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Upcoming Events

Today: Hoops, Dreams, and Goals Dorothy Garrett Coliseum 8 a.m. events start

Vietnam Veterans Day Lamun Lusk Sanchez 2 p.m.

April 2

6 p.m. Mayoral Debate **BSHS**

8 a.m. Social Media 101 Spots still available

April 3

April 4 6:30 p.m. **Meet the Candidates Hotel Settles**

April 11 **Stand Up Howard County** 4:30 p.m. - 7 p.m.

April 13 **Chamber Health Fair** 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. **Dorothy Garrett**

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BSHS Theater's 'Tropical' OAP advances to Bi-District



Big Spring High School Theater students performed their One Act Play "Anna In the Tropics" Tuesday at the Bi-District competition in Wylie, after advancing from the District competition in Snyder March 21.

The production earned "Alternate Advancing Play" from the Bi-District meet. In addition, cast member Evelyn Diosdado Malachi Allen and Jorden Cervantez was awarded All-Star Cast, while Malachi Allen and Jorden Cervantez received Honorable Mention All-Star Cast.

At the District competition, five individuals earned acting awards. Diosdado and Allen were named to the All-Star Cast, while Sebastian Cervantez, Kaelob Stewart and Theran Sealy received Honorable Mention All-Star Cast awards, and Makynsa Norman received a Technical Award.

The students will be doing a public performance April 5 at 7 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

New Teen Court director on the job



HERALD photo/Roger Cline **President of the Teen Court** Board Dana Rodriguez. left, briefs newly hired Teen Court Director Nancy Twining, right, on the job. Howard College Dean of Students Christi Mikeska was also at the meeting. Twining's new job will oversee the Teen Court, offering mediation and discipline to teenage students for infractions such as curfew violations and truancy. The trio hope the Teen Court will be up and running by May.

Butterfly release; remembering loved ones



HERALD file photo

An attendee releases a butterfly at 2018's Home Hospice annual butterfly release. This year's release and celebration will be April 28.

By AMANDA DUFORAT

Managing Editor

From a caterpillar to a butterfly grown from love, a loved one is remembered. Home Hospice's annual butterfly release and family cele-

bration has been scheduled for April 28, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. at First United Methodist Church. "Our butterfly release serves as a form of healing and lets

the families and the community know, we have not forgotten their loved ones," Beverly Grant, said. "The ceremony is very somber and allows for a time of reflection when the butterflies are released. Every now and then a few of the butterflies will stick around and it's just one more way our loved ones let us know they are with us still."

Each year, area schools get to help raise the butterflies for the release. This year, according to Grant, students at

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District 4 **City Council** race draws 5 candidates



Archer-

Shonda Folsom





McDonald Saldivar



David Scott

ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

With the resignation of Big Spring City Council member Howard Stewart from the District 4 council seat, five candidates have stepped forward to vie for the position he's vacating.

Stewart, who was not up for re-election in this year's local race, announced his resignation to the city in a letter dated Feb. 27. In the letter. Stewart said he's enjoyed serving on the council for the past two years, and cites a "job change" as the reason for his departure. The letter also indicates Stewart's understanding that he will continue to serve until a

replacement is found. The letter of resignation was formally accepted at the City Council meeting March 12, and filing for candidates for the position was open from that date through March 25. The new District 4 council member will be chosen in a special election, which will run along with the regular local elections May 4.

Candidates who filed to run for the position include:

- Dylan Archer-Pauchet
- · Shonda Folsom · Gloria McDonald
- · Adriel Saldivar
- David Scott

In addition to the special city election for District 4, contested races are being held for mayor of Big Spring and for District 5 Council member. Candidates for mayor include David Mathis, Anna Scott, Shannon Thomason and Debbie See CANDIDATES, Page 3



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Obituaries

Avis Odell Woods Cox



Avis Odell Woods Cox, 89, of Ecuador, formerly of Big Spring, died Jan. 22, 2019, in Ecuador. An internment service will be held 1 p.m., Saturday, March 30, 2019, at the Trinity Memorial Park Peace Chapel with Rev. Mark Winn officiating.

Odell was born Dec. 17, 1929, to Driscoe and Lily Woods in Mercury, Texas. She married Edwin H. Cox Jan. 25, 1948, in Santa Ana,

Texas, and he preceded her in death April 21, 2010. She was a lifetime resident of Texas, moving to Cuenca, Azuay, Ecuador in 2014. She loved the adventure of calling a new country home. She was an amazing daughter, sister, wife, aunt, mother and grandmother, and most importantly, a woman after God's heart.

She is survived by five children, Cary Cox, Edwin

"Skeeter" Cox, Jr., Judy Cox Wright, Sherri Cox Franklin and Wayne Cox; seven grandchildren, Byron Cox, Melanie Cox Gutierrez, Nicole Wright Jones, Chase Wright, Cassi Wright Walden, Shelby Franklin and Logan Franklin; five great-grandchildren, Nathan Jones, Kenzi Walden, Tesli Walden, Kylan Walden and Bronx Osborne; and her siblings, Otis Leroy Woods, Billy Norman Woods and Carolyn Elizabeth Woods Stone.

Odell was also preceded in death by her parents; a sister and brother-in-law, Wilma Faye and Lonnie Knutson; two sisters-in-law, Eva Woods and Billie Ruth Woods; a brother-in-law, Bill Stone; and a grandson, Lenny Cox.

The family suggests memorials to the Woods Family Reunion Fund: Carolyn Stone, 6448 Hwy 79 So., Wichita Falls, TX 76310, or to Alzheimer's Association at www.alz.org/donate

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory. Online condolences can be made at www.npwelch.com.

Paid Obituary

Sandra Lee Nanny

Memorial services for Sandra Lee Nanny, 67, of Jal, NM, will be held Monday, April 1 2019, at 2 p.m. at Jal First Baptist Church with Bro. Jody O'Briant officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Kirby-Smith-Rogers Funeral Home.

Sandy was born in Lamesa, Texas, on Aug. 13, 1951, to James Earl and Mary Helen (Moore) Wells, and passed away in Hobbs, NM on March 23, 2019. She was raised in Ackerly, Texas, a cotton field community, graduated from school there, and she did the usual teenage things. In 1982, she met Paul Edward "Eddie" Nanny in Collinsville, Texas, and on Sept. 2, 1988, they married.

Sandy loved fishing at Lake Texoma and staying on their cabin cruiser called the "Croppy Queen Boathouse." They won prizes at the Croppythons and loved the time they could spend on the lake. She was a great baker with chocolate cake and pies being her specialty.

Sandy was an out-going, friendly person, never met a stranger, and was great at making people laugh. She loved music, especially spiritual, and enjoyed Christian music concerts. She was a Christian and loved her Lord and Savior and wanted it shared that she is now in His Kingdom and worshipping Him in glory and praise. She was lovingly called "Kacker' by her nieces and nephews. She will be missed by her family and her church family

Preceding her in death were her parents; her husband; and one niece, Amanda Court.

Surviving her are her nieces, Laurie and William Green of Jal, NM, and Whitney and Joseph DeKeyser of Big Spring, Texas; nephews, Kenneth Court of Jal, NM; Cody and Gina Wells of Big Spring, Texas; one brother, Dennis and wife Gail Wells of Big Spring, Texas; and one sister, Kay Lynn Riddle of Jal, NM; great-nieces and nephews, Logan and Laci Green, Bailey Wells, and Abigail DeKeyser; also her caring friend, Gayla Able of Jal, NM. A "thank you" to Ruthie Schreffler, Joe Cole, Bro. Jody; her church family, Becky and Patricia; and Dennis with Kindred Hospice.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Baptist Children's Home, PO Box 629, Portales, NM 88130, or to an organization of your choice.

Condolences may be sent to www.kirbysmithrogers.com.

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ed in the 2500 block of Larry. One

Big Spring Fire Department/ EMS reported the following ac-

- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 1600 block of W. First St. No transport was required.
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- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 2800 block of Sherman. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Cen-

- ERNEST GAR-CIA, 29, was arrested by BPSD on warrants for theft of service (750-\$2,500), driving with invalid license, failure to maintain financial responsibility, and two for failure to appear.
- DEARIES QUINCY JONES, 31, was arrested by BSPD on warrants for possession of a controlled substance penalty group 1

(one to four grams), possession of drug paraphernalia, the warrants for expired registration, driving with invalid license.

- MATTHEW SAMUEL MU-NIZ, 30, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of walking in roadway where sidewalk is available.
- TIARA SHEME WARE, 29, was arrested by HCSO on a bond violation of protective order.

Volunteer Opportunities

Home Hospice is looking for volunteers (18 +) and junior volunteers (9-16 years old). Applications can be picked up at the Home Hospice office, located at 111 E. Seventh Street, Suite A between 8 a.m and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Adult volunteers will need to complete a training and must be able to pass a background check. Volunteer duties will include home visits; junior volunteers will be helping with office work, community events and holiday activities.

Victim Services is a non-profit independent community-based program serving victims of all violent crime, including, but not limited to, assault, sexual assault and domestic violence. Victim Services advocates are available 24 hours of day, 365 days a year to provide crisis intervention or accompaniment to the hospital and law enforcement agencies as needed. If you can commit to 30-hour training, an interview process and a background check, we need you. For

more information, call Linda Calvio at 432-263-3312.

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Sammy Wrinkle Sammy Wrinkle, 83, of Midland passed away Wednesday, March 27, 2019. Visitation will be held from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., Sunday, March 31, 2019, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. Funeral service will be held at 11 a.m., Monday, April 1, 2019, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Chapel in Midland. Interment will be held at 1 p.m., Monday, April 1, 2019, at Resthaven North Cemetery in Midland.

Samantha Shifflett Mrazek

Samantha Shifflett Mrazek 58, of Big Spring passed away Thursday, March 28, 2019, at Medical City in Fort Worth. Funeral services will be 1 p.m. Saturday, March 30, 2019, at McCoy Chapel of Memories with Rev. Carolyn Easter and Rev. Jimmy Don Bennett officiating. Following the service, per Samantha's wishes, her body will be cremated. Arrangements are under the direction of McCoy Funeral Home. Online condolences may be expressed at www.mccoyfh.com.

Police blotter

-The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity: • DEARIES QUINCY JONES, 31, of 801 W. Marcy

- Apt. 32, was arrested on warrants for possession of drug paraphernalia, three counts for expired registration, driving while license invalid, failure to maintain responsibility, and possession of a controlled substance penalty group 1 (one to four
- MATTHEW SAMUEL MUNIZ, 19, of 6404 Lipizzaner Dr., Imperial, MO, was arrested on a charge of walking in roadway when sidewalk provided. JAMES ERNEST GARCIA, 29, of 1612 Blue-
- bird, was arrested on warrants for theft of service (\$750-\$2,500), driving with invalid license, failure to maintain financial responsibility-second offense, and two counts of failure to appear. • TIARA SHEME WARE, 29 of 4616 Aspen St.,
- was arrested on a charge of violating a protective order by going to or near residence, employment or school. THEFT OF FIREARM was reported in the 2100
- block of Carl St., and in the 3600 block of W. Hwy 80. ACCIDENT MINOR was reported at N.W. 3rd
- St and Gregg. FOUND PROPERTY was reported in the 3600
- block of W. Hwy 80. STOLEN VEHICLE was reported in the 3600 block of W. Hwy 80.
- DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported in the 4600 block of Aspen St.
- DISTURBANCE was reported in the 2700 block of Wasson Rd.
- WELFARE CONCERN was reported in the 100 block of Jonesboro Rd.



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Weather

Today: Partly sunny, then gradually becoming sunny, with a high near 90. West wind 10 to 15 mph.

Tonight: Increasing clouds, with a low around 51. Southwest wind 5 to 15 mph.

Saturday: Mostly sunny through mid morning, then becoming cloudy, with a high near 59. Northeast wind 15 to 20 mph, with gusts as high as 30 mph. Saturday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 37. Northeast wind 15 to 20 mph.

Sunday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 55. Northeast wind around 10 mph.

Sunday Night: A 40 percent chance of rain. Partly cloudy, with a low around 36.

Monday: Sunny, with a high near 60.

Monday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 43.

Tuesday: Partly sunny, with a high near 74.

Tuesday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 51.

Wednesday: Partly sunny, with a high near 81.

Wednesday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 56.

(Weather courtesy National Weather Service via forecast.weather.gov)

CANDIDATES

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Wegman; while District 5 candidates include Daniel Moreno and Camilla Strande.

Big Spring High School will host a debate between three of the four mayoral candidates at 6 p.m. April 2; participants will include Anna Scott, David Mathis and Shannon Thomason.

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

while BSHS will also hold a Candidate's Forum April 18 at 7 p.m. in the High School Library. The

two candidate forums are open to all Big Spring

BUTTERFLIES

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Coahoma, Little Learners and South Elementary in Lamesa have the privilege of helping the caterpillars turn into butterflies.

"Death is a big thing and it can be overwhelming, especially for children. Having them grow our butterflies provides them a sense of accomplishments, lets them see the beauty of life and helps them to see that even in the dark moments of death, there is healing," she said. The community is invited to attend the butterfly release - which has been taking place for more than

17 years - and is encouraged to submit names of loved ones lost. Grant said she would like to have names turned in by April 26 so the list can be compiled, but it will still be possible to add them to the list after that deadline. "We want to make sure our patient's families, and the community know they are not alone in the

grieving process. Grief is not something they have to deal with alone, but it will take place in their own time," Grant said. "The butterfly ceremony allows families to realize they are not alone and let's us show them, we have not forgotten their loved one."

Take Note

• Home Hospice is looking for volunteers (18 +) and junior volunteers (9-16 years old). Applications can be picked up at the Home Hospice office, located at 111 E. Seventh Street, Suite A between 8 a.m and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Adult volunteers will need to complete a training and must be able to pass a background check. Volunteer duties will include home visits; junior volunteers will be helping with office work, community events and holiday activities. More information can be obtained by calling 264-7599 or 432-967-0901.

- · A fund has been set up to assist Debbye Salazar-ValVerde with funeral expenses. If you would like to contribute, please stop by State National Bank and speak with Jeff Ward. Checks are to be made payable to "Patsy Rodriguez ITF Debbye ValVerde".
- AARP Tax-Aide will offer free income tax preparation each Monday through April 1 at the Big Spring Senior Center at the Dora Roberts Community Center, 100 Whipkey Drive. Hours are 8 a.m. to noon. The service is available to all taxpayers with moderate to low income.

Taxpayers need to bring a photo ID for the taxpayer and/or spouse, Social Security cards for everyone on the tax return (Tax-Aide will not do a return without seeing the Social Security cards), last year's tax returns, and W-2s and all other proof of income received in 2018. Free electronic filing will be available for faster refunds.

For more information contact Ray Alexander at

- Keep Big Spring Beautiful meets at noon the first Monday of every month. We meet at Howard College in the Cactus Room. Our vision is that every Big Spring citizen will take individual responsibility for making Big Spring the most beautiful city in Texas. Visitors are always welcome. For more information call Tammy at 432-935-0057.
- · Wildflower Ministries will have their next Foster Informational Meeting on Monday, March 11. 2019. This group meets at Trinity Baptist Church, 1701 E. FM 700. Have you ever considered fostering? Do you have questions? Wait no longer. Your opportunity is here. Come meet foster parents and a lisencing professional to learn about foster-

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If you want additional information about getting your child on this program please contact your child's school. The next sacking event will be April 1 and 2 at the old Lakeview High School, 1107 NW 7th St., at 5:30 p.m.

• The Academy, an optional program available to all Coahoma ISD students in the first through fifth grade, is now accepting applications for current students grades first through fifth for the 2019-2020 academic year.

The program is designed to develop academic skills while emphasizing student responsibility, leadership, and self-confidence. It is structured to create an environment that allows flexible scheduling, hands-on learning, incorporation of music and movement into academic lessons while hold-

ing students to high expectations of responsibility.

Applicants and their parents must undergo an interview and complete an orientation prior to the start of the program.

Forms can be filled out in the Coahoma Elementary School office, 400 Ramsey, Street, Coahoma. Applications must be submitted no later than 3 p.m. Friday, Mar. 29, 2019.

Students who are already in the program will not have to re-apply.

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Maria M. Mendoza, 94, died Friday March 15, 2019. Vigil service will be at 7:00 PM tonight at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral Mass will be at 10:00 AM Saturday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church. Burial will be at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Support Groups

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

St. Mary's Episcopal Church

St. Mary's Episcopal Church welcomes all to participate in our services. We are located at 1001 S. Goliad, North of the high school, and would love to have you visit. Sunday services begin at 10:30 a.m. followed by brunch in the Parish Hall. On Wednesdays, we have Bible study and coffee in the morning at 10:30 a.m., and evening we have Evening prayer, dinner, and book study starting at 5:30 p.m. What a great opportunity to have meaningful fellowship and develop relationships with people who have a common interest, following the steps of Christ. Please come and join us for a time of worship and fellowship in a place that welcomes all in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Happenings for March: Ministerial Fellowship, Big Spring Area Church-

The ecumenical Lenten Luncheon series this

Wednesday, April 3, will be at First Baptist Church, with Richard Schneberger, from NazFamily Church, as the speaker. Please come and join us for a time of fellowship.

Crestview Baptist Church

We at Crestview Baptist Church want to extend a warm invitation for you and your family to come and join us for worship, discipleship, evangelism, and fellowship. At Crestview, we are all about the gospel of Jesus Christ and serving Him as we learn His Word together. Sunday School begins at 10 a.m., and Sunday Worship is at 11 a.m. Pastor Tom Lassiter will be preaching on the Book of Micah this Sunday morning. On Sunday and Wednesday nights, at 6:30 p.m., the pastor is teaching through the Book of Proverbs, verse by verse. If you have any piano playing skills and feel led

to use those skills, we are in need of a piano player on Sunday morning. You can contact Pastor Tom Lassiter at 432-213-4177. Please come and join with us at Crestview if you

are looking for a church home, where we believe that man's chief end is to glorify God and enjoy Him forever! We are at 2305 Gatesville Rd. in Big Spring.

NazFamily Church The Life God Blesses

"Christians don't simply learn or study or use Scripture; we assimilate it, take it into our lives in such a way that it gets metabolized into acts of love, cups of cold water, missions into all the world, healing and evangelism and justice in Jesus' name, hands raised in adoration of the Father, feet washed in company with the Son." ~ Eugene Peterson Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive

yourselves. Do what it says. Anyone who listens to the word, but does not do what it says is like someone who looks at his face in a mirror and, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like. But, whoever looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom, and continues in it—not forgetting what they have heard, but doing it—they will be blessed in what they do. \sim James 1:22-25 Each week the NazFamily gathers to not only

hear and study the Scriptures, but to learn how to apply the word to our daily lives. You won't want to miss this Sunday as we continue to grow and journey together as followers of Jesus! Lenten Lunches: Several congregations in the

- Big Spring area come together during the season of Lent providing a lunch and time of devotion each Wednesday leading up to Easter. Here is the schedule for this year: April 3 at First Baptist Church -Speaker, Richard Schneberger (NazFamily); April 10 at St. Mary's Episcopal - Speaker, Rachel McKain (Salvation Army). Each of the lunches will begin at 12 p.m. and last one hour, allowing people to participate over their lunch break. This is a great opportunity to connect in Christ-centered community!
- · Blessing Bags: Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world. (James 1:27) Often children in foster care have to place their only possessions in a trash bag to transition from one place to another. We want all children to know their immense value. They are loved by God and not forgotten or forsaken by Him. At NazFamily Church we are collecting new or gently used bags to donate to children in Howard County. If you want, you can include something comforting, such as a blanket, book, or stuffed animal, and an unsigned note of encouragement. We believe these simple acts of love could have an eternal impact. "Not all of us can do great things. But we can do small things with great love." (Mother Teresa) • The Case for Easter: Of the many world reli-
- gions, only one claims that its founder returned from the grave. The resurrection of Jesus Christ is the very cornerstone of Christianity. In our sophisticated age, when myth has given way to science, who can take such a claim seriously? Some argue that Jesus never died on the cross. Conflicting accounts make the empty tomb seem suspect. How credible is the proof for the resurrection? Focusing on his award-winning skills as a legal journalist on history's most compelling enigma, Lee Strobel retraces the startling findings that led him from atheism to belief. Join us at NazFamily this Wednesday as we continue this fascinating study leading up to our Easter celebration!
- Spring Fling: Nazarene Christian Academy will be hosting a Spring Fling parent and child dance on April 5 from 6-8 p.m. Join us in the church gym and show off your best moves and your best outfit; there will be prizes and refreshments. Tickets are

• Journey to the Cross: "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish, but have eternal life." (John 3:16) Join us at the NazFamily Church on Wednesday and Thursday, April 17 and 18, from 6-8 p.m. for an interactive prayer walk as we reflect on God's great love for us. · Good Friday: "Amazing love, how can it be, that

You, My King, would die for me!" We will have a special Good Friday service on April 19, at 6:30 p.m. All are invited to join us for this meaningful time of reflection, worship, and prayer. • He Is Risen!: We are planning a powerful worship

- gathering on Easter Sunday as we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord. We will begin with a sunrise prayer time at 7 a.m., followed by all church breakfast at 9 a.m. in the gym. Our Worship Gathering at 10 a.m. This is a great time to invite friends, family and neighbors to come worship with us. You won't want to miss out on this meaningful time together. He is risen indeed! Community Egg Hunt: It is that time of year!
- Time to start collecting candy and stickers for our annual community wide Easter egg hunt that will be on Saturday, April 20. Let's continue to love our community authentically through this great event. NazFamily Summer Mission Trip: This summer
- the NazFamily will be taking a team to work with the Nazarene Boarder Initiative in Chihuahua, Mexico. We have several projects lined up with the ministry near the boarder in El Paso and in Mexico from August 4-11. More details will be coming soon. If you are interested in being a part of this team, let Howard Callendar or Pastor Richard know.

Cornerstone Covenant Church We at Cornerstone Covenant Church would love

the opportunity to Connect with YOU! Please join us this week at one of the following events: Sunday, March 31 - 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, April 15- Let's hear it for the girls! Join

us for our Women's Far Above Rubies night. We will be gathering in the ARC from 6-8 p.m. We welcome women of all ages to join us for an evening of laughter, fun and fellowship with sisters in Christ. Please bring a dish or finger foods to share. If you need more information contact Debbie Reiger at 432-935-1257. 3 DAY Extravaganza April 19, April 20 and April

21-Mark your calendars and join us as we gather: Day 1: For our Good Friday Communion Worship

Service Friday, April 19 at 7 p.m. in the Main Sanc-Day 2: Come on out on Saturday, April 20 for

CCC's Spring Fellowship. We will have our Sweets & Meats Cook-Off at Big Spring Comanche Trail Park in the Old Settlers Pavilion from 11:00-3:00. We will also have Family fun games and sports competition everyone can participate in. Day3: Closing out this amazing weekend on Sun-

day, April 21 at our 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. services. We will have performances from our adult choir and our Children's Church, Kovenant Kidz. Come on out and Celebrate Resurrection Sunday. Van transportation- We have an active Van Min-

istry that picks-up on Sundays for our 11 a.m. worship wervice. If you are needing a ride please contact the church office. Cornerstone Covenant Church (CCC) is a unified,

spirit-led, purpose-driven church, which cultivates an atmosphere of faith so that lives can be transformed by Jesus Christ. Please join us every Sunday at 9 a.m., 11 a.m. and Wednesday at 7 p.m. for worship services. CCC is located at 706 East 12th St. For office hours

or other questions, please contact our Administrative Office at 432-264-0015, or email us at info@ cccbigspring.org. You can also find us at facebook. com/CCCBigSpring, or visit us at www.cccbigspring.org if you would like more information. First Presbyterian Church

On Wednesday, the Lectionary Bible Study, led by Taylor Todd, meets at 5 p.m. in the church li-

brary. The Chancel Choir rehearses at 6 p.m.in the Presbyterian Women met on Tuesday, March 26, at 2 p.m. in the library for Bible study on lesson six

"God with Us as Emmanuel," in the Horizons study book. They also set up the Fellowship Hall for the Lenten Luncheon the church is hosting the next March 27, the Lenten Luncheon is to be at First Presbyterian Church, with Father Christian Rabo-

ne, St. Mary's Episcopal Church, as speaker. April 3, First Baptist Church hosts the luncheon; Rev. Richard Schenberger, First Church of the Nazarene, speaker. The final luncheon is set for April 10 at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Father Avenido of Holy Trinity Catholic Church, speaker. Everyone in the community is invited to these Lenten Lun-

Saturday, March 30, at 8 a.m., the monthly prayer breakfast will be in Fellowship Hall. The speaker is to be Gary Carpenter, retired Border Patrol and Customs Officer. Everyone is cordially invited to share the free breakfast.

Sunday, March 31, after worship, Rev. Todd would like to meet with children and youth of the church and their parents, as well as anyone else who is interested in revitalizing the church's children and youth ministry. Pizza and drinks will be

furnished for those who come. Cecilia Hallford is in charge of Take Ten for this Sunday. Lector last Sunday was Buddy Cochrane. Ushers were Buddy Mark McLean, Cochrane, Dave Wilson, and John Yater. To order lilies for Easter, everyone is asked to fill

out the form that was in the bulletin last week and will be in the bulletin the next Sunday or to call the church office. The flowers may be designated In Memory or In Honor of specific persons.

The lectionary passages for the Fourth Sunday in Lent are Joshua 5:9-12; Psalm 23; II Corinthians 5:16-21: and Luke 15:1-3, 11-32. The Noisy Offering, which is used to help feed

the hungry in our community and around the

world, will be collected during the Children's Moment. Buddy Cochrane will deliver the sermon and officiate at the baptism of Cody James Liston. The Chancel Choir will begin the service with the introit "My Song Is Love Unknown," by John Ireland. The choir will present "Do Not Fear, For You Are Mine," arranged by David Lantz III, as the offertory. Please note that our worship service begins at

10:50 a.m. for announcements and parish concerns before our radio broadcast starts at 11.

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

Alive in Christ Lutheran Church

Fourth Sunday in Lent, March 31, 2019 "Celebrating and Sharing God's Love and Grace

in our lives". We are located at 2805 Lynn Drive in the Kent-

wood neighborhood in Big Spring. If you would like to reach Pastor Lamb or the church office, please call 432-264-7818, or e-mail us at aliveinchristtx@

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 Lenten Services called "A Lent to Remember" are every Wednesday evening at 7 p.m. through April 10. We will have a soup supper at 6 p.m. Please come and join us for the meal and the service. Holy Week begins in April 14. Please join us for Maundy Thursday Services on April 18 at 7 p.m. and for our Good Friday Services on April 19 at 7 p.m. We are having two services on Easter Sunday, Sunrise Service at 8 a.m., and our regular service at 10:30 a.m. There will be a pancake breakfast between the two services.

Bo Vizcaino will present the scripture readings

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

First Christian Church

What is worship? It is honoring God for who He is. We sing and praise the Lord, recall His goodness and blessings, and give Him thanks for His love and care for our lives. We pray and open His love letter to us (God's Holy Bible), and fellowship with one another celebrating being a part of God's forever family.

We also gather around our Lord's Communion Table to remind us of His supreme sacrifice for our

We welcome all to worship each Sunday at 10:50 Palm Sunday, April 14, you are invited to stay af-

ter worship for a fellowship meal. Easter Sunday, April 21: We celebrate the Lord Jesus Christ's resurrection!

"Come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord our Maker. For He is God, and we are the people of His pasture" Psalm 95:6-7 First Christian Church is located at 911 Goliad.

To find out more information, call the office at 432-517-4821 or visit, fccbigspring.com. Pastor of First Christian Church is Dr. Sandy Z. Sandlin. First Baptist Church

"The LORD is good. A stronghold in the day of

trouble; And He knows those who trust in Him." Rejoice in the LORD as part of the family of First

Baptist Church Sunday at 10:50 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Worshippers will honor God in song as Music Minister Alan Schantz leads a mix of both contemporary and classic songs of the faith. Pastor Mark Lindsey continues the sermon series leading up to Easter "The Word of The Cross", and each Sunday's message will focus on a different word describing the final words of Jesus spoken from the cross. FBC now offers Deaf Interpretation in the morning service.

If you need assistance accessing the sanctuary due to 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. (Click on 'MORE' tab, then 'SER-MONS'). Also, be sure to pick up one of the prayer/ devotional booklets located in the north and west

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foyers; "The Easter Code" is a 40 day journey to the cross written by O.S. Hawkins.

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

At 5 p.m. in the chapel is the church-wide time of prayer; please come and join other believers in this occasion of intimate communion with our Lord.

Evening worship service begins at 5:30 and is a wonderful way of preparing one's heart for the upcoming week. Pastor Mark continues the message series drawn from The Beatitudes(Matthew 5). All area women are encouraged to be part of the

Ladies' first night out Monday April 1 at 6 p.m., (no fooling!). Bring some friends, and come enjoy some delicious dinner while encouraging one another in the LORD. Enter through the east kitchen doors.

Tuesday April 2 at noon, everyone's invited to join the Triple LLL (Living Longer & Loving It) group in the church dining room for a tasty lunch and some great fellowship; enter through the east kitchen doors.

Wednesday April 3 at noon, First Baptist Church is the host for the community Lenten Luncheon in the Family Life Center. Everyone's invited to this special time of reflection during this time leading up to Resurrection Sunday(Easter).

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

Wednesday evening activities begin at 6 p.m. and include adult Bible study and prayer time, Real LYF for children, youth group, and adult worship choir practice. Contact Youth Pastor Jonathan Raffini at 432-270-8332 for details about teen events, or just come to the second floor Youth room at 6 and join the fun!

To find out more about what's happening at FBC, go to the website fbcbigspring.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

Blessed Hands Deaf Church

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

College Baptist Church

Spring has sprung up all around us. Flowers are blooming and here we are in God's beautiful country of Howard County. Come join us as He continues to allow us to be on the move at College Baptist Church with Him. We would love to meet with you. We are located on the corner of 11th Place and Birdwell Lane. We have Bible study leaders for Sunday school Sunday morning at 9:15 for all ages, and at 10:45 our Worship team leads us in praise and inspiring hymns. Sunday morning, Bro. Ken is preaching through the Seven Churches of Revelation and will be leading us in a study of God's Word still relevant in these troubled times. Afternoon G.A.s and R.A.s meet at 5. Women's Bible Study is at 4:30 on Sunday and 5:30 on Wednesday. Our service Sunday evening is at 6 p.m. Wednesday, King's Kids, Wee singers, and prayer and Bible study for youth and adults all meet at 7 p.m. We are also preparing for our Easter musical every Sunday at 8 p.m. Sunday evening we enjoyed a free North American Cuisine with members providing dishes from recipes by our Missions Committee. We are celebrating our Annie Armstrong Missions offering goal and reached close to \$1,000 to date. Come celebrate the joy with us in worship as we praise the Mighty God we serve. Please call 432-267-7429, for more information about this great Church.

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 Ser-

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vice 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, March 31, Pastor Derrell Patterson continues a sermon series on The Seven Deadly Sins and The Seven Virtues. Sunday's sermon is "Greed VS Generosity" from Luke 12:13-21. 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".

This Sunday is the fifth Sunday in March, so there will be only one worship service on March 31, at 11 a.m. It is also a celebration of completing the Financial Peace University Course involving the whole congregation. Dave Ramsey's FPU has changed the lives of many families as they find freedom from debt and learn how to handle money God's way. There will be testimonies of how the nine-week study has helped families with their finances as well as deepen their spiritual lives. A meal for the congregation will be served after the service in the Partee Building.

The Wednesday Noon Bible Study will not meet for the next two weeks in order to allow members to attend the Lenten Lunches held at a different church each week. On Wednesday, April 3, the Community Lenten Lunch will be held at First Baptist Church at noon. Rev. Richard Schneberger, pastor of First Church of the Nazarene will speak.

Real Life Wednesday night sessions include something for almost everyone. The Children's Choir and Women's Bible Study meet at 6 p.m. Youth, Choir Rehearsal and Celebrate Recovery are also at 6 p.m. Another Financial Peace University Class meets at 6:30 p.m. The Praise Team Rehearsal is at 7 p.m. "Celebrate Recov-

ery" sessions are offered every Wednesday for anyone in the community seeking freedom and healing from hurts, habits, and hang-ups. Worship and helpful Biblebased discussions begin at 6 p.m. The public is invited to drop by the north entrance of the building on Scurry Street any Wednesday.

Other events on the church calendar include:

- Men's Walk To Emmaus Retreat, March 28-
- Confirmation Classes for youth which begins with a Confirmation Retreat March 29-31.
- Fifth Sunday Service on March 31, when there will be only one Worship Service at 11 a.m.
- Emmaus Community Gathering Worship Service, 7 p.m., April 11.
- Palm Sunday on April
- Maundy Thursday
- Service, 6 p.m., April 18 Easter Sunday on

April 21. For more information on any activity, please visit the website at www. fumcbs.com or phone the church office at 432-267-6394.

Spring Creek **Fellowship**

Please join us this Sunday, March 31 immediately after Services to bid farewell and give a blessing for Derrick and Donna Sue Looney as they step out in faith on their new journey. We will celebrate with a meal and fellowship. Chicken will be provided. Please bring your favorite sides, salads and desserts.

Youth is selling raffle tickets as a fundraiser for camp and other activities. Talk to any youth member, parent or staff member.

The "Love Is" Marriage Conference is scheduled

for Saturday, May 4 from 9-4:30 p.m. Cost is \$40. Dinner and a date will follow that evening. Contact the office for more info. VBS is happening June 9 through 11. About 30 volunteers are needed for each evening. Please

sign up at the Information Desk or contact Lauren Bratcher. KID CONNECT/GOSPEL PROJECT FOR KIDS

March 31, 2019 CROSSING THE JORDAN, Joshua 1-4, God brought down the walls of Jericho. The Signal Mountain Quilters Group meets on the second Friday of each month. This group is

open to all in the community who are interested. The proceeds from the quilt they are making this year will be donated to The Life Center. Volunteer Opportunities: •Vacation Bible School •Funeral Meal Team •Nursery •Children's Church

•Van Ministry •"People Helping People" Ministry

•"Our Daily Bread" Food Pantry "Our Daily Bread" Food Pantry will be open the second and fourth Saturday of each month from 9 to 11 a.m. to help anyone who needs food. We are in the mall. Go in the door where the movie theater is located, and we are in the first spot on the left. Volunteers are needed to unload trucks on Wednesdays before they are open on the weekend. If you are interested in volunteering with the "Our Daily Bread Food Pantry" ministry, please contact Kay Elder.

All men are invited to the weekly Men's Prayer Breakfast on Saturdays at 7:30 a.m. at Evita's Restaurant in the mall. Please join us!

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Cox places 2nd at Westbrook golf tourney



Special to the Herald

COLORADO CITY — Julia Cox had an outstanding day on the links at the Westbrook High School Invitational, held at the Wolf Creek Golf Course on Wednesday.

The Coahoma High School sophomore shot a round of 102 and earned second place in the girl's medalist standings. In the boy's competition, Ky Kemper led the Coahoma team carding a round of 88. He ended with a fourth place individual medal for the competition.

Fellow teammate A.J. Gutierrez fell just eight shots behind Kemper to pencil in a round of 96. Cutter Atkins and Alex Gonzales had a solid outing for the day. Atkins shot a round of 113 and Gonzales shot 117.

Westbrook High School Invitational

Wolf Creek Golf Course March 27, 2019

Results (Coahoma only)

Julia Cox, 102, second place medalist

Boys Ky Kemper, 88, fourth place medalist

A.J. Gutierrez, 96 Cutter Atkins, 106 Aaron Turnbough, 113 Alex Gonzales, 117

Courtesy Photo

Julia Cox poses with her second place medal earned at the Westbrook High School Invitational held Wednesday, March 27, at the Wolf Creek Golf Course.

Texas Tech clamps down in 63-44 win over Michigan

By EDDIE PELLS

AP National Writer

ANAHEIM, Calif. — More than 24 minutes into the game, the nation's best defense had yet to allow its 20th

Yes, Texas Tech makes it tough on people. One more clamp-down job like this and the Red Raiders will be D-ing up in the Final Four.

Jarett Culver's 22 points were a mere subplot in third-seeded Tech's 63-44 takedown of No. 2 Michigan in the West Region on Thursday night — a victory that set up an intriguing Elite Eight showdown against Gonzaga, which boasts the country's leading offense.

Texas Tech (29-6) is back to this point for the second straight year thanks to a shut-down job of epic proportions. The Raiders held an efficient-if-notspectacular Michigan (30-7) offense to 16 field goals, 32 percent shooting and only a single 3-point basket on 19 attempts — a clanker by C.J. Baird in mop-up duty that drooled in with 21.8 seconds left.

"We guarded at a high level," coach

Chris Beard said. Sure did.

Only five players scored for Michigan, which was led by its brash playmaker, freshman Iggy Brazdeikis, who finished with 17, most of which came well after the game was out of

There simply wasn't anywhere to go against a lanky, athletic Texas Tech

defense that succeeds by clogging the middle, then forcing teams to either move the ball toward the baseline and settle for jumpers with people in their face, or try to attack the rim, but pay a price while doing it.

Michigan has the nation's secondbest defense, and nearly 9 minutes into the game, the score was tied: 6-6.

"At the media timeout, (Assistant coach Mark Adams) was, like, 'We need to make an adjustment,' and I was like, 'Coach, they've scored six points. We need to get a basket," Beard said.

Texas Tech got its share. Michigan did not.

Watching the score get out of hand, Wolverines coach John Beilein, one of the best tacticians in the game, called a timeout early in the second half to try to get a shot, a possession, anything, that might generate some thing for his team to build on.

The Wolverines worked the ball to Zavier Simpson, who dribbled, and dribbled, and tried to take it to the rim against Red Raiders guard Matt Mooney. Simpson lobbed it up toward the rim. It barely grazed glass.

Moments later on the other end, Culver sent an alley-oop pass to Tariq Owens, who dunked so hard, the ball went into the band section. It made the score 36-18. By that point, the lead might as well have been a million. Michigan scored its 20th point on the next possession, when Jordan Poole looped an impossibly high banker



Texas Tech forward Tariq Owens (11) shoots over Michigan defenders during the second half an NCAA men's college basketball tournament West Region semifinal Thursday, March 28, in Anaheim, Calif.

just out of reach of Owens — off glass and in. There was 15:31 left in the second half.

"There were a lot of things we worked on in two days of practice, but we couldn't get far enough to make a difference, because that team practiced that defense for six months," Beilein said.

Davide Moretti had three 3-pointers and 15 points for Texas Tech, which started slowly on offense, but got rolling as the second half wore on. The Red Raiders missed nine of their first 10 shots but still shot 43 percent from

Michigan's other double-figures He's a senior, though this roster is full of underclassmen, who offer plenty of hope for 2019-20.

But on the night the 2018-19 season ended, hope for Michigan was as fleeting as an open look at the basket.

Spurs retire Ginobili's jersey during emotional ceremony



AP photo

San Antonio Spurs fans pose for a photo in front of a sign thanking Spurs legend Manu Ginobili before an NBA basketball game against the Cleveland Cavaliers, Thursday, March 28, in San Antonio. Ginobili's jersey was retired after the game.

By RAUL DOMINGUEZ

Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO — Manu Ginobili would have been happy to retire quietly without the Spurs retiring his jersey, but San Antonio coach Gregg Popovich said the humble Argentinian has no choice but to accept with the same passion he gave to the game.

"When you're that great, you have to go through it, so we're going to make him go through it," Popovich said.

The Spurs retired Ginobili's No. 20 following a 116-110 victory over the Cleveland Cavaliers on Thursday

"What am I doing here," Ginobili

said. "I had no expectations of being

here when I was growing up." He and Bill Bradley are the only players to win an NBA championship, Euroleague title and an Olympic gold medal. Ginobili won four NBA titles with the Spurs. Despite all his accomplishments and talent, Ginobili accepted a role coming off with the Spurs.

San Antonio's bench for all but 349 of his 1,057 games during his 16 seasons "To me, he's the definition of Spurs basketball because he had no ego," former Spurs point guard Tony Park-

Diaw said. "He just had a great coner said. nection with the fans, he spent a lot of Parker and Tim Duncan honored

the fellow Big Three star during a funny and heartfelt ceremony that also included speeches by Popovich and former Spurs and Argentina

While Ginobili's jersey now rests alongside those belonging to Johnny Moore, Avery Johnson, Bruce Bowen, James Silas, Tim Duncan, Sean Elliott, George Gervin and David Robinson, the thousands of No. 20 jerseys worn by the fans in attendance is proof he remains dear to the fans'

teammate Fabricio Oberto.

"His presence off the court was always something special," Popovich said. "The people here took him in as one of their own and he allowed it to happen. He's a very warm individual and understood his responsibility to the community. It was a great marriage from day one to this day."

Ginobili spent his entire NBA career with the Spurs, where he became arguably the most beloved player in franchise history.

"First time I'm on the court, you guys are cheering and chanting my name and I felt like you guys had my back," Ginobili said, thanking the sellout crowd.

Gervin, Robinson, Duncan and Parker are among the most popular but none captured the city's devotion as much as Ginobili. His ability to speak Spanish in a city predominantly Hispanic played a part in his popularity, but his humility, recklessness, fire and endeared him to the team's rabid fanbase.

"Because he's always 100 percent natural," former Spurs forward Boris

time with them. He would never say

no to take a picture, never say no to

take a picture.' Ginobili's introduction to the team was inauspicious. The Spurs drafted a then unknown Ginobili with the 57th pick of the 1999 draft and let him stay in the Euroleague for a few more

"We pick people I've never heard of. I hear ... Emmaniel Ginili," Duncan said, recreating the puzzled look of

But it quickly became apparent what San Antonio had from the moment the then-mop-topped 25-year-old stepped onto the court against the Los Angeles Lakers on Oct. 29, 2002.

"He was like a mustang out in the field somewhere," Popovich said. "That's how he lived his life on the court he was fearless and wild and did things that won games."

Popovich said Ginobili helped him become a better coach because he was able to take a step back and not nitpick over. Even if meant watching a pass sail into the stands.

"Nobody can control Manu," Parker said. "Manu is going to be Manu."

Ginobili also displayed an offensive style that has been adopted by an entire generation. His breakneck Eurostep, wrap-around ballhandling, hard fakes and step-back 3s have been adopted by players such as James Hard-

"Manu brought something new, something different and a lot of young guys at the time look at him and trying to copy it and seeing that it was working," Diaw said. "So, I think it's the guys we see now on the court are the young guys (watching Ginobili) from a few years ago."

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TAURUS (April

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). By the grace of time, you cannot acutely feel the sorrows of yesterday, though you still remember them. A picture from the past will recall a sense of what you were going through and lend perspective on today.

CANCER (June **22-July 22)**. A power suit doesn't make a person powerful, but it can affect how powerful a person

hero; the outfit matters. You'll put thought and effort into helping yourself make a confident entrance.

22). You'll likely have to spell out the rules for people who don't seem to understand them. You'll never regret being patient, gentle, kind and thorough in this regard.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You can learn something from every person you meet, even the ones with far less time on the planet or expertise in a field. With your curious mind, you'll keep picking up new intelligence.

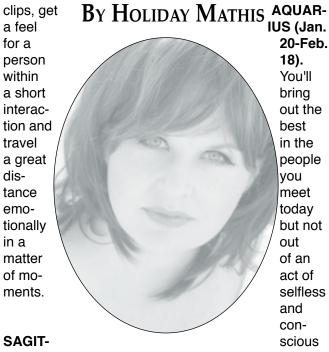
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Spiritual alignment has a feeling of openness to it. You might think being so open would leave you vulnerable, but you're attracting what's good and right for you. That forms a different kind of protection.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). It's a movie-trailer sort of a day. You will learn the gist of the story with a few key

feels. Ask any super-

LEO (July 23-Aug.

Tomorrow's Horoscope



SAGIT-TARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). It feels good to be considered for certain things, even if you don't quite get the position you were going for. It just shows that you're in your league and that when a good fit comes along, you'll slide right in.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Verbal freedom sometimes causes a backlash. But if you always thought about how your words would affect others, you wouldn't be able to express yourself

20-Feb. 18). You'll bring out the best in the people you meet today but not out of an act of selfless and conscious

goodwill. You bring out the best because that's what you actually see in them.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Your idea of who you are grows with each situation you take on. So even if what you're agreeing to do seems random and you're not sure why you agreed to do it, you'll still get the gift of knowing a different part of yourself.

TODAY'S BIRTH-DAY (March 29). The machinery that's been humming along at a moderate pace will sud-

denly kick into another gear. You're so productive through the next three months that by the end of June, you'll need to regroup, get organized and possibly move the operation elsewhere. Family makes you so proud in August. Capricorn and Sagittarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 5, 30, 25, 16 and 41.

WEEKEND LOVE

FORECAST: ARIES: Tell

them what you expect. Skip the preamble and get right to the point. TAURUS: Maybe the reason a relationship is just not there yet is that there is no "there." GEMINI: You'll see hidden parts of people when the pressure is on. CANCER: You know other people better when you know yourself better. LEO: Keeping your opinions to yourself will go far in keeping love alive. VIRGO: If in the body or the soul, defensiveness occurs around sore places. When you encounter it, don't take it personally. LIBRA: Wild ideas lead to excellent plans and beautiful eventualities. SCORPIO: Stay enthu-

siastic and you'll stay

the path to love. Losing joy is akin to losing your way. SAGITTARIUS: A good match will have a similar humor and tolerance for joking around. CAPRICORN: It's more enjoyable to be around people who have fewer requirements. AQUARI-US: You'll get reactions you weren't expecting, and that's the point. It's the magic of real interaction. PISCES: The world can be harsh. Love is a

COUPLE OF THE **WEEKEND:** Aquarius and Aries are the favorite couple of the zodiac this week. And they're so attractive as a twosome to the rest of the zodiac that they'll get very little time alone. Favored activities are party throwing and going, sports events or society happenings. No gathering will be the same without this star couple, and seeing one another as others do will further intensify their bond.

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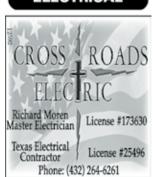
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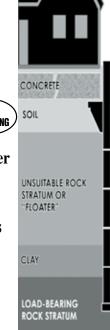
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Dear Annie: My daughter and daughter-in-law had a close relationship and worked together for a social networking business. My daughter recently went through a marriage breakup, and my daughter-in-law has totally unloaded on her. She said my daughter has not been a good friend. She has brought up several issues of complaint, including some on which she is speaking for my son. My daughter-in-law has stopped their relationship. I feel that my daughter-in-law is being immature, spoiled and selfish. She has issues from her childhood. She was adopted and many vears younger than her siblings. She recently found her birth parents and has established relationships with them and their families. I don't think the relationship between my daughter and daughter-in-law will ever be as it was. But how can I help them both to get over these issues and somewhat mend their relationship? I feel bad for my daughter. She needs her sister-inlaw now more than ever.

-- Concerned Mother

and Mother-in-Law

Dear Concerned: I'm not really sure that

what your daughter needs now more than ever is her sister-in-law -- the same person who completely unloaded on her just as her marriage was breaking up. As her mother, you should take the initiative and be there for your daughter as much as possible. Having a good relationship with your daughter is in your control, and she needs your support. At the same time, calling your daughter-in-law "immature, spoiled and selfish" is not going to help the two of them mend their differences. If anything, it will only drive a deeper wedge. No matter how old your daughter is, sometimes a girl just needs her mother. Be supportive of your daughter, and don't be so judgmental about your daughter-in-law or her past, and if they are meant to be friends again, it will happen. If not, there is nothing you can do about it.

Dear Annie: I would like to add another side to the story concerning the issue of flatulence. My beautiful mother-inlaw was the recipient of a colostomy bag. She was gravely ill, and this saved her life. However, her world changed

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drastically. She was constantly aware of noises and odors surrounding her. She withdrew and settled into a depression from worrying about this. She found herself homebound until absolutely necessary to go for groceries or checkups. She tried several different bags, and even though she found a good one, she never regained the confidence to leave home as she once did. If someone had ever mentioned anything about the odor, she would have been mortified. She was very aware of her diet, the time of day, etc., but sometimes awareness did not matter. Stuff happens. I am just trying to show another side of the issue "Stuck in a Seat" ran into at the theater. There are odor drops one can use, but unfortunately for my mother-in-law, she still was self-conscious. The biggest issue is that one has no warning or control. Though I agree that it is a complicated issue if people are found in a situation such as this, they should just try to move. If that's not successful, they should ask for a refund. They shouldn't embarrass someone over some-

Dear Stuck With It: Thank you for sharing your story about your mother-in-law. You offer another side of the issue.

Dear Annie: I am a woman in my late 30s marrying the woman of my dreams this fall. I will not be inviting my mother or, by extension, my father. Everyone seems to assume this is because they are opposed to gay marriage or are some sort of religious zealots. This is not true at all. They are fine with gay marriage, and in fact, we pretty much agree politically on all points. They just don't like me as a person. That is sad but also fine, as I don't really like them, either. So how do I navigate this? I don't want people maligning them as bigots, because they are not. They are just regular, run-of-themill jerks. I don't want them anywhere near me at my wedding. I don't like them, and though I do feel some sort of suppressed glee that everyone thinks they are horrible, I don't want people thinking they are horrible for the wrong reasons. Thoughts? --Confused

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Dear Annie: I am tall. Flying is miserable. In addition to having no legroom, I find that the area under the seat in front of me rarely has any room for my feet after I stow my CPAP, so my knees are especially vulnerable to the seat in front of me.

your wife-to-be.

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Dear Florida Lady: I expected a whole lot of hullabaloo in response to "Cramped in the Cabin's" letter -- angry parties on both sides of the issue. On the contrary, everyone who's written in so far has been empathetic, understanding and more frustrated at the airlines for putting people in such cramped quarters than at other passengers. What a

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1. Four spades. The jump-rebid in spades, in addition to showing extra points, virtually guarantees at least a six-card suit, so the J-6 can be regarded as adequate trump support. A rebid of three notrump, without a heart stopper, would constitute a needless risk. The only other conceivable bid, four clubs, is not desirable either, since it might lead to a contract of five clubs rather than four spades. Ten tricks at spades will almost surely be easier to make than

11 tricks at clubs, and you should act

2. Four notrump. It is highly likely that a grand slam in spades, clubs or notrump can be made if partner has the two missing aces. You therefore invoke Blackwood. If partner responds five diamonds, indicating only one ace, your best shot is six spades, which should

make a high percentage of the time.

The only real concern is that partner

accordingly.

has two immediate diamond losers and the opponents lead that suit, but given the bidding, this is not proba-

3. Four diamonds. There may be a slam here also, but where it might lie is uncertain. Four diamonds suggests to partner that you lack spade support and asks if he can support clubs or diamonds. If partner next bids five clubs or five diamonds, you should carry on to six, feeling confident that you'll score at least 12 **4. Five spades.** This is not an ideal

type of hand with which to ask about aces, so a jump-raise in spades, inviting partner to bid six, seems the best choice. This is true even though your spades are not as strong as you'd like them to be - you lack a high honor, and it is chiefly for this reason that you don't bid six directly. Partner is not required to bid again

over five spades, but in practice he will seldom pass with a hand that can produce 12 tricks opposite the one you have here. Considering your spade fit, strong clubs and secondary heart control, you have the values that make a spade slam likely.

It would not be wrong to go directly to six, especially with a conservative partner. Such decisions — whether to bid five spades or six — are frequently based on practical consider-

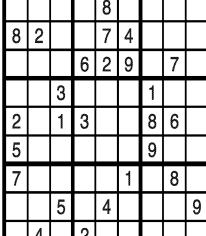
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This Date In History

Today in History

Today is Friday, March 29, the 88th day of 2019. There are 277 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On March 29, 1951, Julius and Ethel Rosenberg were convicted in New York of conspiracy to commit espionage for the Soviet Union. (They were executed in June 1953.) On this date:

In 1638, Swedish colonists settled in present-day Delawar

In 1867, Britain's Parliament passed, and Queen Victoria signed, the British North America Act creating the Dominion of Canada, which came into being the following July.

In 1912, British explorer Robert Falcon Scott, his doomed expedition stranded in an Antarctic blizzard after failing to be the first to reach the South Pole, wrote the last words of his journal: "For Gods sake look after our people."

In 1943, World War II rationing of meat, fats and cheese began, limiting consumers to store purchases of an average of about two pounds a week for beef, pork, lamb and mutton using a coupon system. (The Associated Press noted, "From the customer viewpoint, the unrationed oasis of food will be the restaurant or other public eating place.")

In 1951, The Rodgers and Hammerstein musical "The King and I" opened on Broadway.

In 1962, Jack Paar hosted NBC's "Tonight" show for the final time. (Johnny Carson debuted as host the following October.) In 1971, Army Lt. William L. Calley Jr. was convicted of murdering 22 Vietnamese civilians in the 1968 My Lai (mee ly) massacre. (Calley ended up serving three years under house arrest.) A jury in Los Angeles recommended the death penalty for Charles Manson and three female followers for the 1969 Tate-La Bianca murders. (The sentences were later commuted.)

In 1973, the last United States combat troops left South Vietnam, ending America's direct military involvement in the Vietnam War.

In 1974, eight Ohio National Guardsmen were indicted on federal charges stemming from the shooting deaths of four students at Kent State University. (The charges were later dismissed.)

In 1989, at the Academy Awards, "Rain Man" won best picture, best director for Barry Levinson and best actor for Dustin Hoffman; Jodie Foster won best actress for "The Accused." (This was the Oscars ceremony that featured the notorious opening number with Rob Lowe and "Snow White.") In 2005, attorney Johnnie L. Cochran Jr. died in Los Angeles at age 67. Former U.S. Senator Howell Heflin died in Sheffield, Alabama, at age 83.

In 2017, Britain filed for divorce from the European Union as Prime Minister Theresa May sent a six-page letter to EU Council President Donald Tusk. Two former aides to New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie were sentenced to prison for creating a colossal traffic jam at the George Washington Bridge for political revenge, a scandal that sank Christie's White House Ten years ago: General Motors

CEO Rick Wagoner resigned under White House pressure. A gunman killed seven residents of the Pinelake Health and Rehabilitation Center in Carthage, N.C., along with a nurse. (Robert Kenneth Stewart was convicted of second-degree murder and other charges and sentenced to more than 140 years in prison.) A stampede at a World Cup qualifying soccer match in the Ivory Coast killed 22 people.

Five years ago: Two Spanish journalists, Javier Espinosa and Ricardo Garcia Vilanova, were freed after being held captive for six months in Syria by a rogue al-Qaida group. Mao Asada of Japan topped the free skate to capture her third world figure skating title.

One year ago: Russia announced the expulsion of more than 150 diplomats, including 60 Americans, and said it was closing a U.S. consulate in retaliation for Western expulsions of Russian diplomats over the poisoning of an ex-spy and his daughter in Britain. Malala Yousafzai returned home to Pakistan for a four-day visit, the first by the 20-year-old Nobel laureate since she was shot by the Taliban five years earlier for speaking out in support of education of girls. The 2018 baseball season began with a home run from Ian Happ of the Chicago Cubs on the season's first pitch, while Giancarlo Stanton hit two homers in his debut with the New York Yankees. Rusty Staub, whose fiery orange hair and gregarious personality had charmed baseball

Answer to previous puzzle

fans in the United States and Canada during an All-Star career that spanned 23 seasons, died in Florida at the age of 73. Today's Birthdays: Author Judith Guest is 83. Former British Prime Minister Sir John Major is 76. Comedian Eric Idle is 76. Composer Vangelis is 76. Basketball Hall of Famer Walt Frazier is 74. Singer Bobby Kimball (Toto) is 72. Actor Bud Cort is 71. Actor Brendan Gleeson is

64. Pro and College Football Hall of Famer Earl Campbell is 64. Actress Marina Sirtis is 64. International Gymnastics Hall of Famer Kurt Thomas is 63. Actor Christopher Lambert is 62. Rock singer Perry Farrell (Porno for Pyros; Jane's Addiction) is 60. Comedian-actress Amy Sedaris is 58. Model Elle Macpherson is 56. Sen. Catherine Cortez Masto, D-Nev., is 55. Actress Annabella Sciorra (shee-OR'-

uh) is 55. Movie director Michel Hazanavicius (mee-SHEHL' ah-zah-nah-VEE'-see-oos) 52. Rock singer-musician John Popper (Blues Traveler) is 52. Actress Lucy Lawless is 51. Country singer Regina Leigh (Regina Regina) is 51. Country singer Brady Seals is 50. Former White House Press Secretary Robert Gibbs is 48. CBS News correspondent Lara Logan is 48. Actor Sam Hazeldine is 47. In-

ternational Tennis Hall of Famer Jennifer Capriati is 43. Actor Chris D'Elia is 39. Rhythm and blues singer PJ Morton is 38. Actress Megan Hilty is 38. Pop singer Kelly Sweet is 31.

Thought for Today: "If men could foresee the future, they would still behave as they do now." — Russian proverb.

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The Pain Management Class meets Tuesdays at 6: p.m. If you have chronic pain and would like to learn how to manage it, please attend this class. It meets in Room 4 of the Adult Connections Classrooms in the Mall.

There is a new sisterhood for widows in our community. This group is called "PUP", which stands for "Picking Up Pieces". All widows in Big Spring and the surrounding areas are welcome. Meetings will be held the second and fourth Mondays of each month at 6 p.m., and dinner will be served. We would love to see you there! For address or more info, please contact the church office.

Children's Church is a great place for your child to learn and play while you enjoy Worship. This ministry is for children ages K through fourth grade. We will be building on our Kid Connect lessons. Please bring your children for the fun and learning.

The Taylor School of Ministry is now in session. This session will address "How to Study the Bible". If you are interested, please contact the church office.

"People Caring for People" is a ministry serving widows in our area with small projects and "honey do" kinds of things. This ministry operates through donations. If you would like to be a part of this ministry, either in a "hands on" way or by donation, please contact the church office. We have an "App" for your convenience. It is easy to work with and has

many applications. Go to your App Store, search for "The Church App" and download. Then search for "Spring Creek Fellowship Texas". That should take you to our Home Page.

Weekly Happenings:

Sunday-9:15-10:15 a.m.-Sunday School/Connection Groups

10:15 a.m.-10:45 a.m.- "Holy Grounds Café" is open with coffee, drinks and fellowship.

10:45 a.m.-12:00 p.m.-Worship Service

11 a.m.-12 p.m.-Children's Church

5 p.m. Prayer Meeting

Tuesday-

6 p.m.- Pain Management Class-Room 4

7 p.m.-Women's Bible Study

Wednesday-

Community Groups-various times and places

Thursday

& p.m.-Men's Bible Study-Kingdom Disciples Saturday

Free Love



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"For when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly. For scarcely for a righteous man will one die: yet peradventure for a good man some would even dare to die. But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." Romans 5:6-8 Can God's love be bought? If so, how much does it cost? What

makes us worthy recipients of God's everlasting love? Which rules and religious traditions does He expect us to observe before He agrees to give us His love? Who and where are the gatekeepers who can tell us when we have kept all the rules to God's

If Christ died for us while we were yet sinners, this means that there is nothing good we have done or can do to deserve or obtain His love because it is free.

God's grace is amazing in that Christ calls a bunch of sinners His friends. But even more astonishing is the fact that He loved us while we were yet sinners without Christ. He loved us, even when we were His enemies. This is unconditional love. And you will never find this love in the religion of legalistic rules and regulations because unconditional love is free love and free love is not good for organized religion.

But Jesus is not running a business, He is tending to a fold; a fold of sheep that He tenderly loves, guides and feeds. Christ is no CEO, He is the Good Shepherd that laid down His own life of His own will. And now, He ever lives to make intercession for us ensuring that nothing shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus.

God's love for us is truly free because free means free.

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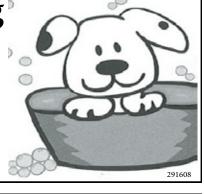




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How About That Vacation!

Growing up in Northern Nevada for it. I couldn't find it anywhere.



with a railroader for a father, we went on vacation for two whole weeks to Southern California. My grandmother, aunt, uncle, and three cousins lived in beautiful San Diego. What a time that was LILLIAN on the beach, to vari-BOHANNAN ous and sundry enter-

tainment theme parks,

zoos, and so many other

things to look forward to. My favorite was picnicking on the beach.

Just recently I had two weeks off from school for our Spring break. At my age, it wasn't much of a vacation. I decided my lawn needed lots of attention. My riding lawn mower was not running, so I attempted to revamp everything. My son sent me a video on how to change the oil. Since my daddy taught me as a youngster how to change the oil in a car, I thought I could do it by myself, even at my age. I thought, "How hard can it be?"

So I started taking everything step by step. I changed the spark plugs, bought a new battery, bought oil, gas, and got everything ready. Then I tackled the job. The first thing I had to do was remove the dipstick to relieve the pressure so the oil could drain right. I jacked up the mower at an angle the oil could all run out. After I got everything opened up and ready, I drained the oil.

Putting all the bolts and nuts back on, and putting the new oil in where the dip stick goes, I was ready to try the starter. I looked around to find the dipstick. I looked for 10 minutes

So I said, "Lord, can You help me out a minute? I really need to find the dipstick." I walked outside the garage and found it in the wagon I had put it in to begin with. After thanking Him and putting the dipstick where it belonged, I cranked the starter. Nothing happened. So I did the only thing I could think of to do.

I got out my hand push mower and mowed the lawn. It looks pretty good, but I sure am tired. And, by the way, to get my riding mower going again, I called my neighbor to fix it.

What a vacation!!!

But (and I am so glad there is an alternative but in our lives) Jesus has a vacation we will never come back from. That vacation is in Heaven awaiting us who love Him for all eternity. We won't have to travel to the beach on the River of Life. We won't have to pack a picnic lunch, because the meal is already there, fruit trees line its banks.

I really don't know what kind of work we will do in caring for the garden or lawns up there, but I do know we won't have to worry about fixing the mowers. There will be cows and goats and sheep to keep the grass down.

I know I don't have to end this vacation. I won't have to wonder if my job will be waiting for me when I get back from it.

I won't have to come back to this earth to toil and worry about where the dipstick is or if I got every bolt back in place. All I'll do is call on my Savior and one word from Him will have it fixed.

What an eternity awaits us!





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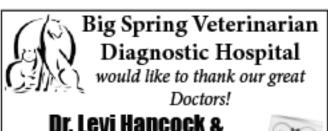
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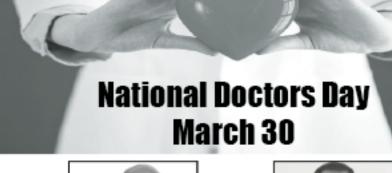
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