

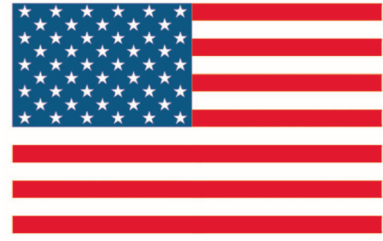
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More fundraising for wreck victims and families planned for Freedom Parade



By **ROGER CLINE**
Staff Writer

Area residents will have another chance Saturday at the Coahoma Freedom Parade to extend help to local residents impacted by recent vehicle accidents.

Local food vendors Linda Burchett and Marisol Ortiz led the effort at Pops in the Park Tuesday to raise money for Alexandra Vasquez, a mother of three who

was critically injured in the June 5 motorcycle accident in Big Spring which claimed the life of Austin Ryan Cantu; and for the families of Brayden Sizenbach, and Nova and Austyn Montgomery, who were involved in a wreck June 24 in Crosby County. Sizenbach, 18, and Nova Montgomery, 50, were killed in the crash, while Austyn, 16, was hospitalized at University Medical

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Courtesy photo/Megan Stovall

On the right, volunteers sell burgers and hot dogs from one of several Pops in the Park vendor booths raising money for wreck victim Alexandra Vasquez, who was hospitalized in critical condition following a June 5 motorcycle wreck, and her family; and the families of Brayden Sizenbach and Nova Montgomery, who were both killed in a June 24 vehicular accident in Crosby County. Montgomery's daughter, Austyn Montgomery, was hospitalized in critical condition following the accident. The fundraising will continue Saturday at the Coahoma Freedom Parade, said volunteer Linda Burchett.

MVPN to host 'Basic Training' for military families

By **ROGER CLINE**
Staff Writer

Sometimes when a military serviceman or servicewoman is on deployment for a long time, especially overseas or in a combat situation, their spouse, kids, or other family members find it hard to cope with the separation.

Later this month, the Military Veteran Peer Network and West Texas Centers are holding a "Basic Training" educational session to help spread awareness of the issue and give family members resources to help deal with the issues they're facing.

"Something I've learned over the past few months is, there's quite a few family members and spouses that face these challenges who don't really know what to do in those situations," said Francisco Garza Jr., who runs the veterans' program at West Texas Centers.

Garza explained that he's opening to the public a state-certified course he uses to train his volunteers.

"Basically what it covers is suicide awareness, and some of the basic information about some of the more



Francisco S. Garza

common diagnoses as far as PTSD, depression, sex abuse, things like that," he said. "It's open for the public, but I usually use it more for volunteers. Sometimes when they're doing their jobs as a volunteer for certain things they might interact with some of these things, or they might go through them themselves, honestly. It's just information to kind of give people the ability just to kind of handle that situation, especially spouses. My wife has gone through some things with me that, if she had had some understanding of what was going on, she might have been able to handle it a lot better than what she originally did. That's kind of the thinking behind it."

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Rolling River Rampage

By **AMBER MANSFIELD**
Staff Writer

School has been out for a short while for the summer, but churches in the area are gearing up for a different kind of class. Vacation Bible School, or VBS as it's more commonly known, are in full swing across the county; one of which is currently taking sign ups and is getting prepared for their week of VBS. First Church of Nazarene, located at 1400 S Lancaster St., will hold their VBS on July 12th through the 14th.

Generally, the purpose for VBS is to incorporate themed activities that entertain kids with the goal for them to learn about God.

"Rolling River Rampage Va-



File photo

Shown above is The First Church of Nazarene located at 1400 S. Lancaster St. in Big Spring.

cation Bible School will be the theme for this year's VBS," said Megan Wilson of the First Church of Naz.

"Bring your kids to experience the Ride of a lifetime with God, July 12-14 from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m."

Wilson went on to state that VBS is an easy way to get kids

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Stargazing Party at the park

By **TYLER SCHELLIE**
Staff Writer

The annual Stargazing Party at the Big Spring State Park will take place on Saturday, July 21 at sunset. Recommended arrival time is around 8:40 p.m.

"Or even a little earlier to secure the best parking available," said Ron Alton, Big Spring State Park Manager.

The West Texas Amateur Astronomy Club of Midland will have 10 to 12 large telescopes at the State Parks pavilion. The club members love to educate anyone old or young about astronomy, and will be showing video presentation at sunset to help inform you of what you're looking at or looking for.

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Ron Alton

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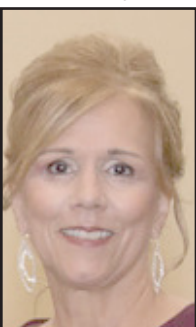
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Obituaries

Nancy Jo Herrin



Nancy Jo Herrin, 60, went to be with the Lord on July 2, 2018, after a brief but courageous battle with pancreatic cancer. She was surrounded by her family from the time of her diagnosis until she went to be with her Lord in Heaven.

She was born June 20, 1958, in Blue Earth, MN, the daughter of Dale and Norma Lange. She moved as a young girl to Lusk, Wyoming. As a young girl in high school Nancy was homecoming queen, prom queen, and a cheerleader. She moved to Big Spring Texas in 1992, with her two children. She met and married her soulmate and best friend Scot Herrin in 1995. Nancy embraced the Texas life style working hard in the oil industry and also with Scot on their family owned businesses, Herrin Cattle and Herrin Construction Companies. Nan was known for her caring nature, infectious personality, and the cheerleader never left her. She was a loving, affectionate wife and mother. She was also an extraordinary grandmother and totally devoted to her grandchildren. The years watching her four kids play sports, and now her grandchildren, were some of her favorite times. Her love of the ranch and everything it meant and every memory it held were the dearest to her. After being diagnosed with terminal cancer; Nancy's bucket list was just to enjoy every day on the Herrin Ranch. She lived her remaining days on this earth enjoying the ranch and all her family. Anyone who knew her knew her love for her husband, her family and her friends was great, selfless

and unconditional.

She was confirmed in 1970, and was a devout member of the Missouri Synod Lutheran Church all her life. She may not have known what tomorrow held, but she always knew Who held tomorrow.

Nancy will be deeply missed and lovingly remembered by her husband Scot Herrin of Big Spring, Texas; her daughter Haley (Randy) Gorski of Dallas, Texas, son Josh (Sarah) Fernau, their children Amelia, Jonah and Desmond of Tulsa, OK; son Zach Herrin (Liz), Big Spring, Texas; son Zane (Sarah) Herrin, Hebronville, Texas; brother Bob (Lisa) Lange, Sister Sandi (Fred) Anderson, Sister Jude (late Dave) Redfield; numerous nieces and nephews and a host of longtime friends.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Myers & Smith. Viewing/visitation will be held Friday, July 6, 2018, from 6-7:30 PM. The funeral will be held at the Trinity Baptist Church of Big Spring with both Pastor Kohl and Pastor Lamb officiating July 7, 2018, at 3 p.m. Memorial donations may be made to Kindred Hospice or the American Cancer Society in Nancy's honor.

Pallbearers will be Gary Sturm, Darryl Jackson, Kevin Rich, Ricky Crawford, Raul Garcia Jr. and Dillon Dixon. Honorary pallbearers will be Dennis Taylor, Dan Stone, Skyler Sandridge, Foster Burchet, Chance O'Daniel, Kaleb Jackson, and Cody Jackson as well as her nephews: Colter Lange, Taylor Lange, Will Krueger, Andy Anderson, Scott Redfield, Tyler Fulton and Conner Fulton.

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

Paid Obituary

Police, Sheriff

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **KLARISSA ZITA FRANCO**, 19, of 1702 Alabama St. was arrested on a charge of family violence threat or offensive touch.
- **GARY LESLIE HOSEY**, 58, of 3312 Drexel Ave. was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.
- **JOE BARRON**, 28, of 104 NW 4th St. was arrested on a warrant for other agency
- **KALLINA DANELLE FLETCHER**, 26, of 1203 Harding, was arrested on a warrant for aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.
- **ROBERT T HUNLEY**, 30, of 1511 Octillo Dr. was arrested on a charge of criminal mischief \$750<\$2500.
- **JENNIFER A LANE**, 35, of 1710 S Broadway was arrested on a charge of criminal mischief \$750<\$2500.
- **FREDWRICK DASHEAN DOTSON**, 47, of 801 Wyoming St. on a warrant for manufacturing and delivery of a controlled substance 1>=4g <200g
- **THEFT** was reported on the 1500 block of N Mosslake.
- **THEFT** was reported on the 600 block of N Lemesa Highway.
- **THEFT** was reported on the 200 block of W FM 700.
- **THEFT** was reported on the 100 block of Basswood St.
- **THEFT** was reported on the 2500 block of S Gregg St.
- **DISTURBANCE** was reported on the 1700 block of Alabama St.

- **THEFT** was reported on the 1200 block of E 11th Place
- **THEFT** was reported on the 2600 block of Barksdale Dr.
- **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported on the 800 block of Andree St.

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

- Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 76 inmates at the time of this report.
- **JOE BARRON**, 28, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant for bail jumping/ failure to appear
- **FREDWRICK DASHEAN DOTSON**, 47, was arrested by HCSO on a warrant for manufacturing and delivery of a controlled substance 1>=4g <200g
- **KALLINA DANELLE FLETCHER**, 26, was arrested by HCSO on a warrant for aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.
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- **ROBERT HUNLEY**, 30, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of criminal mischief \$750<\$2500.
- **MARK LESLIE KIRBY**, 44, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of driving while intoxicated 3rd offense.
- **JENNIFER LANE**, 35, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of criminal mischief \$750<\$2500.

Take Note

• Scenic Mountain Medical Center Auxiliary is looking for new members. If you have a heart for serving people, have at least four hours a week to spare, SMMC Auxiliary might be the fit for you.

Duties include working in the gift shop, delivering newspapers to inpatients, hospitality services, popcorn and more.

To find out more about opportunities available with the SMMC Auxiliary, contact Amy Miramontes at 268-4809 or April Arms at 268-4907.

• The Maranatha Baptist Academy (MBA) has started its open enrollment for the Summer session, which runs June 18 through July 12 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. MBA has been operating since 1981 and teaches ACE curriculum for grades K-12. The Fall term is scheduled to start on Aug. 1 from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more information, please call 432-213-1046.

• 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 Balsaldua 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.

Jerry Don Jones

Jerry Don Jones, 65, of Big Spring, died Wednesday, July 4, 2018 in an Odessa hospital. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory.

Support Groups

FRIDAY

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

SATURDAY

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

SUNDAY

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

MONDAY

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

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

TUESDAY

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

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

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

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

• A six-week course in Wellness and Quality of Life with Chronic Pain will be held at Spring Creek Fellowship at the Spring Town Plaza, 1801 E. FM 700. There is no charge for the course, and a workbook will be provided. Contact Steve Purdy at 432-517-4840 for more information.

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; open 12 & 12 study meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

• RSD (Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy) a chronic pain disease, a support and informative group, meets at 213 Circle. Call Lucy at (432) 517-9207 for more information.

THURSDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, open discussion noon to 1 p.m.; women's meeting; 6:30 until 7:30 p.m. Newcomers' meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

• Weight Watchers meets at 6 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church. Weigh-in is at 5:30 p.m. Weigh-in is confidential and you don't have to talk if you don't want to. Flexible payment options.

• A Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder support group meeting is at 6:30 p.m. at the VA Medical

• GriefShare is a Biblical support group that focuses on helping people who are dealing with a loved one's death. Each DVD session features nationally respected grief experts and real-life stories, followed by small group discussion about the topics presented (with workbook support). Weekly May 24 through Aug. 24, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Call Vivian Gordon at 432-466-3583 for more information.

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involved in church while giving parents the opportunity to meet the people within the church as well. "You don't have to have a church membership and it is not required to participate with your children in VBS," said Wilson "It's a laid back atmosphere. Children learn about religion through our many fun, age-appropriate activities in our week of Rolling Rivers."

Activities include but aren't limited to prayer, bible stories, arts and crafts, games, skits, songs, puppet shows, snack breaks, team lessons and character-building activities. Wilson went on to state that there are three different age groups in this year's Rolling River Rampage VBS, so that every kid is with other like minded children of the same age group.

"Vacation Bible School

is a wonderful opportunity for kids to socialize and learn more about religion in a relaxed

setting. VBS has something for everyone," said Wilson. "You don't need anything to register for our VBS, just to drop off and pick up your child at the appropriate times."

While activities are centered around teaching kids about God, VBS combines fun and learning without the formality of a Sunday service. Although, on July 15th the Children will all get together to perform during the Sunday service. The performance will include all of the songs and skits learned throughout their week in Rolling River Rampage VBS.

For more information regarding Rolling River Rampage Vacation Bible School, visit them at their Facebook page, NazFamily Church, and click on the Rollin River Rampage Vacation Bible School picture and link.

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Garza said the free program, scheduled for 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 501 S. Birdwell Lane Suite A, is primarily classroom based.

"It'll be just a classroom instruction, but I share a lot of personal stories. My wife is actually going to be there just to give her perspective for the spouses," he said. "Sometimes I might have other veterans come in to explain some of the ways they've handled things, and how they've gotten better. It's really just an informational thing. The majority is just to bring about suicide awareness and resources that people can try, because not everyone is going to want to go to the VA, or they might not qualify for the VA, so MHMR is another one you can go to to get help."

Lunch will be catered at the event.

For more information or to register, contact Garza at 432-631-4779. Space is limited.

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

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PARTY

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So get under the stars this month and peak through a large telescope at some of the amazing wonders of the universe, all while the West Texas Amateur Astronomy Club teaches and informs you of things you probably have never known or even thought about regarding astronomy.

This family fun and educational event is free to attend; however, donations to support this event will be accepted and are greatly appreciated. For information or questions, please contact Ron Alton at 432-263-4931.

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Linda Davidson, 74, died Sunday. Graveside service was at 10:30 a.m. this morning at Trinity Memorial Park.

Danny Smithwick, 54, died Saturday. Funeral was at 10 a.m. this morning at Holy Trinity Catholic Church.

Tom Dunnam, 52, died Monday. Memorial service will be at 3 p.m. today at Myers & Smith Chapel.

Edward Lee Hurrington, 64, died Friday, June 29, 2018. Funeral service will be at 11 a.m., Saturday, July 7, 2018 at Myers & Smith Chapel.

Nancy Herrin, 60, died Monday. The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. tonight at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral service will be at 3 p.m. Saturday at Trinity Baptist Church with burial at Trinity Memorial Park.



Courtesy photo/Megan Stovall

Shown above, Big Spring High School students sell items from one of several Pops in the Park vendor booths raising money for wreck victims and the families of Brayden Sizenbach and Nova Montgomery, who were both killed in a June 24 vehicular accident in Crosby County. Montgomery's daughter, Austyn Montgomery, was hospitalized in critical condition following the accident. The fundraising will continue Saturday at the Coahoma Freedom Parade, said volunteer Linda Burchett.

PARADE

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Center in Lubbock in critical condition.

Burchett and Ortiz, joined by volunteers Porsha Bryant, Isaac Miramontes, T.J. Wright and Ponca Burchett, sold hamburgers, hot dogs, roasted corn, snow cones, turkey legs, and other food items at Pops to raise money for the families.

Burchett said that, while the fundraising effort at Pops was a good experience, the outcome was a bit disappointing.

"All in all, none of us complained. None of us. We were happy with what we all did. We were tired," she said. "It just wasn't what we all expected."

Burchett said Vasquez's husband brought the couple's children by the vendor booths at Pops to meet the fundraisers.

"He brought the children down to meet all of us," she said. "We see pictures, but we got to meet them and talk to them, and we got our hugs and our kisses, and everybody cried."

The fund raisers vowed to continue on

with the efforts, she said.

"The good thing that came of it, at the end of the evening, the Saints to Sinners Motorcycle Group, along with everybody who was raising money there, we made a pledge to each other. We're going to work real, real hard and we're going to be getting the school supplies and shoes and school clothes and everything for (Vasquez's) kids," she said. "We go from one thing to another to another to help everybody. So everybody kind of pitched in. That was the good part about it. We're going to continue to help those who are in the hospital. They have many needs: gas money, food money, everything. So we'll continue to do that for everything."

Burchett said she'll set up at the community picnic following the Coahoma Freedom Parade Saturday in the city's municipal park, as well as August 2 at the grand opening of Phase 2 of the Historic Spring Restoration Project in Comanche Trail Park, and at the National Hang Gliding Series Aug. 5 through 11 at the McMahon-Wrinkle Airport. Other members of the group are concentrating on providing

lanyards, bracelets and T-shirts for sale to raise money for the wreck victims.

The Freedom Parade itself will start from the Coahoma High School Stadium parking lot and head down First Street before turning east on the North Service Road of Interstate 20 and north on Sixth Street, ending at the City Park. The parade action starts at 10 a.m. Anyone can enter, said Connie Shaw, parade organizer.

"It doesn't cost anything to enter, you don't even have to sign up, just show up. We take any and all entries, whether you have a trailer, tractor, stroller or boat," she said. "As long as you come with your patriotic best, you're in."

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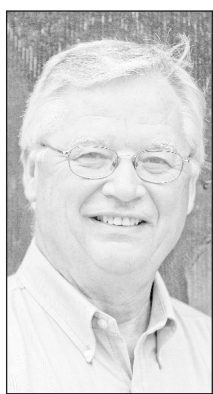
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Reflections: What You Won't Do For Yourself

Left to myself, I will sit around and vegetate. I know that other people don't do this, but I do. When I look across the room at my dog who follows me from room to room and is happy to be wherever I am, I know that he needs to walk. So, I get up, put on my shoes, find his leash and off we go. It is good for him and it is good for me. What I won't do for myself I will do for my dog.



BILL
TINSLEY

This little act highlights an important point I have discovered. We all need to be motivated for someone or something outside ourselves. I have heard it said, "If you won't do it for someone else, do it for yourself!" But I have dis-

covered that doing it for myself is the lowest and weakest motivator in my life.

Some have assumed that our democratic system works because it is based on self-interest. If everyone looks out for himself, seeks to make the biggest profit and accumulate the most wealth, it all just seems to work out for everybody. But that isn't true. Our democratic system works because people are willing to sacrifice their own self-interest in the interest of others. The key to American democracy is selfless altruism. Not greed.

Life is not like Monopoly. We don't win by owning the largest number of properties, raising the rent and amassing stacks of money on our side of the board until we drive everyone else into bankruptcy. That might work for a board game, but even then the players seldom feel good about it. In life we win by giving ourselves

away.

We are made in such a way that we must be called to something higher. We will endure great pain, hardship, discipline and even death for people we love and causes that challenge us.

When we live our lives and make our decisions based upon self-interest and self-gratification we are led into dead end tributaries, into a shallow existence that results in isolation and loneliness. When we choose to orient our lives around serving and helping others, we launch out into the deep where we discover meaning and fulfillment.

Howard Hughes, one of the wealthiest men of the twentieth century who spent lavishly to indulge his whims and idiosyncrasies, died a recluse, lonely, isolated and mentally deranged. The FBI had to resort to fingerprints in order to identify his body.

Mother Teresa, who was penniless,

spent her life caring for the poor, sick, orphaned and dying. When she died in 1997 the Missionaries of Charity, which she founded, had over one million co-workers serving the "poorest of the poor" in 123 countries. In 2010, the 100th anniversary of her birth, she was honored around the world.

This is why the Scripture urges us to put others first. "Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of others." (Philippians 2:3-4). Jesus said, "Give and it shall be given to you, good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over shall men give into your bosom." (Luke 6:38).

Bill Tinsley reflects on current events and life experience from a faith perspective. He lives with his wife, Jackie, in Waco, Texas. Email bill@tinsley-center.com.

Church News

College Baptist Church

College Baptist Church meets everywhere in Howard County, but especially at 1105 Birdwell Lane (Corner of 11th and Birdwell) on Sunday Morning at 9:15 for Sunday School, 10:45 for Worship, 6 p.m. for Sunday nite fellowship + deserts and service, lots of activities for our great youth group, and children of all ages, and on Wednesday evening at 7 p.m. Sunday morning we are celebrating our youth camp results with a Christian Baptism. We would love you to join our Pastor, Bro. Ken McMeans and church family as we worship in song and study God's Word. This month we are studying a theme from Hebrews 10, of "Gathering Together." Please call 432-267-7429, for 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 a.m. Traditions Service, featuring the pipe organ, Choir, trumpet, and hymns, followed by Sunday School, and then The Bridge service at 11 a.m., which features contemporary music led by a wonderful praise team.

On Sunday, July 8, Pastor Derrell continues a sermon series on the "I AM" statements of Jesus from the Gospel of John. This week the message is "I Am The Good Shepherd" from John 10:11-21. Worship services are broadcast live each Sunday at 11 a.m. on radio station KXCS-105.5 FM. You can also find the service 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.

Youth meet at 6:00 PM on Wednesdays. Real Life Wednesday night sessions will resume in September. Choir takes a break from rehearsals during July. The Praise Team rehearses at 7 p.m.

First United Methodist Church will join other churches in the community to celebrate the "Friends and Family Sunday" at Baker's Chapel AME Church on July 8. It is located at 911 N. Lancaster Street, and the service is at 3 p.m. The theme is "The Beauty of Unity," from Psalm 133:1-3.

For more information on any activity, please visit the website at www.fumcbs.com or phone the church office at 432-267-6394.

Blessed Hands Deaf Church

Pastor Jim Walterhouse, wife Debbie, and the congregation of Blessed Hands Deaf Church invite you to worship with them Sunday at 2 p.m. Come praise and celebrate the world's Savior, Jesus Christ, and drink from the water of God's Word as Pastor Jim delivers the sermon. Currently, Blessed Hands Deaf Church meets inside First Baptist Church at 705 W FM 700. For detailed information about BHDC, including Wednesday evening activities and full schedule, contact Pastor Jim at: jwalterhouse@gmail.com.

First Baptist Church

"O LORD, our Lord, How majestic is Your name in all the earth, Who have displayed Your splendor above the heavens!" Psalm 8:1

You're invited to join the people of FBC Sunday at 10:50 am, as they unite in worship of The Living Hope, Jesus Christ. Music Minister Alan Schantz will lead worshippers in a selection of classic

hymns of the faith, and contemporary praise and worship songs. Pastor Mark Lindsey will bring the message drawn from Exodus 20:1-21. Focusing on The Ten Commandments, this Scripture passage beckons believers to reflect on God's truth: that outward worship begins inwardly, in a heart where God alone reigns. 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: fcbigspring.org. (Click on 'MORE' tab, then 'SERMONS')

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 p.m., gather in the chapel for evening worship service. The service is for all ages, and presents a wonderful op-

portunity to come before The LORD in preparation for the upcoming week. Childcare is available for young children.

Thursday July 12 the Food Pantry/Mission Center is open at 9 a.m. It is located on Lancaster, at Iglesias Central, one block behind HEB.

Wednesday evening activities begin at 6 pm, and include adult worship choir practice, adult Bible study and prayer time, and youth group. During the summer months, there are no regularly scheduled children's activities on Wednesday nights; however, childcare is available during this time so families may participate.

Summerama for kids is full swing each Tuesday and Thursday from 9-3. This program is for elementary aged children, and is focused on learning how to stay anchored in God. Participants will take numerous field trips as part of the action packed schedule. Call the church office at 267-8223 for details about how your children can sign up.

Mother's Day Out is open each Tuesday and

Thursday from 9-3. Contact Tracy Boeker at 267-8223 for information about available openings for your little ones.

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).

To find out more about what's happening at FBC, go to the website: fcbigspring.org or call 267-8223.

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

This Sunday Clay Garmon will be the guest speaker for morning worship.

Forsan Baptist will host a block party on July 28. This will include games, food, and activities for all ages. Times and details will follow in the coming weeks.

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 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 Bible Study group will not meet July 4. The Chancel Choir will not rehearse for the month of July, when the Choir takes its summer break.

.Danny Kennemur and Tom Koger represented FPC Big Spring and the Tres Rios Presbytery Meeting at Westminster Presbyterian Church on Friday, June 29.

New officers for Presbyterian Women were



HEBREWS II:1-2

"To have faith is to be sure of the things we hope for, to be certain of the things we cannot see. It was by their faith that people of ancient times won God's approval."

CHURCH

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installed by Marj Carpenter at the May meeting and luncheon. Officers for 2018-2019 are as follows: Co-Moderators – Ellen Austin and Helen Glass; Secretary – Lucy Odom; Treasurer – Neva Green; Christian Community Action – Louise Hitch; Card Ministry and Historian – Marj Carpenter; Mission – Katie Grimes; Yearbook – Monika Robinson. PW invites all women of the church to join them in September when they resume monthly meetings and begin a new Bible study.

John Ferguson's Covenant Class continues its study Justice in the New Testament, beginning with Unit II "God Calls for Justice and Mercy." The study explores how God sets things right through Jesus' life and teachings and the letters of Paul. The focus is on selected scriptures from Matthew and Luke.

The Discovery Class finishes the study by Adam Hamilton, pastor in Kansas City, called When Christians Get It Wrong. Beginning July 15, the class begins a series entitled The Me I Want to Be by John Ortberg, pastor and author. The premise of the study is that God wants each of us to become a new creation and that as He redeems and restores us, each one becomes more the person God had in mind when He first created each person.

Vicki McLean is in charge of Take Ten for this Sunday. Danny Kennemur is Lector for July. Ushers for the month are Buddy Cochrane, Susan McDaniel, and Rip and Claudie Patterson. Communion servers were Tom Koger, Danny Kennemur, Paula Farquhar, and Buddy Cochrane.

The lectionary passages for the Seventh Sunday after Pentecost (or Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time) are 2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10; Psalm 48; 2 Corinthians 12:2-10; Mark 6:1-13. Rev. Jim Longstreet, retired minister formerly of Odessa, will deliver the sermon. The Chancel Choir is taking the month of July to sing in the congregation. Music for special times and offertory will be provided by Music Director/Organist Laura Holleman.

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 11a.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. Please Like us on Facebook.

First Church of the Nazarene

Rolling River Rumpage Vacation Bible School will be July 12th through the 14th. Bring your kids to experience the Ride of Lifetime with God.

Pastor Richard is continuing the summer series on "Missional God, Missional People." Visit our Nazfamily facebook for more information. If you need prayer or just want to spend time with God, the sanctuary will be open at 7 am on Tuesday mornings and during the noon hour on Thursdays. You can also leave any prayer requests at the alters and someone will pray over those.

Remember 9 am on

Personal Accountability

When confronted with our own mistakes and shortcomings, many people are quick to deflect. We begin to talk about all the things that everyone else did that "made" us do whatever it was. It is hard sometimes to fully take responsibility for our actions or lack of action. Ultimately, we will stand before the judge on that last day and will be held personally accountable for what we have done. There will be no one else to blame. There will be no excuses.

At the end of his discussion with his disciples, Jesus tells them in Matthew 16:27,



GREG SURLS

For the Son of Man is going to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay each person according to what he has done (ESV).

Jesus had been preparing them for what would happen to him – suffer, be killed, and be raised on the third day. He was revealing God's will and God's plan, but they were too focused on physical things and not on spiritual things. Jesus then explains that the spiritual is far more valuable than the physical. So, we should never be willing to trade the spiritual treasure that we possess, our soul, for even the most valuable earthly items.

I can choose the easy options for my life. I can choose to focus on making money and being comfortable in this life. However, when Jesus returns I will be repaid accordingly since my mind was set on the

things of man instead of the things of God. I may have had the "good life" here, but I will have an eternity of regret separated from God.

I won't be able to blame anyone else. Likewise, I will not be able to receive an eternal reward because of anyone else either. I will not be rewarded because my spouse was faithful. I will not be rewarded because my mother and father were disciples. I will be rewarded if and only if I took up my cross and followed Jesus!

What have you set your mind on? If Jesus were to return today, what would your payment be?

Greg Surles
Preacher
Birdwell Lane church of Christ

Sunday mornings, both Men's and Women's class meet before service. The Women's class is continuing on the importance of reading the bible.

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

Small groups for both men and women meet Sunday morning at the Lancaster campus at 9 am 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 or download our app.

Coahoma First United Methodist Church

Blessings from the Coahoma First United Methodist Church. There are some exciting events happening for us this week and we would love for you to attend! July 7th is Coahoma's 4th of July parade and we will have a float in the line-up. Come see us roll down 1st street and have



Daddy Had a Garden

By Dr. Lillian Bohannon

Growing up in a small Northern Nevada town was fascinating for me as well as rewarding. My daddy was raised on a farm in Oklahoma, and that taught him how to grow the biggest gardens in our neighborhood because he knew how to fertilize, water, and plant at the right time.

He had six children who helped him in his endeavors. I was one small part of his success as a gardener. He had my four brothers who worked the soil and planted the vegetables. Mother canned what she could of the fresh produce every fall. Then Daddy would drive all over town and give the rest of it away.

I well remember Daddy's whistle at around six o'clock every morning, working in the garden and watering. I would sometimes get up and go help. I was very small for my age and weighed only sixty pounds at 4' 9" as I entered High School. And with my slight build I couldn't turn the dirt in the garden very well. Daddy taught

me to jump on the shovel just to get enough dirt so I could be helpful.

Now I still love to see a beautiful garden with produce ready to harvest. We have tractors, and plows, and store bought fertilizer. Back then we had a rake, hoe, and shovel. We thought we were in high cotton when Daddy brought home a garden tiller that had to be pushed by hand.

My favorite song is "I Come to the Garden Alone." It talks about Jesus walking and talking with me and telling me I am His.

I can see myself entering into that beautiful garden, and communing, and working alongside my Saviour in this world. Daddy loved his children, and taught us what the Saviour's love was like.

In God's Word He tells us of Heavenly gardens where the tree of life is blooming every month with everything we could ever hope to enjoy. The trees are planted beside the river of life flowing from the throne of the most High God. There is enough for us and to spare so we will never go hungry.

Maybe when we get up there, Jesus will allow me to work alongside my Daddy again in my Heavenly Father's Garden. I should have enough strength to put that shovel in the ground to turn the dirt a little easier—don't you think?



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Oklahoma nun opens homes for seniors to join new 'family'

By CARLA HINTON

The Oklahoman
OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — First came Anna. The 98-year-old woman was living alone on a diet of Ensure and coffee and weighed 77 pounds when a Catholic priest learned of her plight.

Then there was Isaac. Diagnosed with a terminal illness and given only two months to live, he was about to be released from a hospital but had nowhere to spend his remaining days.

Others in need of hearth and home like Sam, John and Dale soon joined the "family" led by the energetic nun. Current residents Annabelle Miller and Lucy Cooper were also welcomed into the clan and the home never seemed crowded, only running over with the blessings of life.

This is the house that love filled. 'PILGRIMAGE TO OUR FATHER'S HOUSE' The Oklahoman reports that on a recent afternoon, Faulkner and Cooper, 92, listened as Miller, 98, played the piano in the Gospel of Life Dwelling home adjacent to St. James the Greater Catholic Church.

The scene is at once homey and serene — two family members enjoying themselves as another member of their home shared her God-given talents.

It was moments like this that Faulkner, 54, envisioned when she came to Oklahoma in 2012 following an "unction" from the Lord based on an idea that her grandmother — a Purcell native — had to care for the elderly.

Faulkner said she had once thought that she was going to marry and have children after finishing school to become a registered nurse. She thought she would give the Lord a "gap year" after graduating from the University of Dallas but felt called to much more.

Accepting God's invitation to live a life of consecration as a religious sister, Faulkner said she found herself serving in Paris for 15 years. She said she felt a divine call to return to her native Minnesota and, eventually, to join family members in the Oklahoma City area.

"It was an internal nudge, a kick in the pants, whatever you want to call it. It was almost an imperative for me to come," she said. "I got a one-way Greyhound bus ticket from Minnesota to Oklahoma City."

In Oklahoma, Faulkner joined St. James, where her aunt and uncle attended church. After they heard about her ministry idea, church leaders allowed Faulkner to set up the first Gospel of Life Dwelling (GOLD) in a house the church owned across the street. Faulkner said the ministry is run entirely on donations and currently includes four homes in Oklahoma and one in Texas. With 501(c)3 nonprofit status, the ministry has a board that helps oversee the ministry's mission.

"Christian ministry is supposed to be bringing charity of the Lord into the lives of people and here with the Gospel of Life Dwelling across the street, you see a striking example of it," said the Rev. Wil-

liam "Bill" Pruett, pastor of St. James.

Faulkner said the premise of the ministry is based on the biblical principles of love, family and community. She said she experienced the challenges and joys of living in a home with extended family members like grandparents in their later years.

For older adults who don't have the care and support of family due to life circumstances, the Gospel of Life Dwellings run by volunteers called "lifeguards" from throughout the community become home and family.

"God wanted them to experience the blessings of family if they hadn't had it naturally," she said. "They are on their pilgrimage to our Father's house,"

Faulkner said the homes have sheltered and supported a diverse mix of people over the years, all embraced and loved as family members.

She said Anna, for example, agreed to stay only two months, but ended up living there for almost two years until her death when she was just shy of 100.

"She was kind of living like a recluse in her own home but she blossomed here. She ended up having a family life again with other people," Faulkner said.

The Most Rev. Paul S. Coakley, archbishop of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Oklahoma City, said the ministry provides welcoming spaces for older adults.

"This is a place where they can come and remember their dignity and experience their own dignity by the way that they are received and respected and loved by the members of GOLD, who really welcome them as Christ," he said.

Miller said she has enjoyed her stay in one of the ministry's homes.

"I like the way Sister is trying to introduce family life instead of institutional life for the elderly because it's good for us. A lot of us have friends but we don't have any relatives — they are either in nursing homes or in the cemetery," she said.

"I never had a big family. I lost my birth mother when I was 3 months old, so I never had any brothers and sisters so this is a whole new world for me. We learn to broaden our love for people."

A NEW PROJECT

Gospel of Life volunteers have converged on property in Norman to build what Faulkner calls



AP photo

Sister Maria Faulkner walks with Lucy Hooper at the home she operates for older adults on Thursday, June 7, 2018 in Oklahoma City, Okla. Faulkner, who attends nearby St. James Catholic Church, has offered the home for several years, as living quarters for seniors who need a place to stay and some assistance from others.

the Holy Trinity Hermitage.

She said the structure will be a Gospel of Life Dwelling, with a chapel and space for individuals to go for personal prayer and reflection.

Already, a group of teen and young adult volunteers are scheduled to help make bricks and ready the property for the project but other volunteers and donations of equipment are needed.

If the hermitage project doesn't fit the scope of someone's time or talents, Faulkner said she always welcomes people who may be able to help with everyday life at the Gospel of Life Dwellings.

Current "lifeguard" volunteers Yolanda Garcia of Oklahoma City and Lisa Garza of Yukon said they each enjoy serving residents at the homes.

Garza, a member of St. John Nepomuk Catholic Church, helps with gardening, laundry, cooking lunch and whatever else is needed when she visits.

Garcia met Faulkner when she was attending services at St. James. She said she wanted to fill a need in the community so she joined forces with the energetic nun.

Faulkner said Garcia has a God-given knack for caring for others. She said the younger woman ended up developing a special bond with Anna, the ministry's first resident.

Others may find that they, too, may provide some comfort or support for the homes' residents.

"I would really encourage each and every person, no matter their age, however young, however old, to take time in the silence of their hearts and say 'Lord, what do you want of me? What do you want of my life?' and see how God inspires, how God tugs, how God calls and then, if it be in His plan for you, come be a part of GOLD be it for an hour, a week or a lifetime," Faulkner said.



AP photo
July 3, 2018 photo shows statues of Mary, Joseph and the baby Jesus in a cage of fencing topped with barbed wire on the lawn of Monument Circle's Christ Church Cathedral in Indianapolis. The statues are to protest the Trump administration's zero tolerance immigration policy.

Indianapolis church cages Holy Family in immigration protest

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — An Indianapolis church has placed statues of Mary, Joseph and the baby Jesus in a cage of fencing topped with barbed wire to protest the Trump administration's zero tolerance immigration policy.

The statues were erected Tuesday morning outside Christ Church Cathedral on downtown Indianapolis' Monument Circle and surrounded by the fencing. The Episcopal church's dean and rector, the Rev. Stephen Carlsen, says the display

that's part of the church's "Every Family is Holy Campaign" condemns the nation's immigration policy that's holding families in detention centers at the U.S.-Mexico border.

He says the Holy Family was "a homeless family with nowhere to stay" and that the Bible says "we're supposed to love our neighbors as ourselves."

President Donald Trump recently ended his administration's practice of separating families detained at the border.

REFLECTING ON RELIGION: Love casts out all fear

"There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love." 1 John 4:18

Fear has a bewitching power to it. So easily people are captured by it and fall under its spell. Fear becomes the mechanism by which we make our decisions, who we have relationships with, and why we follow rules. Fear becomes our master that directs us to go where it wants us to do what it wants us to do with little regard for our own well being. The Gospel stands in opposition to the reign of fear, which has become so widespread in our day. The Scripture makes it clear that love drives out fear and those that are still controlled by fear have not yet been made perfect in God's love. The

life of a person can be controlled by fear or love, but never both. They represent to ends of existence as far apart as light and dark. Even the smallest light casts out the darkness, in the same way the smallest amount of love (when chosen over fear) casts out the fear of a person. The late King of Morocco was confronted by the might of the German army in World War II. They fell under the control of Germany and were forced to put in place a set of laws to round up all Jewish people. When the German forces came calling to check on the progress they pressed the King as to why no one had been rounded up and labeled. The King's response was, "There are no Jews in Morocco. There are only Moroccan subjects." This King's love for his people outweighed the risk of loss

and death he feared at the hands of the Nazis. For him, love cast out fear. As we look at the uncertain landscape of our world that faces us this day do we cower to the power of fear, or does God's perfect love drive out fear in us?

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LEADING OFF: Braves hitting way to top, Gray on the rebound

Associated Press

A look at what's happening around the majors today:

HITTING BRAVES

Among the many things the Atlanta Braves have done right on their way to leading the National League East this season, they've been getting hits. The Braves began their series against fellow division leader Milwaukee on Thursday night with three of the top four hits leaders in the NL, with outfielder Nick Markakis (108) leading the way and infielder Ozzie Albies (102) and Freddie Freeman (101) close behind in third and fourth, respectively. It's the first time in franchise history the team has had three players reach 100 hits prior to the All-Star game, and the Braves will continue their series when Mike Foltynewicz and Freddy Peralta face off.

GOING GRAY

In a season full of highlights for the New York Yankees, right-hander Sonny Gray has been one of the team's biggest disappointments in his first full season with club. Gray will try and rebound from his work during the season when the Yankees begin a weekend series in Toronto against the Blue Jays. After being acquired from



Atlanta Braves' Ozzie Albies slides safely home during the first inning of a baseball game against the Milwaukee Brewers Thursday, July 5, 2018, in Milwaukee.

Oakland last season, Gray is 5-6 with 5.44 ERA this season and is coming off an 11-0 loss to Boston last weekend in which he allowed six runs in only 2 1/3 innings.

CHICAGO SEEING RED

Two weeks ago, the Chicago Cubs suffered through an embarrassing four-game sweep in Cincinnati — beginning a stretch of six losses in seven

games. Chicago has won six straight games since that rough patch, and has the opportunity to make amends with the Reds when the two teams begin a weekend series at Wrigley Field. Mike Montgomery (3-2) starts for Chicago, and Tyler Mahle (6-6) takes the mound for Cincinnati.

ACE OF NEW YORK

Despite the struggles of the New York Mets for much of the season, Jacob deGrom has been one of the NL's most dominant starters. The right-hander leads the league with his 1.84 ERA and will be back at work when he takes the mound against the visiting Tampa Bay Rays. He has allowed three runs in each of his last two starts, the first time he's allowed three or more runs in back-to-back games since April.

SUMMER KING

Seattle Mariners right-hander Felix Hernandez (8-6) put together his best full month of the season in June, posting a 3.71 ERA in six starts and lowering his overall ERA from 5.83 to 5.11 in the process. The 2010 Cy Young winner performed into July when he starts in an interleague game against the visiting Colorado Rockies.

Stars and stripes: Sending baseball's best to Washington

By MIKE FITZPATRICK

AP Baseball Writer

NEW YORK — Now that fan voting is finished, it's a good time to take a hard look at All-Star Game selections.

Which players are worthy of participating July 17 in Washington, and who gets left out?

Let's touch on this topic first: Shohei Ohtani is incredibly talented and fascinating to watch, but the Los Angeles Angels' two-way Japanese star simply hasn't been on the field enough to earn a spot. Not at pitcher OR designated hitter.

Ohtani just returned to the lineup from an elbow injury that's knocked him off the mound for now. He's only made nine major league pitching starts, and the Angels have limited his at-bats all season due to concerns about the rookie's workload.

So while it would definitely be fun to see him in baseball's summer showcase, there are several more deserving American League sluggers at DH. It wouldn't be fair to deny one of them in favor of Ohtani. And he's unavailable to pitch at this point.

Let him win his invitation next season with a fully healthy and productive first half. Or the year after that. Or whenever it happens.

Buzzkill, I know.

But even without Ohtani, there's plenty to watch for leading up to the first All-Star Game in the nation's capital since the Senators hosted at RFK Stadium in 1969.

Start with Atlanta outfielder Nick Markakis. With more than 2,150 career hits, he's poised to make an All-Star team for the first time in his 13th big league season.

Matt Kemp, Miles Mikolas and Mike Foltynewicz are enjoying feel-good comebacks.

Robinson Cano, the MVP of last year's game, will sit this one out while serving a drug suspension.

Injuries may keep familiar stars such as Clayton Kershaw, Stephen Strasburg, Carlos Correa and



Chicago Cubs' Javier Baez steals home past Detroit Tigers catcher James McCann during the fourth inning of a baseball game on Wednesday, July 4, 2018, in Chicago.

Corey Seager from returning, but in their place should be exciting newcomers like Aaron Nola, Ozzie Albies, Alex Bregman and Eddie Rosario.

The American League has won five times in a row and is 17-3-1 in the last 21 years.

"I want to win. I always win. It's not playing for home-field advantage anymore in the World Series, but all these guys are competitors and they want to win for their respective league," said National League manager Dave Roberts of the Los Angeles Dodgers.

There's a logjam at shortstop in the AL, and the NL bullpen is loaded.

That sort of thing is where it gets complicated:

Each roster has 32 spots, with 12 going to pitchers. Every club must be represented, too.

Online voting for the starters at each position ended at midnight Thursday, and the teams will be revealed Sunday night.

"I'm looking forward to it. It'll be a great experience," said Houston's AJ Hinch, who will manage the AL squad. "It's as casual a game as you'll play with the biggest names on the stage, and all the attention that comes with it. It's a big deal."

Disregarding fan and player balloting, here are our picks:

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Ode to Evel: Pastrana hopes to clear Ceasars Palace fountain



Travis Pastrana celebrates after he performed the first motorcycle backflip over the River Thames with a 75-foot wide gap between two floating barges, in London.

By BERNIE WILSON

AP Sports Writer

Fifty years after Evel Knievel so famously wiped out trying to jump the fountain at Caesars Palace in Las Vegas, action sports wild man Travis Pastrana will try to nail the stunt Sunday night in the finale of a triple-header tributing to the late daredevil.

It's a daunting proposition even for Pastrana, who is winding down a career in which he's done some pretty crazy things.

If he sticks it, what a way to go out.

"For me, this is going to be really awesome," Pastrana said in a phone interview. "All my family is coming out and so many of my friends are coming out. I literally get to live a day in Evel Knievel's boots, if you will. I'm pretty nervous. It's keeping me up a little bit at night."

That's a heck of an admission from Pastrana. But when the History Channel came to Nitro Circus, which

Pastrana co-founded, looking for a live event that crossed a couple of generations, "it was pretty much a no-brainer. I thought, I definitely have to do something about the man who started action sports. He was the first one who showed that you could jump a motorcycle."

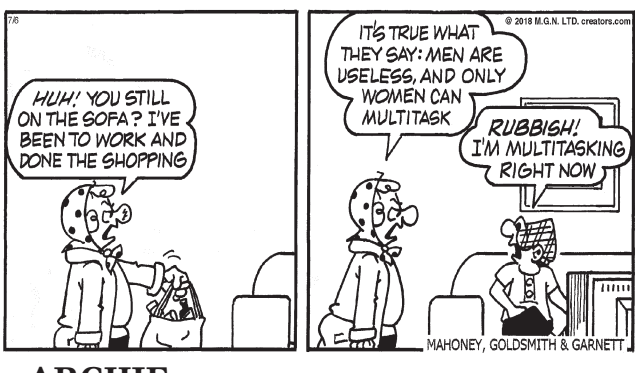
Pastrana's attempt to jump the fountain will cap "Evel Live," a three-hour telecast on the History Channel.

Before he tries to become the first person to successfully clear the Caesars Palace fountain, the 34-year-old Pastrana will try to exceed two other famous jumps by Knievel. He'll try to surpass Knievel's jump over 50 crushed cars, done at the Los Angeles Coliseum in 1973, and then beat by two the stuntman's jump over 14 Greyhound buses, accomplished in 1975 at Ohio's Kings Island amusement park.

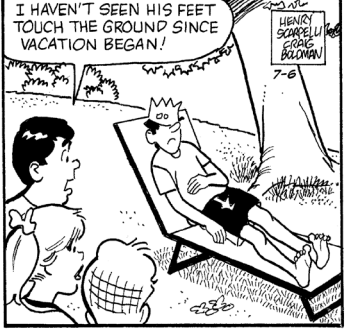
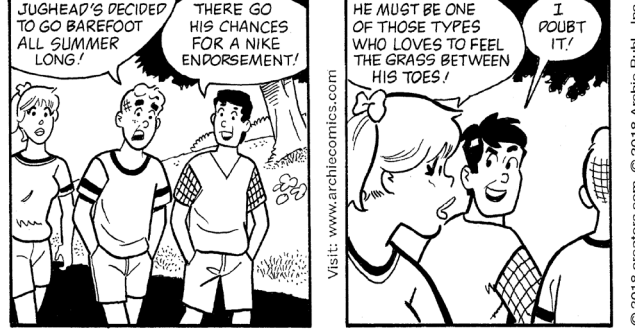
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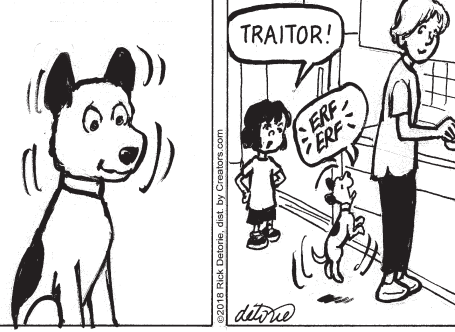
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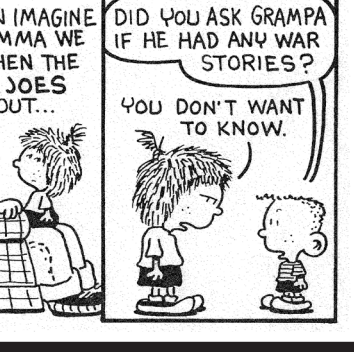
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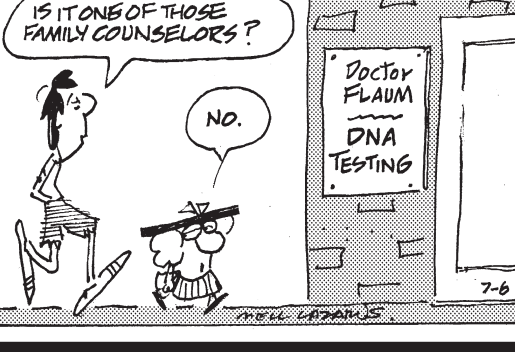
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Solar Impulse, completed the final leg of a history-making cross-country flight, gliding to a smooth stop at New York's John F. Kennedy International Airport.

31 years to sweep Daytona International Speedway. One year ago: The maker of opioid painkiller Opana ER said it would stop selling the drug at the request of the Food and Drug Administration in an effort to curb abuse.

Thought for Today: "Fear is forward. No one is afraid of yesterday." Renata Adler American writer.

Newsday Crossword

NEVERLAND by S.N. Edited by Stanley Newman www.stanxwords.com

On July 6, 1957, Althea Gibson became the first black tennis player to win a Wimbledon singles title as she defeated fellow American Darlene Hard 6-3, 6-2.

In 1971, jazz trumpeter and singer Louis Armstrong died in New York at age 69. In 1997, the rover Sojourner rolled down a ramp from the Mars Pathfinder lander onto the Martian landscape to begin inspecting the soil and rocks of the red planet.

Today's Birthdays: The 14th Dalai Lama, Tenzin Gyatso, is 83. Actor Ned Beatty is 81. Singer Gene Chandler is 78.

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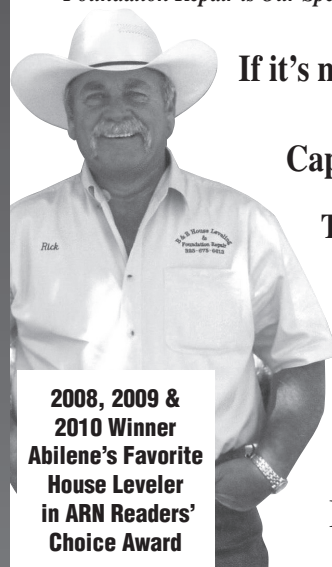
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Federer, Serena try to avoid more upsets at Wimbledon



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Serena Williams marked her first appearance on Wimbledon's grass since lifting the 2016 title with a straight-sets victory.

Associated Press

LONDON — Roger Federer and Serena Williams will try to avoid further upsets at Wimbledon as the third round begins on Friday.

Federer was set to play Jan-Lennard Struff of Germany and Williams faced Kristina Mladenovic of France as they continue their quests for a ninth and eighth Wimbledon title, respectively.

Williams finds herself the favorite again after defending champion Garbine Muguruza lost on Thursday, meaning only two of the top-eight seeded women are still in the field.

No. 3 Marin Cilic also lost on Thursday, becoming the third of the men's top-10 seed to go out.

Five-time champion Venus Williams was also in action, facing Kiki Bertens of the Netherlands.

EVEL

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The first two jumps will be behind Planet Hollywood Resort & Casino, Paris Las Vegas and Bally's Las Vegas. Pastrana will then get a police escort to Caesars Palace.

Pastrana will attempt the jumps on an Indian Scout FTR750, a modern-day evolution of the flat track bikes of the past. He said it's double the weight of the dirt bikes he normally uses in jumps, with three times the power and about one-third of the suspension travel.

"I got on the Indian and it was like, 'Holy cow, it's like jumping a tank.' Now I understand why Evel crashed so much."

Pastrana will jump the fountain in the opposite direction that Knievel did. Because the area is more built out than it was 50 years ago, he'll have less space for the run-in and will have

to accelerate as hard as he can.

"I literally have to hit 68 mph in under 200 feet," he said. "With his high-heel dress boots, if I miss a shift, I'm in the fountain for sure."

That's right, Pastrana will even be dressed like Knievel, in a white jumpsuit with the blue V and white stars.

"Even down as far as the boots," he said. "I went to a tailor and they're probably the most expensive shoes I have. They're made for going out, not for jumping."

Knievel came up short on his attempt at jumping the fountain, hitting the knuckle just before the landing ramp and losing control. He flew head first over the handlebars and tumbled like a rag doll along the pavement. He crushed his pelvis and fractured several other bones.

"We're saving the most infamous for last," Pastrana said. "It's probably the most infamous stunt location in the world not because of success but because of failure."

Pastrana was the first to do a double backflip on a motorcycle. On New Year's Eve 2009, he shattered the world record for the longest jump in a rally car when he traveled 269 feet from the Pine Street Pier in Long Beach onto a barge anchored in the harbor. He celebrated by doing a backflip off the landing ramp into the chilly water.

As part of the Nitro Circus TV show, he rode dirt bikes off a ramp into the Grand Canyon and parachuted the rest of the way down; and jumped out of a plane without a parachute, confident that a skydiver who jumped out at the same time would catch up to him and guide him to earth.

Pastrana announced himself to the action sports world when at age 15 he celebrated an X Games gold medal by jumping his motorcycle into San Francisco Bay in 1999. That stunt got him into a fair bit of trouble, and he lost his prize money and medal.

Pastrana said he met Knievel when

he was 16.

"I've always been not necessarily a huge fan but I was inspired by him. My dad always kind of lived by Evel's theory that you're not a failure until you fail to get back up."

Knievel died in 2007 at age 69.

"Evel was known for his showmanship. It's really about the spectacle, to bring back some of that flash," Pastrana said.

"This is going to be a huge challenge for me," he added. "This whole night is kind of an ode to the stuntman. It's not really about me, even though it's going to be one, hopefully, if it works out the way I hope, an awesome caper to a career."

Pastrana said his oldest daughter is about to start kindergarten so he wants to stay home more. He'll continue working with Nitro Circus, more on the creative side.

"It's the final step of me putting everything on the line. It's scary but I think it's pretty exciting," he said.

MLB

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AMERICAN LEAGUE

FIRST BASE — Jose Abreu of the White Sox gets the start, barely nudging out Toronto switch-hitter Justin Smoak.

SECOND BASE — AL MVP Jose Altuve from the World Series champion Astros is backed up by 34-year-old Oakland veteran Jed Lowrie, whose first All-Star nod is probably long overdue.

SHORTSTOP — Cleveland whiz Francisco Lindor is in the lineup. Top trade target Manny Machado from lowly Baltimore, and Jean Segura from Seattle are on the bench. Gold Glove winner Andrelton Simmons of the Angels is really tough to leave out.

THIRD BASE — Jose Ramirez gives the Indians both starters on the left side of the infield. Bregman backs up at the hot corner, from Houston.

CATCHER — Wilson Ramos is a big reason the Rays are holding their own. Perennial pick Salvador Perez represents the struggling Royals despite his subpar season.

OUTFIELD — Angels star Mike Trout plays center, with Boston's Mookie Betts in left and Yankees masher Aaron Judge in right. Reserves include Rosario from the Twins, Mitch Haniger from the Mariners, and Nicholas Castellanos from the Tigers.

DESIGNATED HITTER — J.D. Martinez has been worth every penny during his first season in Boston. Texas' Shin-Soo Choo and New York hulk Giancarlo Stanton, last year's NL MVP, both still play the outfield sometimes, which helps. Seattle slugger Nelson Cruz is a very difficult omission.

STARTING PITCHERS — Luis Severino is in line to become the first Yankees pitcher to start an All-Star Game since Roger Clemens in 2001. Other right-handers include Justin Verlander, Gerrit Cole and Charlie Morton from Houston, plus Cy Young Award winner Corey Kluber and Trevor Bauer from Cleveland.

The left-handers are Boston ace Chris Sale and Tampa Bay's Blake Snell. Seattle lefty James Paxton is our top pick to replace Verlander, who doesn't plan to pitch in the All-Star Game because he's scheduled to start two days before.

RELIEVERS — Four filthy closers in the bullpen: Yankees lefty Aroldis Chapman, plus right-handers Craig Kimbrel (Boston), Edwin Diaz (Seattle) and Blake Treinen (Oakland).

NATIONAL LEAGUE

FIRST BASE — Braves cornerstone Freddie Freeman starts over Arizona's Paul Goldschmidt, who overcame a miserable May with a monster June.

SECOND BASE — The unexpected starter at a competitive position is Scooter Gennett from the Reds. Right behind him are flashy Javier Baez from the Cubs and 21-year-old igniter Ozzie Albies from the surprising Braves.

SHORTSTOP — San Francisco pro Brandon Crawford is backed up by Colorado bopper Trevor Story.

THIRD BASE — Nolan Arenado is sensational with his bat and glove for the Rockies. Eugenio Suarez is blossoming into a big run producer for the Reds, and St. Louis' Matt Carpenter can play both corner infield spots — even second base if needed.

CATCHER — A changing of the guard, with Miami's J.T. Realmuto starting and Chicago's Willson Contreras second string. St. Louis stalwart Yadier Molina barely beats out familiar rival Buster Posey of the Giants for another bench spot.

OUTFIELD — Milwaukee newcomer Lorenzo Cain is expected back from a groin strain in time to start in center, flanked by Markakis in right and Kemp from the Dodgers in left. Despite a low batting average, slumping slugger Bryce Harper of the Nationals starts at DH in his home ballpark. Also available are Christian Yelich (Brewers), Odubel Herrera (Phillies) and Gregory Polanco (Pirates).

STARTING PITCHERS — Washington ace Max Scherzer, who won his second consecutive Cy Young Award last year and third overall, gets the ball to start on his own mound. The other right-handers are Nola from the Phillies, Foltyniewicz from the Braves, Miko-

las from the Cardinals, and Jacob deGrom of the Mets. Cubs lefty Jon Lester rounds out the group, with Patrick Corbin of the Diamondbacks next in line as a potential replacement for someone.

RELIEVERS — So many to choose from, and not only closers. A bevy of NL setup men are putting up dominant numbers. In the end, this bullpen features Dodgers closer Kenley Jansen, Arizona setup man Archie Bradley and San Diego's Kirby Yates from the right side, complemented by Nationals closer Sean Doolittle, Milwaukee strikeout artist Josh Hader and San Francisco's Tony Watson from the left side.

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