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# **BIG SPRING**



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# Bruce Wood Dance to come to Big Spring | A trip to remember

Special to the Herald

Bruce Wood Dance (BWD), Dallas' premier dance company, announces a weekend of fun for the whole family in Big Spring, the Gateway to West Texas, on March 23 and 24.

BWD offers two days of dance classes and brings the weekend to a rousing finale on Saturday, March 24 at 7:30 p.m. with "A Texas Tribute" at the historic Municipal Auditorium, 310 East 3rd Street.

A Texas Tribute celebrates the remarkable artistry of nationally acclaimed Texan

choreographer Bruce Wood. Through his repertoire of 80 works-lionized for their originality, innovation, and humanity-Wood is remembered as a trailblazer of contemporary dance. He founded and directed the Bruce Wood Dance Company in Fort Worth from 1996 to 2007, and formed BWD in Dallas in 2010.

"Amazing athleticism and memorable musicality are trademarks of Wood's dances," said Dallas critic Margaret

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Courtesy photo

Pictured above is Bruce Wood Dance's Kimara and Erin, dancing in the show "Lovett."

# Former NFL player Benson helps host Big Spring home buyers seminar



In the photo above, Midland-native Cedric Benson, former NFL running back with the Chicago Bears, Cincinnati Bengals, and Green Bay Packers, poses for a picture with the C. Larson real estate team during the C. Larson Real Estate's Home Buyers Seminar Thursday at the Dora Roberts Community Center. Benson now works as a real estate loan originator.  $_{
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By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

These days, instead of scoring touchdowns in the NFL, he's helping people put down roots in new homes.

C. Larson Real Estate in Big Spring had Midland native Cedric Benson, former

Bears, Bengals, and Packers, and before that the University of Texas and Midland Lee High School, as special guest running back with the NFL's at their Home Buyers semi-

catching my breath," Benson said. "It came time where I needed to start making some money again. By the grace of



By ERIN STEPHENS

Staff Writer

A field trip is defined as a journey by a group of people to a place away from their normal environment. For 7th graders at Big Spring Junior High, this is exactly what the students will be experiencing May of next year. A typical student's day consists of going

from class to class at the ring of a bell and learning activities usually take place within a classroom instructed by one teacher. BSJH Assistant Principal, Chelsea Wells, wanted students at her school to learn a different kind of lesson; one that could only be learned by leaving the classroom itself. Wells came up with the idea to take what

will be 8th grade students next year, on a trip to visit historical landmarks in both Washington DC and New York City.

"The purpose of the trip is to enhance the students' learning through experiential learning," said Wells. "Students will be able to experience Washington DC and New York City, and visit sites like the Statue of Liberty,

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nar Thursday night.

"We're coming down, my firm, Gold Financial, we're coming down to support C. Larson Realty, who we've partnered up with in this whole real estate endeavor together," Benson said.

Benson now works as a loan originator for Gold Financial, based in Austin.

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around a couple of years after football, taking some time off, God, a friend of mine knew a guy in Jersey who actually owned a bank that had a mortgage firm in Austin. I went in and applied, and that's kind of how I got started."

Christie Larson of C. Larson Real Estate said the seminar was designed to give home buyers confidence in the process of buying a new

"We are hosting a home buyers seminar for first-time buyers, or for home buyers who have bought many properties," she said. "Just a night for us to answer any questions that they may have in the process. It's not every day that people buy homes, so we want to educate our community. It's certainly busy around here so we want our buyers to be confident in purchasing their home. We've brought in several professionals, title companies, insurance companies... our lender who's here is West

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# Permian Basin Events presents check to CASA of West Texas

By AMBER MANSFIELD

Staff Writer

"We rise only by lifting others," are words that Permian Basin Events (PBE) lives by. Founded in 2013, PBE holds events that help people stay active and have fun, but it doesn't stop there for them. The proceeds made from their events are given back to local organizanon-profit tions that do different services for the com-

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munity. One such event was their annual RUN 2 LOVE 2 RUN 5K on Feb. 10, 2018, and as a result, PBE was able to raise \$1,000 and donated it to CASA of West Texas, which is a court appointed special a advocated for children who are in the foster care system. PBE presented a check to CASA of West Texas on Thursday at the Star Chrysler

Dodge Jeep Ram of Big

Spring, who also sponsor the Run 2 Love. "We love fitness and

helping others get fit," said Craig Felty. Felty, along with his

wife, Cherise Felty, own Permian Basin Events and put on and run all of the events all year round. "It's great that we

have a way to host events that serve a duel purpose," said

Craig. "Staying fit and giving back to those services in our community who also give and help." PBE will also host

their annual Master of the Mountain on April 21, 2018. and all the proceeds made from

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Here Permian Basin is presenting Casa of West Texas the proceeds from this year's Run 2 Love. From right to left is Clint Fox, DM of Star Dodge, Patty Pisklak, Executive Director of CASA, Craig Felty, owner of Permian Basin Events, Staci Roseberry, Development Director of CASA, and Tabitha Clark, public relations manager of Star Dodge.

# Linda "Darlene" Reid



Linda "Darlene" Reid, 72, of Coahoma died Wednesday, Feb 28, 2018. The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. Friday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at Myers & Smith Chapel with Scott Kirkland, pastor of Trinity Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be at the Coahoma

She was born Sept. 24, 1945, in Big Spring and she was a lifetime resident of Howard County. She graduated from Coahoma High School in 1964. She graduated from Howard College Nursing School in 1990 as an Licensed Vocational Nurse. She was a Home Health nurse for many years. She loved to spend time reading and gardening. She loved to follow professional basketball and had a special love for Lebron James. But her grandchildren were the joy of her life and she loved spending time with each of them. She was a member of Trin-

Linda is survived by her son, Dr. Jody Reid and his wife Tessa of Coahoma; her daughter, Dr. Stephanie Reid of Burnet; grandchildren, Reagan Reid, Ryan and Gabi Reid, Riley Reid, Mason Campbell and Ray Reid; one sister, Leitha Earnest and her husband Douglas of Lufkin; two nephews, Scott Earnest and Gregg Earnest. She also has 3 aunts, Nelda Jo Hyden, Lynnell Ray and Lee Ida Rainey.

Linda was preceded in death by her parents, Berton and Pauline Mason and one aunt Geraldine

Pallbearers will be Dr. Jody Reid, Scott Earnest, Gregg Earnest, Mason Campbell, Reagan Reid, Ryan Reid, Ray Reid and Riley Reid.

The family suggests memorials to the Howard County Scholarship Bowl, 1113 S. Scurry, Big Spring, Texas 79720. Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral

Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersandsmith.com.

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# Sheriff Report

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

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 76 inmates at the time of this re-

• ASHLEY COLEGROVE, 30, was arrested by BSPD on warrants of allow child (4-14) to ride not secure, driving while license invalid, ran red light, and violate promise to appear.

• THOMAS BOYD CRIDDLE, 61, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant of parole violation.

**ALEJANDRO ERIK** FLORES, 22, was arrested by DPS on driving while intoxicat-

 NATALIE NICOLE GOOD, 35, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant of driving while license

 ALAVONE MARIE JOHN-SON, 34, was arrested by BSPD on warrants of operate motor vehicle, and violate promise to

LUIS MIHUEL LOPEZ, 34, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of criminal mischief less than \$100.

 WILLIAM BARRY YVON **JR.**, 47, was arrested by DPS on a charge of violation bond/protective order.

# **Take Note**

Medical is having a Job Fair March 2, from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. Main Lobby at Scenic Mountain Medical, located at1601 W 11th Pl. Positions available include: Environmental Services, Food and Nutrition, Nurses – LVN, RN (day and night shifts), CNA's, Respiratory Therapists, Radiologic Technologists. Come dressed to impress and bring an updated resume.

Scenic Mountain

• The Howard County Democrats meet the second and fourth Mon-5:30 p.m. in the Howard College Library.

Scholarship pack-

- ets for Coahoma High School seniors are now available at the counselor's office. Thousands of dollars worth scholarships opportunities are available to Coahoma High School students. The deadline to turn in applications for some of the scholarships is fast approaching. If students or parents have any questions or need help filling out any forms, please contact Chandra Brooks at 395-5000 or come by the high school office. Extra scholarship packets are available at front office. Please see Brooks at the
- Are you interested in Duplicate Bridge? Big Spring Duplicate will offer lessons to both men and woman. The lessons will be offered at the Big Spring Country Club. The lessons started Jan. 31 and run through Feb. 28. There will be five lessons at \$25 per person. Bridge is a wonderful, stimulating, and pleasant way to spend an afternoon or evening. If you have any questions

high school office for a

packet.

 Cross stitch squares are now ready for the 2018 Howard County Fair quilt. Theme for this year's quilt is "The Love of Dogs." Anyone

able to help by stitch-

call 267-5615 or 263-2753.

ing a square may pick one up at the Heritage Museum during regular hours Tuesday through Saturday. For questions or for more information, please contact Suzanne Markwell at 214-

- 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 days of each month, at 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 call-outs. emergency Those interested should contact Senior Chaplain Joel Miller at 432-213-
  - 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.
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- 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 has dropped to \$5 per person thanks to a sponsor Marcy House, 2301 Wasson Road.

- · Howard County Republicans meet the second Monday of each month. Club members meet in the Cactus Room at Howard College at 11:30 a.m. for Dutch treat lunch and meeting at 12 p.m.
- The Big Spring Art Association meets the third Tuesday of each month a 7 p.m. in the basement of the Howard County Library.

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- Big Spring Centennial Lion's Club has changed its meeting time. The club now meets at 7 p.m. the second Tuesday the fourth Tuesday of each month. Meetings are still held at the Big Spring TA Truck Stop. Visitors are welcome.
- 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. For more information, contact 432-271-2138.
- · Staked Plains Masonic Lodge No. 598 meets the second Thursday each of month at 7 p.m. (dinner is at 6 p.m.) at 219  $\frac{1}{2}$ Main St. All Masons are welcome.
- Membership to the Big Spring Native American Association is open to the public. People interested in Native American culture are encouraged to find out more about the organization by calling Richard "Indio" Lesser at 432-935-0125,

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# Fernando Lee Gonzalez

Fernando Lee Gonzalez, 19, of Big Spring, died Wednesday, Feb. 28, 2018. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

# Gerry Buchanan



Gerry Buchanan passed on Wednesday, Feb. 28, 2018, after a lengthy illness. Gerry was born Jan. 28, 1949, to

Troy and Jessie Little. She mar ried James Buchanan of Luther on December 31, 1972. Gerry was preceded in death by her parents; two brothers, Robert and Ronnie Little; a sister, Kather-

ine Nalls and one grandson. Granny is survived by James Buchanan, her daughters and grandchildren; three sisters, Debbie Masters of Canyon Lake, Texas Barbara Smith of Big Spring, and her best friend and sister Phyllis Hogan of Big Spring; 17 nieces

and nephews and their children. Services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, March, 3 2018, at Myers & Smith Chapel.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersandsmith.com

# Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity: • THOMAS BOYD CRIDDLE, 61, of 1021 Jewel,

- Burkburnnett, Texas, was arrested on a warrant of another agency. • ALAVONE MARIE JOHNSON, 34, of 2705
- Carol Dr., was arrested on two warrants of other • ASHLEY COLEGROVE, 30, of 3209 Oasis, was
- arrested on two warrants of other agencies, disregard red light, and failure to appear. • LUIS MIHUEL LOPEZ, 34, of 4201 W Hwy 80, was arrested on a charge of criminal mischief less
- NATALIE NICOLE GOOD, 35, of 2252 Gunter, was arrested on a warrant of driving while license invalid.

# **Support Groups**

 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

 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 for all Parkinson's disease patients, spouses and caregivers. For more info. about the support group or about Parkinson's Disease, contact Jo Bidwell at the Lubbock APDA office at 806-785-0942.

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Courtesy photo

The photo above shows two members of Bruce Wood Dance performing a romantic duet that will also be preformed in Big Spring called "My Heart Remembers."

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Putnam, "Images so simple and telling last a long time, and further secure Wood's place as a master choreographer.'

Artistic Director, Kimi Nikaidoh, and her team foster Bruce Wood's legacy. Nikaidoh's tribute to the Lone Star State is perfect for families and arts lovers alike. Delight in the whimsical Schmetterling ("butterfly"), a glorious dance set to Mozart's Piano Concertos Nos. 21+23.

Enjoy the romantic duet, My Heart Remembers, set to the Latin-flavored music of Willie Colón and Héctor Lavoe, created by Bryan Arias, an internationally celebrated choreographer. Closing the show is Lovett!, an audience favorite and the most requested piece from Bruce Wood's vast repertoire.

Set to a suite of songs by Texan Lyle Lovett, this signature work reflects the spirit of Wood's experiences as a cowboy and rodeo rider. Lovett! has been described as "hilarious, inventive, thigh-slapping fun, and quintessentially Texas." By the end of the show, you'll be smiling from ear to ear and tapping your toes to Lovett's That's Right (You're Not

Tickets are on sale from March 7–24 and can be purchased with cash or check payable to Bruce Wood Dance, and can be bought at any of the following places: Big Spring Convention and Visitors

From Texas).

Bureau, Chamber of Commerce, The Dance Gallery, The Heritage Museum, Howard College Dance, and the

HEB outlet. Director Nikaidoh also has developed a fun-filled education program on March 23 and 24. Lyrical and hip hop dance classes suitable for ages 7 to adult take place Friday, March 23 at 4:30 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. at The Dance Gallery, 2303 Goliad Street.

Under the artistic direction of Nikaidoh, the company has flourished: Best Dance Company by D Magazine in 2017, 2014, 2013; Best of Dallas Voice 2014–2018; inclusion on every annual Dallas–Fort Worth Top Ten in Dance list since 2011.

BWD was appointed to the 2016– 2018 Texas Commission on the Arts Touring Roster and has toured to New York City, Washington D.C., Columbus, Ohio, and Austin, Texas over the past year.

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Texas native Cedric Benson. He played for the NFL and the University of Texas. He and his team are here to answer any questions about financing, just to educate our community about what we do and how we are here to help them accomplish their goals of home ownership."

About 75 people turned out for the seminar.

For more information about C. Larson Real Estate, visit their website at www. clarsonrealestate.com.

Contact Staff Writer Roger Cline at 432-263-7331 ext. 235, or by email at reporter@ bigspringherald.com.

HERALD photo/Roger Cline In the photo on the left, Midlandnative Cedric Benson, former NFL running back with the Chicago Bears,

Cincinnati Bengals, and Green Bay Packers, chats with guests at C. Larson Real Estate's Home Buyers Seminar Thursday at the Dora Roberts Community Center. Benson now works as a real estate loan originator.

# **PBE**

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the event will go to The Life Center, a non-profit, faithbased, alternative-to-abortion organization, promoting sexual integrity for life, located here in Big Spring.

"We just do what we can to help others," said Craig.

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the 9/11 museum and memorial, Arlington National Cemetery, the changing of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, the Capitol building, Mount Vernon, and so much more." Wells went on to ex-

plain that she came up with the idea to go on a field trip because it was something she did as an 8th grader.

"My teachers at that time took us when I was in school and it was something that was really meaningful," she said. "It wasn't as powerful then, but drawing back to these experiences, they were very meaningful. I want the kids to go and see the places that they learn about in their history classes."

This will be the first trip of its kind for BSJH students.

"This is the first time we're doing a trip like this, and it isn't anticipated to be our last," said BSJH Principal Rebecca Otto. "This will be the first time our kids will experience it, and we hope for future students to be able to experience it as well. The parents and students are very excited about the opportunity."

Fundraising efforts for the trip are already underway.

"In February, we sold chocolate candy bars to raise money for the trip," said Wells. "We sold almost 100 boxes of candy bars so far and we profit \$30 per box. We're going to also be fundraising by selling toilet paper next time, and that'll start right before spring break. This trip will cost each stu-

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ceeds will go directly to the kids. We have 42 students registered at this time. We'll have students looking for sponsorships, so if any businesses in the community want to sponsor students, they can do that. We have individual cases of toilet paper that individuals and businesses can buy. The kids will have fundraising sheets and they can go to businesses, friends, family, etc."

BSJH 7th graders Morgan Griffith and Kourtney Moore, spoke about their feelings on the upcoming field trip.

"I'm really excited that we get to go on this kind of trip with friends and family, and learn a little about history at the same time," said Griffith. "I'm hoping to have a little more knowledge and something that I can tell my friends and family about."

Moore chimed in and said she too was "very excited to be going, because I may not get this opportunity when I'm older so I'm very excited to get to go with the school," she said. "I hope that I gain knowledge about the history of the United States."

Next year's trip will be planned through an organization called EF Explore America.

"We're just very excited about this opportunity for the kids. The trip is 5 days total and



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"We're looking at May 29, 2018 for our official trip date. I'd like to express that I appreciate Mrs. Wells for organiz-

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Margarita Corralez, 78, died Saturday. Funeral Mass was at 11 a.m. this morning at Holy Trinity Catholic Church with burial at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

"Darlene" Linda Reid, 72, died Wednesday. The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. Friday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial will be at Coahoma Cemetery.

Geraldine Buchanan, 69, died Wednesday. Funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial will be at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Michelle Marie Carrasco, 45, of Odessa, formerly of Big Spring, died Feb. 26, 2019. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. A fund has been established at Myers & Smith Funeral Home to help the family will funeral expenses.

Fernando Lee Gonzalez, 19, of Big Spring, died Wednesday, Feb. 28, 2018. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

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# **Church News**

### 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, March 4th- Join us this Sunday at our 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. worship service as we continue with our Series entitled, "Elephant In The Room." During this series we will journey through weeks of sensitive, but relevant subjects that are often times not spoken of nor touched on particularly in the Church community. Come on out as you can expect biblical teaching & preaching, genuine loving fellowship and live spirit filled praise & worship. We would love the opportunity this Sunday to share what God has for you, and get to know you

Monday, March 12th- - Join Far Above Rubies Women's Ministry in the ARC from 6 p.m.-8 p.m. As we encourage and equip each other in God's word. Bring your favorite dish to share for food, fun and fellowship. For more information contact Debbie Reiger @432-935-1257

Tuesday, March 20th- Join us at 7 p.m. as 50 & over small group will be gathering for a potluck and game night. Bring your game face, we will see you at the Flower's Residence 2405 E. 25th St. For more information please contact Faye Flowers @

3 DAY Extravaganza March 30th, 31st & April 1st-Join us as we gather:

Day 1: For our Good Friday Communion Worship Service Friday, March 30th at 7 p.m. in the Main

Day 2: Come on out on Saturday, March 31st at 10 a.m.-1 p.m. for CCC's Spring Fellowship Chili Cook-off in the Academic Resource Center /A.R.C. Day3: Closing out this amazing weekend join us

Sunday, April 1st at our 9 a.m. & 11 a.m. Annual Resurrection Sunday Worship Service. Van transportation- We have an active Van Min-

istry that picks-up on Sundays for our 11 a.m. Worship Service. If you are needing a ride please contact the church offices. Cornerstone Covenant Church (CCC) is a uni-

fied, 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. You can also find us at facebook. com/CCCBigSpring or visit us at www.cccbigspring.org if you would like more information.

# 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. The Chancel Choir rehearses

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

The Covenant Class, led by John Ferguson, embarks on a study, Acknowledging God, based on Genesis, 2 Chronicles, Luke, John, Revelation, exodus, Leviticus, 2 Corinthians, Psalms, and Hebrews. Unit I gives guidance for following God with "Follow My Ways."

The Discovery Class begins a 6-session DVD study called "The Last Days of Jesus" for Lent. Participants will follow Jesus as He prepares his disciples for his death, is transfigured, enters Jerusalem on a donkey, goes to trial, is hanged on a cross, and then is victoriously raised from the grave. Written and taught by several different biblical experts, the series emphasizes three components: the historical and cultural background; a close look at the biblical text and its meaning; and accurate, encouraging and challenging applications of the message to life today.

The Service Committee thanks everyone who contributed to the annual Hygiene Products drive, with special appreciation to Dr. John Meyers for the dental products he donated.

This congregation is once again participating

in a series of Lenten Luncheons with other churches in Big Spring. This week's meeting is February 28 at First United Methodist Church, First Baptist pastor, Rev. Mark Lindsey speaking. Next week's luncheon is at First Baptist Church, Salvation Army's Lt. Rachel Mc-Cain speaking. Please join in these meaningful ecumenical opportunities and bring a friend.

The choir concert by BSHS choirs that was scheduled for Monday, February 26, was cancelled due to illness by the members. There will be another concert next month. Presbyterian Women

met Tuesday, Feb. 27, at 2 p.m. in the church library to consider Lesson 7 of the Cloud of Witnesses study of Hebrews entitled "In Community with the Hope of the Future."

The Kennemurs are in charge of Take Ten for this Sunday. Lector for last Sunday was Glenn Burch. Mari Carpenter is Lector for March.

The lectionary passages for the Third Sunday in Lent are Exodus 20:1-17; Psalm 19;I Corinthians 1:18-25; and John 2:13-22. Rev. Craig Holstedt will deliver the sermon and preside over Communion. The Chancel Choir will begin the service with the introit "My Song Is Love Unknown," by John Ire-

land. The choir will present "Lift High the Cross," by Lani Smith as the anthem. The Communion anthem is "Lord, We Have Come at Your Own Invitation" from Paris Antiphoner, Laura Holleman will offer Walther's "Once He Came in Blessing" on the organ as the offertory.

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

If you cannot attend worship, you may listen in on KBST 1490 AM, beginning at 11:00 a.m. If you wish to have a printed bulletin for Sunday services, please call the church office at 263-4211. You may also see what's happening at the church by visiting our website www.fpcbs.org. On our website, you can find a link that will enable you to listen to several recent sermons by Rev. Craig Holstedt. We would be pleased for you to Like us on Facebook.

# Crestview Baptist Church

We at Crestview Baptist Church want to extend a warm invitation for you and your family to come and join us for worship, discipleship, and loving fellowship. At Crestview, we are all about the gospel of Jesus Christ and serving Him as we learn His Word together. Sunday School begins at 10 a.m., where we are studying the Book of Hebrews. Our Sunday Worship service begins at 11 a.m., and Pastor Tom Lassiter has just recently started preaching through the Book of Jonah. On Sunday and Wednesday evenings at 6:30 p.m., our pastor is

teaching through Proverbs. If you are looking for a church home where there is lots of love and care, and a strong emphasis on the Word of God, we hope you will come and visit us! We are at 2305 Gatesville Rd. in Big Spring. Come and be a part of what the Lord is doing here!

# Church

continues in the series called Big Sandals: Retracing the Footsteps of Kings. Sunday's message comes from 1 Kings 17:1-7 and is called I Still Got This.

# Has Anything Changed?

When I was in college back in the early 90s, I had to take one of my classes in the evening. It was Calculus 2, and the professor worked as an engineer during the day and would show up right at class time (or a few minutes late). He would open his

briefcase, take out an old notebook that was held together with paper clips and rubber bands, and proceed to transfer his notes, formulas, charts, and equations onto the boards straight from his notebook. When he would reach the end of the last chalkboard, he would go back and erase the first one and continue writing.

I remember sitting in that class and wondering how long he had been using that notebook. How many classes before mine had observed this man's ritual? Had he really been

doing the same thing for years and years with nothing ever changing? Now I know that Calculus probably didn't change much, if any, during the time he used that notebook. But this story came to mind while thinking about Jesus and his teaching in the book of Matthew.

In Matthew 13:51-52, Jesus asks his disciples, "Have you understood all these things?" They said to him, "Yes." And he said to them, "Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house, who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old." (ESV) If you have been following along,

we have looked at stories (parables) that Jesus told to teach the people. He talked about the importance of sharing the message of the gospel and the different types of responses people would have. He emphasized that if a person's attitude is not right, then they will never be open to learning. He explained that there is an enemy to God's plan and that enemy is actively working against God's people. Jesus told stories to get people to think about what they value the most. Finally, he explained that there will be a great separation when he returns with his angels.

What were the disciples going to do with these stories? They said that they understood what Jesus was teaching. So what to do next? If they understood the value of being in God's kingdom, then they should learn how to share that message with

If you are a Christian, what has changed? Not everything is going to change all at once. We certainly don't Greg Surles become perfect people the moment we submit our lives to the Lord. We should, however, be growing in the grace and knowledge of our Lord (2 Peter 3:18). We ought to be

adding to our faith - virtue, knowledge, self-control, steadfastness, godliness, brotherly kindness, and love (2 Peter 1:5-7). So I ask again, what has changed?

Especially those of us who have been disciples of Jesus for many years, what has changed? Have I been training for the kingdom of heaven? Do you understand the Bible and spiritual matters any better than when you first became a Christian? Are we better able to explain the value of kingdom living to those around us?

Maybe we have lost sight of some things ourselves. Perhaps others don't even know that there is anything different about us because we haven't been showing it and we haven't been sharing it. Let's make every effort to continue our training in the kingdom so we can bring out those treasures and help others to see their need to be in God's kingdom.

Greg Surles Preacher Birdwell Lane church of Christ

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

If anyone needs a ride to or from Wednesday eve-

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

# **First Baptist Church**

"Oh come, let us worship and bow down; Let us kneel before the LORD our Maker." Psalm 95:6

FBC invites you Sunday morning at 10:50 to join them in worshipping the LORD Jehovah, who is the source of all everlasting strength and hope. Music Minister Alan Schantz will lead the congregation in a selection of songs which will include classic hymns of the faith and contemporary praise and worship music. Pastor Mark Lindsey continues the sermon series "Fruit of The Spirit" based on Galatians 5:22-23. Titled "Gentleness: Exhibiting Controlled Strength," worshippers will be reminded that it takes a truly strong person to be gentle, and Jesus, who is our example and standard for all behavior, is the consummate example of intense power under Divine restraint. 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 church website at: fbcbigspring.org.

At 9:30 Sunday School groups meet throughout the building with children gathering in the Good News Garage on the first floor, and teens, college students, and adults meeting in second floor classrooms. Greeters are available to help you find your class. Come early to enjoy a time of fellowship and hot coffee.

At 5:30, Discipleship Classes for all age groups meet. The classes are designed so you can join them at any time, even if you were unable to attend previously. These classes present the opportunity to grow in and apply your faith; the selection is:

"Turning Everyday Conversations Into Opportunities to Naturally Share Your Faith." Facilitated by John Long, participants will explore and learn creative, conversational, and natural ways to share the Gospel with those you already know; meets in Room 238(close to chapel and parlor). "The Simplest Way to Change the World: Biblical

Hospitality as a Way of Life." Facilitated by Mark and Sherry Lindsey, participants will focus on making a difference in the world simply by opening their front door, and offering a sincere warmth and friendliness to others, as a way to build relationships for Christ. This group meets in the Cha-"Authentic Love: Christ, Culture, and The Pur-

suit of Purity"-Especially for Grades 7-12. There will be separate groups for guys and gals, and topics to be discussed are: holiness, purity, and living Godly lives that reflect the character of Christ



# **Forsan Baptist** The message this week

Wednesday youth and children's activities have resumed for the spring. Students from pre-k to 6th grade are provided a light snack right after school, with

age-appropriate classes

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# **CHURCH**

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in each area of one's life, including sexual purity. Each session will include a video followed by Scripture study and plenty of discussion led by adults who have walked through this in life. Gals' location is Room 212; facilitated by Rebekah Raffini, Morgan Metcalf, and special guests. Guys' location is Room 217; facilitated by Charles Diaz, Bryan Samsel, and special guests.

"Ready to Launch: Jesus-centered Parenting in a Child-centered World." Facilitated by Jonathan Raffini and parents of former youth, this group will empower participants to parent with Jesus as the focus, and teach parents to develop and implement a Gospel centered approach to parenting. There will be video teaching by J.D. and Veronica Greer, with moderated discussion time.

Additionally, there will be testimonies that will encourage and challenge participants how to best prepare their kids to enter the world with Jesus continuing to lead them. This group meets in Room 214(youth room).

Also at 5:30, the 'Worship Arts for Kids' program invites all area children to participate in this exciting time of learning about worship through music, drama, and instruments. Contact Children's Minister Justin Green at 267-8223 for additional details. Tuesday March 6 at noon, you're invited to join

the Triple LLL(Living Longer & Loving It) group in the FBC dining room for a tasty lunch and some fun fellowship. Bring a friend and enter through the east kitchen doors.

Thursday March 8, the Mission Center/Food Pantry will be open at 9 am. It is located on Lancaster one block behind HEB at Iglesias Central.

Thank you to everyone who prayerfully supports this vital ministry. FBC Mother's Day Out program is open each Tuesday and Thursday from 9-3. Contact Tracy Boeker at 267-8223 for information about available openings for your little ones, or go to fbcbigspring.com to download a registration form.

Wednesday evening activities begin at 6 pm and include: Adult Bible Study and prayer time, Adult choir practice, 'Saturate' youth group for teens, and Real LYF for children.

FBC is located at 705 W FM 700. There is always a place for you at First Baptist Church. "...may the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, ...guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus." Philippians 4:7

# Blessed Hands Deaf Church

The congregation of Blessed Hands Deaf Church invites you to rejoice in The LORD with them Sunday at 2 p.m. Pastor Jim Walterhouse welcomes you to be a part of this dynamic group as they worship and study God's Word.

Currently, BHDC meets inside First Baptist Church at 705 W FM 700.

For more information about Blessed Hands Deaf Church, including Wednesday night schedule and activities, contact Pastor Jim at: jwalterhouse@ gmail.com.



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# Reflections: Billy Graham

Billy Graham burst upon the scene in his California crusade in 1947 when I as one year old. I didn't pay attention to him until God laid His

me for Christian ministry when I was 18. Many of us who were aspiring preachers mimicked him. We could not preach as preached. but we cold in-

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between our statements as he did, and we could copy his mannerisms. The world was full of little "wanna be" Billy Grahams. I listened to his Hour of Decision on the radio, and launched m own 15 minute radio program called "Moment of Truth" on the local station. At least my father listened to it.

Across the years I found more important aspects of Billy Graham I wanted to imitate.

I wanted to imitate his integrity. When his organization attracted donations in the millions, he placed himself on a salary commensurate with the pastor of a large church. He insisted that his Crusades be audited and made public. He regularly turned down million dollar offers from Hollywood and television. He made much on royalties for his books, and gave much away. In a world awash with sexual

scandal, Billy Graham sought to avoid the potential for impropriety. He chose not to travel or dine alone with any woman other than his wife. He loved his wife, Ruth Bell Graham. They married in 1943 and remained devoted to each other until her death in 2007. He said of her, "Whenever I was asked to name the finest Christian I ever met, I always replied, 'My wife, Ruth.' ... She was a gentle, smiling and kind person whose primary goal was to live for Christ and reflect His love." He promoted integration before

Civil Rights and included all people of every race and nationality. In 1953 he refused to preach in Chattanooga, Tennessee unless they removed the barriers that separated whites from blacks. In 1957, he asked Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr. to join him in the pulpit in New York City.

Their family isn't perfect. Some

of their kids have had alcohol and drug problems. Their daughter's marriage failed and their granddaughter gave birth out of wedlock. But they continued to love their children with grace and acceptance. All of their children are in Christian ministry.

I am reminded of the Apostle Paul's words to the Christians in Thessalonica, "You know how we lived among you for your sake. You became imitators of us and of the Lord, for you welcomed the message in the midst of severe suffering with the joy given by the Holy Spirit. And so you became a model to all the believers in Macedonia and Achaia."

Billy Graham never wanted to hold himself up. He always wanted to exalt Christ. I am sure that remains true as the world prepares for his funeral. But we would do well to imitate many of the qualities reflected in his life and to live so that we might model for others the honesty, integrity and love that flow from faith in Jesus Christ.

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

# Spring Creek Fellowship

Ladies are invited to our "Stand Firm" Women's Conference on Saturday, March 24th from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is \$5 and no childcare is provided. This event is sponsored by women from various local churches. For more information please call (432)816-9331.

"Our Daily Bread" Food Pantry will be open the 2nd and 4th Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. If you are in need of food, please come see us! We are in the mall. Go in the door where the movie theater is located and we are in the first spot on the left! You may also visit our Blessing Box just outside

the front doors of the church entrance to get food. Donations are needed to keep us 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 or the "Our Daily Bread Food Pantry" ministry, please contact Kay Elder.

New Connection Groups are meeting now and include "What Does the Bible Say?,' "Discovering Who You Are In Christ", "Malachi" starting January 30th, "Love and War" for married couples, "Chasing the Lion," "Men's 33 Series," and "A Walk Through The Gospel." All start at 9:15 on Sunday mornings!

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.

KID CONNECT/GOSPEL PROJECT FOR KIDS This Sunday, March 4, "Paul Confronted Peter" Galatians 2:11-21.

We have a new "App" for your use this year. It should be easier to work with have more applications. Go to your App Store, search for "The Church App" and download, and then search for Spring Creek Fellowship Texas. That should take you to our Home Page.

We are updating our files and need your help to make sure we have the correct information for you and your family. Please contact the church office.

"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. 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 Klint

"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

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 coffee, drinks and fellowship. 10:45 a.m.-noon-Worship Service

5 p.m. Prayer Meeting

Tuesday-

noon- Narcotics Anonymous 7 p.m.-Women's Bible Study

Wednesday-

Community Groups-various times and places Thursday

7 p.m.-Men's Bible Study

Friday-

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

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

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Colon still throwing strikes in his spring debut for Rangers



AP photo

Texas Rangers starting pitcher Bartolo Colon throws during the first inning of a spring training baseball game against the San Diego Padres, Thursday, March 1, 2018, in Surprise, Ariz.

SURPRISE, Ariz. (AP) — Texas Rangers manager Jeff Banister remembers the first time he saw Bartolo Colon pitch was in Class A ball in 1995.

"He was young and throwing a million it seemed like," Banister said. "Hitters didn't really enjoy getting into the batter's box."

Colon is no longer throwing a mid-90s fastball, but at age 44 he is still throwing and retiring hitters. He is in the Rangers camp on a minor league contract with a fastball that averaged 87.8 mph last season.

In his spring training debut Thursday, Colon threw 23 of 32 pitches for strikes in two innings against the San Diego Padres. He struck out Chase Headley looking, walked none and yielded a solo homer by Wil Myers and a double by Luis Urias. His fastball worked mostly in the mid-80s range.

"I think Bartolo has really a good small window percentage, putting pitches where he wants to put them," Banister said. "He was most efficient at small-window targets."

Colon went a combined 7-14 with a 6.48 ERA in 28 starts last

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# Conacher scores in overtime, Lightning beat Stars 5-4



AP photo

Tampa Bay Lightning goalie Louis Domingue (70) watches from beyond the net as defenseman Anton Stralman (6), of Sweden, and center Brayden Point (21) help clear a puck under pressure from Dallas Stars center Tyler Seguin (91) in overtime of an NHL hockey game Thursday, March 1, 2018, in Dallas.

DALLAS (AP) — Cory Conacher scored the gamewinning goal in overtime for the Tampa Bay Lightning, but Anthony Cirelli stole the show in his NHL debut.

With 41 seconds left in overtime, Conacher broke away from Dallas' Jamie Benn and took a low shot that bounced off goalie Ben Bishop and went in to beat the Stars 5-4.

Cirelli had a goal and an assist in the three-goal second period of his NHL debut. The Lightning recalled the 20-year-old Cirelli from Syracuse of the AHL earlier Thursday as an emergency replacement for NHL scoring leader Nikita Kucherov.

"How excited can you be for him?" Lightning coach Jon Cooper said. "You're always going to remember this one. For him to come out and have an impact in the game in such a positive way, it's fun. He's a phenomenal kid, and I couldn't be happier for him."

Cirelli was very excited. "It was an unbelievable

"It was an unbelievable feeling. Just being here and being able to play in the game. It was pretty cool just being around the guys. To get a goal too is just something special that I'll remember for the rest of my life."

It was the Lightning's fourth game in six nights that went past 60 minutes. Tampa Bay was 3-0-1 in

those games to increase their league-leading total to 92 points.

"The way we rebounded," Cooper said, "especially to come back to back. We had to change time zones and fly a couple of hours. We had good energy early. The power plays hurt us in the first, but really liked our second period. We came out determined. We deserved to get those goals."

Tyler Seguin had two goals and an assist for Dal-

las, which rallied with two third-period goals to move three points ahead in the race for the Western Conference's first wild card.

"We played a very good hockey game and espe-

cially in the third period," Stars coach Ken Hitchcock said. This is gonna end up hopefully being a really valuable point."

Mattias Janmark tied the game with four sec-

Mattias Janmark fied the game with four seconds left in regulation, when he lifted a shot from a scramble over fallen Tampa Bay goalie Louis Domingue.

Cooper's appeal that Dallas interfered with Domingue was denied. There also was a question whether Janmark's goal came before time expired. The scoreboard clock began malfunctioning with 39 seconds remaining. The clock read 9 seconds,

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# Rice tops UTEP 76-70 behind Hunter's 24

HOUSTON (AP) — Najja Hunter scored 24 points, Ako Adams added 15, and Rice beat UTEP 76-70 on Thursday night to keep its hopes alive for a Conference USA Tournament berth. Connor Cashaw grabbed 12 rebounds for the

Owls (7-23, 4-14), who entered two games back of 12th-ranked UTEP (10-18, 5-11) and face fifth-ranked UTSA (17-13, 10-7) on Saturday.

Leading 36-29 at halftime, Rice opened the second half by scoring sayon straight and led 50.40 on

ond half by scoring seven straight and led 50-40 on Tim Harrison's layup. Omega Harris scored seven straight and the Miners closed to 74-70 on his 3 with five seconds left, but got no closer. Adams hit two free throws and Harris' 3 at the buzzer missed. Harris hit five 3s and scored 18 points, Isiah Os-

Harris hit five 3s and scored 18 points, Isiah Osborne added 13 points, Paul Thomas had 12 and Trey Wade 10 for the Miners, who need a win Saturday at North Texas (17-13, 10-7) or a Rice loss at UTSA to make the tournament.

# Smart, Draper lead North Texas past UTSA 80-62

DENTON, Texas (AP) — Roosevelt Smart tossed in 22 points and DJ Draper came off the bench to score 18 on 6-of-7 shooting from 3-point range to guide North Texas to an 80-62 victory over UT-San Antonio on Thursday night.

The loss kept UT-San Antonio (17-13, 10-7) from pulling into a fourth-place tie with Marshall in Conference USA play. The top four teams earn first-round byes in the conference tourney. The Road-runners close out conference play at Rice (7-23) on Saturday, while Marshall travels to first-place and 24th-ranked Middle Tennessee (24-5). The Roadrunners own the tiebreaker over the Thundering Herd by virtue of their 81-77 win in the only matchup between the teams this season.

The Mean Green (15-15, 8-9) swept UT-San Antonio after posting a 72-71 win in the first matchup and lead the all-time series 15-10.

Deon Lyle scored 15 to top the Roadrunners, who saw a three-game win streak end. Byron Frohnen, George Willborn III and Keaton Wallace all chipped in with 10 points.

North Texas shot 54.5 percent from the floor (30 of 55) and knocked down half of their 24 3-point attempts. UTSA made just 21 of 59 shots (36 percent) overall, but connected on 9 of 23 from distance (39 percent).

# Thompson leads Prairie View attack over Alcorn State 79-69

LORMAN, Miss. (AP) — Troy Thompson led five players in double figures with 20 points, collected six rebounds and had blocked three shots and Prairie View A&M beat Alcorn State 79-69 on Thursday night

The Panthers are locked in a three-way tie for second in the Southwestern Athletic Conference with Texas Southern and Arkansas-Pine Bluff a game behind league-leader Grambling.

Prairie View (14-17, 11-6) built a 20-9 advantage before Alcorn State reeled off eight straight to reduce its deficit to three with 4:08 before halftime. The Panthers then went on a 15-3 run and led 35-20 at intermission.

A.J. Mosby's layup with 6:18 left brought Alcorn State within 58-51 but it couldn't draw closer from

The Panthers' Dennis Jones scored 15 points, Gary Blackston scored 13 and the two were each 9-of-11 shooting from the foul line. JD Wallace scored 14 and Zachary Hamilton scored 11.

Mosby led the Braves (11-19, 7-10) with 19 points, Troymain Crosby scored 15 and Dante Sterling, 13.

# Jefferson, Clark score 64 in Texas Southern's 90-88

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP) — Demontrae Jefferson scored a career-high 36 points, Donte Clark added 28 and Derrick Bruce made two free throws with eight seconds left and Texas Southern held on to edge Southern 90-88 Thursday night to stay in the hunt for a Southwest Athletic Conference title.

Both Texas Southern (11-19, 11-6) and Southern (13-16, 10-7) were among four teams hot on the heels of SWAC leader Grambling (12-5). The win keeps the Bobcats within range, needing a win at Alcorn State and a Grambling loss as the regular season ends on Saturday.

Southern's Jamar Sandifur fired a 3-pointer from near half court at the buzzer, but the shot didn't come close.

Jefferson was 14 of 21 from the floor, making 4 of 5 from behind the 3-point arc. Clark shot 10 for 24 with eight rebounds.

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# Legals

**RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION** 

DISTRICT 08 DATE OF ISSUANCE: Jan 30, 2018 NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Mar 6, 2018

### Legals

Address: Railroad Commission of Texas ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit P. O. Box 12967 Austin, Texas 78711-2967 Fax: (512) 463-6780 Email: SWR37@RRC.TEXAS.GOV Rule 37 Case No. 0308890 Status/Permit No. 834219

### NOTICEOF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SM ENERGY COM-PANY, [RRC Operator No. 788997] has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the lease line distance requirement because the Applicant is less than the required Rule 37 lease line distance to an unleased or nonpooled interest within the subject unit for the AMENDED NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 20, Bk. 32 T1S. T&P RR CO / FROST, J A Survey, A-1280, SPRAB-ERRY (TREND AREA) Field, HOWARD County, being 4.54 miles SE direction from BIG SPRING, Texas.

**PURSUANT TO THE** TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted **WITHOUT A HEARING** if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at (512) 463-6848. If you have questions which are specific to the Application or the information set forth in this Notice, please contact the Commission's Drilling Permit Unit

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**THIS NOTICE OF APPLICA-TION REQUIRES PUBLICA-TION** 

The location and identity of the well is as shown below:

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name:

WILLIE SCOTT A Lease/Unit Well No.: 0844WA Lease/Unit Acres: 918.96 Nearest Lease Line (ft): 1.0 Lease Lines: 275.0 F SE L, 15.0 F NE L Survey Lines: 275.0 F SE L, 2620.0 F SW L Wellbore Profile(s): Horizontal

Lateral: TH1 Penetration Point Location Lease Lines: 275.0 F SE L 15.0 F NE L Terminus Location BH County: HOWARD Section: 8 Block: 32 T1S Abstract: 1421 Survey: T&P RR CO / PRICE, W Lease Lines: 50.0 F NW L 330.0 F NE L Survey Lines: 713.0 F NW L 2313.0 F SW L

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) : Special Rules 330/0, 80.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 10000 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Jill Hamilton, at (432) 848-4855.

#9696 February 9, 16, 23, &

March 2, 2018 **RAILROAD COMISSION OF TEXAS** 

OIL AND GAS DIVISION

**DISTRICT 08** 

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Rule 37 Case No. 0309060 Status/Permit No. 834216

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### Iomorrow s Horoscope

### **GEMINI** BY HOLIDAY MATHIS (May 21-June 21).



and if you keep this up you may just become someone's favorite friend. In some cases, you don't want to be in the friend zone, but you'll quite naturally find your (including the challenges,

place in that situation as well.

**CANCER (June 22-**July 22). The person who has teaching or preaching as his primary purpose is a dull as a bad poem. Even if you happen to be the teacher (or the preacher), with play as your main purpose you'll be the delight in their days.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You have resolved to give your best to a relationship and you'll reaffirm this to yourself now. This is the part of the connection that you can control, and control it you will. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept.

22). Sometimes happiness means making the most of what's going on right now and finding something exciting about it, and sometimes happiness means declaring (if only to yourself), "Next!"

at rule 37

You're in

a playful

mood,

(512) 463-6751.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Your digital inbox may be a wild jungle of a place, and so, too, is the inbox of your life right now. So many offers! Some of them are random; some are general. You can weed all of that out and focus on the shining

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Seek training, on-point conversation, criticism, inspiration and interactions to keep your skills sharp. It's better to

put in the work now before you really need to. This will give you an advantage

later. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Harmless flirting isn't. There are sensitive people around who will make a story out of it and spin things in a direction that does nobody good. Be careful where you wield that charm

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). If you didn't want the thing until a friend, influencer or advertiser built your appetite for it, you might not really want the

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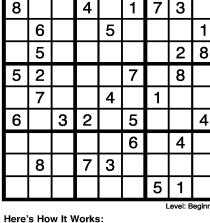
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Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine

3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

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AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-

et Services Department at

Feb. 18). When necessity demands your impromptu handling of a situation, there's no better plan to follow than the one with which you are already familiar. Apply what you know from another world. You'll be

brilliant.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). As you read this, there are people gearing up for the challenge of a lifetime that will have an impact on you and on the near future. Go on and decide which challenge you will take on simultaneously. Later your paths will cross.

Write Holiday Mathis at Holiday-Mathis@gmail.com.



By Steve Becker Bidding quiz

It would be wrong to bid only three

spades, which partner can pass. Your hand takes on a much rosier hue

when he bids spades, and becomes the equivalent of at least an opening

2. Three hearts. Most players treat

You have the following hand, neither side vulnerable: ♠ QJ74 ♥ 8 ♠ A92 ♣ K10963

1. You pass, your left-hand opponent passes, your partner bids One Spade, and your right-hand opponent bids Two Clubs. What action would you take? 2. Your partner bids One Notrump, and your right-hand oppo-nent bids Two Hearts. What action

would you take?

3. Your partner bids One Notrump, and your right-hand opponent bids Two Diamonds. What

on would you take? 4. Your partner bids One Heart, you respond Two Clubs, and partner jumps to Four Clubs. What would

you bid now? 1. Four Spades. Of course you could double two clubs (if you played

the double for penalties in this situa-tion) and beat it at least a couple of tricks if that became the final contract, but there is almost no chance that your left-hand opponent and our partner will both pass two clubs doubled. The opponents are likely to find a heart or diamond fit if you double, and it is better to try to prevent this by jumping to four spades. Furthermore, setting the opponents two tricks doubled is not good enough to make up for the game you can almost surely make in spades.

a bid of two spades or three clubs in this sequence as not forcing, so you must make a bid that assures reaching game. The three-heart cuehid does just that. You hope partner will bid three spades, which you will raise to four. If he rebids three notrump, showing at least one stop-per in hearts, you plan to pass, while if he rebids four clubs or four dia-

nonds, you will raise to five.

3. Double. Game is not absolutely certain, so the best thing to do is to grab the sure profit. You will probably beat two diamonds two or three tricks, possibly even more, if that becomes the final contract.

tainly a possibility, and the question is how or whether to reach it. Four diamonds shows first-round control of that suit and slam interest. The next step is up to partner. If he cooperates by bidding four spades or

4. Four diamonds. Slam is cer-

four notrump, you are on the way to slam, but if all he does is bid five clubs, you must give up because you might lose two spade tricks, or perhaps a spade and a heart or a diamond.

Tomorrow: It's all in the mind.

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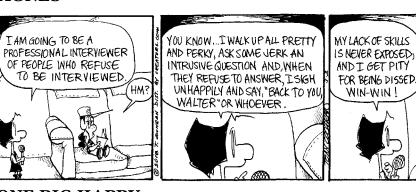
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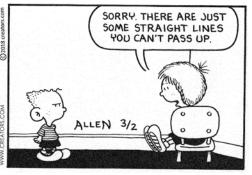






### **NEST HEAD**









# This Date In History

Today is Friday, March 2, the 61st day of 2018. There are 304 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History:

On March 2, 1943, the three-day Battle of the Bismarck Sea began in the southwest Pacific during World War II; U.S. and Australian warplanes were able to inflict heavy damage on an Imperial Japanese convoy.

On this date:

In 1793, the first (and third) president of the Republic of Texas, Sam Houston, was born near Lexington, Virginia

In 1836, the Republic of Texas formally declared its independence from Mexico. 1867, Howard

University, a historically black school of higher learning in Washington, D.C., was founded. Congress passed, over President Andrew Johnson's veto, the first of four Reconstruction Acts.

Republican Rutherford B. Hayes was declared the winner of the 1876 presidential election over Democrat Samuel J. Tilden, even though Tilden had won the popular vote. In 1917, Puerto Ricans

were granted U.S. citizenship as President Woodrow Wilson signed the Jones-Shafroth Act.

In 1933, the motion pic-"King Kong" had its world premiere at New York's Radio City Music Hall and the Roxy. In 1939, Roman Catholic

Cardinal Eugenio Pacelli (puh-CHEL'-ee) was elected pope on his 63rd birthday; he took the name Pius XII. The Massachusetts legislature voted to ratify the Bill of Rights, 147 years after the first 10 amendments to the U.S. Constitution had gone into effect. (Georgia and Connecticut soon followed.)

In 1958, a multinational expedition led by British explorer Vivian Fuchs completed the first overland crossing of Antarctica by way of the South Pole in 99 days. In 1965, the movie version

Rodgers and the Hammerstein musical "The Sound of Music," starring Julie Andrews and Christopher Plummer, had

its world premiere in New In 1978, the remains of comedian Charles Chaplin were stolen by extortionists from his grave in Cosiersur-Vevey, Switzerland. (The body was recovered near Lake Geneva 11 weeks later.)

In 1989, representatives from the 12 European Community nations agreed to ban all production of **CFCs** (chlorofluorocarbons), the synthetic compounds blamed for destroying the Earth's ozone layer, by the end of the 20th centu-

1995, the Internet search engine website Yahoo! was incorporated by founders Jerry Yang and David Filo.

Ten years ago: Dmitry Medvedev, Vladimir Putin's hand-picked successor, scored a crushing victory in Russia's presidential elec-

Five years ago: The day after \$85 billion in acrossthe-board federal spending cuts went into effect. President Barack Obama congressional and Republicans refused to concede any culpability for failing to stave off the sequester. Alaska's 41st Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race kicked off with a festive ceremonial start in Anchorage.

One year ago: Under intensifying pressure, Attorney General Jeff Sessions abruptly agreed to recuse himself from any investigation into Russian meddling in America's 2016 presidential election, acting after revelations he twice spoke with the Russian ambassador during the campaign and failed to say so when pressed by Congress. Retired neurosurgeon Ben Carson was confirmed as secretary of the Department of Housing and Urban Development on a Senate vote of 58-41; a few hours later, the Senate backed former Texas Gov. Rick Perry to be energy secretary, 62-37. (Stations: Rock musician

Casey, one name, is correct) Today's Birthdays: Actor

John Cullum is 88. Author Tom Wolfe is 88. Former Soviet President and Nobel peace laureate Mikhail S. Gorbachev is 87. Actress

Answer to previous puzzle

Barbara Luna is 79. Author John Irving is 76. Actress Cassie Yates is 67. Actress Laraine Newman is 66. Former Sen. Russ Feingold, D-Wis., is 65. Former Interior Secretary Ken Salazar is 63. Singer Jay Osmond is 63. Pop musician John Cowsill (The Cowsills) is 62. Tennis player Kevin Curren is 60. Country singer Larry Stewart (Restless

Heart) is 59. Rock singer Jon Bon Jovi is 56. Blues singermusician Alvin Youngblood Hart is 55. Actor Daniel Craig is 50. Actor Richard Ruccolo is 46. Rock musi-(Jimmie's cian Casey Chicken Shack) is 42. Rock Chris Martin (Coldplay) is 41. Actress Heather McComb is 41. Actress Rebel Wilson is 38. Brvce Dallas Actress

Howard is 37. NFL quarterback Ben Roethlisberger is 36. Musician Mike "McDuck" Olson (Lake Street Dive) is 35. Actor Robert Iler is 33. Actress Nathalie Emmanuel is 29. Singer-rapper-actress Becky G is 21.

# Thought for Today:

"Humor has a tremendous place in this sordid world.

It's more than just a matter of laughing. If you can see things out of whack, then you can see how things can be in whack."

Theodor Seuss Geisel (GY'-zuhl), AKA "Dr. Seuss," American children's author (born this date in 1904, died 1991).

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# **Newsday Crossword**

# **ACROSS**

- 5 Guilty pleasure
- 9 Sudden fear
- 15 Venerable race
- 19 Cut back a lot
- 20 Raw-bar
- selection
- attraction
- enzymes
- 23 Bond's interest rate 26 Western part
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- 42 Abe of Japan
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- needed 54 Major stretch
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- **56** City west of Los Angeles

# **HOLD YOUR HORSES** by S.N. Edited by Stanley Newman

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- 9 Evaluate **10** "Lady Marmalade"
  - rapper 11 Rhododendron family shrub
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  - shortener 21 Pizza topping
  - 22 Fourth person
  - 24 A wife of Julius Caesar
  - **25** "That's hadn't heard"
  - 27 Farm beast
  - 31 Stress-test reading
  - 32 Mad About You star
  - 34 Indefinite degree
  - **36** Cheese that rarely spoils

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- 13 Stevenson villain 44 Metaphor for early nurturing
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season with Atlanta and Minnesota. One victory was a complete-game on Aug. 4 against the Rangers. At age 44 years and 72 days, Colon was the oldest pitcher to throw a complete-game victory since Nolan Ryan, who was 45 years, 155 days, on July 4, 1992.

"He's got deception, a great feel for a pitch and commanding the fastball and puts it where he wants to," Banister said. "Day one, he walks out here for live BP and young, fresh hitters walk away scratching their heads. They don't see it."

Colon won the 2005 American League Cy Young Award with the Angels. If he makes the Rangers, it would be his eighth American League club and he would get a \$1.75 million, oneyear contract and the chance to earn \$1.3 million in performance bonuses based on innings.

"It's phenomenal, to want to do it at that age," Banister said. "Hey, just to want to do it at that age and then be good enough to continue to do it, it's incredible."

Colon, who was the oldest player in the majors last year, has 240 victories, which is second only to Hall of Famer Juan Marichal's 243 for a pitcher born in the Dominican Republic. He needs five more to match Nicaraguan Dennis Martinez for most victories by a native of Latin American. He acknowledged surpassing those two are a reason he is still pitching.

"I have personal goals I want to achieve and hopefully the team will allow me to reach those," Colon said through a translator.

He threw seven first-pitch strikes to the eight batters he faced.

"I feel well and I'm throwing strikes," he said. "I'm happy with the way I feel. All I need to do is keep working hard and then it's up to them."

While with the New York Mets on May 26, 2016, Colon became the oldest player to hit his first major league home run at 42 years, 349 days. Signing with an American League club, Colon will not get many chances to pick up the bat.

"The American League is where I want to be because I don't have to hit or run," the portly pitcher said, laugh-

Colon is listed at 5-foot-11 and 280 pounds, not the type of body one would associate to a long baseball ca-

"There are a lot of Christmas and birthday presents you unwrap that maybe the packaging doesn't look great, but inside there's a tremendous gift that is waiting to be open," Banis-

# **STARS**

but the video review helped Referee Ghislain Hebert determine that 3.5 seconds was correct. Brayden Point and Steven Stamkos also scored

for the Lightning. Dallas' Brett Ritchie had a third-period goal. Domingue made 31 saves to improve to 4-8. He is

3-1 vs. Dallas in his career.

Bishop stopped 20 shots.

Tampa Bay's J.T. Miller had two assists. Dallas tied the game at 1 on the game's first power play. Seguin's snap shot grazed the crossbar and

went in at 11:05 of the first period.

Skating 4-on-4 in the second, John Klingberg skated low into the right circle and passed across. Seguin had the left side of the net empty.

The spotlight then shifted to Cirelli. He beat Klingberg to tie the game at 2-2. Four minutes later, Killorn poked in the rebound of Cedric Paquette's shot that Bishop couldn't handle. Cirelli also received an assist.

NOTES: Cirelli, a first-year pro, had 14 goals and 37 assists in 51 games for Syracuse. . The Lightning played without Kucherov and D Ryan McDonagh. Both have upper-body injuries. . Miller was in his second game with Tampa Bay after the Rangers traded him and McDonagh. . Seguin has scored

in four straight games, with a power-play goal in the last two. He leads the Stars with 34 goals and 11 on the power play. . Jason Dickinson had his first assist in his 25th NHL game on Ritchie's goal. He ended a career-high 22-game streak without a goal. . The Lightning will be home for 12 of the final 17 games. . The Stars will play 11 of their final 18 on the road.

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# Turbulent year casts shadow over 2018 Iditarod

### By RACHEL D'ORO

Associated Press

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP) — The 46th running of Alaska's famed Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race kicks off Saturday amid the most turbulent year ever for the annual long-distance contest that spans mountain ranges, the frozen Yukon River and dangerous sea ice along the Bering Sea coast.

Among the multiple problems: a champion's dog doping scandal, the loss of major sponsor Wells Fargo, discontent among mushers and escalating pressure from animal rights activists, who say the dogs are run to death or left with serious injuries. The Iditarod has had its ups and downs over the decades, but the current storm of troubles is raising questions about the future of the 1,000-mile (1,600-kilometer) race that for many symbolizes the contest between mortals and Alaska's unforgiving nature.

Leo Rasmussen, one of the race's founders, predicted the Iditarod is heading for extinction within the next few years, given an "extreme lack of organization" from its leader-

"You can only burn so many stumps, you know, and you're done," he says. Iditarod CEO Stan Hooley acknowledged organizers have weathered a dark time but disagreed the race fac-

es an uncertain future. "There's always going to be an Iditarod," he said. "I consider this more of a growing process than anything

The Iditarod's governing board disclosed in October that four dogs belonging to four-time winner Dallas Seavey tested positive for a banned substance, the opioid painkiller tramadol, after his second-place finish

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In this March 1996, file photo, a musher drives his team across the frozen Norton Sound near Nome, Alaska, during the Iditarod One got loose from a han-Trail Sled Dog Race. The 46th running of Alaska's famed Iditarod dler and was hit by a car, Trail Sled Dog Race kicks off Saturday, March 3, 2018, amid the and another died as it most turbulent year for organizers beset by multiple problems, was flown to Anchorage, including a champion's dog doping scandal, the loss of major likely from hyperthersponsors, discontent among race participants and escalating  $^{
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last March behind his father, Mitch Seavey. It faced criticism for not releasing the information sooner.

The Iditarod said it couldn't prove Dallas Seavey administered the drugs to his dogs, and didn't punish him. Since then, the rules have been changed to hold mushers liable for any positive drug test unless they can show something beyond their control happened.

The younger Seavey, who denied administering tramadol to his dogs, also came under scrutiny when the People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals, a longtime race critic, complained about a kennel operated by the musher based on allegations of sick, injured or dead dogs. Local investigators said they found no evidence of animal cruelty

Dallas Seavey is sitting out this year's race

in the matter.

in protest over the handling of the doping investigation. Instead, he is in Norway to participate in another sled dog race, the Finnmarkslopet, which begins March

The deaths of five dogs connected to last year's race also played a role in increasing pressure from animal rights activists. Three of the deaths occurred during the race, and two dogs died after being dropped from the competition. recent years.

PETA says that for the first time, about a dozen of its members will protest the race in person at the ceremonial and competitive starts and at the finish line, in the remote coastal town of Nome. They plan to bring five headstones with the names of the dogs that died in 2017.

more than 150 over the Iditarod's history. Race officials dispute those numbers but have not provided their own despite numerous requests from The Associated Press. "If the human participants want to race to Nome,

By PETA's count, the dog deaths bring the total to

have at it," PETA spokeswoman Colleen O'Brien said. "But don't force these dogs to run until their paws are bloody and they die on the trail."

Race officials blame activists for using manipulative information to pressure corporate sponsors like Wells Fargo, a longtime backer that severed ties to the Iditarod last spring.

Mitch Seavey, who is seeking a fourth Iditarod championship, said his son is the happiest he's seen him in months, and is reveling in heavy snow in Norway. The elder Seavey said he himself is not going to be distracted by "all the noise," but is focusing on his dogs and the race ahead.

"There's been a lot of craziness, but it's the people who are insane," he said. "The dogs aren't crazy."

There's one bright spot for organizers: Optimal trail conditions. A warming climate in recent years has caused significant disruptions, including the rerouting of the 2017 and 2015 races hundreds of miles to the north because of dangerous conditions. As always, the race will begin with the customary ceremonial start in Anchorage, but the competitive portion beginning Sunday north of Anchorage will follow a southern route for the first time since 2013. Traditionally, southern and northern routes are alternated every year.

The late timing of the Iditarod Trail Committee's disclosure of the doping matter prompted the race's major sponsors to commission an independent consultant late last year. The consultant's report said the committee took months to release the information, causing concerns among many about a lack of transparency.

The consultant called on organizers to develop a plan to rebuild trust with mushers and sponsors.

"Both of these partner groups are on the verge of withdrawing their support for this race as a result of their distrust in this board," the report states.

More recently, a group of mushers named the Iditarod Official Finishers Club has called for the resignation of the Iditarod board president and other board leaders it says have conflicts. It also has criticized the board in its handling of the doping scandal. Hooley, the race CEO, said conversations are underway to replace some members.

Four-time winner Jeff King said he sees room for improvements after the doping controversy caught organizers "flat-footed," and he is ready for a significant change in the board leadership. But he doesn't believe the Iditarod is nearing the end of its lifespan, and laughs when asked about it.

"You can count on from me, and many mushers that I would bet my life on, that we will continue to do the best we can for our dogs and the event,"

# Zlatan Ibrahimovic eyes Sweden return ahead of World Cup By ROB HARRIS and JAN M.

Associated Press

Zlatan Ibrahimovic is eyeing a chance to play at another World Cup, even though the coach of Sweden's national team was convinced that the veteran striker had no desire to re-

The 36-year-old Ibrahimovic retired from international soccer after the 2016 European Championship to focus on prolonging his club career. Despite not playing for Manchester United since December because of knee injury, Sweden's all-time record scorer said there is a chance he could make a comeback.

"The door hasn't been shut to anything, really," Ibrahimovic said Thursday on the sidelines of a tennis event in Stockholm.

That, however, is at odds with what Sweden coach Janne Andersson said Wednesday.

"He said, 'No' to me last summer and for me I respect that," Andersson told The Associated Press at a World Cup workshop in Sochi, Russia. "I respect his decision."

Asked if plans could change if there were injuries in the Sweden squad, Andersson said: "The reality is he said, 'No."

Ibrahimovic, who scored 62 goals in 116 games for Sweden, played at

> the 2002 and 2006 World Cups but missed on the last two editions after the team failed to qualify.

> Sweden qualified for this year's World Cup in Russia by beating Italy in a playoff. The team will play South Korea, Germany and Mexico in the group stage in June.

"I want to play, with the club team, with the national team ... to me, it's the same," Ibrahimovic said, adding the Swedish players "have done a good job."

"Watching the others playing in the national team," Ibrahimovic said, "it's tough."

Swedish soccer federation secretary general

In this file photo dated Thursday, Feb. 16, 2017, Manchester United's Zlatan Ibrahimovic celebrates after scoring during the Europa League round of 32 first leg soccer match between Manchester United and St.-Etienne at the Old Trafford stadium in Manchester, England. Zlatan Ibrahimovic is eyeing a chance to play at another World Cup even though the coach of Sweden's national team was convinced that the veteran striker had no desire to return. The 36-year-old Ibrahimovic retired from international soccer after the 2016 European Championship to focus on prolonging his club career.

Hakan Sjostrand said Ibrahimovic's return is a matter between the player and Andersson, but added that it could be beneficial for the national team.

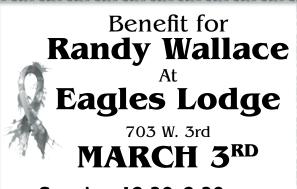
"I think that a fresh and motivated Zlatan will add something at all levels," Sjostrand told the Aftonbladet newspaper. Even if Ibrahimovic goes to the

World Cup, he might be looking for a

new club. "For Zlatan we all think it's his last season at Manchester United," United manager Jose Mourinho said Friday. "It will be a very personal decision for

Ibrahimovic has been restricted to two starts in seven appearances this season for United, which initially released him in the off-season because of a right knee injury.





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