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Biking and triking for a cause



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Students at Bauer Head Start School brought their tricycles and training-wheel bicycles to school last week for their annual Trike-A-Thon, to raise money for St. Jude's Children's Hospital. The event, which encourages students to embrace philanthropy, has raised up to \$1,500 in previous years. This year's totals are still being tallied. Bauer faculty said they appreciate the donations of cash, bikes and helmets used for the event.

Baking up a cure

By **ROGER CLINE**
 Staff Writer

The Relay for Life of Howard and Glasscock Counties is coming up May 4, and one local family is turning up the heat to bake some goodies to raise money for the event.

Relay for Life is the American Cancer Society's annual fundraiser, raising money for cancer research and programs for cancer patients.

The Relay fundraising team "The Fighting Floreses" will hold a bake sale Saturday at Hair By Jose, 109 Third St.

"It's a team, the Fighting Floreses. It's my family," said Christian Fair. "This is our fourth year. We always

have a bake sale, and this is our fourth year to participate in the Relay. We'll have a little bit of everything. We'll have cookies, cakes, brownies, pies, all that good stuff. Popcorn balls. We'll start at 10 (a.m.) and then just go until we're sold out."

None of the goodies will have set prices marked on them, Fair said.

"We don't charge specific amounts, like \$5 for a cake. It's by donation only," she said. "We've raised as much as \$800 before, so we're real excited. We're looking forward to hopefully surpassing that goal."

Fair said that she has a

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SOAR donates to March of Dimes



Courtesy Photo

The Big Spring Junior High students of SOAR, a student outreach and resiliency program, donate a check to the March of Dimes. The SOAR students raised money and donated to the March of Dimes, a nonprofit organization that works to improve the health of mothers and their babies no matter their age, background or demographics.

"The students worked so hard to raise the donation for the March of Dimes," said Myrna Russell of SOAR. "I'm so proud of them and know they will do great things."

BSHS Honor Band performs



HERALD photo/Roger Cline

Big Spring High School Band Director Rocky Harris leads the 55-member BSHS Honor Band in a short concert Thursday at St. Mary's Episcopal Church. The school's top concert band performed three pieces in a 30-minute program: "Pepita Greus," by Paschal Perez Chovi, a pasodoble dedicated to the poet Lady Angela-Josefa Greus Saez. "Pepita" is a nickname for Josefa; "Enigma Variations, Variation VI, originally XIV," by Edward Elgar. This variation is the finale of the series; and "Foundry" by John Mackey, which uses "found" percussion such as salad bowls, mixing bowls, and piles of wood to create unique sounds during the performance. In addition to Harris, Emily Andrews, Fredy Gonzalez and Gabriel Martinez helped lead the band.

Joyful Season shopping



Courtesy Photo
 The Joyful Season Shopping Extravaganza, a semi-annual shopping expo, will take place on April 28 Saturday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum and also on Sunday from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Meeting called in opposition to tax values

By **ROGER CLINE**

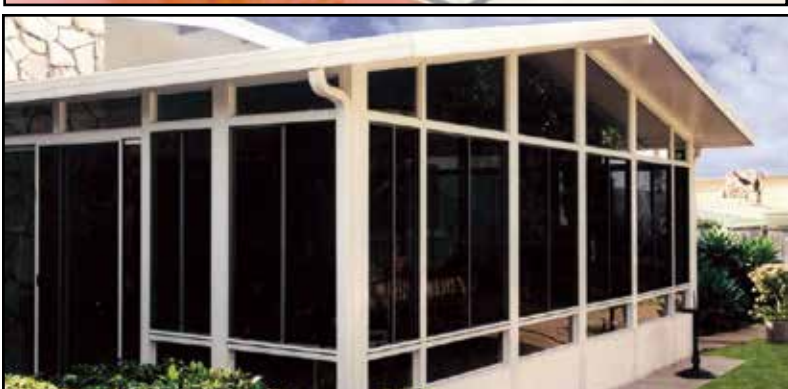
Staff Writer

A meeting for those unhappy with the recent round of property valuations will be this evening from 6 to 10 p.m. at Big Spring's Ryan Hall, located in the 600 block of North Main Street.

"We have a plan in place to fight the valuations," said meeting organizer Scott Emerson on the "Big Spring Issues" Facebook group.

According to the Facebook post, Emerson's plan is to hire attorney Kory L. Ryan of the Brusniak Law Firm of Dallas to help contest

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Police, Sheriff Report

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **CHRISTIAN ANDREW SPIVEY**, 23, of 701 Pine St., was arrested on a charge of driving while license invalid.
- **DAKOTA JAMES HERNANDEZ**, 26, of 303 Croze Rd., was arrested on a warrant endangering the welfare of a minor.
- **EDGAR IVAN BUSTAMANTE**, 30, of 257 Lowrey CIR., was arrested on a charge theft property in between \$100 to \$750, and on a warrant of evading with vehicle.
- **JULIE CARROLL SMITH**, 33, of 1609 Canary St., was arrested on a charge of driving with license invalid with previous convictions.
- **DUSTIN GLEN KINARD**, 21, of 2109 St., 176 Hwy., was arrested on charges of possession of marijuana less than two ounces, and unlawful carrying weapon.
- **RODNEY MARTINES JR.**, 22, of 1103 Stanford, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was

reported in the 200 block of E 8th St.

- **THEFT** was reported in the 1600 block of S Gregg St., and in the 200 block of W FM 700.
- **ACCIDENT MINOR** was reported in the 1000 block of Bluebonnet Ave.
- **ACCIDENT MAJOR** was reported on Gregg and 17th/
- **BURGALRY OF VEHICLE** was reported in the 1600 block of Young St.

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

- Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 72 inmates at the time of this report.
- **EDGAR IVAN BUSTAMANTE**, 30, was arrested by BSPD on a charge theft property in between \$100 to \$750, and on a warrant of evading with vehicle.
- **DAKOTA JAMES HERNANDEZ**, 26, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant endangering the welfare of a minor.
- **AUSTIN JOSEY**, 17, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant of

parole violation.

- **DUSTIN GLEN KINARD**, 21, was arrested by BSPD on charges of possession of marijuana less than two ounces, and unlawful carrying weapon.
- **RODNEY MARTINES JR.**, 22, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
- **JOVITA RODRIQUEZ**, 38, was arrested by BSPD on warrants of speeding in school zone 30 mph in 20 mph, two counts failure to appear, failure to control speed, bail jumping and fail to appear, speeding, display expired license plates.
- **MARK STEVEN ROMINE**, 44, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
- **JULIE CARROLL SMITH**, 33, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of driving with license invalid with previous convictions.
- **CHRISTIAN ANDREW SPIVEY**, 23, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of driving while license invalid.

Take Note

A Public Forum will be held at the Big Spring Comanche Trail Amphitheater May 1, 2018. There will be a discussion of revamping the amphitheater, with hopes that upgrades will be made to the theatre while still maintaining the historical aspect of the theatre. If interested in being a co-operate sponsor to offer feed back be at the amphitheater at 6 p.m. May 1st.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints is hosting an Indexing Discovery Day open to both members and the community on April 29 at 11:10 a.m. to noon and 3:10 p.m. to 4 p.m. at their Abilene church building, located at 3325 N. 12th St free of charge and open to the public. Walk-ins are welcome.

Both novice and expert family history researchers are invited to attend.

Big Spring and surrounding counties are in need of foster families. Foster parents are the caretakers for the children in the community who have been abused or neglected. For more information on becoming foster parents or adoptive families, call the Children's Protective Services office at 432-263-9669.

The mission of CASA of West Texas is to promote and support quality volunteers who speak for the best interest of abused and neglected children in court in an effort to find each child a safe, nurturing and permanent home. We need your help.

If you're interested in volunteering, contact Sara Basaldua at 1-877-316-8346 or visit www.BecomeaCASA.org or www.casawtx.org.

The Crossroads Young Marines is taking applications for another boot camp. For more information, call 432-517-4791. Young Marines welcomes boys and girls ages 8 to 18 who are still attending school.

The Homeownership Preservation Foundation (HPF) is an independent nonprofit dedicated to helping

distressed homeowners navigate financial challenges and avoid mortgage foreclosure. If you want to stop mortgage foreclosure and are need of help, the time to call 888-995-HOPE is now. HPF can provide counseling free of charge, in English and 170 other languages, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year. For free foreclosure help, call the hotline.

Legal Aid of North-West Texas, handles legal issues affecting Veterans, Retirees, and their family members. They will have clinics that provides volunteer attorneys that will provide free legal advice (up to 25 minutes depending on the issue). A pro bono attorney may be assigned to handle some cases that include: bankruptcy, consumer issues/contract, child supper and custody, divorce, employment, foreclosure, housing, landlord/tenant, probate and guardianship, real estate, social security/SSI, Veterans benefits/issues, wills and estate planning. The Clinic dates are on May 24, Aug. 23, Nov. 1 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Northside Community Center on 110 N.E 8th St. Applicants must be financially eligible to obtain services. Please bring a copy of your DD215 and/or Veterans ID card. Appointments are required. For more information or to make an appointment, please contact Pete Fierro at 432-332-1207, ext. 4511.

The Howard County Democrats meet the second and fourth Mondays of each month, at 5:30 p.m. in the Howard College Library.

The Howard County Fair Board thanks all those who are working on a square for the 2018 quilt. There are still a few squares left to be done; anyone able to help by stitching 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 214-256-1674.

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.

Each week Kindred offers free health checks from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. at the Corner House Coffee Shop, 1701 Scurry St.

Seniors and mature adults are invited to a dance on the first, third and fifth Friday of each

month at the Dora Roberts Community Center.

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

Cost 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.

Big Spring Centennial Lion's Club has changed its meeting time. The club now meets at 7 p.m. the second Tuesday and the fourth Thursday 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. Everyone is welcome. For more information, contact 432-271-2138.

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

Obituaries

Augusta Lavinia Walker

Augusta Lavinia Walker, 100, of Coahoma died Thursday, April 27, 2018, at her residence. Services are pending under Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory.

Karen Cox

Karen Cox, 64, died Friday, April 27, 2018, in Lubbock. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory.

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 200 block of N Moss Lake Rd. No transport.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3200 block of Parkway. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3100 block of Mc Gregor. No transport.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1800 block of N Hwy 87. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 600 block of George. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1300 block of Gregg. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1800 block of N HWY 87. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported on 17th and S Gregg. No transport.
- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported on 17th and S Gregg. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 300 block of Veterans Blvd. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

Support Groups

FRIDAY

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

SATURDAY

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

SUNDAY

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

MONDAY

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

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

TUESDAY

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

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

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

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

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the valuations, which many feel are unreasonably high. Ryan is the brother of Brint Ryan, owner and renovator of Big Spring's Settles Hotel.

"It makes me feel better that this lawyer is a Big Spring native," Emerson said in the Facebook post. "We will be represented by the largest property tax litigation firm in the world. Yep, on the whole planet Earth. If we group together and fight these extreme valuations of our property then we have a

chance to win. This time we are not going to picket, cry, scream, get mad at innocent employees, or storm any offices."

Emerson said that the meeting applies even for those whose property valuations did not increase this year.

"For those of you who have not received a notice, then your values may not have been raised this year. That does not mean this meeting does not concern you," he said in the Facebook post. "If your values jumped last year, or you feel as if your current value is unreasonable, then you too should attend."

In the post, Emerson notes that he has invited the board of directors of the Howard County Appraisal District, the state-directed entity that sets property valuations; and the Appraisal Review Board, a group of citizens whose job is to resolve disputes between taxpayers and the appraisal district.

The public is also invited to ask questions and air their concerns.

"It's an informational meeting," he said. "I've invited all the taxing entity representatives, I've invited the tax appraiser, the tax appraisal board. I've invited everybody, because ev-

erybody kind of wants to hear their side of it."

Although the meeting is four hours long, Emerson said it's intended as a come-and-go event.

"It's a rotating meeting," he said. "You come in and get the gist and leave when you're done. There is a PowerPoint presentation that Kory's putting on, and it will be set up to facilitate people getting signed up with him."

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'Truth prevails': Cosby accuser hails guilty verdict



Actor and comedian Bill Cosby reacts while being notified a verdict was in his sexual assault retrial, Thursday, April, 26, 2018, at the Montgomery County Courthouse in Norristown, Pa. A jury convicted the "Cosby Show" star of three counts of aggravated indecent assault on Thursday. The guilty verdict came less than a year after another jury deadlocked on the charges.

By MICHAEL R. SISK and CLAUDIA LAUER

Associated Press

NORRISTOWN, Pa. (AP) — The woman Bill Cosby was convicted of sexually assaulting tweeted "Truth prevails" Friday, the morning after a jury came back with a verdict that could send the 80-year-old comedian to prison for the rest of his life.

After decades of whispers, lawsuits, investigations and close calls, Cosby was found guilty Thursday of drugging and molesting Temple University employee Andrea Constand at his suburban Philadelphia mansion in January 2004. The ruling was hailed by women's advocates as a turning point in the #MeToo movement and was seen as vindication by a multitude of women who doubted anyone would ever believe their word against that of America's Dad.

Lili Bernard, who said Cosby sexually assaulted her before giving her a one-time role on "The Cosby Show" in 1992, became so emotional in the courtroom gallery that she accidentally banged her forehead on the bench in front of her.

"I'm overcome with gratitude," Bernard, sobbing, said outside the courthouse. "I feel like I have to pinch myself. Am I awake? It's a miracle."

The verdict in the first big celebrity trial of the #MeToo era sealed the spectacular late-in-life downfall of an entertainer who broke racial barriers in Hollywood on his way to TV superstardom as sweater-wearing, wisdom-dispensing Dr. Cliff Huxtable.

"A very profound and heartfelt thank you to the Commonwealth of PA, Montgomery County, for their service and sacrifices. Congratula-

tions," Constand said on Twitter. "Truth prevails."

It was the only criminal case to arise from a barrage of allegations from more than 60 women who said Cosby drugged and molested them over five decades but whose stories were often disbelieved or ignored years before #MeToo put a spotlight on sexual misconduct by powerful men.

Cosby stared straight ahead as the verdict was read but moments later lashed out loudly at District Attorney Kevin Steele after the prosecutor demanded Cosby be sent immediately to jail. Steele told the judge they'd learned through the trial that Cosby has an airplane, and feared he could flee.

Cosby angrily denied he has a plane and called Steele an "a-hole," shouting, "I'm sick of him!"

Judge Steven O'Neill decided Cosby can remain free on \$1 million bail while he awaits sentencing but restricted him to Montgomery County and the mansion where the encounter with Constand occurred.

Cosby was convicted of three counts of aggravated indecent assault, each carrying a standard sentence of five to 10 years in prison. The counts are likely to be merged for sentencing purposes, but given Cosby's age even a modest term could mean he will die behind bars.

Cosby accuser Janice Baker-Kinney, who alleges he drugged and raped her in 1982, told ABC's "Good Morning America" on Friday that it is essential Cosby spend time in jail. She said she wouldn't be heartbroken if he spent the rest of his life in jail and even died in prison.

Sentencing will likely be held within three months. Before that, Cosby

must face assessment to determine if he is a sexually violent predator. He will also be required to register as a sex offender under Megan's Law.

Lili Bernard, who said Cosby sexually assaulted her before giving her a one-time role on "The Cosby Show" in 1992, told NBC's "Today" show on Friday that her hope is Cosby's sentence matches the severity of his crimes.

"Hopefully his sentencing will reflect the magnitude of the damage and havoc he has wreaked," Bernard said.

The jury of seven men and five women deliberated 14 hours over two days before convicting Cosby.

Cosby spokesman Andrew Wyatt told "GMA" on Friday that Cosby is feeling great on day after the verdict. He said Cosby was spending time with his wife of 54 years, Camille, is confident that he did nothing wrong and maintains his innocence.

Constand, a 45-year-old Temple University women's basketball administrator, said Cosby knocked her out with three blue pills he called "your friends" and then penetrated her with his fingers as she lay immobilized, unable to resist or say no. Cosby claimed the encounter was consensual, saying he gave her the cold and allergy medicine Benadryl to relax.

Cosby waved to the crowd outside the courthouse, got into an SUV and left without saying anything. His lawyer Tom Mesereau declared "the fight is not over" and said he will appeal.

Shrieks erupted in the courtroom when the verdict was announced, and some of Cosby's accusers whimpered and cried. Constand remained stoic, then hugged her lawyer and members of the prosecution team.

The verdict came after a two-week retrial in which prosecutors had more courtroom weapons at their disposal than they did the first time: They put on the stand five other women who testified that Cosby, married for 54 years, drugged and violated them, too.

At Cosby's first trial, which ended in a deadlocked jury less than a year ago, only one additional accuser was allowed to testify.

"Justice has been done!" celebrity attorney Gloria Allred, who represented some of Cosby's accusers, said on the courthouse steps. "We are so happy that fi-

nally we can say women are believed."

The district attorney became teary-eyed as he commended Constand for what he said was courage in coming forward. As Constand stood silently behind him, Steele apologized to her for a previous DA's decision in 2005 not to charge Cosby.

Cosby "was a man who had evaded this moment for far too long," Steele said. "He used his celebrity, he used his wealth, he used his network of supporters to help him conceal his crimes."

He added: "Now, we really know today who was really behind that act, who the real Bill Cosby was."

Since Cosby's first trial, the #MeToo movement has taken down powerful men in rapid succession, among them Harvey Weinstein, Matt Lauer, Kevin Spacey and Sen. Al Franken. During closing arguments, Cosby's lawyers slammed #MeToo, calling Cosby its victim and likening it to a witch hunt or a lynching.

Cosby's new defense team, led by Mesereau, the celebrity attorney who won an acquittal for Michael Jackson on child-molestation charges, launched a ferocious attack on Constand during the trial, calling her a "con artist" and "pathological liar" who framed Cosby to get rich.

Cosby's defense team derided the other accusers as home-wreckers and suggested they made up their stories in a bid for money and fame.

But Cosby had long ago confirmed some of the rumors about drugs and extramarital sex. In a deposition he gave more than a decade ago as part of Constand's lawsuit, he acknowledged he had obtained quaaludes to give to women he wanted to have sex with.

A federal judge, acting on a request from The Associated Press, unsealed portions of Cosby's deposition about quaaludes and sexual conquests in 2015, citing the disconnect between Cosby's private behavior and his reputation as a public moralist.

That prompted authorities to reopen the criminal investigation, and they eventually brought charges.

The Associated Press does not typically identify people who say they are victims of sexual assault unless they grant permission.

Constand has done so.

BAKE SALE

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family connection to cancer that drives her and the rest of the family to fight against the terrible disease.

"My mother passed away, it will be three years ago this year. She was still alive the first year that we started, and she passed away a couple of weeks after Relay," Fair said. "We just knew that that was something we wanted to be a part of. Try to increase

awareness and see if we could give cancer a black eye, you know? And try to raise some funds for some research."

The Relay for Life will be next Friday at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum from 6 p.m. until midnight. For more information visit www.relayforlife.org, scroll down to "Relay events near you" and enter the ZIP code 79720.

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 28-29:
A Joyful Season Shopping Expo:
Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.
Facebook.com/ajoyfulseason

May 5:
Cinco de Mayo Trade Days:
Nazarene Christian Academy

May 11-12:
Summer Fest:
Ryan Hall, 605 N. Main St.
Friday Night: **Electric Cowboys**
Saturday Night: **Gary Hobbs**

May 25:
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Armando Santiago "Jimmy Chic" DeLeon, Jr., 60, died Tuesday. Funeral service will be at 1 p.m. today at Holy Trinity Catholic Church with burial at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

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This week I'll continue with fiction books.

"**Fools and Mortals**" by Bernard Cornwell (F COR B) tells the story of Richard Shakespeare, a penniless actor, making ends meet through a combination of a beautiful face, petty theft, and a silver tongue. As his older brother William's star rises, Richard's onetime gratitude is souring, and he is sorely tempted to abandon family loyalty.

When a priceless manuscript goes missing, suspicion falls on Richard, forcing him onto a perilous path through a bawdy and frequently brutal London. Entangled in a high-stakes game of duplicity and betrayal that threatens not only his career and potential fortune but also the lives of his fellow players, Richard has to call on all he has learned from the brightest stages and the darkest alleyways of the city.

In "**The Woman in the Window**" by A. J. Finn (F FIN A), Anna Fox lives alone unable to venture outside. She spends her days drinking wine, watching old movies, recalling happier times, and spying on her neighbors. Then the Russells

move into the house across the way.

One night when Anna is gazing out her window, she sees something she shouldn't. Her world begins to crumble, and its shocking secrets are laid bare.

"**The Last Suppers**" by Mandy Mikulencak (F MIK M) tells the story of Ginny Polk who chose to work as a prison cook. She has taken on the special responsibility of preparing the last meal of the ones sentenced to execution. She knows the harsh reality of the life within those walls, but she has never seen them as monsters.

Whatever the men ask for, Ginny prepares, even meeting with their heartbroken relatives to get each recipe just right. It's her way of honoring their humanity and showing some compassion in their final hours.

The prison board frowns upon the ritual as does the warden, Roscoe Simms. Roscoe was her daddy's best friend, and watched out for Ginny after her daddy was murdered. Their friendship evolved into something deep and unexpected until Ginny stumbles upon information about

the man executed for killing her father.

Truth, justice, and mercy aren't as simple as Ginny once believed. The most shocking crimes may not be the ones committed out of anger or greed, but the sacrifices made for love.

In "**Close to Me**" by Amanda Reynolds (F REY A), Jo Harding can't remember the last year of her life. After a fall down the stairs at home, she wakes up with partial amnesia. She finds that she has lost an entire year of memories, and she can't remember what happened the night she fell.

Jo's family assures her that everything is fine, but the family seems to have gone through a lot of dramatic changes in the past year. She believes that there's more they are keeping from her. As she pieces together the details of the past year, it becomes clear that her family wants her to stay in the dark.

"**Year One**" by Nora Roberts (F ROB N) is book one of the Chronicles of the One series. Within weeks, everything people counted on began to fail them. The electrical grid sputtered; law and government collapsed, and more than half of the world's population was decimated.

Where there had been order, there was now chaos. As the power of science and

technology receded, magick rose up in its place. Some of it is good, and some of it is unimaginably evil. Word spreads that neither the immune nor the gifted are safe from the authorities who patrol the ravaged streets.

In a world of survivors where every stranger encountered could be either a savage or a savior, none of them knows exactly where they are headed, or why. A purpose awaits them that will shape their lives and the lives of all those who remain. The end has come, and the beginning comes next.

I only have one more fiction book, but I'll tell you about it next week. I leave you with a quote by Wayne W. Dyer:

"Peace is the result of retraining your mind to process life as it is, rather than as you think it should be."

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Monica Martinez

Lynching memorial and museum in Alabama draw crowds, tears



AP photo

This photo shows a bronze statue called "Raise Up", part of the display at the National Memorial for Peace and Justice, a new memorial to honor thousands of people killed in lynchings, Monday, April 23, 2018, in Montgomery, Ala. The memorial and an accompanying museum that open this week in Montgomery are a project of the nonprofit Equal Justice Initiative, a legal advocacy group in Montgomery.

By BETH J. HARPAZ

AP Travel Editor

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (AP) — Tears and expressions of grief met the opening of the nation's first memorial to the victims of lynching Thursday in Alabama.

Hundreds lined up in the rain to get a first look at the memorial and museum in Montgomery.

The National Memorial for Peace and Justice commemorates 4,400 black people who were slain in lynchings and other racial killings between 1877 and 1950. Their names, where known, are engraved on 800 dark, rectangular steel columns, one for each U.S. county where lynchings occurred.

A related museum, called The Legacy Museum: From Enslavement to Mass Incarceration, is opening in Montgomery.

Many visitors shed tears and stared intently at the commemorative columns, many of which are suspended in the air from above.

Toni Battle drove from San Francisco to attend. "I'm a descendant of three lynching victims," Battle

said, her face wet with tears. "I wanted to come and honor them and also those in my family that couldn't be here."

Ava DuVernay, the Oscar-nominated film director, told several thousand people at a conference marking the memorial launch to "be evangelists and say what you saw and what you experienced here. ... Every American who believes in justice and dignity must come here ... Don't just leave feeling like, 'That was amazing. I cried.' ... Go out and tell what you saw."

As for her own reaction, DuVernay said: "This place has scratched a scab. It's really open for me right now."

Angel Smith Dixon, who is biracial, came from Lawrenceville, Georgia, to see the memorial.

"We're publicly grieving this atrocity for the first time as a nation. ... You can't grieve something you can't see, something you don't acknowledge. Part of the healing process, the first step is to acknowledge it."

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GREG SURLES

This can also illustrate what happens to a person spiritually. In our last study, we noticed how the scribes and the Pharisees were focused on their traditions and also on the physical, external actions which they practiced. Jesus pointed them back to God's standard and now will explain how their righteousness was all based upon external things while

God was more concerned with what is on the inside.

Matthew 15:10-20, And he called the people to him and said to them, "Hear and understand: it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but what comes out of the mouth; this defiles a person." Then the disciples came and said to him, "Do you know that the Pharisees were offended when they heard this saying?" He answered, "Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be rooted up. Let them alone; they are blind guides. And if the blind lead the blind, both will fall into a pit." But Peter said to him, "Explain the parable to us." And he said, "Are you also still without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth passes into the stomach and is expelled? But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this defiles a person. For out of the heart come evil thoughts, murder, adultery, sexual immorality, theft, false witness, slander. These are what defile a per-

son. But to eat with unwashed hands does not defile anyone." (ESV)

What is Jesus talking about here? His point is that God looks at your heart. The Pharisees and scribes were the religious bunch. They looked religious. They spoke religious. They acted religious. They had the external things mastered. Their checklists were longer than others' and they were all checked off. Their problem was that their hearts were not right (look back at Matthew 15:8).

We can get too comfortable with just checking things off the list when it comes to religion. Is it easier to show up for worship, mumble through a few songs, pinch off a piece of cracker and take a sip of juice, put some money in the plate, and listen to some guy ramble on for several minutes, or love the Lord your God with all your heart, mind, soul, and strength? (I hope that does not describe your attitudes nor actions during a worship service. I am merely trying to illustrate the point.)

Our hearts must be right. We could

do good, religious things all the time but if our hearts are corrupt and evil, then all those things will profit us nothing. Paul makes that point in 1 Corinthians 13:1-3. I can say all the "right" things, believe all the "right" things, and do all the "right" things but if I don't have love, then all of it is worthless to me.

Once we submit our lives to God and Christ, then the proper actions should follow. When we give our hearts to God, we will desire to do the things God wants us to do. Titus 2:11-12, For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age (ESV).

Just like the old hymn would ask, "Is your heart right with God, washed in the crimson flood, cleansed and made holy, humble and lowly, right in the sight of God?"

Greg Surles

Preacher

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Church News

Spring Creek Fellowship

You are invited to our Church wide Fiesta on Sunday, April 29th at 5:30 p.m! Bring your favorite chips, salsa, main dish, sides and desserts to share. Hope to see you there!

Our annual Mother's Day Dedication will be here before you know it! Contact Donna Wennik or Jim Billings if you have a sweet little one you would like dedicated that day!

If you work with children and/or youth, Mandatory Safety Training is scheduled for May 6th. Please make plans to be there! Come check out our new Ministry Desk! You can find out all kinds of information about our various ministries, activities, etc.

Youth Raffle Tickets are on sale now as a fundraiser for camp. Just ask a Youth member, parent or go to the Ministry Desk for more info! Youth Camp is set for June 10-15th in Durango, Colorado. If your youth is interested in going, contact Lloyd Wells.

KID CONNECT/GOSPEL PROJECT FOR KIDS This Sunday, April 29, "A Transformed Mind" Romans 12:1-18; 1 Corinthians 1:9; Philippians 1:3-7 Donations are needed for our Blessing Box placed outside in front of the church. This ministry is separate from "Our Daily Bread" and is supported completely by donations of nonperishable foods. Please consider donating nonperishable food items on a regular basis if you are able! Everyone is welcome to take what they need and donations are greatly appreciated.

"Our Daily Bread" Food Pantry will be open the 2nd and 4th Saturdays from 9 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! If you are interested in participating with the "Blessing Box" ministry or the "Our Daily Bread Food Pantry" ministry, please contact Kay Elder.

Vacation Bible School is scheduled for June 2nd! Volunteers are needed! Please contact Donna Wennik for more information.

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.

A new Community Group for both men and women began Thursday, March 22 entitled "All Things New." Childcare is provided for this 5 week course.

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.

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. 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.

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

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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 aliveinchrist-tx@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.

Our Wednesday Evening Bible Study is back. We serve a meal from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Bible Study begins at 6:30 p.m. Our adult class is studying Lutheranism 101. The adult class is led by Pastor Lamb. The youth have a class led by Dolline Budke.

Bill Dorey 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.

Blessed Hands Deaf Church

The people of BHDC invite you to worship with them Sunday at 2:00 pm. Pastor Jim Walterhouse will bring a message from God's Word, as the congregation comes together in thanks and praise of the Savior of the world, Jesus Christ. Currently, Blessed Hands Deaf Church meets inside First Baptist Church at 705 W FM 700. For more information about BHDC, including Wednesday evening schedule and activities, contact Pastor Jim at: jwalterhouse@gmail.com.

First Baptist Church

"But You, O LORD, are a shield about me, My glory, and The One who lifts my head." Psalm 3:3

You're invited to gather with the people of First Baptist Church Sunday at 10:50 am in worship of The Creator and LORD of all, Jehovah Yahweh. Music Minister Alan Schantz will lead worshippers in a selection of songs which will include: "This Is Amazing Grace"; "At Calvary"; "His Mercy Is More"; and "Amazing Grace(My Chains Are Gone)". Pastor Mark Lindsey will bring the message from the written Word of God(The Bible), and listeners will reflect on its power to change hearts and lives. If you have mobility issues use the west circle drive, and someone will be glad to assist you inside and park your vehicle. If unable to attend, you 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 coffee.

At 5:30, the Spring Semester of 'B.U., Becoming the yoU God Intends You to Become', meets in the chapel and is for all ages. This offering is "Effectively Communicating the Good News with Those Around You", and its focus is assisting believers in sharing their faith, the Gospel of Christ, with those



who may not be seeking after Him yet. Mark Lindsey and John Long will facilitate this study, and it is designed so that you may join at any time. Contact Children's Minister Justin Green at 267-8223 for childcare.

Tuesday May 1, FBC Triple LLL(Living Longer & Loving It) group welcomes you to join them at noon in the church dining room for a delicious lunch and some delightful fellowship. Bring a friend-or two!-and enter through the east kitchen doors.

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. More information is available on the church website at: fbcbigspring.org.

Mother's Day Out is open each Tuesday and Thursday from 9-3. Contact Tracy Boeker at 432-267-8223 for information about available openings for your little ones.

Plan now for your children to attend Vacation Bible School June 3-7 from 6-9 pm. If you would like to help with VBS, contact Justin Green at 267-8223.

It's time to save the dates for summer camp opportunities for your children and families. Step-Up Camp is for children who will have finished 4th grade through finished 6th grade, and the dates are August 6-9. Family Camp is for the entire family, and the dates are July 27-29. Contact Children's Minister Justin Green at 267-8223 to reserve your spot.

All local teens are encouraged to sign up now for summer Youth Camp by contacting Youth Pastor Jonathan Raffini at 432-270-8332; (scholarships are available).

There's more summer fun planned which includes a trip to Branson, Missouri June 18-22. This annual excursion is open to all area residents ages 13 and up(teens must be traveling with an adult). Call and reserve your spaces now; contact Mike Couch at 267-8223 for details.

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

Forsan Baptist Church

The message this week continues the series called Common Ground. The passage comes from Luke 9:49-50, and the message is called The Like Button.

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 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

Reflections: Escaping the Image Makers

Christine Rosen, writing in The New Atlantis, stated, "Americans love images. We love the democratizing power of technologies — such as digital cameras, video cameras, Photoshop, and PowerPoint — that give us the capability to make and manipulate images. What we are less eager to consider are the broader cultural effects of a society devoted to the image."



BILL TINSLEY

Images for idol worship have always been about manipulation, attempts to manipulate gods to control our circumstances and to control others around us. Our current image culture is no different. We create im-

ages to control our destinies and to control others. Idolatry is about manipulation. But, God will not be manipulated. He will not be used for our personal advancement or the control of other people.

We have become a people controlled by images.

The recent controversies over Facebook and Russian interference through the manipulation of social media is a case in point. Images make a difference. They influence our thinking and our action. We are bombarded constantly on smart phones, tablets, TVs and laptops. Some have linked the recent rise in teen suicides with the surge in social media.

This is why God gave us the second of the Ten Commandments, "You shall not make for yourself an image in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below. You shall not bow down to them or worship them." (Ex-

odus 20:4-5).

God wants to free us from the image-makers who seek to control our minds and distort our values.

The image culture invades our churches when we assume that worship requires the assistance of sound systems, amplifiers, video screens, special lighting and special effects, when we create our own Christian pop-culture complete with celebrities. We ought to be reminded that in Jesus' day authentic worship took place on hillsides, seashores, and in houses where two or three were gathered together in His Name.

The author of creation made us in His own image. When we know Him we are truly free to know ourselves and others as we truly are, created in His image with unlimited potential for love and good works. For this reason God sent His Son, so that we might know the only image that can set us free. "He is the image of the

invisible God, the first-born of all creation." (Colossians 1:15).

This is the definition of sin: attempting to live life on our own terms in our own image and becoming addicted to our man-made idols. N.T. Wright put it this way, "Since sin, the consequence of idolatry, is what keeps humans in thrall to the non-gods of the world, dealing with sin has a more profound effect than simply releasing humans to go to heaven. It releases humans from the grip of the idols, so they can worship the living God and be renewed according to his image."

When we believe in Jesus and place our trust in Him, we are empowered to become like Him. We are set free from the image makers that lead down paths of addiction and depression. "Those whom He foreknew he predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son." (Romans 8:29).

CHURCH

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

First Presbyterian Church

On Wednesday the Lectionary Bible Study, led by Tom Koger and Mike Robinson, meets at 5 p.m. in the church library. The Chancel Choir rehearses at 6 p.m.

Saturday, April 28, there will be Prayer Breakfast in Fellowship Hall at 8:30 a.m. and everyone is invited for fellowship and prayer.

Some changes have been made to the Sunday afternoon schedule for children and youth, The Youth Handbell Choir meets at 1:30 p.m. followed by Youth Group from 2:30 to 3:30, under the direction of Sarah Salinas. The Children's Choir will be from 3:30 to 4 p.m.

Ellen Austin is in charge of Take Ten for this Sunday. Danny Kennemur is Lector for April. Ushers for the month are Louise Hitch, Jim Little, and Paschal and Lucy Odom.

The lectionary passages for the Fifth Sunday of Easter are Acts 8:26-40; Psalm 22:25-31; 1 John 4:7-21; John 15:1-8. Buddy Cochrane, elder from this church and Commissioned Ruling Elder in training, will deliver the sermon. The Chancel Choir will open worship with the Introit "Hallelujah, Praise the Lord" by John C. Bechler. The Choir will present "Rejoice, the Lord Is King," by Vicki Hancock, as the anthem. The Choir will present "You Are My Strength When I Am Weak" by Dennis Jernigan as the offertory. The Noisy Offering, which is used to feed the needy in this community and around the world, will be collected during worship.

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, 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.

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, April 29th - Join us this Sunday at our 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. worship service. 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 better.

Sunday, April 29th- Chosen Generation-Youth

The Youth will have a fundraiser (Chosen Generation take over) Join us right after our 11 a.m. service for a Spaghetti Lunch and a dessert auction. This is to help with the cost of their youth trip. This summer, our youth will attend Youth Camp at Youth for the Nation's. The camp is located in Dallas, at Christ for the Nations Institute. Please see Pastor Brandon & Cassie Hughes for more information regarding pricing, fundraising, registering and due dates.

Monday, May 14th- Join Far Above Rubies Women's Ministry in the ARC from 6 p.m. to 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

Sunday, May 27th- We will be honoring our Graduates at our 11 a.m. Service. We know you are very proud of your Graduate and we would like to give you an opportunity to acknowledge them. Deadline for packet submission is due Monday, May 7th. We appreciate your attention to the deadlines as the staff needs time to prepare for the graduation ceremony.

Van transportation- We have an active Van Ministry 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 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 Sun-

day 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 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 AM 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, April 29, both worship services will combine so everyone can worship together. That happens whenever a month has five Sundays. That one service this week will be at 11 a.m. Pastor Derrell preaches on "When Children Leave Home" in honor of our graduating High School Seniors. The scripture is from Luke 15: 11-32. A covered dish dinner will follow the service, and special recognition of Seniors will be celebrated in Garrett Hall. Sunday School will be at 10 a.m. 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. You can watch previous worship service videos on that Facebook page, including recordings of our Christmas program, "Our Savior."

The Wednesday Noon Bible Study meets for lunch and a study in



Garrett Hall on Wednesdays. The meal is served at 11:50 a.m. for \$5. The group is currently studying the Book of Acts.

Real Life meets Wednesday evenings, beginning with a meal served from 5:30 to 6 p.m. in Garrett Hall. Then there are children and youth activities, as well as choir rehearsals.

Vacation Bible School is scheduled for May 29, 30, and 31 (Tuesday through Thursday evenings, 6 p.m.-8:30 p.m.). For more information on any activity, please visit the website at www.fumcbs.com or phone the church office at 432-267-6394.



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Lady Buffs headed back to state



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Left to right: Razyl Yanez, Jillian Jones, Alexis Stercks, Sara Tarbet. The Lady Buffs battled back from 5th to 3rd place to advance to state for 3rd consecutive year. Jillian Jones and Razyl Yanez tied for 1st individually as Jillian won playoff for regional title.

By **JORDAN PARR**
Sports Editor

Led by Jillian Jones and Razyl Yanez, the Forsan girls golf team qualified for the state tournament for the third straight year after finishing third in the Region 1-2A Tournament Thursday at Ratliff Ranch Golf Links.

Jones, who just recently signed with Lubbock Christian, and Yanez fought it out in a one-hole playoff for the regional title. Jones pulled off the win in the playoff to

claim the crown. Jones and Yanez both shot a 157 for the tournament and took the top two podium spots in the tournament.

As a team, the Lady Buffs finished with a 395-367-762 total to take third place and finished eight shots behind second place Vega. Christoval took the title after being tied for third headed into the final day.

The Lady Buffs will be competing at Austin Roy Kizer Golf Course May 21-22 in the 2A State Tournament.



Lady Buffs thrash Wildcats in Bi-district action

By **JORDAN PARR**
Sports Editor

Forsan outplayed Anthony in every facet of the game on Thursday and came away with a convincing 16-2 victory over the Wildcats. The Lady Buffs outhit the Wildcats 14 to 1 in the game and committed only two errors in the big win. Brennan East was clutch at the plate with runners on base on Thursday, East drove in two hits to lead Forsan past Anthony. East drove in runs on a double in the second and a single in the second. The Lady Buffs secured the victory thanks to 16 runs in the second inning. The offensive onslaught came from singles by Kayla Morin, East, and Rylee Evans, doubles by East, Ashtyn Pearson, and Hannah Williams, home runs by Williams and Morin, a triple by Taylyn Still, by Pearson, and an error



on a ball put in play by Mikahaela Willard. Still and Pearson led Forsan to victory on the pitcher's mound. Still allowed zero hits and zero runs over one inning, and struck out three. Pearson pitched three and third innings, gave up two runs on one hit and struck out five.

Singh took the loss for Anthony. She allowed 14 hits and 16 runs over four innings, walking one.

The Lady Buffs tallied two home runs on the day. Williams had a homer in the second inning. Morin went for the long ball in the second inning.

Forsan totaled 14 hits. Williams, East, Still, Morin, and Evans each managed multiple hits for the Lady Buffs. Williams went 3-for-4 at the plate to lead Forsan's offense in hits.

The Lady Buffs move on to take on Abernathy next in the playoffs, time and location TBD.

21 athletes from Steer Nation compete in Regionals



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2018 Steer Track and Field Regional Qualifiers Front row: Alec Espinosa, Dusty Chavez, Gene Rodriguez, Zachory Shook, Caleb Caldwell, Cooper Miller Back row: DJ Molina, Kyler Seymore, Jeremiah Cooley, AJ Gonzales, John Ibanez, Aaron Martinez. The Steers will be competing at Plains Capital Park/Lowrey Field in Lubbock Friday and Saturday.



Courtesy photo
2018 Lady Steer Track and Field Regional Qualifiers. back row: Ajanique Wells, Kyleigh Mathews, Logan Terrazas. middle row: Mackenzie Rodrigues, Samantha Solis, Anissa Ramsey, Carlie Roberts front row: Falcicy Calderon, Aliana Beserra. The Lady Steers will be competing at Plains Capital Park/Lowrey Field in Lubbock.

Lady Steers and Bulldogettes travel to compete in Bi-district match-ups



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Lady Steers #1 Amber Martinez, #5 Abby Luna, #6 Belle Ramirez, #7 Sarah Wood, #9 Kynleigh Joy, #10 Alexis Starr, #13 Cierra Martinez, #15 Maddie Daniels, #17 Leah Davilla, #20 Cierra Martinez, #20 Cassidy Daniels, #23 Jocelyn Gonzales and #27 Jocelyn Torres-Mendoza are headed to Bi-District to take on Iowa Park Friday, April 28, 2018 at 7:30 tonight at the ACU softball complex.



Courtesy photo

Come out Friday and help send off the 2018 5-3A Co-District Champion Coahoma Bulldogettes as they head to San Angelo for their Bi-District game. The rally will begin at 2:35 p.m. between the elementary and high school buildings. The Bulldogettes will take on the Bangs Lady Dragons at 7 p.m. Friday at the San Angelo Central High School softball field.

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Contact our Job Center for Job Descriptions or to Arrange a Campus Tour 432-268-7341 or 432-268-7298 or Complete an application online at https://jobshportal.hhsc.state.tx.us/

Big Spring State Hospital 1901 North Highway 87, Big Spring, TX 79720

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Helena Chemical in Stanton, Tx has openings for Class A or B, CDL driver with hazmat and tanker endorsement. Requires high school diploma or equivalent. We offer excellent compensation and benefits. Please apply at Helena Chemical, 100 S. St. Peter, Stanton, Tx 79782.

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DISTRICT 8A Rule 37 Case No. 0310616 DATE OF ISSUANCE: Apr 19, 2018 Status/Permit No. 836888 NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, May 24, 2018 Address: Railroad Commission of Texas ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit P. O. Box 12967 Austin, Texas 78711-2967 Fax: (512) 463-6780 Email: SWR37@RRC.TEXAS.GOV

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SABALO OPERATING, LLC, [RRC Operator No. 741939] 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 non-pooled interest within the subject unit for the AMENDED NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 19, Bk. 32 T3N, T&P RR CO Survey, A-290, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, BORDEN County, being 1.01 miles N direction from VEALMOOR, 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

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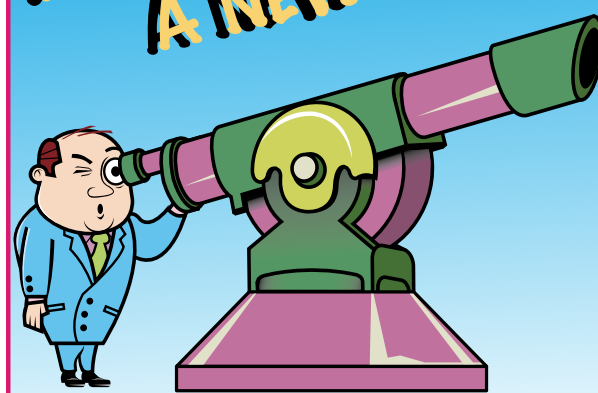
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OIL AND GAS DIVISION
DISTRICT 08 Rule 37 Case No. 0310431 DATE OF ISSUANCE: Apr 12, 2018 Status/Permit No. 836470 NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, May 17, 2018 Address: Railroad Commission of Texas ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit P. O. Box 12967 Austin, Texas 78711-2967 Fax: (512) 463-6780 Email: SWR37@RRC.TEXAS.GOV

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE SABALO OPERATING, LLC, [RRC Operator No. 741939] 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 non-pooled interest within the subject unit for the AMENDED NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 46, Bk. 32 T3N, T&P RR CO / SIMPSON, W M Survey, A-1357, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, HOWARD County, being 4.28 miles SE direction from VEALMOOR, Texas.

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sion 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 Protest 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 hear-

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Point Location Lease Lines: 388.0 F W L 337.0 F N L Terminus Location BH County: HOWARD Section: 34 Block: 32 T3N Abstract: 1360 Survey: T&P RR CO / THOMAS, W H Lease Lines: 330.0 F W L 100.0 F N L Survey Lines: 330.0 F W L 2560.0 F S 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 9000 feet. If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Shelly Carrigan, at (361)888-7708, x6015.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS



Togetherness Moon

People say, "Believe in yourself," but what does it really mean? You know you're here. You know you can make something happen. Being a presence and a force really has little to do with self-belief. It has to do with being curious about others and willing to support them. Together under this Libra moon, all will figure out what needs to be done.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). This circumstance at work is potentially very tricky. Maybe you feel as though you've done it before, but it wasn't like this. You can think of all that other stuff as practice for what's to come.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). The careful listener will learn everything there is to know through casual conversation about nothing in particular. You're such a person, if you want to be. Much will depend on how badly you want to know.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Most of the day will seem to be spent in recovery mode as you react to one thing after another. Get up. That's where the glory is -- not in the lack of stumbles but in the getting up and up and up again.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Conversation will flow; commerce will happen quickly; the trends you take part in will gather momentum. Forwarding your own interests will have to do with the levity of your attitude.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You're not an open book. You're more like a diary, with a lock to open the thing -- and then another lock on each chapter. And each

chapter requires a different key, and there are some chapters that nobody has the key to at all.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You drive a hard bargain, but only sometimes. When the situation feels right, you don't even drive a bargain. The bargain seems to drive you. And mutually satisfying deals are struck in the moment without accompanying legalese.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You sometimes feel close to people you don't know, and that's because you are close to them. You don't have to know a person in a daily and real sort of way to know that you have compatible minds, made from the same stuff.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). If life is like an exam (and it certainly feels that way today), then it's not the kind of test where everyone gets the same questions. Rather, your test is different from the test of the person next to you. That's why it does no good to copy.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Justice will be served, and you'll be a huge part of why and how this happens. You're especially keen in fighting for those who cannot stand up for themselves.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). It is possible for relationships to take a new direction at any time. However, where there's a void to be

filled, it will be much easier to find someone new than to try to bend an existing relationship into a new mold.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). The pressure you feel is because you've decided there's something to uphold, but you could just as easily decide that there's not. What if you don't have to be anything to anyone?

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Whether you're traveling the interstate or the road of life, there's nothing more irritating than a backseat driver. It cuts out a lot of confusion to work out this mission solo.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (April 27). You're onto something. You know it, and the world knows it.

There will be a bit of a journey before the deals get made. The generosity you give others will make things happen in their lives. You will lead with love, without strings or guilt. What comes of this will be more important than money, although that comes, too. Cancer and Scorpio adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 3, 5, 20, 13 and 28.

COUPLE OF THE WEEKEND: Libra and Taurus are both ruled by Venus, and each has a strong aesthetic. They feel strongly about other things, too: Libra stands for justice, and Taurus stands for integrity. Taurus is definitely the more deliberate of the two, which Libra can appreciate better than most. Libra's keen mind sees many options, and Taurus stays grounded in only the best ones available.

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker
Bidding quiz

Partner bids One Club, and the next player passes. What would you bid with each of the following four hands?

- ♠ K93 ♥ AKJ2 ♦ QJ8 ♣ 964
- ♠ AKJ10874 ♥ J6 ♦ 62 ♣ 83
- ♠ AJ98 ♥ 9 ♦ KQJ10 ♣ QJ74
- ♠ AQ6 ♥ AQ8 ♦ KJ93 ♣ 985

1. One heart. Although the hand is notrump-oriented and some players might be tempted to bid two notrump, it is better to bid one heart. This is in keeping with the general principle that it is easier to make game in a major suit than in notrump if you have a combined holding of eight cards in the suit. Since partner may have four hearts, this possibility should be explored. If partner doesn't support hearts, you can bid notrump at your next turn.

2. Four spades. You'd hardly want to play this hand at any contract other than four spades, so you might as well bid it at once.

The leap to four indicates that your trumps are strong enough to justify a game in spades opposite a normal opening bid. Four spades is not a slam try. If you had potential slam values, you'd start by bidding one or two spades.

3. One diamond. You might con-

sider responding one spade, hoping to find a major-suit fit, but when you have a hand with which you plan to make more than one bid, it is better to bid four-card suits "up the line." This gives you maximum space to operate in while you try to determine where the best game or slam contract lies. You plan to bid spades at your next turn if partner bids one heart over one diamond.

When you bid spades at your second turn, partner will know you have only four of them and will have a better idea of how to continue. You plan to show your club support later if the bidding develops favorably, and in that way pinpoint your shortness in hearts.

4. Three notrump. This is a "picture bid" showing 16 or 17 points, nearly always 4-3-3-3 distribution, strength in the unbid suits and no four-card major. In effect, the leap to three notrump indicates the values for an opening one-notrump bid.

There is not much point in responding one diamond when a different bid is available that, in one fell swoop, perfectly describes your hand. The opening bidder is free to go on or not, as he sees fit, knowing almost exactly what the hand opposite him looks like.

Tomorrow: The punishment fits the crime.

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	6		2					
5								7
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7	2	8	4	5	6	3	9	1
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2	4	7	8	9	1	5	3	6
8	5	6	2	7	4	9	1	8
1	8	9	3	6	5	7	4	2
3	5	2	6	1	9	4	8	7
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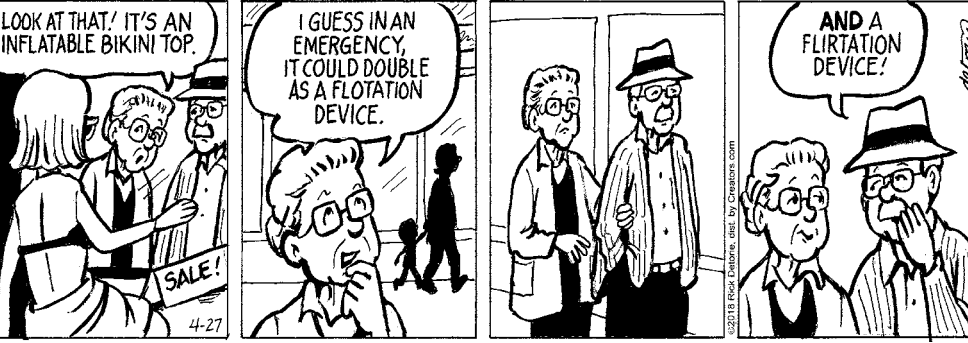
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On this date:

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In 1777, the only land battle in Connecticut during the Revolutionary War, the Battle of Ridgefield, resulted in a limited British victory.

In 1822, the 18th president of the United States, Ulysses S. Grant, was born in Point Pleasant, Ohio.

In 1865, the steamer Sultana, carrying freed Union prisoners of war, exploded on the Mississippi River near Memphis, Tennessee; death toll estimates vary from 1,500 to 2,000.

In 1925, the song "Yes, Sir! That's My Baby" by Walter Donaldson and Gus Kahn was published by Irving Berlin, Inc. of New York.

In 1938, King Zog I of the Albanians married Countess Geraldine Apponyi de Nagy-Apponyi.

In 1941, German forces occupied Athens during World War II.

In 1950, Britain formally recognized the state of Israel.

In 1967, Canada's International and Universal Exhibition, also known as "Expo 67," began a six-month run as it was officially opened in Montreal by Canadian Prime Minister Lester B. Pearson.

In 1978, 51 construction workers plunged to their deaths when a scaffold inside a cooling tower at the Pleasants Power Station site in West Virginia fell 168 feet to the ground. Convicted Watergate defendant John D. Ehrlichman was released from an Arizona prison after serving 18 months.

In 1982, the trial of John W. Hinckley Jr., who shot four people, including President Ronald Reagan, began in Washington. (The trial ended with Hinckley's acquittal by reason of insanity.)

In 1992, the new Federal Republic of Yugoslavia was proclaimed in Belgrade by the republic of Serbia and its lone

ally, Montenegro. Russia and 12 other former Soviet republics won entry into the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank. Betty Boothroyd became the first female Speaker of Britain's House of Commons.

Ten years ago: Afghan President Hamid Karzai (HAH-mihd KAHR'-zeyeh) escaped an attempt on his life during a ceremony in Kabul marking Afghanistan's victory over Soviet occupation in the 1980s; three other people were killed in the rocket and rifle attack claimed by the Taliban. Ashley Force, 25, became the first woman to win a national Funny Car race as she beat her father, drag racing icon John Force, in the final round of the 28th annual Summit Racing Equipment Southern Nationals in Commerce, Georgia.

Five years ago: North Korea announced that Kenneth Bae, an American missionary detained for nearly six months, was being tried in the Supreme Court on charges of plotting to overthrow the government (Bae was later sentenced to 15 years of hard labor; he was released in November 2014 along with another American, Matthew Miller). Center-left leader Enrico Letta forged a new Italian government in a coalition with former Premier Silvio Berlusconi's conservatives.

One year ago: David Dao, the airline passenger who was violently dragged off a flight after refusing to give up his seat, settled with United for an undisclosed sum; cellphone video of the April 9 confrontation aboard a jetliner at Chicago's O'Hare Airport had sparked widespread public outrage over the way Dao was treated. About 20 hours after he fatally shot a state trooper, a Delaware man was shot to death following an overnight standoff with police. Texas A&M defensive end Myles Garrett was picked first overall by the Cleveland Browns in the NFL Draft.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Anouk Aimee is 86. Former NFL coach Chuck Knox is 86. Rock musician Jim Keltner is 76. Singer Ann Peebles is 71.

Rock singer Kate Pierson (The B-52's) is 70. Rhythm-and-blues singer Herbie Murrell (The Stylistics) is 69. Actor Douglas Sheehan is 69. Rock musician Ace Frehley is 67. West Virginia Gov. Jim Justice is 67. Pop singer Sheena Easton is 59. Actor James Le Gros (groh) is 56. Rock musician Rob Squires (Big Head Todd and the Monsters) is 53. Singer Mica

(MEE'-shah) Paris is 49. Sen. Cory Booker, D-N.J., is 49. Actor David Lascher is 46. Actress Maura West is 46. Actress Sally Hawkins is 42. Rock singer Jim James (My Morning Jacket) is 40. Rock musician Patrick Hallahan (My Morning Jacket) is 40. Rock singer-musician Travis Meeks (Days of the New) is 39. Neo-soul musician Joseph Pope III (Nathaniel Rateliff &

the Night Sweats) is 39. Country musician John Osborne (Brothers Osborne) is 36. Actress Ari Graynor is 35. Rock singer-musician Patrick Stump (Fall Out Boy) is 34. Actress Sheila Vand is 33. Actress Jenna Coleman is 32. Pop singer Nick Noonan (Karmin) is 32. Actor William Moseley is 31. Actress Emily Rios is 29. Singer Allison Iraheta is 26.

Thought for Today:

"For those who do not think, it is best at least to rearrange their prejudices once in a while."

Luther Burbank
American horticulturist
(1849-1926).

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Newsday Crossword

ACROSS

- Chin locales
- Hang-up
- Engagement, for short
- Lucy's landlady
- Opposite of "enhance"
- Novelist Roberts
- Quirk of BRING/BUY/CATCH/FIGHT/SEEK/TEACH/THINK, part 1
- Cause for complaint
- Pond's competitor
- Halves of matching sets
- Overfamiliar, as a one-liner
- Mrs. Lennon
- Austin Powers adversary
- Quirk, part 2
- Up to, in verse
- Wheel alignment
- Maintenance machine
- Exploitations
- It may be felt in Westerns
- Out of luck
- Symbol of sturdiness
- ___ loading (racer's ritual)
- Pinch preceder
- Quirk, part 3
- Moon of Mars
- Agcy. with auditors
- Sports tour operator
- Parts of gables
- It's surrounded by agua
- "Not so fast!"
- Quirk, part 4
- Bart's bus driver

DOWN

- Certain "Sign Here" stickers
- Early arrival, informally
- Loafer ornaments
- Small mount
- Give forth
- Shout of distress
- A great deal
- Steves of travel prose
- Call forth
- What the Norse call a "fjord"
- Lowest median-age state
- Apt rhyme for "pursues"
- Successor of 10 Down
- They may be disappearing
- Supplementary poker pile
- Find by great effort
- Innocent nature
- Meals
- Seed of a business breakthrough
- Speaking skill
- Tip of a spout
- Gretzky NHL team
- Male or female nickname
- Particle with a quark
- Checklist component
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- Sprinkles
- Bulls run for it
- Glee cheerleading coach

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After night of QBs in NFL draft, proving ground ahead



AP photo

UCLA's Josh Rosen, right, gestures next to commissioner Roger Goodell after being selected by the Arizona Cardinals during the first round of the NFL football draft, Thursday, April 26, 2018, in Arlington, Texas.

By **BARRY WILNER**

AP Pro Football Writer

ARLINGTON, Texas — Now that the Great QB Grab of 2018 is over, what's ahead for the five first-round quarterbacks selected might be more daunting than getting selected on opening night of the draft.

When NFL teams get desperate at the position, they tend to reach. Or mortgage portions of their future. Or sometimes simple blow it.

Of course, in many other instances, they nail it, from top overall selections Eli Manning, Cam Newton and Andrew Luck to wise lower picks on the first night such as Ben Roethlisberger, Matt Ryan and, yes, Aaron Rodgers.

It really is a crapshoot.

"Everybody's draft board is set up differently, and when I recite to you all the best available player in this draft for the Cleveland Browns organization, this was the best available player," general manager John Dorsey said of taking Heisman Trophy winner Baker Mayfield of Oklahoma to begin proceedings. "What he brings to this organization, I couldn't be more excited to have him. Those other guys are really good quarterbacks, too, but I just felt that this was the best fit for this organization moving forward."

As the New York Jets felt with Southern California's Sam Darnold; the Buffalo Bills with Wyoming's Josh Allen, for whom they traded up five spots with Tampa Bay to get; the Arizona Cardinals with Josh Rosen of UCLA, also by using a trade, with Oakland; and the Baltimore Ravens, who concluded Round 1 with — you guessed it — a deal with Philadelphia so they could grab 2016 Heisman recipient Lamar Jackson of Louisville.

Five QBs, the most since the 1999 draft and second to the epic 1983 first round that produced three Hall of Famer quarterbacks (John Elway, Jim Kelly, Dan Marino) of the six QBs selected.

On Thursday, as the five teams with new signal callers looked ahead, all they saw and spoke about was sunshine and success.

"We feel he has a very, very bright future," Jets GM Mike Maccagnan said of Darnold, "and really when you put the whole thing together with quarterbacks, you analyze them from an ability standpoint, you analyze them from a character standpoint, and then you see what you think they can grow into, and we felt very good about Sam from that standpoint."

So what are the challenges ahead for these five potential franchise quarterbacks?

BROWNS

History certainly plays a role here. Since re-entering the NFL in 1999, the Browns haven't had anything more than stopgap QBs. That's almost two decades of searching, with the last two seasons' record of 1-31 as abysmal as it gets.

Enter Mayfield, who eventually should beat out newly acquired veteran Tyrod Taylor, if not immediately.

Dorsey adeptly evaluated the pros about Mayfield:



AP photo

Commissioner Roger Goodell speaks at the podium after the Cleveland Browns selected Oklahoma's Baker Mayfield as their pick during the first round of the NFL football draft, Thursday, April 26, 2018, in Arlington, Texas.

"It is a combination of things. I talk about hand size; he has 9 6-8th (inch) hands. ... That is good for the elements in November and December. He has feet to extend the play. He has really good accuracy. He has a quick release. He has a strong arm. His efficiency in the red zone offense is uncanny.

"You know what else separates him? He is hungry. He wants to be a really good football player, and he is going to be a really good football player."

Mayfield also is short for the position at just over 6-foot. He has to adjust to the pro-style offense of coach Hue Jackson. He must show he can take the kind of hits college players couldn't deliver but the pros do regularly.

And while teammates adore him for his leadership skills, there's also a cockiness and borderline rebelliousness that can take a player (and team) in several directions, not all of them positive.

JETS

Size is no issue with Darnold. Nor are arm strength or competitiveness.

Like Mayfield, he can sit behind a veteran, Josh McCown, who is a good teacher, though that won't be for too long, either.

What must be cured is Darnold's penchant for turnovers and sloppy plays.

"Obviously, we don't want turnovers on any level," coach Todd Bowles said, "but we think his upside and his ability far outweighs the turnovers. And sometimes just trying to do too much, sometimes trying to make the wrong reads and things he can learn from. Getting to know him, we think those things can be corrected, and I know just talking with him personally those things can be corrected."

BILLS

Allen might have a higher ceiling than any of the QBs taken Thursday. He's tall and solid and won't be bothered by fall and winter weather in Western New York. He's smart, had a sensational offseason to boost his draft stock, and throws a terrific deep ball among the many spirals he unleashes.

Allen also comes from the Mountain West, not the highest level of college conferences, and his career completion percentage is a mere 56.2.

"We just think his makeup is going to help him work on his flaws," GM Brandon Beane says. "We like a lot of his strengths. And that'll be part of our

job here is to accentuate his strengths and work on his fundamentals and the things that his so-called weaknesses are."

Buffalo has veteran AJ McCarron, an infrequent starter with Cincinnati before the Bills brought him aboard this year.

CARDINALS

All three of Arizona's 2017 quarterbacks were gone, most notably the retired Carson Palmer. Although the Cardinals signed Sam Bradford in free agency, it's conceivable Rosen will win the starting job. Indeed, many NFL personnel people rated him the most ready QB for the pros.

Rosen certainly has an edge, which cuts two ways. His competitiveness and desire to outdo anyone and everyone can be a major plus. It also can backfire and lead to impatience and bad decisions.

He's also had some injury issues, including a concussion.

"To make a difference, you've got to be different," new coach Steve Wilks said. "I love his personality. He's wired the right way."

RAVENS

In some ways, this is as intriguing as any first-round selection.

Baltimore's starter, Joe Flacco, is diametrically opposite in style to Jackson. Where Flacco is anchored to the pocket, Jackson is a dynamo outside of it. Where Flacco is lead-footed, Jackson is a flash. Jackson's creativity with the ball works best in a different type offense than Flacco's strong-armed, tradition manner.

Like Mayfield, Darnold and possibly Allen, Jackson has the luxury of sitting behind a solid vet — and a Super Bowl winner, don't forget — and learning the NFL game. His biggest challenge, a huge one, is adapting to a totally different scheme from the one he ran in college.

"Joe Flacco is our quarterback. That's the thing that you got to remember," coach John Harbaugh said. "Lamar is going to have a chance to develop."

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