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## Fire danger is high; be fire-safety conscious



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This photo from early May shows a fire on Ratliff Road that destroyed four homes in Howard County. A build-up of vegetation and drought conditions has created extreme

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By **ROGER CLINE**  
 Staff Writer

Unless you've been living under a rock, you already know that conditions in Big Spring and Howard County are dry, and fire danger is extremely high. The area has been subject to several frightening grass fires over the past couple of months, destroying homes and knocking out power to half the city for more than 24 hours.

Big Spring Fire Department

Chief Craig Ferguson warns all area residents to be extra careful with their fire safety.

"It's very heightened and very dangerous. The danger is extreme right now," Ferguson said. "In 2011, we had a really bad fire season, and since then, thankfully, the drought was impacted

by some good rains up through 2014 and 2015, and through 2016 some. So we've had a lot of brush and whatnot grow up. Now this past year, 12 months or so, we've been hit with a drought again, so all that fuel has grown up and now it's died off, and it creates an extreme wildfire danger."

Ferguson said people should take common-sense safety measures and think about the impact of their actions with regard to fire.

"You should never throw lit cigarettes out the window," he said. "You should never park in

high brush; the catalytic converter on your car can start a wildland fire. Any kind of outdoor work that involves an open flame such as welding or using a cutting torch, you should do in a cleared-off area. You should have a water hose or fire extinguisher or bucket of water nearby, so that if something does spark off, you can get to it quickly."

Ferguson urged homeowners to limit the amount of fuel around the outside of their homes.

"Around your home, we recommend a minimum of 50 feet. We'd like to see 100 feet radius around any building or around your home cut down low. Because if we have trees and tall brush coming right up to your house, it really makes our job difficult to get in and protect those structures, because the fire has a lot of fuel to burn right up to the home."

People in the area should take extra care when they grill or barbecue outdoors, he said.

"People should always grill in an actual grill, not something makeshift," he said. "People

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## Pink the Basin heads to Big Spring



HERALD photo/Tyler Schellie

Pink the Basin board members present a \$10,500 donation to Scenic Mountain Medical Center volunteers and employees.

From left to right: Evelyn Elrod, Ginger Silva, Sarah Ogilvy, Debbie Bergen Bridgette Myers- Executive Director Dorothy Gilbreath, and Amy Miramontes.

By **TYLER SCHELLIE**  
 Staff Writer

Pink The Basin, an organization that started seven years ago in the Permian Basin area has made their way to Big Spring to offer a helping hand for those who don't have insurance or those who have inadequate insurance and have difficulties paying for needed mammograms or mammogram related services.

"We don't want any-



one to struggle getting needed care or exams," Executive Director, Bridgette Myers said. "We also fund Pink Tree, which offers prosthesis and lymph edema sleeves for those who have had surgeries regarding breast cancer."

Over the last year, Pink the Basin has helped a tremendous amount with an astounding three hundred and seventy-seven thousand dollars, along with ten-thousand five hundred dollars to the newly joined Scenic Mountain Medical Center here in Big Spring.

As volunteers and Pink The Basin Board members continue a nonstop effort to raise money they also drive the point across to raise awareness on the subject.

Pink the basin Believes every woman should have access to a potential life saving mammogram regardless of income.

All of the donations Pink the Basin receives stay in the Permian Basin Area and are used to fund mammograms diagnostics and prosthesis for those who can't afford it.

They also want you to know that you're not alone, and that they offer a support group you can reach out too.

## Seniors dance the night away at the DRCC



Courtesy photo

The Dora Roberts Community Center at 100 Whipkey Dr. is the scene of the Big Spring Senior Center's Seniors Dance every other Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. Admission is \$8 per person.

By **AMBER MANSFIELD**  
 Staff Writer

There are many different kinds of dances in the world today, from ballroom to barn dancing and disco to Morris dancing, to hip hop dancing. Dance has always been a part of human culture, rituals and celebrations. Today, most dancing is about recreation and self-expression, even as a competitive activity. Dancing can be a way to stay fit for people of all ages, shapes and sizes, and something anyone can enjoy if they want. That's why every other Tuesday there is a dance for senior citizens at the Dora Roberts Community Center.

"It starts at 7:30 p.m. and generally features live music, dancing, and fun for all area seniors," Gina Valencia, the Senior Services Program Manager. "The

cost is \$8 dollars to get it, and you can come alone bring a friend or two and come dance and have a good time."

Valencia goes onto explain that it's important to the Senior Services to provide volunteer experiences, address health education, nutrition, health and other information that will enrich and help prolong independent living among our senior population, and that dancing is one of those ways to stay fit, feel youthful, and getting out with your peers to have fun.

Dancing has been known to improve mental functioning, improve general and psychological wellbeing, greater self-confidence and self-esteem, and better social skills. You can dance in a group, with a partner, or on your own.

There are lots of different places

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## Obituaries

### Alfred John Schwartz



Alfred John Schwartz, 89, of St. Lawrence passed away Wednesday, May 30, 2018. Funeral Mass is set for 10 a.m., Saturday, June 2, 2018, at St. Lawrence Catholic Church. Interment to follow at St. Lawrence Catholic Cemetery.

The family will receive friends from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., Friday, June 1, 2018, at St. Lawrence Catholic Church with a rosary to follow at 7 p.m.

He was born Sept. 24, 1928, to Ernest and Ida Schwartz and raised in Fairview. He was the fifth of nine children. Alfred served in the United States Air Force from 1951 to 1955 as an aircraft radial engine specialist. He was stationed in Miho and Okinawa, Japan and Korea.

Alfred met his true love, Anna Marie Rohmfeld and they were married on Sept. 22, 1953. They moved to St. Lawrence in 1956, began farming and made a home there. They were blessed with seven children who were blessed with a happy, loving home.

Throughout his life, Alfred served on many boards and committees including Chairman of the Festival Sausage crew for more than 40 years, numerous building committees for the St. Lawrence Parish, Cap Rock Electric Board, Glasscock County Co-Op Gin and Coyanosa Co-Op Gin boards, St. Lawrence Cotton Growers Diapause Program, which was the beginning of the eradication of the boll weevil, and many more. He was also very active in the St. Lawrence Parish.

Alfred was a very generous man with a kind heart. He was always willing to help when there was a need, never expecting anything in return. He had a genuine love for people and loved to strike up conversations everywhere he went. He enjoyed meeting people, learning about them and making a connection. He never met a stranger.

Alfred loved polka music and taught that love to his children. His daughters loved to dance with him in the living room on Sunday mornings. He started then out at a very young age by letting them ride on his feet until they learned to dance. He celebrated his love of polka music by attending polka festivals and made many new friends. He was an avid, self-taught accordion player. He played at home, at many family gatherings and community events.

His love for music extended to church. He participated in the church choir and was a great encouragement.

Alfred loved fishing and hunting and had many bountiful trips. There were many fun family trips to ski at the lake and fish on the Pecos River.

He is survived by his wife of 64 years, Anna Marie; six daughters Karen Streicher and husband, Gary of St. Lawrence, Shirley Braden and husband, Kenneth of St. Lawrence, Connie Zoller and husband, Alan of Lubbock, Sandra Braden and husband, Dennis of Coyanosa, Denise Halfmann and husband, Craig of San Angelo, and Carol Carter and husband, Craig of Bandera; a son Alfred Schwartz, Jr. of St. Lawrence; grandchildren Michael Streicher, Carey Brown and husband, Marshall, Kevin Streicher and wife, Cassie, April Braden, Bonnie Ware and husband, Benjamin, Lora Meyer and husband, David, Angela Zoller, Christina Zoller, Lyndsea Hoard and husband, Bryan, Brent Braden and wife, Sarah, Erika Parsons and husband, Jerry, Colleen Wilson and husband, Shawn, Mark Halfmann and wife, Jessica, Grant Schwartz and wife, Chelsie, Cayla Schwartz, Nathan Jarratt, and Brianna Jarratt; great-grandchildren Cooper and Barrett Brown, Kaylie, Shaylie and Lawson Streicher, Lila Ware, Madelyn, Braden, and Jacklynn Meyer, Kyle Zoller, Jeffery and Matthew Braden, Delaney Parsons, Caleb Wilson, Blake and Mason Halfmann, Stetson, Sierra and Bailey Schwartz; a sister Bernice Matthiesen, a sister-in-law Rose Marie, brothers Alfonse and wife, Betty, George and wife, Doris, Erwin and wife, Gloria, Johnny; and a multitude of nieces and nephews and many, many friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Ernest and Ida Schwartz; a brother Joe; a sister Beatrice Socha and husband, Laddie; a brother Walter and wife, Dorothy; and sisters-in-law Ruby Schwartz and Genevieve Schwartz.

Alfred has left a large family that loved him dearly. We will miss him immensely. He leaves a legacy of love and kindness.

The family requests memorials be made to the AACV % ARC of San Angelo, P.O. Box 1922, San Angelo, Texas 76902 or <https://www.thearcof-sanangelo.org/donate>.

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

*Paid Obituary*

### Joseph E. Earnest

Joseph E. Earnest, 81, formerly of Big Spring, died Wednesday, May 30, 2018 in Midland. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory.

### Emma Gusman Granado

Emma Gusman Granado, 74, of Big Spring, died Sunday, May 27, 2018. Rosary service will be at 7 p.m. tonight at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial will be at Coahoma Cemetery.

### Roger Hudgins



Roger Hudgins died peacefully at home on Wednesday, May 30 in San Angelo, Texas. He went to be with his Lord and Savior in heaven.

Roger was born to A.N. and Thelma Hudgins on Aug. 17, 1937, in Coleman County. He lived his youth in Talpa, Texas where he excelled in football, basketball, baseball, and graduated in 1955. Upon graduation, Roger attended one year of college at Tarleton State

Junior College. He returned to Talpa to marry his high school sweetheart, Patsy (Pat) Sikes, on Oct. 6, 1957. Being young and needing to provide for his family, he held various jobs until he decided to fulfill his dream of teaching history and coaching. He completed his Bachelor of Arts degree at McMurry College in 1967. His coaching career included stints in Colorado City, Coahoma and Forsan.

After retiring from teaching, Roger was voted in as mayor of Forsan. He enjoyed serving his community in this capacity for ten years. He currently served as President of the Talpa Cemetery board and was proud of the improvements accomplished by the board. Roger was a very patriotic and loved his country. He always displayed the American flag on holidays to signify his love for our nation. Roger loved to quail hunt with his bird dog and go fishing. He loved a good game of dominoes, too.

Roger had deep faith in the Lord and was a current member of Southland Baptist Church. He often quoted his favorite Bible verse, Timothy 4:7 which proclaims, "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, and I have kept the faith."

Roger is survived by his loving and devoted wife, Patsy (Pat) of 60 years. His family, also, consisted of his precious daughter, Cristi, and his wonderful son-in-law, Tim Higgins. Tim had become the son that he and Pat never had. His grandchildren, Ryan and his wife Stephanie Higgins, and their children, Caitlin and Collin; Andrew Higgins; and Courtney Goldwitz and her husband, Ryan, all from Houston. His grandchildren and great-grandchildren were the sunshine in his life. Their presence always gave him such a lift. Roger is also survived by his brother, Dean, with whom he had a special relationship, and his wife Janet. He also leaves behind a host of family and friends.

Services will be held at Lange Funeral Home in Ballinger with burial immediately following in the Talpa Cemetery on Saturday, June 2nd at 10 a.m. Visitation will be at Lange Funeral Home on Friday, June 1st from 4 p.m.-6 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to the charity of your choice.

Roger, you have fought the good fight, finished the race, and kept the faith.

*Paid Obituary*

## Police, Sheriff Reports

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **JOANNA HERNANDEZ LOPEZ**, 50, of 1504 Sycamore, was arrested on a warrant with another agency, failure to appear, and two counts theft of property.

- **ELDA RAMIREZ**, 34, of 1000 E 12th St., was arrested on a charge of driving with license invalid with previous conviction, and on warrants of turned right too wide, and two counts of driving while license invalid.

- **MORGAN LEE WATSON**, 55, of 1215 Lindbergh, was arrested on warrants of cred card abuse, display fictitious registration, wrong, altered, obscured registration, and failure to maintain financial responsibility.

- **DARRELL LEVON ANDERSON**, 29, of 4800 Tapers Dr., was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

- **ALESSANDRA CONTRE-RAS**, 28, of 1002 N Main St., was arrested on warrants of speeding school zone, and two counts failure to maintain responsibility.

- **CATISHA DEANN MINTER**, 34, of 3310 Ave. X, was arrested on a warrant of illegal dumping.

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

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 81 inmates at the time of this report.

- **DARRELL LEVON ANDERSON**, 29, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

- **ALFONSO BACA III**, 36, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of possession of marijuana less than two ounces.

- **ALESSANDRA CONTRE-RAS**, 28, was arrested by BSPD on warrants of speeding school zone, and two counts failure to maintain responsibility.

- **LUNANNA NADINE MEAIRS**, 54, was arrested by BSPD on arrested on a warrant of bail jumping and failure to appear.

- **CATISHA DEANN MINTER**, 34, was arrested by HCSO on

a warrant of illegal dumping.

- **JESSE REY NUNEZ JR.**, 22, was arrested by HCSO on a warrant of driving while intoxicated.

- **GONZALO OCHOAJAQUEZ**, 30, was arrested by DPS on a warrant of bond forfeiture and driving while intoxicated.

- **ELDA RAMIREZ**, 34, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of driving with license invalid with previous conviction, and on warrants of turned right too wide, and two counts of driving while license invalid.

- **SAM STEVENSON WALKER JR.**, 26, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of possession of marijuana less than two ounces.

- **MORGAN LEE WATSON**, 55, was arrested by BSPD on warrants of cred card abuse, display fictitious registration, wrong, altered, obscured registration, and failure to maintain financial responsibility.

## Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- **PUBLIC SERVICE** was reported in the 1700 block of Lancaster. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1100 block of Dogwood. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 6100 block of N Service Rd. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 300 block of W 3rd St. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1900 block of N Hwy 87. One person was transported to

Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported in the Mile marker 171 W I-20.

- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported in the Mile marker 171 W I-20. No transport.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 4800 block of W HWY 80. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

## Take Note

- 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, nur-

turing 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](http://www.BecomeaCASA.org) or [www.casawtx.org](http://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.

## Support Groups

### FRIDAY

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

### SATURDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. Open podium/speakers meeting 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

Open birthday night, no smoking meeting the last Saturday of each month at 8 p.m. Covered dish supper at 7 p.m.

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# SAFETY

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should never have a grill up near their home. They need to have it at least 10 feet away from any combustibles. I know people like to have their grill up underneath their porch or patio. That is never a good idea. Every year we respond to a couple of fires because of that type of thing. If you're using

gas or propane, you need to check and make sure all your connections are good and all your hoses are good, because you don't need a leak on gas or propane. Follow directions with lighter fluid and charcoal. Don't over-douse your lighter fluid on your charcoal. Have a water hose or bucket of water handy in case something does get out of hand. And never, ever light up a grill indoors. That's just a no-no. Carbon monoxide will get you."

Other tips Ferguson recommends include:

- Store firewood away from your home.
- Mow the lawn regularly and prune low-hanging tree branches.
- Landscape with fire-resistant plants.
- Create small fuel breaks with hardscaping features.
- Develop, discuss and practice an emergency action plan with everyone

in your home. Include details for pets, large animals and livestock.

- In case of fire, always evacuate if you feel unsafe. Don't wait to receive an emergency notification if you feel threatened from the fire.

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# North Koreans to meet Trump; deliver letter from leader



**Kim Yong Chol, second from left, North Korea's former military intelligence chief and a close aide to leader Kim Jong Un, walks out of a building after meeting with U.S. Secretary of State Mike Pompeo, Thursday, May 31, 2018, in New York.**

By **MATTHEW LEE** and **JOSH LEDERMAN**

Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — A top aide to Kim Jong Un was en route to Washington Friday to hand a letter from the North Korean leader to President Donald Trump, Secretary of State Mike Pompeo said after reporting "good progress" in talks between the two sides to revive an on-again, off-again nuclear summit.

"I am confident we are moving in the right direction," Pompeo told reporters at a news conference in New York after meeting Thursday with former North Korean military intelligence chief Kim Yong Chol. "Our two countries face a pivotal moment in our relationship, and it would be nothing short of tragic to let this opportunity go to waste."

He would not say that the summit is a definite go for Singapore on June 12 and could not say if that decision would be made after Trump reads Kim Jong Un's letter. However, his comments were the most positive from any U.S. official since Trump abruptly canceled the meeting last week after belligerent statements from the North.

The two countries, eying the first summit between the U.S. and the North after six decades of hostility, have also been holding negotiations in Singapore and the demilitarized zone between the two Koreas.

Early Thursday, Trump told reporters "we are doing very well" with North Korea. He added there may even need to be a second or third summit meeting to reach a deal on North Korean denuclearization but still hedged, saying "maybe we'll have none."

Kim Yong Chol left his hotel in New York City early Friday for the trip to Washington in a convoy

of SUVs. He is the highest-ranking North Korean official to visit the U.S. in 18 years, and his trip to the White House will be a highly symbolic sign of easing tensions after fears of war escalated amid North Korean nuclear and missile tests last year.

Pompeo, the former CIA chief who has traveled to North Korea and met with Kim Jong Un twice in the past two months, said he believed the country's leaders are "contemplating a path forward where they can make a strategic shift, one that their country has not been prepared to make before."

He tweeted from New York: "Good progress today during our meetings" with Kim and his team. Yet he also said at his news conference that difficult work remains including hurdles that may appear to be insurmountable as negotiations progress on the U.S. demand for North Korea's complete, verifiable and irreversible denuclearization.

"We will push forward to test the proposition that we can achieve that outcome," he said.

Pompeo spoke after meeting with Kim Yong Chol for a little more than two hours at the residence of the deputy U.S. ambassador to the United Nations. The talks had been expected to be held in two sessions, one in the morning and one in the early afternoon, and had not been expected to conclude until 1:30 p.m. Instead, the two men wrapped up at 11:25 a.m.

Pompeo said they finished everything they needed to address in the morning session. Immediately afterward, he tweeted that he had had substantive talks on the priorities for the potential summit. Pompeo was accompanied by Andrew Kim, the head of a CIA unit assigned to work on North Korea, and Mark Lambert, the head of the State Department's Korea desk.

"Our secretary of state is having very good meet-

ings," Trump told reporters at Joint Base Andrews before departing on a trip to Texas. He said of the North Koreans, "I believe they will be coming down to Washington on Friday. A letter being delivered to me from Kim Jong Un. It is very important to them."

"It is all a process," he said of arranging the summit. "Hopefully we will have a meeting on the 12th."

Despite the upbeat messaging in the United States, Kim Jong Un, in a meeting with Russia's foreign minister on Thursday, complained about the U.S. trying to spread its influence in the region, a comment that may complicate the summit plans. "As we move to adjust to the political situation in the face of U.S. hegemonism, I am willing to exchange detailed and in-depth opinions with your leadership and hope to do so moving forward," Kim told Sergey Lavrov.

North Korea's flurry of diplomatic activity following an increase in nuclear weapons and missile tests in 2017 suggests that Kim is eager for sanctions relief to build his economy and for the international legitimacy a summit with Trump would provide. But there are lingering doubts on whether he will ever fully relinquish his nuclear arsenal, which he may see as his only guarantee of survival in a region surrounded by enemies.

Trump views a summit as a legacy-defining opportunity to make a nuclear deal, but he has left the world guessing since canceling the meeting last week in an open letter to Kim that complained of the North's "tremendous anger and open hostility." North Korea's conciliatory response to that letter appears to have put the summit back on track.

AP photo

Kim Yong Chol is the most senior North Korean visitor to the United States since Vice Marshal Jo Myong Rok visited Washington in 2000 to meet President Bill Clinton and Secretary of State Madeleine Albright. That was the last time the two sides, which are technically at war, attempted to arrange a leadership summit. It was an effort that ultimately failed as Clinton's time in office ran out, and relations turned sour again after George W. Bush took office in early 2001 with a tough policy on the North.

Kim Yong Chol, vice chairman of the North Korean ruling party's central committee, was allowed into the United States despite being on a U.S. sanctions list, and North Korean officials are not normally allowed to travel outside the New York area.

The North Korean mission at the United Nations did not respond to an email seeking comment Thursday, and phone calls were not answered.

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# DANCE

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where you can enjoy dancing, for example, at dance schools, social venues, community halls and in your own home. Dancing has become such a popular way to be active and keep fit, that most fitness clubs now offer dance classes in their group exercise programs. Big Spring Senior Center is located on 100 Whipkey Drive. For more information 432-264-1288 or email bletz@mybigspring.com.

Dancing has a way of taking your cares away. It doesn't matter if it's

the Electric Slide, the Macarena or your own crazy moves. Who hasn't gotten lost in an upbeat song as they jumped around? But not only does it feel good to some people's soul, dancing also has some major health perks. Research shows dancing can improve your mental health by boosting your overall happiness. If you're looking for a reason to shake it off today, check out the Senior Citizens Dance next Tuesday. Dance party, anyone?

Contact Staff Writer Amber Mansfield at 432-263-7331 ext. 234, or by email at reporter@bigspringherald.com.

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## Suspect in deadly Texas church bus crash pleads no contest

UVALDE, Texas (AP) — Prosecutors in Texas say the driver of a pickup truck that struck a church minibus on a rural highway last year, killing 13 people, is not contesting manslaughter charges.

Jack Dillon Young will face up to 270 years in prison when sentenced in November.

Uvalde County District Attorney Daniel Kindred told the San Antonio Express-News on Thursday that Young pleaded to 13 counts of intoxication manslaughter and one count of intoxication assault. Only one person on the bus carrying members of First Baptist Church in New Braunfels survived.

Federal investigators have said the 21-year-old Young told them he had been taking prescription drugs and was checking his phone for a text message before the March 2017 crash near San Antonio. Young's attorney didn't immediately return a phone message Thursday.

## Texas couple won't abide by state's definition of a pickle

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — A Texas couple claims in a lawsuit filed Thursday that burdensome state regulations have put them in a pickle because they're prevented from supplementing their income by selling more of their produce at farmers' markets.

Jim and Anita McHaneys argue in their lawsuit filed against the Texas Department of State Health Services that the so-called cottage food law only permits them to sell one pickled item: cucumbers.

The law governs the sale of produce, pies and other goods at places like markets and fairs. It also requires that sales don't exceed \$50,000 a year.

The McHaneys say "value-added products" such as pickled okra, beets or carrots generate more revenue in their retirement and are important to help sustain their Berry Ridge Farm in Hearne, in Robertson County, according to one of their attorneys, Nate Bilhartz.

Pickling also allows them to reduce the amount of aging produce that's tossed to a neighbor's cows for feed, Bilhartz said. If the state loosened its regulations, then the couple could take the produce that doesn't sell at market, pickle it and sell it at a value-added price — generating added revenue to cover farm costs, he said.

State Health Services "has deprived our clients the ability to supplement their income by selling pickled produce from their market garden," Bilhartz said.

Complicating matters for the couple is that while their 10 acres are fertile for carrots, tomatoes and other produce, it's not welcoming ground for cucumbers.

If the McHaneys were to sell other pickled produce, they'd need to obtain a food manufacturer's license that would require more money, installation of a commercial kitchen, completion of training courses and compliance with an array of other regulations.

The narrow definition of what can be pickled under the cottage food law is striking in light of a state with Republican leaders who often rail against the burden of regulations. Gov. Greg Abbott, for instance, has criticized "runaway regulations" by cities that are threatening "to turn the Texas dream into a California nightmare."

Chris Van Deusen, spokesman for State Health Services, said the agency "used the most common and generally understood definition of pickles" after the Legislature passed the cottage food law in 2011.

"No one raised any objection to that definition when we were formulating the rules in 2013," Van Deusen said by email.

Bilhartz said the McHaneys are simply looking to sell produce to make their market garden sustainable, unencumbered by overreaching government rules.

He said the distinction between cucumbers and noncucumbers ignores "recent Texas Supreme Court precedent upholding the right under the Texas Constitution to earn an honest living free from unreasonable government interference."

## Texas seminary terminates prominent Baptist leader

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — A former head of the Southern Baptist Convention has been terminated from a Texas seminary over his handling of a sexual abuse case at another institution.

The Star-Telegram reports that the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary released a statement Wednesday saying that Paige Patterson will be removed from all of his positions and won't receive compensation.

The move follows allegations that Patterson made sexist and demeaning comments to women who he's accused of suggesting should tolerate abuse.

The Fort Worth seminary named Patterson president emeritus on May 23 after pushing him out of his position as president. The board had also said that he and his wife could continue to live on campus as theologians-in-residence.

# Trump meets privately with families after Texas shooting



Sen. Ted Cruz, R-Texas, waits as President Donald Trump arrives to meet with families of the Santa Fe school shooting at Coast Guard Air Station Houston, Thursday, May 31, 2018, in Houston.

By JONATHAN LEMIRE

Associated Press  
HOUSTON (AP) — President Donald Trump spent more than an hour Thursday offering private condolences to some of the families affected by this month's deadly Texas school shooting, the latest spasm of mass violence in a year marred by assaults on the nation's schools.

While Trump was in Texas, his newly formed school safety commission met outside Washington, part of the president's chosen solution to combat the rising tide of bloodshed after his brief flirtation with tougher gun laws went nowhere.

A White House spokesman said Trump was "moved" by the May 18 shooting at Santa Fe High School, which left eight students and two substitute teachers dead. A student faces capital murder charges in the attack.

"These events are very tragic, whenever they happen. And you know, the president wants to extend his condolences and talk about the issue of school safety," spokesman Raj Shah told Fox News Channel.

Trump, who at times has awkwardly embraced his role as the national comforter-in-chief, did not publicly share what he told the grieving families and local leaders during a meeting at a Coast Guard base outside Houston. Reporters were not permitted to witness the meeting, and the White House did not immediately identify the people with whom Trump met or what they discussed.

"He's the president of the United States, but

he's also a father. He's also a husband, and he obviously understands what it's like, you know, to love someone and then lose someone," Shah said in the interview, adding that Trump approaches situations like these as a human being and a parent, not necessarily as a politician.

"I think he just, you know, he talks to families, he listens and he wants to learn," Shah said.

Texas Gov. Greg Abbott and U.S. Sen. Ted Cruz, both Republicans, greeted Trump on the tarmac after he stepped off of Air Force One at a Houston military base. Abbott joined Trump for the short ride in the presidential limousine to a Coast Guard hangar where the meeting took place.

Trump then headed to a fundraiser at a luxury hotel in downtown Houston, the first of his two big-dollar events across Texas on Thursday. A White House official did not immediately respond to requests for details about how much money was to be raised, and who was benefiting, from

the fundraising events.

After 17 teachers and students were killed during a February shooting at a high school in Parkland, Florida, Trump said he would work to improve school safety, but has not called for new gun control legislation. He created a commission to review ways to make schools safer and named Education Secretary Betsy DeVos to chair it. The panel on Thursday was making its first field trip, to a Baltimore-area elementary school.

Trump briefly strayed from gun-rights dogma after the Parkland shooting, but quickly backpedaled. Abbott, a Republican and a staunch gun-rights supporter, has called for schools to have more armed personnel and said they should put greater focus on spotting student mental health problems. He's proposed a few small restrictions on guns since the shooting.

Classes at Santa Fe High School resumed Tuesday for the first time since the shooting. Investigators say student Dimitrios Pagourtzis, 17, carried out the attack with a shotgun and pistol that belonged to his father.

As the Parkland students became vocal advocates for gun control, embracing their public positions as few school survivors had before, Trump quickly became a rallying cry for their anger. In Trump's visit to Florida in the wake of the shooting, aides kept him clear of the school, which could have been the site of protests, and he instead met with a few victims at a local hospital and paid tribute to first responders at the nearby sheriff's office.

To this point, there has not been a similar outcry for restrictions on firearms from the

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# Reflections: Exalting Marriage

Young families embody the hope and dreams of our future. Few scenes move me as much as a young couple strolling along the seawall pushing a stroller; fathers splashing in the surf with their children while young mothers lounge on the beach; children laughing in the park flying kites with their fathers, giggling on playgrounds with their mothers.

It is this special bond that God's seventh commandment seeks to nourish and protect: "You shall not commit adultery." Sex, in all of its beauty and pleasure, was given to men and women to celebrate the mystery by which human life is conceived, cradled and nurtured.

The world seemed to stand still a few weeks ago when Prince Harry and Meghan Markle exchanged vows in St George's Chapel at Windsor Castle. The pomp and pageantry, as only the British can do, touched something in all of us regarding the majesty of marriage.



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This year my wife and I celebrate our 50th anniversary along with many of our friends who "pledged their troth" about the same time as we in 1968. Marriage is worth holding on to, worth working through the difficulties, worth the investment. The seventh commandment provides the foundation for trust and a love that lasts. It is the foundation of the family where children are born, nurtured and loved.

Many have rejected the Biblical view of marriage. Somewhere along the way sex became recreational. I guess this happened around the time birth control was introduced. It revolutionized sex in the 1960s: free sex with whomever without the consequences of conception.

Melissa Batchelor Warnke, writing in the L.A. Times expressed current sexual values, "I believe that everyone should have exactly as much sex as they do or don't want to have, with whomever they do or don't want to have it, in whatever fashion they do or don't want to have it. So long as consent is present in any resultant exchange, one need not justify their choices."

We are witnessing the consequences of the cavalier attitudes spawned over the last half-century.

Women are speaking up. Sexual misconduct and harassment is widespread. Last week Harvey Weinstein returned to court. Matt Lauer, Bill Cosby and other household names that once commanded respect are gone leaving behind a trail of disgrace and embarrassment.

As with other commandments, Jesus raised the bar. "You have heard that it has been said, 'You shall not commit adultery,' but I say to you, he who looks on a woman to lust after her has committed adultery with her already in his heart." (Matthew 5:27).

I like what Jeff Christopherson wrote in his book, Kingdom First, "The husband who faithfully and sacrificially loves his wife over a lifetime not only receives the personal blessing of a joyous marriage, but further, the Kingdom ripples of that union emanate through generations. ... Children, grandchildren, colleagues, friends, and neighbors are all secondary recipients of the grace experienced in a godly marriage."

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

## Church News

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Church 101, a Sunday Evening Meeting, will begin soon. More information to come!

Come check out our new Ministry Desk! You can find out all kinds of information about our various ministries, activities, etc.

### KID CONNECT/GOSPEL PROJECT FOR KIDS

This Sunday, May 27, "Heroes of Faith" Hebrews 11:1-12:2

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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.

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10:45 a.m.- noon-Worship Service  
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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 Sunday at 9 a.m., 11 a.m. and Wednesday at 7pm for worship services.

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

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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 continuing. We serve a meal from 5:30-6:30pm.

Bible Study begins at 6:30pm. Our adult class is studying Lutheranism 101. The adult class is led by Pastor Lamb. The youth have a class led by Dolline Budke.

Bo Vizcaino will present the scripture readings this week.

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

### Blessed Hands Deaf Church

Pastor Jim Walterhouse invites you to join the people of Blessed Hands Deaf Church Sunday at 2:00 pm as they come together in worship and praise of our Risen Savior Jesus Christ, and receive a message from God's Word. Currently, BHDC meets inside First Baptist Church at 705 W FM 700.

For detailed information about Blessed Hands Deaf Church, including Wednesday night schedule and activities, contact Pastor Jim at: [jwalterhouse@gmail.com](mailto:jwalterhouse@gmail.com).

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## MICAH 6:8

*He has shown all you people what is good.  
And what does the LORD require of you?  
To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.*

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

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, June 3rd- Join us this Sunday at our 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. worship service.

Come on out as you can expect biblical teaching and preaching, genuine loving fellowship and live spirit filled praise and worship. We would love the opportunity this Sunday to share what God has for you, and get to know you better.

Monday, June 11th- 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, June 12th- 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 @ 432-213-3883

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



# A little slow

When we are not focused, it can be difficult to understand something. I'm sure at some point you may have become frustrated with your child because they were not paying attention to you when you were trying to tell or teach them something. Certainly none of us ever did that when we were young.



GREG SURLS

We may also become distracted by cares or concerns. Physical needs, such as hunger, can disrupt our concentration and cause us to dwell on them even to the exclusion of spiritual matters. Jesus addressed this type of distraction among his disciples.

Matthew 16:5-12, When the disciples reached the other side, they had forgotten to bring

any bread. Jesus said to them, "Watch and beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and Sadducees." And they began to discussing it among themselves, saying, "We brought no bread." But Jesus, aware of this, said, "O you of little faith, why are you discussing among yourselves the fact that you have no bread? Do you not yet perceive? Do you not remember the five loaves for the five thousand, and how many baskets you gathered? Or the seven loaves for the four thousand, and how many baskets you gathered? How is it that you fail to understand that I did not speak about bread? Beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and Sadducees." Then they understood that he did not tell them to beware of the leaven of bread, but of the teaching of the Pharisees and Sadducees (ESV).

The devil is crafty. He does not mind at all if you are dedicated to following God's rules – as long as

your motives are selfish and you are trusting in your own abilities. He will also distract you in a time of weakness. He will point out a necessity that may be lacking in your life in order to get you to focus on that. Satan is very good at making things that really are not necessities seem like it. Then, he has something else to draw our focus away from spiritual matters.

The disciples were a little slow in understanding the lesson Jesus was trying to teach them. They allowed their hunger to become the main focus. Don't get so wrapped up in your own perceived needs that you fail to study God's word. Don't let the devil distract you with physical things so that you no longer feel the urgency to focus on spiritual concerns.

*Greg Surles  
Preacher  
Birdwell Lane church of Christ*

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### First Baptist Church

"Ascribe to the LORD the glory due His name; worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness." Psalm 29:2

It's Vacation Bible School time, and FBC issues a warm welcome to all area children as VBS begins Sunday evening at 6 pm. This action packed time of Bible based fun will be June 3-7 from 6-9 pm. Additionally, FBC invites you to worship the King of Kings and LORD of Lords, Jesus Christ, with them Sunday morning at 10:50. Music Minister Alan Schantz will lead worshippers in a blend of foundational hymns of the faith, and contemporary praise and worship songs. In conjunction with the focus of VBS, Pastor Mark Lindsey brings the message titled "Game On". Drawn from Jude 24-25, listeners will be reminded that God wants you on His 'team', and His mighty hand is ever-present and poised to steady the believer when he stumbles. 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](http://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.

Due to Vacation Bible School, there will be no other activities on Wednesday evening June 6.

Tuesday June 5, the Triple LLL(Living Longer & Loving It) group invites you to enjoy a tasty lunch and some terrific company at noon in the church dining room. Bring a friend and enter through the east kitchen doors.

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, and for additional information.

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 begins a new series called The Letters of John. The passage comes from 1 John 1:5-10 and is called What to Do with Beans.

Wednesday youth and children's activities are suspended for the summer months but will resume when school starts in August.

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

If anyone needs a ride to or from Wednesday evening activities, please call Pastor Darren Weaver at 432-213-2348.

### First Church of the Nazarene

Join us this Sunday, June 3rd as welcome our new Pastor Richard Schneberger and his family. The church is excited for the new leadership to the church and hopes you will join us on this journey. Pastor Richard will begin the summer with a series on "Missional God, Missional People."

Men's breakfast will be Saturday, June 2nd in the fellowship hall at 8 a.m. on the Lancaster Campus. Also, June 2nd there will be a Youth Dodgeball Tournament. Prime Timers will be Sunday, June 3rd on the Lancaster Campus.

Nazfamily offers two different types of services. Visit either the 118 Cedar Road Campus inside the New Hope Christian School cafeteria for a more contemporary setting or the 1400 Lancaster cam-

pus which is more traditional for Sunday Service.

Small groups for both men and women meet Sunday morning at the Lancaster campus at 9 a.m. while kids enjoy fellowship and breakfast before service.

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

A ministry of the NazFamily Church is the Nazarene Christian Academy for K-6 grades at 118 Cedar Road. The Academy is fully accredited. Contact Alyssa Clark by calling the main church number. For more information contact the church office at (432) 267-7015. Follow us on Facebook and Twitter under Nazfamily, visit our website at [www.nazfamily.org](http://www.nazfamily.org) or download our app.

### First Presbyterian Church

On Wednesday the Lectionary Bible Study, led by Tom Koger and Mike Robinson, meets at 5:00 p.m. in the church library. The Chancel Choir rehearses at 6:00 p.m. The Handbell Choir will meet at 1:30 p.m. Sunday afternoon.

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## Man acquitted for destroying 2nd Ten Commandments monument

By **ANDREW DeMILLO**  
Associated Press

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) — A man who destroyed a Ten Commandments monument outside of Oklahoma's state Capitol was acquitted Thursday of destroying another one three years later outside of Arkansas', with the judge citing evidence that the man suffers from a mental disease or defect.

Pulaski County Circuit Judge Chris Piazza ruled that Michael Tate Reed must return to the state hospital in Little Rock for additional evaluations that could lead to his release. Reed has been held in the state hospital since late last year after Piazza ruled he wasn't fit to proceed to trial.

Reed, 33, didn't speak during the brief hearing.

He wore a multi-colored jacket and a T-shirt that quoted Ephesians 6:11 from the Bible: "Put on all of God's armor so that you will be able to stand firm against all strategies of the devil."

A state hospital evaluation presented in court Thursday said that Reed lacked the capacity to follow the law when he knocked over the 6,000-pound (2,700-kilogram) monument in June 2017 with his car.

A replacement monument now stands in its place, protected by four concrete posts.

Reed destroyed a similar monument in Oklahoma City in 2014, but Oklahoma prosecutors didn't charge him after concerns were raised about his mental health.

The Arkansas state hospital evaluation said Reed was suffering from schizoaffective disorder at the time he destroyed Arkansas' display,

and that he suffered from delusions and hallucinations.

Under Piazza's order, the hospital must perform another evaluation within 30 days and issue a report on whether his release would create a "substantial risk" of bodily injury to another person or serious property damage.

Within 10 days of that report, another hearing must be held to determine whether Reed should remain in the hospital.

"Mr. Reed described being in a manic state and hearing a voice, which he believed was God, tell him to destroy the monument," the report said. "He describes feeling a weight come over him, explaining 'I couldn't think of anything except destroy it now.'"

Reed's attorneys said he's substantially improved since receiving treatment in the state hospital.

"He's night and day from where he was when we started," Robert Hodge, an attorney for Reed said. "He's a lot better than he was, for sure."

A 2015 law required Arkansas to allow the privately



AP photo

**In this June 28, 2017, file photo, a Ten Commandments monument outside the state Capitol in Little Rock, Ark., is blocked off after a man crashed into it with a vehicle, less than 24 hours after the privately funded monument was installed on the Capitol grounds.**

**Michael Tate Reed, the man accused of destroying the monument, was acquitted of a felony charge, Thursday, May 31, 2018, by a judge who cited evidence of a mental disease or defect. A replacement monument now stands in its place, protected by four concrete posts.**

funded monument on the state Capitol grounds.

Two separate lawsuits were filed in federal court last week seeking the display's removal

by groups who call it an unconstitutional endorsement of religion by the state government.

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Group meets at 2:30, and the Children's Choir meets at 3:30 p.m. Sunday afternoon.

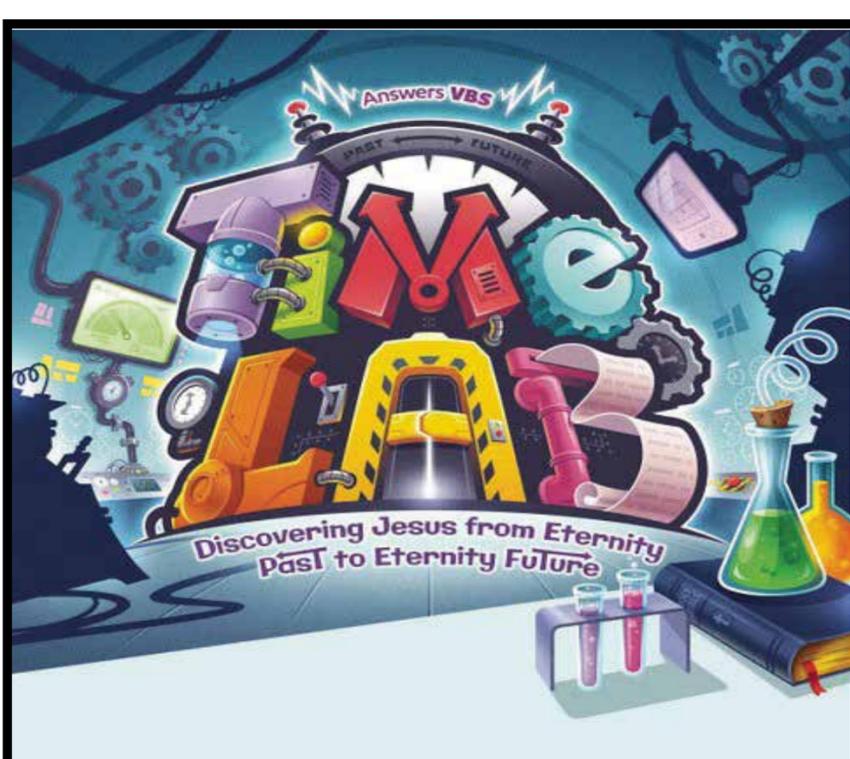
The Presbyterian Church received an invitation from the Right Reverend J. Scott Mayer, Bishop of the Episcopal Church in the Dioceses of Northwest Texas to be present at the Institute of the Reverend Christian Rabone as Rector of St. Mary's Episcopal Church of Big Spring on Thursday, May 31 at 7:00 p.m. with a reception following.

Cecilia Hallford is in charge of Take Ten for this Sunday. Glen Burch is Lecturer for June.

The lectionary passages for the Second Sunday after Pentecost are 1 Samuel 3:1-20; Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18; 2 Corinthians 4:5-12; Mark 2:23-3:6. Rev. Jim Longstreet, retired minister formerly from First Presbyterian, Odessa, will deliver the sermon and officiate at communion. The Chancel Choir will open worship with the Introit "Spirit of the Living God" by Daniel Iverson. The Choir will present "Every Time I Feel the Spirit," African-American spiritual, arranged by Joseph T. Jones, as the anthem.

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](http://www.fpcbs.org). Please Like us on Facebook



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**LEGAL AUTHORITY:** Chapter 27 of Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil & Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil & Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P. O. Box 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, TX 78711-2967 (Telephone (512) 463-6792).

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS



Lucky Lively Trines

Two lucky lively trines offer a cosmic tip: When looking for something to add to the conversation, start with energy. This is more important than adding a lot of other things, such as a timely and appropriate response, accurate information, etc. A robot or a quick internet search could add those things. But no one can add your energy.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19).** The main determinant of today's outcome will be your will. Your ability or inability to accomplish a thing is defined only by your inner determination to do so. If you want it badly enough, you'll do what it takes.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20).** Whining is the noise animals make to signal frustration, fear and distress. The young human

animal produces among the most annoying whines of all. But mature humans figure out a way, no complaints.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 21).** It's the perfect combination inside your head. You have the ambition of an artist and the mindset of an engineer. From this space, you're poised to do your best work.

**CANCER (June 22-July 22).** Sometimes one size fits none. The generic advice will be off -- not just for you but for everyone. Success starts with a strategy that fits your understanding of yourself.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22).** Each person's mind is unique. Your experience will overlap with that of another, but it's not the same. One of the best gifts we can give each other today is to listen to the details of an experience without comparing it to our own.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22).** You are able to be very honest with yourself, and this is why today will be an important milestone. If your reason for not moving forward is really more of an excuse,

you'll figure out a way around it today.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23).** It's something you find odd about the mind: that you can have the most vivid show flashing on the screen inside your head and no one else can see it. Your intellectual air-sign nature will be delightfully activated.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).** There are experiences that are really beyond words... perhaps most experience is. But if you try, with whatever words you have, you might be surprised at how it helps you process and appreciate what's happened.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21).** Through the ages, fearful, repressive societies have branded anyone different as "ill," even though communities of all kinds are made stronger by diversity. We will be as strong as what we accept in ourselves and others.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19).** Exercise will be the panacea. Moving your body, blood and breath will move your mood, emotions and destiny. Even though exercise

isn't always about comfort, the more you enjoy it, the more likely you'll be to come back to it.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18).** The astronauts go so high they can see the whole of their country at once; then the home continent; then all of Mother Earth. Relatedly, the division between you and your love will dissolve as you rise higher and higher above it.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20).** Each of the 100 billion of your brain cells has the mark of you inside it -- the DNA to prove it's yours. When you expand and change your mind, universes inside you do the same. There's power in this.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (June 1).** This solar return will give you more time to focus on the people and interests that feed your soul -- not because something opens up, but because you decide to cut out interference and take charge of your joy. You'll travel to at least three remarkable new places. The skill you pick up in September will introduce new

work. Aquarius and Aries adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 9, 4, 44, 48 and 30.

**WEEKEND LOVE FORECAST: ARIES:** People hang their hopes on one another this weekend, with varying success. Better to observe and accept than to build expectations up, though. **TAURUS:** It's not about being clever. Your smile will work wonders. **GEMINI:** The silliness of another person is a very attractive quality. It's nice to be light together. **CANCER:** Holding hands can be sweet, reassuring, friendly or an expression of soulful intimacy. **LEO:** You won't match up on every level, so you'll have to decide which ones are more important to you. **VIRGO:** It's becoming clear you'd like to take the lead on a few issues that affect the relationship. Balance out the give-and-take of this. **LIBRA:** If you don't know what you have to offer, there will be a lot of guesswork about relationships. It's better to know the score. **SCORPIO:** No single act should count as too significant in a relationship. Think of the

whole picture. **SAGITTARIUS:** Overthinking the relationship will stamp out the spark befo!

re it has a chance to catch on. Distract your mind. **CAPRICORN:** A relationship corrects the mistakes of the preceding one. **AQUARIUS:** You don't need the approval of others to love who you love. **PISCES:** The main issue will be control. Those who seek greater control of themselves don't need to control others so much.

**COUPLE OF THE WEEKEND:** The light of the Gemini sun will bounce off of the Capricorn moon, casting a romantic glow in the sightline between these two signs. Gemini is chatty and whimsical now, and Capricorn is confident and apt to lead the tie to a more meaningful place. Mostly this is about curiosity, fun and building memories. Capricorn must be careful not to frighten Gemini off by getting too serious too fast!

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Annie's Mailbox

Teen Not Accepted by Parents

**Dear Annie:** I am a healthy, strong teenager who goes to a great school. I have a roof over my head and food on the table, but there is one problem: I'm transgender, and my parents refuse to accept me. I came out to them about three years ago as gay, before I fully understood what was going on in my head. They told me how strongly they felt it was wrong and that they would not accept me. A year later, when I realized that what I was feeling was a desire to just be one of the guys, I knew I couldn't tell them.

I started going by a new name at school, presenting myself as a male there and trying my best to hide it from them, but as all things do at this time in your life, it found its way to my parents. They confronted me about it and told me how upset they were, and ever since, they have been making sure I know that at home, I will never be a boy. Sometimes I have dreams in which they finally accept me, and when I wake up and realize I've been dreaming, I start crying. This has worsened the depression I have struggled with for about half my life, and meeting with my therapist isn't helping very much. I don't know what to do. -- Disconcerted in Distress

**Dear Disconcert-**

**ed in Distress:** I am so sorry to hear you're struggling with depression. Though your parents might not be able to offer you the understanding and acceptance you seek, there are trusted adults who can. I strongly encourage you to reach out to The Trevor Project, a wonderful organization dedicated to helping LGBTQ youths. Call its hotline (866-488-7386) anytime to speak to a counselor about what you're experiencing. He or she can also connect you to resources in your area. For more information (or to chat with a counselor online, if you prefer instant messaging to a phone call), visit <https://www.thetrevorproject.org>. As lonely as things might feel right now, I promise that you are not alone.

**Dear Annie:** This is in response to "Not Ready," the 21-year-old man whose 18-year-old girlfriend is pushing for engagement. I agree with your advice to him and would like to speak to him directly, so I hope he's reading:

"Not Ready," gently explain to your girlfriend that "anger" is just one letter from "danger" and that it is not a way to start a lifetime relationship. It is hard enough as it is to make a marriage work when you marry before actually growing up. I got married when we were both 18. I felt that I knew what I was doing, but I was

way too young. The marriage lasted for 10 years, but as we grew up, we grew apart. Not even children can keep you together, nor should they. They are the ones who suffer the most. If you have money problems now, rest assured it will only get worse. You say she won't get a job, is lazy, makes messes and doesn't clean up. She sounds totally depressed. Have her go to the doctor. But please, put the brakes on any thought of engagement. You will be glad you did. -- Should Have Waited

**Dear Should Have Waited:** I'm sorry your young marriage was so tough on you, but I'm glad you feel comfortable sharing your experience now. I hope it gives "Not Ready" the confidence he needs to stand up to his girlfriend and resist the pressure to marry before he's ready. Thanks for writing.

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8	7	1	9	2	6	5	2	3
2	9	6	4	5	3	8	1	7
3	5	7	8	1	2	4	9	6
7	3	2	4	5	9	6	8	1
5	9	4	3	6	1	8	9	2
4	5	3	7	9	2	1	6	8

ANSWER:



By Steve Becker  
Test your play

1. You are declarer with the West hand at Three Notrump, and North leads the queen of spades. How would you play the hand?

**WEST**  
♠ A 7 5  
♥ A 8 6  
♦ K Q 4 3 2  
♣ A 8

**EAST**  
♠ K 8 4  
♥ J 7 5 2  
♦ A 10  
♣ 10 7 6 3

2. The following hand is a double-dummy problem (all four hands are exposed). You, South, are declarer at Six Diamonds, and West leads the ten of hearts. You win with the king and play the ace of trumps, on which East discards a spade. How would you continue?

**NORTH**  
♠ A 10 4  
♥ A K 7  
♦ A J 4 3 2  
♣ 8 3

**WEST**  
♠ Q 6  
♥ 10 9 8 6  
♦ K 10 8 7  
♣ Q 7 4

**EAST**  
♠ J 9 8 5 3 2  
♥ J 5  
♦ —  
♣ J 9 6 5 2

**SOUTH**  
♠ K 7  
♥ Q 4 3 2  
♦ Q 9 6 5  
♣ A K 10  
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only two ways to attain this goal. The most obvious approach is to cash the A-K-Q and hope the missing diamonds are divided 3-3. The alternative is to lead a low diamond from your hand and finesse dummy's ten.

If you cash the A-K-Q, you will be successful about 36 percent of the time, since that is the mathematical probability of a 3-3 division. But if you take the first-round finesse of the ten, you will succeed whenever North was dealt J-x (8 percent), J-x-x (18 percent) or J-x-x-x (16 percent) — a total of 42 percent. A first-round finesse of the ten is therefore better because that approach will produce five tricks more often.

2. Cash the A-Q of hearts, ruff a heart in dummy, cash the A-K of clubs, ruff a club in dummy and then cash the K-A of spades, producing this three-card ending:

**North**  
♠ J 10  
♦ J 4

**West**  
♦ K 10 8

**East**  
Immaterial  
♠ Q 9 6

Ruff dummy's ten of spades with the queen of diamonds, and — wonder of wonders — West's two seemingly sure trump tricks suddenly dwindle to one!

1. You need five diamond tricks to make the contract, and there are

Tomorrow: With a little bit of luck.

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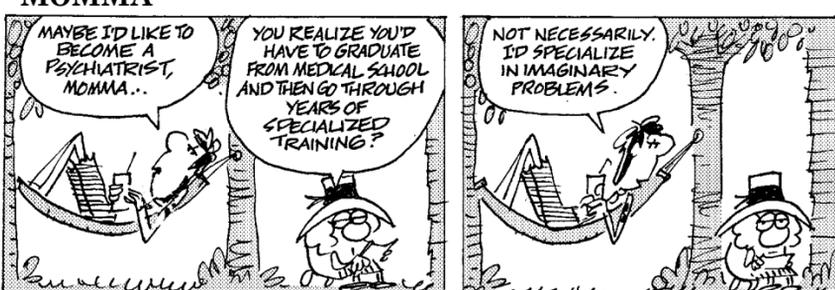
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This Date In History

tend commencement speech by columnist Mary Schmich (shmeech) which urged graduates to, among other things, "wear sunscreen" (the essay ended up being wrongly attributed online to author Kurt Vonnegut).

In 2009, Air France Flight 447, an Airbus A330 carrying 228 people from Rio de Janeiro to Paris, crashed into the Atlantic Ocean with the loss of everyone on board.

Ten years ago: Democrat Hillary Rodham Clinton won a lopsided, but largely symbolic, victory in Puerto Rico's presidential primary. Fire ripped through a back lot at Universal Studios. At least eight people suffocated at an overcrowded stadium in Monrovia during a soccer match between host Liberia and Gambia. NASA's Phoenix Mars Lander took its first practice scoop of Martian soil. Fashion designer Yves Saint Laurent died in Paris at age 71.

Five years ago: In a scene reminiscent of the Arab Spring, thousands of people flooded Istanbul's main square after a crackdown on an anti-government protest turned city streets into a battlefield clouded by tear gas.

One year ago: President Donald Trump declared he was pulling the U.S. from the landmark Paris climate agreement. A gunman described by police as a heavily indebted gambler stormed a crowded casino in the Philippine capital and torched gambling tables, creating a choking level of smoke that killed at least 37 people. Ananya Vinay, a 12-year-old from Fresno, California, won the 90th Scripps National Spelling Bee by correctly spelling "marocain," a type of dress fabric of ribbed crepe.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Richard Erdman is 93. Singer Pat Boone is 84. Actor-writer-director Peter Masterson is 84. Actor Morgan Freeman is 81. Actor Rene Auberjonois (oh-behr-juh-NWAH) is 78. Opera singer Frederica von

Stade is 73. Actor Brian Cox is 72. Rock musician Ronnie Wood is 71. Actor Jonathan Pryce is 71. Actress Gemma Craven is 68. Actor John M. Jackson (TV: "NCIS: Los Angeles") is 68. Blues-rock musician Tom Principato is 66. Country singer Ronnie Dunn is 65. Actress Lisa Hartman Black is 62. Actor Tom Irwin is 62. Singer-musician Alan Wilder is 59.

Rock musician Simon Gallup (The Cure) is 58. Country musician Richard Comeaux (River Road) is 57. Actor-comedian Mark Curry is 57. Actor-singer Jason Donovan is 50. Actress Teri Polo is 49. Basketball player-turned-coach Tony Bennett is 49. Actor Rick Gomez is 46. Model-actress Heidi Klum is 45. Singer Alanis Morissette

is 44. Actress Sarah Wayne Callies is 41. Comedian Link Neal (Rhett & Link) is 40. TV personality Damien Fahey is 38. Pop singer-songwriter Brandi Carlile is 37. Actor Johnny Pemberton is 37. Actress-writer Amy Schumer is 37. Tennis player Justine Henin is 36. Actor Taylor Handley is 34. Actress Willow Shields is 18.

Thought for Today:

"To be nobody-but-yourself — in a world which is doing its best, night and day, to make you everybody else — means to fight the hardest battle which any human being can fight; and never stop fighting."  
E.E. Cummings  
American poet (1894-1962).

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- 61 Hub northwest of the Loop
- 62 Bills with pyramids on the back
- 63 Decide to be
- 64 Sudden moves
- 65 IOC's Athlete of the Century
- 66 Aggregates, in brief
- 67 Apt rhyme for "fret"

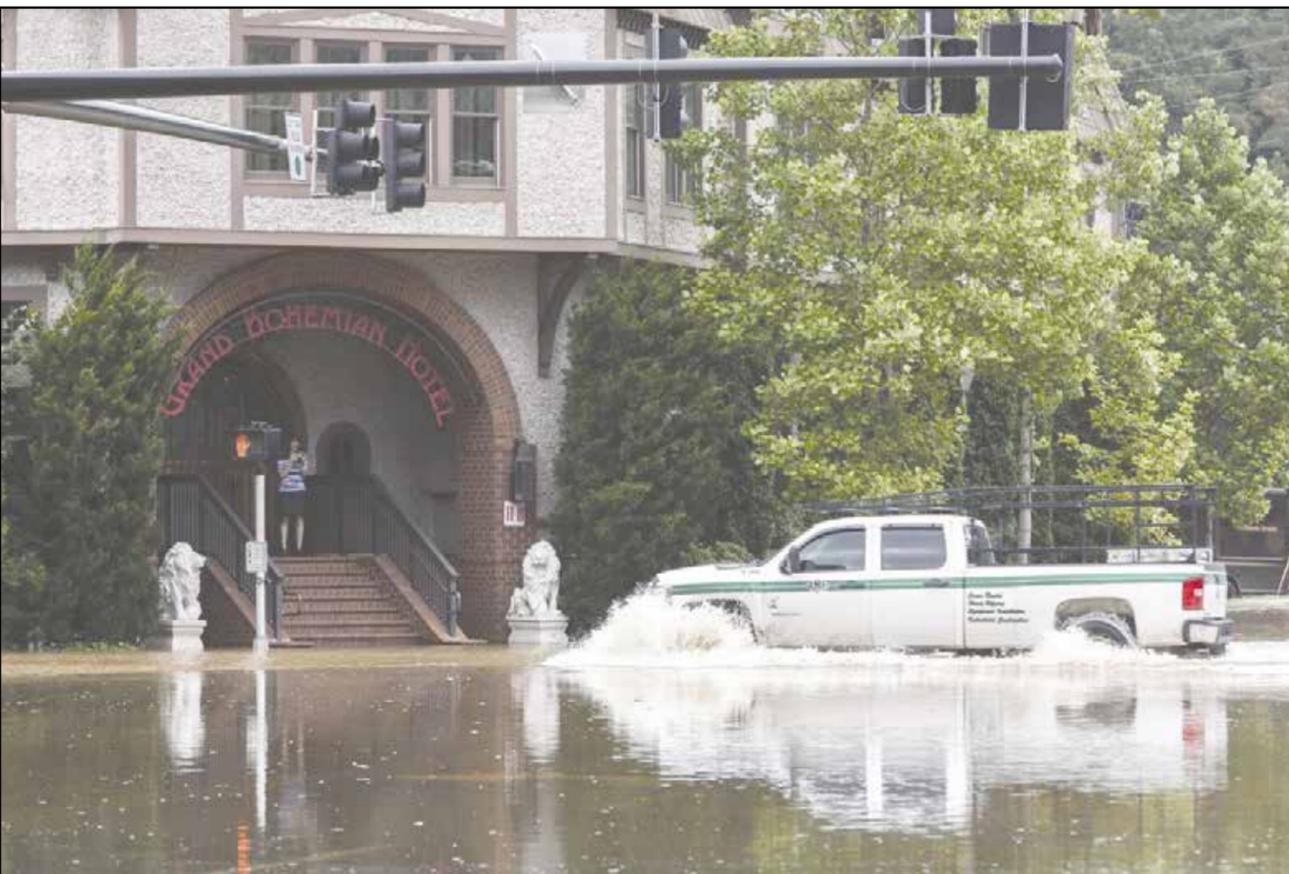
- 4 TV archive video
- 5 Nice portion of meat loaf
- 6 "You call that important?"
- 7 Hunter of the skies
- 8 Picnic plan B
- 9 Other than that
- 10 \_\_\_ the good (beneficial)
- 11 Seems
- 12 Loot liked by the lazy
- 13 Cal. rows
- 21 Letters on pricey scarves
- 22 Sagan subj.
- 26 Boots
- 28 It means "single"
- 30 Grey's Anatomy set
- 32 Sort of snake
- 33 Po Valley product
- 34 Paragon, quite possibly

- 35 Scholarly type
- 36 Carving craft
- 38 League often seen on ESPN
- 39 Story-telling symphonic work
- 40 Symbol for scanning
- 45 "Not nice!"
- 46 Metaphors for malice
- 47 Farsighted investment
- 49 Pursuit group
- 51 Parker that's paid
- 53 Mindful
- 54 Simmons sister brand
- 55 High point
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- 58 Unspoken approvals
- 59 Stand out, as an illustration

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FUEL LEND ALERT

# Missing people sought as Alberto soaks several states



AP photo  
A utility truck drives through floodwaters along Biltmore Avenue Wednesday, May 30, 2018, in Asheville, N.C., after heavy rains.

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Associated Press

Heavy rains generated by subtropical Storm Alberto unleashed flooding in Virginia that washed out bridges, damaged homes, closed schools and transformed a normally peaceful creek into a raging river that swept away cars with people still in them. At least one person was killed and rescuers were searching for others.

Rescue crews searching in and around Ivy Creek found the body of one of two occupants of a Toyota Prius that was swallowed by the creek, Albemarle County police said. A search continued late Thursday afternoon for the second person, while farther north in Madison County, the sheriff's office said rescuers were searching for a female reported missing in water the night before.

The storm, already blamed for at least four deaths in the U.S. earlier

in the week, was pushing across the Great Lakes on Thursday. But the National Weather Service said the potential for more rainfall and flash flooding would continue for the Southeast, the Ohio Valley and the mid-Atlantic through the end of the week.

Since making landfall on Memorial Day in the Florida Panhandle, Alberto's heavy rains have been widespread, with flooding reported from Alabama through Tennessee, Kentucky, Illinois, the Carolinas and West Virginia.

In Albemarle County, two cars were swept into Ivy Creek around 9:30 p.m. Wednesday. The occupant of one car was able to swim to a safe location, police said in a news release. But witnesses saw a man and woman get swept away as they exited their Toyota Prius, Albemarle County Fire Rescue Chief Dan Eggleston said at a news conference.

"Ivy Creek is normally a very docile creek but with 8 to 10 inches (20 to 25

centimeters) of rain ... it turned into a swollen, raging river. And it just tossed and turned both of those vehicles," he said.

Authorities also responded to at least 10 other water rescues and received reports of damage to homes, the extent of which wasn't immediately clear, Eggleston said.

Schools in the county were closed due to poor road conditions. Authorities throughout the region posted photos of washed-out roads and bridges, and they warned people to avoid unnecessary travel. One photo posted by the city of Charlottesville showed a playground partially submerged under floodwaters.

Eggleston warned of the possibility of more flooding as soon as Thursday evening, when there was a chance of additional rain.

"Everything is just bubbling," he said. "The streams are overflowing right now. Everything's at full capaci-

## TRUMP

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students and survivors in deep-red Texas.

Displaying empathy does not often come naturally to Trump, who has been criticized for appearing unfeeling in times of tragedy, including when he attacked a mayor in Puerto Rico in the aftermath of a deadly hurricane and fought with a Gold Star military family.

But there have been moments when Trump has displayed a softer side. On Wednesday, he reciprocated a hug from a 8-year-old boy with muscular dystrophy and attended a White House event marking legislation to give patients the right to try experimental treatments

That same day, White

House press secretary Sarah Huckabee Sanders grew emotional when, during the daily press briefing, she was asked by a young student journalist about what steps the administration was taking to safeguard schools.

Before Thursday, Trump was most recently in the Lone Star State on May 4, when he attended the annual NRA convention and pledged that the attendees' Second Amendment rights "will never ever be under siege as long as I am your president."

He also touted the administration's "aggressive strategy on community safety" and mentioned armed guards, armed teachers, mental health and metal detectors, but did not mention assault rifles like the one used in Parkland.

## Former dean convicted of shooting student over marijuana

BOSTON (AP) — A former high school dean known as an anti-violence advocate was convicted Thursday of shooting and nearly killing a student he had recruited to sell marijuana for him.



Harrison

Shaun Harrison, 58, was found guilty of all charges, including armed assault with intent to murder, by a Suffolk Superior Court jury in its second day of deliberations.

"Shaun Harrison was really a fraud, he was living a lie, and it was clearly exposed in this case," District Attorney Dan Conley said. "Not only was he not a man of God or a role model for young people, he manipulated them in a way that was terribly offensive."

Harrison, who had worked as a dean at Boston English High School for five years, recruited 17-year-old Luis Rodriguez to sell marijuana for him at the school and shot him on March 3, 2015, because he believed the student was not generating enough sales and withholding money.

Rodriguez, now 20, testified that he came from a dysfunctional family and trusted Harrison, who students nicknamed "Rev."

"He was my counselor. I went to him for everything," Rodriguez said during the two-week trial.

On the day of the shooting, the pair arranged to meet at a gas station where Harrison was supposed to hand over some drugs.

Harrison shot the student in the back of the head and fled on foot, prosecutors said. The bullet entered Rodriguez's head just under his right ear. It just missed his carotid artery, broke his jawbone and caused nerve damage and hearing loss.

Rodriguez said he was saved by occupants of a passing car, who called 911.

Bruce Carroll, Harrison's attorney, asked why Rodriguez did not immediately identify his client as the shooter even though he was conscious and alert.

Rodriguez had told hospital staff he was shot by one of his marijuana customers during a botched drug deal, Carroll said.

"It took me a while to get all my thoughts back together after being shot in the head, sir," Rodriguez said during cross-examination. "I was in such denial. I knew who did it. Of course I knew who did it."

Sentencing is scheduled for Friday.

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