a rookie in Washington five years ago, had 53 yards on 11 carries. But the Cowboys were too far behind in the fourth quarter for the ground game to be a factor. "One game in is not going to be really enough of a sample size of where we are," offensive coordinator Scott Linehan said.

**SECONDARY CHANGES:** Eagles CB Ronald Darby is expected to return after missing eight games because of a dislocated ankle sustained in the opener. Darby would return to his spot on the left side and Jalen Mills would move to the right side. His return should solidify a unit that has played well during his absence. Mills and nickel cornerback Patrick Robinson each have three interceptions.

**MUTUAL RESPECT:** Linehan coached Wentz at the Senior Bowl before he became the No. 2 overall pick in 2016. Philadelphia's Frank Reich paid attention to Prescott, a fourth-rounder, since the Eagles were so focused on quarterbacks. Both coordinators have always had high praise for the player who went to a division rival.

Linehan on the former North Dakota State standout Wentz: "A lot of these guys don't even watch pro football. This guy's been watching pro football since he was in grade school."

Reich on the former Mississippi State star Prescott: "I had very, very high grades on Dak in every aspect, from his college tape. Then you could just tell he had that X-factor as far as natural leadership ability."

## ASTROS

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plus games in each of Altuve's first three seasons, beginning in 2011.

Houston won its first World Series earlier this month, and it needed its longest-tenured player to get there. Altuve batted a major league-best .346 in the regular season, hit 24 home runs with 81 RBIs, scored 112 times, stole 32 bases and showed a sharp glove at second base. Voting for these honors was completed before the postseason began.

It's been over a decade since Altuve signed with Houston from Venezuela — only after he was sent home from one tryout and told he was too short.

"They told me not to come back," Altuve said. "It was something me and my dad, he went with me that day, we were like, 'We have to go again. We have to try again.'"

"It's not a rule that you have to be 6-foot or you have to be really strong

to play baseball and become a good player," he added.

Altuve beat out a player who couldn't be more different. The 6-7 Judge won the AL Rookie of the Year award Monday after setting a rookie record with 52 home runs. Judge's moonshot homers dominated the highlights, and his No. 99 jersey was the top seller in baseball. Even Altuve has said he would have voted for Judge.

Judge had 8.2 wins above replacement compared to Altuve's 7.5, per Fangraphs, while baseball-reference.com's WAR metric preferred Altuve 8.3 to 8.1. Yet Judge got only two first-place votes, with the other going to third-place finisher Jose Ramirez of the Indians.

Altuve was the second Houston player to win an MVP — Jeff Bagwell earned the 1994 NL award.

While Altuve is set to defend his title in Houston, Stanton may be taking a piece of Marlins history elsewhere. He earned the franchise's first MVP in the same week

new team executive Derek Jeter said the club is listening to trade offers for Stanton. The 28-year-old outfielder is owed \$295 million over the final decade of his record \$325 million, 13-year contract.

"It's an interesting feeling and situation for me," Stanton said.

Stanton would prefer to stick around and wants the team's pitching situation "to be thoroughly addressed, not just somewhat addressed." He's not convinced the Marlins are ready to do that.

"I'm not entirely sure, to be honest," he said. "I know all teams have plenty of money."

The 6-6 Stanton led the big leagues with 59 home runs, most in the majors since 2001, when Barry Bonds hit a record 73 and Sammy Sosa had 64.

Stanton got 10 first-place votes and 302 points. Votto, who led

the majors with a .454 on-base percentage, also got 10 firsts and had 300 points. Arizona's Paul Goldschmidt was third.

"I felt like it was going to be so close and I felt like I had a legitimate shot," Votto said. "It just feels like it's exactly kind of how I thought it would play out."

The last time an MVP race was so close, Willie Stargell and Keith Hernandez tied for the NL prize in 1979.

Stanton became only the seventh player to win from a losing team. The Marlins were 77-85.

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