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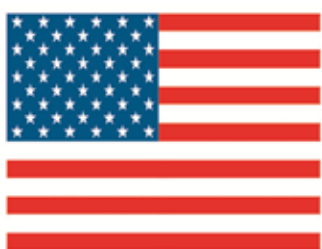


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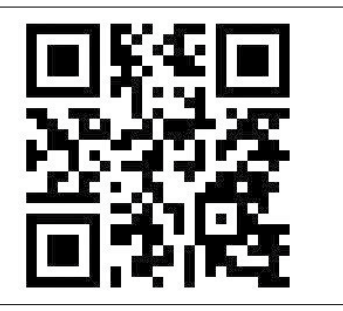
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1001 S. Birdwell Lane
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Proposed Constitutional Amendments

Proposition No. 10: Should handlers get to keep retiring law enforcement animals?

By **ROGER CLINE**
Staff Writer

Editor's note: This is the tenth in a series of stories about the 10 proposed amendments to the Texas Constitution which will be voted on by Texans Nov. 5

Part of the value of K-9 officers – police dogs that protect their handlers or sniff out drugs, bombs or other substances – is the bond of trust and friendship that forms between the dogs and their handlers. The fact remains, however, that these animals are legally the property of a law enforcement agency; and, ultimately, the taxpayers who fund that agency.

Now a proposed constitutional amendment would take animals' interests into account, allowing ownership of law enforcement animals to be legally transferred to their handlers

– or to other private owners – if such would be in the animal's best interests.

"The idea is so that these trained animals, once their retired, so that they could stay with their handlers," said Big Spring Police Chief Chad Williams. "They're a working animal, but they're still a family pet whenever they're home."

The proposed amendment would add a Section 521 to Article 3 of the Texas Constitution:

"Sec. 521. The legislature may authorize a state agency or a county, a municipality, or other political subdivision to transfer a law enforcement dog, horse, or other animal to the animal's handler or another qualified caretaker for no consideration on the animal's retirement or at another time if the transfer is in the animal's best interest."

Williams said dogs or other police animals are considered property, and owned by whatever political entity –

city, county, state, etc. – administers the law enforcement agency in question. The City of Big Spring doesn't currently have any K-9 officers, but has in the past.

"A lot of times cities auction property off. In this situation, it's an animal – an animal that has been living with the handler. It's a highly trained animal, and it just makes sense when it retires, that they could have the option of going to the handler...that they are familiar with, and that are familiar with them as well," Williams said. "I know our canine went back to the company that we got it from, so they can be sent back. Our situation was a little bit different, because our canine wasn't at retirement age. Some canines end up getting illnesses and end up needing to be put down, so I am unsure if we've ever really faced

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Get your bling on; third annual Bling a Bra

By **AMANDA DUFORAT**
Managing Editor

Bust out the bling and get your creative side going. Entries are being accepted for the third annual Bling a Bra fundraiser, hosted by Big Spring Center for Skilled Care.

"This is a great way to get the community involved and continue to draw awareness for breast cancer," Christy Brownfield, Marketing Director at Big Spring Center for Skilled Care, said. "We have a lot of fun with this event and get to see a ton of creative designs from members in the community."

The competition is open to all ages. According to Brownfield, if you have an idea on how to decorate a bra, you can join in the fun. There is a small entry fee, which will be donated to American Cancer Society to help further research and provide resources locally.

"I want to encourage the community to get involved with this fun event, show off their imagination, their style, their class and sass," Brownfield said. "We will have decorated bras on display at the facility (Big Spring Center for Skilled Care) throughout the month of October, and will have the final judging and show in November."

Judging will take place Nov. 7 at 4:30 p.m. and the community is invited to attend. To find out more information or to



Courtesy photo

Displayed are entries from last year's Bling a Bra event at the Big Spring Center for Skilled Care. The event will once again be taking place on Nov. 7. Monies raised will benefit the American Cancer Society and Relay For Life. Entries are still being accepted.

register for the competition, contact Christy Brownfield at 432-816-2977.

Amanda Duforat is the managing editor at the Big Spring Herald. To contact her, email editor@bigspringherald.com or call 432-263-7331.

Party at the Plaza continues this Saturday

By **CINDY PINCH**
Staff Writer

Gary B's will be hosting its 4th Party in the Plaza Saturday, November 2, at 2 p.m. in the Spring Town Plaza.

"It's a blanket invitation to anybody who wants to come and bring their guitar and get up in front of people and play and sing." Owner Gary Barrington said.

The Party in the Plaza originated in August. Gary B's partnered with the Guardians of the Children as a fundraiser. Although the event has not partnered with any charities since the first

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Herald photo/Cindy Pinch

John Medline (pictured left) and Anthony Lozano (pictured right) are shown performing during last month's Party at the Plaza, which takes place outside of Gary B's music store.



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Obituaries

Jerry Iden



Jerry Iden, 77, of Big Spring, went to be with the Lord Oct. 29, 2019, in a Lubbock hospital.

Family visitation will be at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home, Friday, Nov. 1, from 6 to 8 p.m.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 2, 2019 at Trinity Baptist Church with Dr. Randy Cotton and Rev. Scott Kirkland officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

He was born Oct. 16, 1942, in Big Spring, to Ellis and Dorothy McKee Iden. He married Denise Burchell, May 1, 1988. Jerry graduated from Sands High School in 1960. He received his Bachelor of Science degree in Agriculture Economics from Texas Tech University in 1965. He was a member and officer of Sigma Chi Fraternity while at Tech. He loved his Red Raiders and always supported Texas Tech.

Jerry was a farmer and rancher all of his life. He enjoyed going on cruises, traveling around the world, and Alaska. Jerry was the love of Denise's life. They had 37 wonderful years together. Jerry was hardworking and a very successful businessman. He was a devoted husband, father and PaPa and loved his family very much. He loved attending all his grandkids extra-curricular activities and was the best PaPa to all his grandkids. He was an active member of Trinity Baptist Church.

Jerry was past president of the Howard County

Farm Bureau Water, Inc., Howard County Soil and Water Conservation District and Farmers Coop Society #2 of Ackerly, Texas. Jerry served as a board member for First National Bank in Big Spring, Norwest Bank Big Spring, Wells Fargo Big Spring, Big Spring Banking Center, Howard County Farm Service Agency, Howard County Rural Taxpayer's Association, Howard County Fair Association, Howard County Jr. Livestock Association, and the Martin, Howard and Midland County Soil and Water Conservation District. Jerry was named Big Spring Jaycees Outstanding Young Farmer in 1970 and was Big Spring Ag Producer of the Year in 1985.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Ellis and Dorothy McKee Iden.

Survivors include his wife, Denise Iden of Big Spring; one son, Brandon Iden and wife, Neasa of Big Spring; one daughter, Lisa Powell and husband, Clay of Lubbock; five grandkids, Berkley Boyce and husband, Sterlin of San Antonio, Brayden Iden and wife, Clair of Big Spring, Braxton Iden of Denver, Colorado, Grant Underwood and McKeely Underwood of Lubbock; and one sister, Patricia Gillespie and husband, Kenny of Colorado City.

The family suggests memorials to Trinity Baptist Church Building Fund, 1701 E. FM 700, Big Spring, Texas 79720, or missions for church planting.

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

Paid Obituary

Elijah James Cole



Elijah James Cole, 49, of Big Spring died Thursday, Oct. 24, 2019. Funeral services will be at 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 2, 2019, at Myers & Smith Chapel. The family will receive friends following the service until 9 p.m. A fund has been set up at Myers & Smith Funeral Home to help with expenses.

Elijah was born Nov. 25, 1969,

in Snyder, Texas. Elijah is survived by one son, James Elijah Cole (Hailey Daugherty) of Wyandotte, OK; two daughters, Zoie Robles and Trista Dickson, both of Big Spring; two grandsons; and two sisters, Margaret Wilbert and Ethel Jackson, both of Big Spring.

He was preceded in death by his parents Margaret Cole and George Elijah Cole, two uncles and one grandmother.

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

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **BIANCA N. VALENCIA**, 29, of 6637 Manor, was arrested on warrants for failure to signal the required distance before turning, two counts of driving with invalid license, failure to control speed, failure to maintain financial responsibility, two counts of failure to appear,

and another outstanding warrant from another agency.

- **MARCUS TREY VIERA**, 20, of 4009 Piper Rd., was arrested on warrants for theft of a firearm and tampering or fabricating physical evidence.

- **ACCIDENT MINOR** was reported at 16th and Goliad.

- **UNATTENDED DEATH** was reported in the 1600 block of Martin Luther King.

- **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported in the 600 block of Bucknell Ave., at FM 1785 and FM 1584, 1500 block of Bluebird

- **BURGLARY OF A BUILDING** was reported in the 600 block of Baylor Blvd.

- **THEFT** was reported in the 2000 block of S. Gregg St.

- **STOLEN VEHICLE** was reported at Pace and 1st.

Sheriff

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

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 84 inmates at the time of this report.

- **BENJAMIN ROBERT BOADLE**, 22, was arrested by HCSO on a warrant for criminal mischief (\$2,500 to \$30,000).

- **BRITTANY DIANN CASTILLO**, 27, was arrested by HCSO on a warrant for manufacture or delivery of a controlled substance penalty group 1 (less than one gram).

- **ALFREDO GOMEZ**, 26, was

arrested by HCSO on a warrant for assault causing bodily injury to family.

- **MICHAEL ANTHONY GOMEZ**, 27, was arrested by BSPD on warrants for assault causing bodily injury, and a parole violation.

- **RUDY ORTEGA III**, 20, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

- **BRIANNA NICOLE PENA**, 20, was arrested by GSCO on warrants for two counts of bail jumping and failure to appear.

- **MICHAEL CURTIS ROBERTSON**, 33, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant for failure to

appear-possession of marijuana (less than two ounces).

- **BIANCA NICOLE VALENCIA**, 29, was arrested by BSPD on warrants for three counts of driving with invalid license, failure to signal required distance, failure to control speed, failure to maintain financial responsibility, and two counts of violating promise to appear.

- **MARCUS TREY VIERA**, 20 was arrested by BSPD on a charge of theft of a firearm, and tampering or fabricating physical evidence with the intent to impair definition.

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported in the 1400 block of W. I-20. No transport was required.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3700 block of Wasson Rd. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3200 block of Parkway. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 900 block of Hearn. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported at Creighton and Hwy 80. On person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 300 block of S. Owens. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was re-

ported in the 600 block of E. 13th St. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported in the 900 block of Wila. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1800 block of N. Hwy 87. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

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Support Groups

FRIDAY

- Reformers Unanimous International is a faith-based 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.

SUNDAY

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

MONDAY

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

TUESDAY

- Big Spring and Snyder Parkinson's 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.

- Caregivers Support Group, sponsored by the Area Agency on Aging, meets the second Tuesday of every month at 10:30 a.m. The meetings are held at the Senior Citizens Center located at 100 Whipkey Drive. These meetings are open for any caregiver, whether medical professional or family member. For more information, please call Becky Letz at 267-1628.

- Al-anon family group meets at 8 p.m. at 615 Settles.

- DivorceCare is a biblical support group for those facing divorce or separation. Each DVD session features nationally respected experts, such as Christian Counselors and Pastors. Small group discussions and workbook exercises help participants apply the information to their own situations. We cover pertinent issues like: • Will I survive? • How to get out of debt. • How do you know when you are ready for a new relationship? • How to lessen the impact of divorce on your children. • Is reconciliation possible?

There is no charge for attendance. 13-week seminars are held two times per year on Tuesday evenings from 6 to 8 p.m. at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. The next session begins Sept. 3, 2019. Visit the DivorceCare Ministry of TBC Facebook page for information. You can also call Donna Burcham at 267-6344 for information on seminar dates and how you can register to attend.

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.

- Celebrate Recovery meets at First United Methodist Church Youth Hall, 400 Scurry, from 6-8 p.m. Hurts, habits and hang-ups. Leave message for Joyce Webb at 325-212-8600.

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.

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Weather



Today: Sunny, with a high near 71. Southwest wind 10 to 15 mph becoming west in the afternoon.

Tonight: Mostly clear, with a low around 32. North wind 10 to 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Saturday: Sunny, with a high near 57. North wind 5 to 10 mph becoming east in the afternoon.

Saturday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 39. South wind 5 to 10 mph.

Sunday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 70. South wind 10 to 15 mph.

Sunday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 46.

Monday: Sunny, with a high near 76.

Monday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 47.

Tuesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 73.

Tuesday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 49.

Wednesday: A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 69.

Wednesday Night: A chance of showers and thunderstorms. Cloudy, with a low around 48.

Thursday: A chance of showers and thunderstorms. Cloudy, with a high near 62.

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

PROP

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this situation."

Williams said he supports the proposition.

"I would definitely be in favor of this," he said. "I wouldn't think there would be much opposition. It kind of makes sense...again, if an animal has worked with a handler for several years, it would just make sense when they retire - if able - that the handler would have first option of being able to take the animal, if they want to."

According to Ballotpedia.com, the League of Women Voters of Texas published arguments both for and against Proposition 10. Arguments for the measure include:

Proposition 10 would ensure the wellbeing of law enforcement animals in their later years by allowing them to retire.

Proposition 10 would remove the legally required

fee for law enforcement officers, or other qualified caretakers, who generally adopt their own retired law enforcement animals.

Proposition 10 recognizes the longstanding bond developed between a law enforcement animal and the animal's handler, a bond that would be ignored in a government auction.

The LWVT's arguments against the proposition include:

Proposition 10 may reduce state income. A government auction might raise more money than the free adoption of a law enforcement animal.

If the animal's handler retires before the animal is ready to retire, it might be difficult to determine which of the animal's handlers had priority.

It is unfortunate that such a common sense action would require a constitutional amendment.

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

PARTY

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one, the jam session has continued as a free event for those who love music.

"I want it to be about the people, the musicians. Give them a place to come out and put their guitar on and perform." Barrington said.

Performers vary from month to month. However, the public can consistently count on hearing music from Anthony Lozano, John Medlin, and Barrington himself. Performers have come from Big Spring, Amarillo, Snyder, San Angelo, and Abilene. There will be a sign-up sheet at the event for those interested in performing on Saturday.

"Put their name and we put

them out there, good or not. Irregardless of their talent or ability. It's just fun." Barrington said.

Party in the Plaza occurs on the first Saturday of every month. Refreshments and snacks will be provided by Evita's Fine Mexican Cuisine. Performances start at 2 p.m. at the Spring Town Plaza. 1801 FM 700.

Cindy Pinch is a staff writer at the Big Spring Herald. To contact her, email reporter@bigspringherald.com or call 432-263-7331.

Take Note

- Milestone Environmental Services will be hosting a hiring event on Tuesday, Nov. 5, 2019, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Hotel Settles, located at 200 E. 3rd St. Milestone is seeking skilled, talented and dedicated candidates for positions at its current and future locations in the Permian Basin area and the South Texas Eagle Ford Shale. Employment opportunities include operations supervisors, operations specialists, equipment operators, ADT truck drivers, pump operators, receivers, and wash rack operators. Milestone employees have access to comprehensive benefits including a competitive salary, career advancement, as well as onsite housing and professional development training. For more information, please visit www.milestone-es.com.

- Christmas in Coahoma at the Park will take place this year on Saturday, Dec. 14, from 3 to 6:30 p.m. There will be hayrides and caroling, Christmas art projects for kids, free coffee, cocoa, popcorn and cookies. There will also be a special visit from Santa from 3 to 5 p.m. If you would like to enter your house into the Best Decorated House contest, you can pick up an application at City Hall or at the Office of the Justice of the Peace and return by December 11. The winner will be announced at the park and will receive a yard sign and stocking of goodies.

- The Salvation Army will be taking applications for Christmas assistance (Angel Tree) again on Monday, Nov. 4 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Thursday, Nov. 7 from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. The Angel Tree program is for children ages 13 and under and for seniors age 60 and up.

Applications will be

taken at the Salvation Army office building located at 811 W. 5th St. To apply for Christmas assistance, you will need to provide the following:

- Picture ID of applicant
- Proof of Guardianship for each child, which can be birth certificates, birth facts from the hospital, or other legal documents
- Proof of income which will include any government assistance information, food stamps, SNAP, household bills, and check stubs
- Ages of all recipients, and clothing and shoe size of children/seniors who will receive gifts.

We look forward to serving you this Christmas season.

Seniors age 60 and up may also apply. Please do not bring children to the registration. For more information, please contact Lieutenant Charlsie Godwin at 432-267-8239.

- VFW Post 2013 meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m. New members are being sought. The Post is located at 500 Driver Rd. Qualified veterans, those who have served in a foreign war, who are interested in joining the VFW are encouraged to attend a meeting to find out more information.



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Elijah James Cole, 49, died Thursday. Funeral services will be at 4 p.m. Saturday at Myers & Smith Chapel. The family will receive friends following the service until 9 p.m. A fund has been set up at Myers & Smith Funeral Home to help with expenses.

Rev. Juan A. Jojola, 72, died Tuesday. The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. Monday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral Service will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial with Naval Honors will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

Ester Chavarria, 67, died Tuesday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. A fund has been set up at Myers & Smith Funeral Home to help with expenses.

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November 9-10:
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November 11:
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Are You Coming?

From the beginning of understanding as a child, the by word was "hurry up and wait." What is patience but to hurry to an appointment, whether it be doctor, dentist, lawyer, or anything else in life, then wait. I was told as a college student, "You wait in class ten minutes for a professor, but fifteen minutes for a doctor." So we did.



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When we went anywhere as a family, we would wait at least ten minutes in the car for my sister to finally arrive to go with us. Mother usually had to go back in and ask, "Are you coming?"

In a minute was always her reply. So we would wait.

In times like this, I would either read my book or chatter incessantly until Mom would ask me to please be quiet. So patient waiting was not a virtue of mine.

In the Christian life, there is something much more important on which we are waiting. That is the imminent return of our Savior. The way the world is winding down and running rampant toward evil, we best get our lives in order as to what the Bible says, and get ready for His coming again.

I used to talk about the Rapture a whole lot. It was part of my life as a Christian. Then I was told not to talk about it so much, especially to children. I guess the one who told me didn't think children were included in Christ's warning that He was soon returning. Well, they are. If they are included in "Whosoever will..." they are included in the Return.

So how do we get ready? I'm so glad you asked. Jesus said in Luke 19:13, "Occupy til I come." He said in Matthew 24:44, "In an hour as ye think not..." and He said in Revelation 22:20, "Surely I come quickly." And one of the very the last things He said in His Word, the Bible, "... my reward is with me."

We are rewarded as Christians for how we serve Him or not. The lost is rewarded for how he hasn't served Him.

My question is to everyone I meet, "Are you ready?" Ask Jesus to be your Lord and Savior, and He will make you ready. And I say, "Even so, come, Lord Jesus." Revelation 22:20.

Reflections: The Secret of a Successful Marriage

The University of Georgia conducted a study some time ago to discover the secret to a successful marriage. The study discovered one primary factor in marriages that were healthy and happy. In every case, those marriages included gratitude. According to their findings, gratitude was the "most consistent significant predictor" of a happy marriage.

Allen Barton, lead author of the study, said, "It goes to show the power of 'thank you.'" Associate professor and study co-author Ted Futris stated, "Feeling appreciated and believing that your spouse values you directly influences how you feel about your marriage, how committed you are to it, and your belief that it will last."

Each bride and groom stands at the marriage altar beaming with gratitude for the "love of their life." And, it is easy to remain thankful for each other as long as things go well.

But all married couples will face difficult demands. Hard times will come. Many will experience financial stress, competing demands from in-laws, professional pressure from their jobs, exhausting schedules that leave little time for rest. Most will experience the stress of parenting: sleepless nights with newborns, the constant attention required by preschoolers, and the complicated schedules of school, sports and activities as children grow.

It is especially during these stressful periods of life that gratitude matters. Many marriages crumble under the pressure, choosing to play the "blame-game", creating a downward spiral that ends in disaster. Others choose gratitude, building one another up with appreciation

and thankfulness under trying circumstances. These marriages prosper and survive. According to Allen Barton, "Even if a couple is experiencing distress and difficulty in other areas, gratitude in the relationship can help promote positive marital outcomes."

What Barton and Futris found regarding marriage can also apply to the family. Strong families are created when parents express gratitude to their children, and children are grateful to their parents. Gratitude in the family starts with the marriage. Children learn to be grateful by watching their parents.

Nothing cultivates a heart of gratitude better than faith in Christ. When we experience God's love in Christ, we become more thankful for others. In Colossians, the Apostle Paul writes, "Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful." (Colossians 3:15).

And again, "So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness. (Colossians 2:6-7). "Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." (1 Thessalonians 5:18)

We all enjoy being around people who are grateful and thankful. They cheer us up. They give us energy.

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Something to think about...

Steven Covey, the author of "Seven Habits for Highly Effective People", once said, "The main thing is to keep the main thing the main thing." That is one of my favorite quotes of all time because it reminds us of the importance to keep right priorities in life.



RICHARD
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Life is all about priorities, but keeping the main thing the main thing is easier said than done, especially in a world where so many things claim to be the main thing. What is your "main thing"? What is your highest aspiration? What is your biggest dream? What are you passionately pursuing with all your heart?

I remember the first time I met my wife. She captured my attention and quickly became my focus. I would pass up other activities to spend time with her. If I had a choice between hanging out with friends or spending quality time with Sara, there was no question who would win that one. Giving to her was a joy. Simply making her happy brought me fulfillment. I pursued her as one of my highest priorities. I was seeking after her above other things.

That is the kind of relationship God wants with us. Jesus reminds us in Matthew, "So do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. (Matthew 6:31-33)

Prayer can help us keep our priorities straight. Jesus taught His followers to pray, "Our Father, in heaven, hallowed be Your Name. Your kingdom come and Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven." One of the things we are saying in that kind of prayer is, "Lord, help us keep the main thing the main thing." If God's kingdom is our number one priority, it will be evident in our daily lives. Where we invest our time, money, and resources will reveal what we value most.

One of my friend's children told him that he should start each day with this prayer that he came up with:

"Good morning, God,
This is your day.
I am your child,
Show me your way.
Amen."

That's a smart kid. My prayer for you this week is that you keep the main thing the main thing in your life. If you do that, I believe you will have the right alignment and all the other "things" will come into place as well. Pray First!

The Miracle Of Grace

"Behold, ye despisers, and wonder, and perish: for I work a work in your days, a work which ye shall in no wise believe, though a man declare it unto you." Acts 13:41



TOM
SLOAN

Someone said that if miracles had equations, everyone would believe. Everyone believes in the equation that says less bad plus more good equals more holiness. But who can believe that there is nothing good we can do to earn God's favor and nothing bad to lose it? Everyone believes in do good receive good, do bad receive bad, but this formula does not reveal God's power. This principle has never produced a miracle in anyone's life. Most everyone believes that God is happy with us when we behave well, but the miracle of grace is that God is no longer mad at us regardless of our sin.

I believe in doing good, but where's the miracle in doing good to receive good? There is reward in doing good to receive good, but there is no miracle in it. Where is the miracle in loving God so He will love us? I see no miracle in being faithful to God so He will be faithful to us.

I just can't see the miracle of the gospel in these things.

The experience of God's grace is never ordinary; it is always extraordinary. There is not much extraordinary in the life of the Christian who has prospered because he has been faithful to God. Don't get me wrong; I believe in being faithful, but faithfulness is a miracle of grace in itself. We see the extraordinary in God's faithfulness to us even when we are not faithful to Him. We might expect God to use a "pure" life, but the unexpected is that we have this treasure, the Lord Jesus, in us. The miracle of grace is obvious when God's power is perfected in our weakness.



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Lebanon uprising unites people across faiths, defying deep sectarian divides

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(THE CONVERSATION) Religion has shaped Lebanon since it gained independence from France in 1943. In this multicultural country of Muslims, Christians and Druze – a medieval faith derived from Islam – religion defines membership and belonging. It is woven into Lebanon’s economic, political and social fabric.

The mass protests that began in mid-October over a proposal to tax WhatsApp calls are challenging that tradition. Over a million Lebanese from all faiths have joined together in these leaderless and nationwide anti-government demonstrations, in which the agenda has now expanded from avoiding taxes to regime change.

“All of them means all of them,” protesters nationwide chant, demanding the ouster of Lebanon’s entire ruling class.

On Oct. 29, Lebanese Prime Minister Saad Hariri, a Sunni, resigned, elating demonstrators. Protesters blame Hariri, along with Lebanon’s Christian president and Shiite parliament speaker, for rampant corruption, a wrecked economy and a ravaged environment.

In repudiation of the idea that religious allegiance comes before national unity, they are demanding fair elections, a stronger judiciary and more government accountability.

‘Hunger has no religion’
With 18 recognized sects – including the Maronite Christians; Sunni, Shiite and Alawite Muslims; and the Druze – Lebanon is one of the most religiously diverse countries in the Middle East.

When a class struggle broke out there in the mid-1970s, it quickly devolved into a civil war between right-wing Christian and left-wing Muslim militias.

To end Lebanon’s conflict, the 1989 Taif Accords required all factions to relinquish their weapons and distributed government positions to politicians of different faiths.

This power-sharing agreement has kept the peace in Lebanon. But it has also given it a political order built on religious factionalism.

Patronage networks run by the “za’eem,” as Lebanon’s powerful sectarian leaders are called, protect the interests of their religious communities, doling out favors both legal and illegal. All faiths have their own za’eem.

Religiously based governance has given Lebanon both extreme national debt and staggering inequality. According to the World Inequality Database, the richest 1% of Lebanese own approximately a quarter of the nation’s wealth. Lebanon’s infrastructure is crumbling. Power outages are a chronic problem even in urban middle-class neighborhoods.

Widespread human rights violations – including domestic violence, child labor and abuse of Syrian refugees – are rarely punished.

But, according to the political scientist Bassel Salloukh, Lebanon’s rulers “use sectarian mobilization to camouflage intra-sectarian socioeconomic disparities” – a divide-and-conquer strategy meant to stop class solidarity from emerging.

The beneficiaries of this system argue that Lebanon’s stability hinges on this sectarian balance. And, indeed, sectarianism has been remarkably effective in forestalling dissent for the past 30 years.

It has also instilled a deep distrust in government. A recent poll shows that 96% of Lebanese think political corruption is endemic.

The sectarian construct
As a literary historian, I study the stories a nation tells itself about belonging, allegiance and identity. In Lebanon, my home country, I recognize sectarianism as a social construct.

Social constructs, like civility or money, are concepts that only mean something because humans agree they do. Often, social constructs benefit the powerful.

By drawing the boundaries of inclusion along religious lines, Lebanese sectarianism has impeded the rise of more unifying ideologies like nationalism or secularism.

“Sectarianism has been depicted as a monolithic force, unchanging in the face of history,” historian Ussama Makdisi wrote in his 2000 book “The Culture of Sectarianism. But, he continues, “sectarianism was produced. Therefore it can be changed.”

Since the civil war, Lebanese have been raised to see religion as the only marker of kinship and rivalry, but the Lebanese share many things: a multilingual literary heritage, for example, and a love of Fairuz, one of the Arab world’s most admired singers.

Lebanese of different faiths suffer together, too. As one protester told Foreign Policy, hunger has no religion.

Sectarian politics have been dismantled before. Two decades after Northern Ireland’s Good Friday Agreement, the divide between Catholics and Protestants there remains. But it is official

government policy to foster peace-building, human rights and religious freedom.

Like protesters in both Tunisia and, more recently, Sudan – who pushed out religiously divisive leaders in hopes of nurturing a more secular democracy – Lebanon’s protests challenge a tired western stereotype that the Middle East is an intolerant, naturally authoritarian place.

Hezbollah is no exception

In recent days, demonstrators who support Hezbollah have protested the inclusion of their leader, Hassan Nasrallah, in the movement’s calls for regime change. They say accusations of corruption against this powerful Lebanese political and social force are evidence of a conspiracy by Saudi Arabia, Israel and the United States.

Violence erupted on Oct. 29 when Hezbollah supporters attacked demonstrators, re-opening key roads blocked by protester encampments and setting their tents on fire.

Still, the uprising grows. Past violence has failed to quell protests, as have offers from the government to cut lawmakers’ salaries by half and tax banks to relieve national debt.

Prime Minister Hariri’s resignation opens the door for real change in Lebanon, but protests will likely continue. The za’eem system means Hariri’s replacement may well reinforce the same power-sharing model.

The current grassroots protests build on the momentum of a 2015 uprising called the #YouS-tink movement. Those protests began when Lebanon’s main landfill was shut down and mounds of trash filled the streets of Beirut, but they came to embody numerous other causes: Children marched for climate action. Feminists defended the rights of domestic workers.

In 2018, women ran for office in Lebanon record numbers.

Rebuilding a nation
There is an academic theory I like about how nations are built, called “cultural intimacy.”

It holds that communal acts like breaking bread together, say, or self-deprecating humor play a crucial role in creating a shared citizenry.

The 1.5 million Lebanese Sunnis, Shias and Christians who have for weeks been walking side by side, holding hands and raging against the system are not merely protesting. They’re building a society that works for them.

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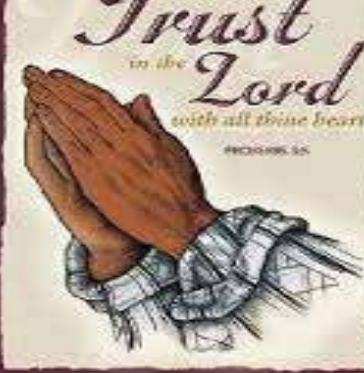
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First Presbyterian Church

The Wednesday Lectionary Bible Study meets at 5 p.m. in the library. The Chancel Choir rehearses at 6 p.m. on Wednesday.

Ushers last Sunday were Jim Little, Susan Wilson, Lucy and Paschal Odom. Jenn Patterson will be in charge of Take Ten on Sunday.

The memorial service for Ruth Currie will be in the sanctuary at 2 p.m. on Thursday, October 31.

The Thursday Lunch Bunch at Mayo Sauce Café on South Main Street at 11:30 a.m. for this week has been postponed until next week.

Approved by the Session, new pew cushions for the Sanctuary have been ordered and should be in place in late November. Anyone wishing to help defray the \$285 cost of each cushion may “adopt” a cushion and claim naming rights to that cushion.

The lectionary passages for the 21st Sunday after Pentecost (or 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time), All Saints’ Sunday, are Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4; Psalm 119:137-144; 2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12; Luke 19:1-10. Rev. Taylor Todd will deliver the sermon and officiate at the Lord’s Supper. The choral Introit will be “Amazing Grace”. The choir will present “When Peace Like a River” by Dale Grotenhuis, as the offertory. Gabe Martinez is the organist and choir director.

Important Note: This Sunday is when the time changes. Remember to fall back one hour to avoid being at church before the doors are opened.

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. We would be pleased for you to like us on Facebook.

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Our Annual Holiday Dinner is scheduled for Sunday, Nov. 17, at 5 p.m. Bring your favorite holiday dish to share. Everyone is invited.

“Our Daily Bread” will be giving 150 turkeys to those in need for the holidays. Each one costs \$10, and you can make donations at the information desk. They also need cash donations to help keep the Food Pantry open. Please donate often.

“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.

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

“PUP”, which stands for “Picking Up Pieces”, is a new sisterhood for widows in our community. 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.

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- Children’s Church
- Van Ministry
- “People Helping People” Ministry
- “Our Daily Bread” Food Pantry

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. You may see the quilt in the foyer.

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.

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 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
7 p.m.-Men’s Bible Study-Kingdom Disciples
- Saturday
7:30 a.m.-Men’s Prayer Breakfast. Breakfast at Evita’s Restaurant in the mall.

If you would like any further information regarding any of our ministries or events, please contact the church office or visit our website at springcreekfellowship.org.

Spring Creek Fellowship meets at the Spring Town Plaza at 1801 E. FM 700 in Big Spring, Texas. Contact us at 432-714-4584 or visit our website at www.springcreekfellowship.org

“Every Member a Minister”-1 Peter 4:10 NKJV

College Baptist Church

Fellowship and follow-up until Jesus comes again. SEND, first priority, Bible teaching, preaching from God’s word, Thanksgiving Harvest, Christmas Musical, Back Pack Ministry, these are all ongoing ministries at College Baptist Church located at the southeast corner of 11th Place and Birdwell Lane. We invite you to come join us on Sundays for Sunday school, Sunday morning at 9:15 for all ages, followed by worship at 10:45 in the auditorium. RA’s is for grades first through fifth boys in mission studies and activities. GA’s is for grades first through fifth girls’ missions. Then Bible study for youth and adults at 6 p.m. Wednesday we have a craft time, King’s Kids, and prayer and Bible study for youth and adults all beginning at 7 p.m.

Come worship with us as we celebrate the God of ministry. This Sunday, Jamie Scott and our praise team will lead us in presenting our hymns of praise to our heavenly Father. Our pastor, Bro. Ken McMeans, helps us as we delve into God’s word, which inspires us to live as Jesus lives through us.

Join in the joyful activities with us in exciting worship as we praise the mighty God we serve. Please call 432-267-7429 for more information about this exciting, loving church.

Blessed Hands Deaf Church

The congregation of Blessed Hands Deaf Church invites you to worship with them Sunday at 10:50 a.m. Currently, they are joining with the First Baptist Church family in the main sanctuary with interpreters provided. First Baptist Church is located at 705 W. FM 700. For information about additional activities or to learn more about Blessed Hands Deaf Church, contact Pastor Jim Walterhouse at jwalterhouse@gmail.com.

First Baptist Church

“The LORD lives! Blessed be my Rock! Let the God of my salvation be exalted.” Psalm 18:46

Monday, Nov. 4 at 6 p.m.. it’s “Ladies’ First”, and all area women are encouraged to enjoy a time of delightful fellowship, brief program, and a delicious dinner in the church dining room. Bring some friends, and come make some new ones; enter through the east kitchen doors. Call 267-8223 for more information.

You’re extended a warm invitation to become part of the family of First Baptist Church Sunday at 10:50 a.m. and 5:30 p.m., as they gather to glorify “The One who is and who was and who is to come. The Almighty”...Jesus Christ.

Music Minister Alan Schantz will lead worshippers in a mix of both contemporary praise music and classic hymns of the faith. Pastor Mark Lindsey will bring the message from Scripture drawn from Ezekiel 8:1-18. Titled “Not a Trivial Pursuit”, listeners will soberly ponder the truth that there are no secrets from God, and all speech and behavior should be conducted with this awareness, knowing that a casualness towards the things of God brings with it, a languishing heart...which invites idolatry and dishonors God.

FBC offers deaf interpretation in the morning worship 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: fcbigspring.org. (Click on 'MORE' tab, then 'SERMONS').

At 9 a.m., The Gathering Place, FBC coffee shop, is open, and you’re invited to have some coffee and a sweet treat while enjoying a time of fellowship. Greeters are happy to direct you to The Gathering Place which is located in the former library space.

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.

At 5 p.m., everyone’s encouraged to come together for a time of corporate prayer in the church parlor, across from the chapel.

Evening worship service begins at 5:30 in the chapel and offers the opportunity to come before the LORD in preparation for the upcoming week. Pastor Mark will bring the message titled “Make a Difference: Share Your Faith”.

Inspired by Acts 8:26:40, believers will reflect on this Scriptural account demonstrating God’s providential hand in directing the paths of those who know and carry the Living Water of the Gospel to those who are thirsting for it.

Tuesday, Nov. 5, the Triple LLL., iving Longer and Loving It group, invites you to join them at noon in the church dining room for some wonderful fellowship and a tasty lunch. Enter through the east kitchen doors; everyone’s welcome.

Saturday, Nov. 9, it’s the Men’s Breakfast at 8 a.m. All area men are invited to attend this special time of encouraging one another in the LORD while savoring a delicious breakfast. Invite your friends and neighbors today!

Wednesday night meals are served from 5-6 p.m. in the Family Life Center. Reservations are required by Monday noon to assist with planning; call 267-8223, or go to fcbigspring.org to save your place and learn more.

Wednesday evening schedule includes: 5:45 p.m. Children’s Activities; 6 p.m. Adult Bible Study, and Worship Choir practice. 6:15 p.m. Youth Activities; contact Youth Pastor Jonathan Raffini at 432-270-8332 for details about teen events, or just come to the second floor Youth room at 6:15, and join the fun!

At 7:30 p.m., the Worship Band rehearses, and there’s room for you if you play an instrument. Contact Music Minister Alan Schantz at 267-8223, or just stop by Wednesday evening if you’re interested in being part of praising God through participation in the Worship Band.

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

To learn 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

First Christian Church

Friday, Nov. 1 is All Saints Day. And on Sunday, Nov. 3, the 21st Sunday after Pentecost, is All Saints Sunday. First Christian Church will be remembering these loved ones that have gone home. Each one is a treasure of the heart, and losing a loved one is like losing a piece of yourself. But the love that this person brought you did not leave, for the essence of the soul lingers. It cannot escape your heart, for it has been there forever.

This month, November, we will be focusing on the future of our church and praying for the young Disciples who will one day lead us.

If you are looking for a church home, or just want to drop by for a visit, we welcome the opportunity to have you. Our social fellowship time usually starts about 9 to 9:15 a.m., in the sitting room by the office. Donuts, coffee, hot chocolate, hot tea and bottled water will be served.

Brian Michaelz is back to full the pulpit this Sunday. Brian has an energetic smile and, his love for the Lord shines through. Lawrence Thibeault, Director of Music, is someone you will not want to miss.

Worship service starts at 10:50 a.m. Hoping to see you there!

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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 through the book of 1 Timothy. On Sunday and Wednesday nights, at 6:30 p.m., the pastor is teaching through the Book of Acts, verse by verse.

Please come 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.

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 Wednesday's 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.

NazFamily Church**• Sabbath and Simplicity**

"Be still!" With four young children, we use that well-worn phrase on a regular basis. Our second born, Ezra, is the quietest one in our bunch, but he also struggles with stillness. He has trouble settling down at night. He twitches and moves as he fights the sleep.

Why do kids do that? Rest is such a beautiful thing. I remember when he was around four years old, I was trying to get him to settle down one night, and he said, "I can't help it. I just can't stop squirming."

Do you struggle with squirming? Have you filled your life with activity and noise, afraid of what you might hear in the quiet place? You won't want to miss this Sunday as we begin a new series on the significance of Sabbath and Simplicity. This week, we will explore what it means to "Be Still and Know God".

• Men's Breakfast

The most important meal plus the most important activity equals Men's Prayer Breakfast! Join us for a time of good food, great fellowship, and faith building together on Saturday, Nov. 2 at 8 a.m.

• Fireside Worship

Bring out your lawn chairs and blankets once again and join us for a time of worship and prayer around the fire pit on Wednesday, Nov. 13 at 6:30 p.m. Following worship will be

a time of fellowship with hotdogs and s'mores around the fire.

**Alive in Christ Lutheran Church
LCMS****All Saints Day****November 3, 2019****"Celebrating and Sharing God's
Love and Grace in our lives"**

We are located at 2805 Lynn Drive in the Kentwood neighborhood in Big Spring. If you would like to reach Pastor Lamb or the church office, please call 432-264-7818, or e-mail us at aliveinchristtx@gmail.com.

Bible study and Sunday school begin at 9:30 a.m., and our Sunday service begins at 10:30 a.m. If you are new to the area or haven't been to church before or in a while, please accept this as an invitation to join us this Sunday.

Our Wednesday evening Bible study has begun. We are studying Proverbs. A meal will be provided at 5:30 p.m., and class begins at 6 p.m. Please come and join us as we begin this new study.

Pastor Lamb will present the scripture readings this week.

Tune in to KBYG every morning for a devotional sponsored in part by the Lutheran Hour. Tune in to

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

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, November 3- 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, November 11- Let's hear it for the girls! Join us for our Women's Far Above Rubies night. Ladies please bring a dish to share as we will be gathering in the ARC from 6 to 8 p.m. We welcome women of all ages to join us for an evening of laughter, fun and fellowship with fellow sisters in Christ. For more information contact Debbie Rieger at 432-935-1257.

• Tuesday, November 19- Join us at 7 p.m. as 50 and Wiser small group will be gathering for a night of games, food and fun. Bring a side dish to share and your "A game" for some friendly competition. We will see you at Steve and Faye's. For more information please contact Faye at 432-213-3883

• Van transportation- We have an active van ministry that picks-up on Sundays for our 11 a.m. worship service. If you are needing a ride, please contact the 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 E. 12th Street. For office hours or other questions, please contact our administrative office at 432-264-0015, or email us at info@cccbigspring.org. You can also find us at facebook.com/CCCBigspring, or visit us at www.cccbigspring.org if you would like more information.

First United Methodist Church

First United Methodist Church is located just off Gregg Street at the corner of Fourth and Scurry in downtown Big Spring. The usual Sunday morning schedule includes the 9 a.m. Traditions Service featuring the pipe organ, Choir, trumpet, and hymns, followed by Sunday school. The Bridge service follows at 11 a.m., which features contemporary music led by a wonderful praise team.

On Sunday, Nov. 3, Pastor Derrell Patterson continues the sermon series, "Our Identity In Christ." Romans 12:14-21 is the basis for the sermon, "We Overcome Evil With Good". As Christians, are we always overcome, or are we over-comers?

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 in Garrett Hall. The meal is served at 11:50 for \$5, followed by a Bible study of the Book of John.

Real Life Wednesdays include Celebrate Recovery, choir rehearsal, women's Bible study, children's choir, and youth meetings which all meet at 6 p.m. The Praise Team Rehearsal is at 7 p.m. The College Ministry, Wesley Foundation, meets on Wednesdays for worship at 8:30 p.m. at Howard College, followed by a study.

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

Men's Step Studies meet at 8 a.m. on Sundays in Youth Hall. Women's Step Studies meet at 6:30 p.m. on Mondays in Youth Hall.

Other events on the church calendar include:

• "Our Savior" Choir Rehearsals on Mondays, 6:30 PM.

• November 3, All Saints Sunday.

• November 4 & 5, "Food2Kids" Sacking, 5:30 PM at 1107 NW 7th Street.

• November 12: United Methodist Women Luncheon, 11:45, Youth Hall.

• November 14: Emmaus Community Gathering, 6:00 PM- Soup Supper; 7:00 PM-Worship

• November 17: Youth Thanksgiving Dinner, noon.

• December 7 and 8: "Our Savior" Presentations.

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

**Madonna statue returned by
Britons to Argentina at Vatican**

VATICAN CITY (AP) — Pope Francis has appeared to wipe away tears during a ceremony in St. Peter's Square for the return of a Virgin Mary statue from Britons to Argentina.

Argentine troops had brought a statue of Our Lady of Lujan to the Falkland Islands, or Las Malvinas, when

they invaded the British colony in 1982. After the two-month war, the statue ended up in a military cathedral in Britain, where it served as a focus for prayers for dead from both sides.

Following his public audience Wednesday, Francis wiped his eyes and kissed a stone plaque

which honors war dead in his Argentine homeland.

The statue is going back to Argentina, while British Catholics will get a replica.

Britain defeated Argentina, which believed the Falklands were illegally taken from it in 1833.

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**Christians, Muslims, Jews unite
against assisted suicide**

VATICAN CITY (AP) — Leaders from three of the world's major religions have joined forces against assisted suicide and euthanasia, in a declaration issued at the Vatican.

The declaration, backed by leaders of Christianity, Islam and Judaism, states that no health care provider should be "coerced or pressured" into providing assisted suicide or any form of euthanasia.

That should be the case even if local legal systems permit such acts, according to the declaration a copy of which the Vatican released on Monday.

The document adds that when death is imminent despite the medical treatments and technologies used, "it is justified to make the decision to withhold certain forms of medical treatment that would only prolong a precarious life of suffering."

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Students are BUILDING up their skills in the BSHS Construction Technology Program



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Students at Big Spring High School have been taking part in a new construction technology program. The students have been learning new skills through the CTE (career and technical education department) program. The students can begin the courses as freshman and build upon the skills offered as they go through high school.

Special to the Herald

The construction industry is booming currently. Everywhere you look, there are homes being built, business being constructed, and construction suppliers running to and fro to handle the demand.

The Big Spring High School Construction Technology program is part of the Career and Technical Education Department. The goal of this program is to provide students with the necessary skills to be a part of the construction industry. The pathway for a student interested in this program begins in their ninth and 10th grade years in the Introduction to Construction course. Then, they progress to the upper

level course of Construction Technology 1 and the advanced course of Construction Technology 2. The students that take these courses are able to earn NCCER industry certifications that are recognized in the construction industry.

Joseph Saiz, the Construction Tech instructor states, "Students in my advanced construction tech classes have been learning about various building materials used in construction. Students are working with steel framing material. Steel framing is commonly used in commercial construction. This provides a realistic view of how buildings around us are built."

3-2-1-Cookoff! Astronauts to bake cookies with new test oven

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — Forget reheated, freeze-dried space grub. Astronauts are about to get a new test oven for baking chocolate chip cookies from scratch.

The next delivery of supplies for the International Space Station — scheduled for liftoff this weekend — includes the Zero G Oven. Chocolate chip cookie dough is already up there, waiting to pop into this small electric oven designed for zero gravity.

As a tantalizing incentive, sample cookies baked just this week are also launching Saturday from Virginia on Northrop Grumman's Cygnus capsule, for the six station astronauts.

The experiment explores the possibility of making freshly baked goods for space travelers. With NASA eyeing trips to the moon and Mars, homemade food takes on heightened importance. What's in orbit now are essentially food warmers.

Run by a New York couple, Zero G Kitchen aims to create a kitchen in space one appliance at a time, starting with the oven.

"You're in space. I mean, you want to have the smell of cookies," said Zero G Kitchen's Jordana Fichtenbaum, a social media specialist for hotels and restaurants. "The kitchen is really sort of the heart of the home to me, and the oven is kind of where it's at. So just to make (space) more comfortable and make it more pleasant, more delicious."

Out-of-this-world baking can also entice the public and make space exploration more relatable, according to her husband, Ian Fichtenbaum, who works in the space business.

Also collaborating on this first-of-its-kind space bake: Texas-based Nanoracks, which designed and built the oven and arranged the flight, and DoubleTree, which supplied the same cookie dough used by the hotel chain for welcome cookies.

"That's the beauty of this to me," Jordana Fichtenbaum said by phone earlier this week. "It's the same recipe and the same thing that you get on Earth."

Previous station crews have created their own pizzas using flatbread and warmed them in the galley. Astronauts have attempted other creative cuisine, mixing and heating chopped onions and garlic, for instance, and whipping up salads from station-grown greens. Results have been mixed.

The cookie baking will be slow going — the oven can bake just one cookie at a time, and it could be weeks before the astronauts have time to try it out.

Five raw cookies have been in a space station freezer since the summer. Each is in its own individual clear silicone pouch and, according to Ian Fichtenbaum, resembles a frozen hockey puck. The oven's maximum heat is 350 F (177 C), double the temperature of the U.S. and Russian food warmers aboard the space station. The cylindrical oven uses electric heating elements.

Nanorack manager Mary Murphy anticipates a baking time of 15 to 20 min-

utes per cookie at about 325 F (163 C). The aroma of baking cookies should fill the lab each time a cookie comes out of the oven and is placed on an attached cooling rack, she said.

The first cookie will be the real test; it could end up looking like a blob or a mini pancake in the absence of gravity. Three of the space-baked cookies will be returned to Earth for analysis.

"Baking doesn't always go according to plan, even on the ground," said Murphy.

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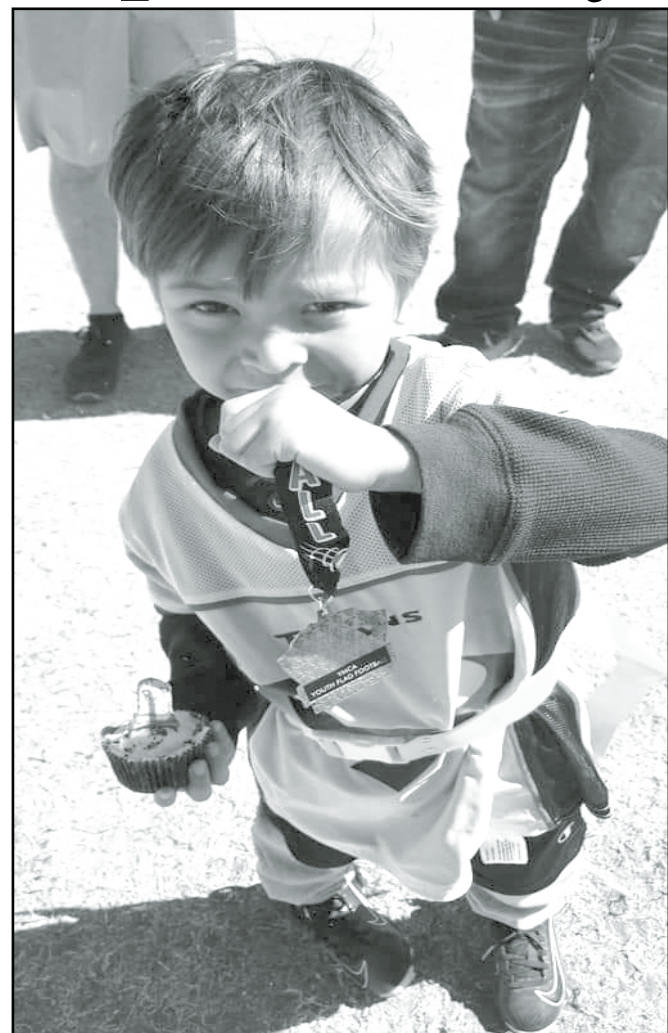
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YMCA flag football wrapped up Saturday



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Pictured above: One of the YMCA flag football teams prepares to receive their medals during the closing ceremony on Saturday. Pictured right: A young flag football player shows off his medal as the YMCA flag football season wrapped up this past weekend.

Volleyball season in full force at local YMCA



courtesy photos
The Divas went up against Sugar and Spike during a recent volleyball tournament at the local YMCA. Several teams made up of all ages are enjoying volleyball season at the YMCA. The volleyball season is still taking place. For more information about YMCA sports, contact Dathan Jones at the YMCA, located at 801 Owens.

JH Buffaloes beat Hawley, 26-14



Courtesy photo
Forsan Junior High teams faced off against Hawley, on Thursday. The eighth grade team took the win with a final score of 26-14.

Oilfield Helping Hands to host inaugural Permian Golf Classic

HOUSTON (October 31, 2019) – Oilfield Helping Hands (OHH) will be hosting its inaugural Annual Permian Golf Classic on November 11, 2019, at Green Tree Country Club, 4900 Green Tree Blvd., Midland, Texas 79707.

Registration begins at 10 a.m., and tee time is at 11 a.m. Various sponsorships levels are available, allowing companies opportunity for valuable exposure at the event.

Katie Grimes, OHH Permian Basin Chapter vice president, said, “We need your help getting this new and exciting event off the ground. Volunteer, participate or sponsor this fun day of golf to assist oilfield families in need. Come early to socialize, shop, hit balls at the driving range and enjoy breakfast! We are looking forward to a successful event, so grab your team quickly - we only have a limited number of team slots.”

For more information on the inaugural Annual Permian Golf Classic, and to sponsor or register for the event, visit the OHH website here.

About Oilfield Helping Hands
Oilfield Helping Hands is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization, established in Houston in 2003. OHH helps oilfield families in financial crisis due to no fault of their own. Since its inception, the organization has provided more than \$5 million to industry workers and their families. In 2017, OHH mobilized into action after Hurricane Harvey and was able to provide more than \$350,000 to 217 families. OHH continues to work in the most economical fashion to maximize the funds available to recipients each year.

NFL Standings

AFC East	Division	Overall	PF	PA
New England	4-0-0	8-0-0	250	61
Buffalo Bills	2-1-0	5-2-0	134	122
New York Jets	0-3-0	1-6-0	78	185
Miami Dolphins	0-2-0	0-7-0	77	238

AFC North	Division	Overall	PF	PA
Baltimore Ravens	2-1-0	5-2-0	214	156
Pittsburgh Steelers	1-1-0	3-4-0	150	145
Cleveland Browns	1-0-0	2-5-0	133	181
Cincinnati Bengals	0-2-0	0-8-0	124	210

AFC South	Division	Overall	PF	PA
Indianapolis Colts	2-0-0	5-2-0	158	151
Houston Texans	1-1-0	5-3-0	212	188
Jacksonville	1-1-0	4-4-0	173	163
Tennessee Titans	0-2-0	4-4-0	148	135

AFC West	Division	Overall	PF	PA
Kansas City Chiefs	2-0-0	5-3-0	226	181
Oakland Raiders	1-1-0	3-4-0	151	192
L.A. Chargers	0-1-0	3-5-0	157	157
Denver Broncos	1-2-0	2-6-0	125	151

NFC East	Division	Overall	PF	PA
Dallas Cowboys	3-0-0	4-3-0	190	124
Philadelphia Eagles	1-1-0	4-4-0	202	199
New York Giants	1-1-0	2-6-0	158	218
Washington	0-3-0	1-7-0	99	195

NFC North	Division	Overall	PF	PA
Green Bay Packers	3-0-0	7-1-0	215	163
Minnesota Vikings	1-2-0	6-2-0	211	132
Detroit Lions	0-2-0	3-3-1	180	186
Chicago Bears	1-1-0	3-4-0	128	122

NFC South	Division	Overall	PF	PA
New Orleans Saints	1-0-0	7-1-0	195	156
Carolina Panthers	1-1-0	4-3-0	179	184
Tampa Bay	1-2-0	2-5-0	196	212
Atlanta Falcons	0-0-0	1-7-0	165	250

NFC West	Division	Overall	PF	PA
San Francisco 49ers	1-0-0	7-0-0	207	77
Seattle Seahawks	2-0-0	6-2-0	208	196
Los Angeles Rams	0-2-0	5-3-0	214	174
Arizona Cardinals	0-1-0	3-4-1	170	223

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Garage Sale Front and Backyard. Fri. 10am-? Sat. 9am-? 2509 Fairchild Dr. Garden tools, misc. tools, furniture, stereo, all size clothing and shoes, flower pots, & lots of misc!

1408 Scurry (behind Prosperity Bank in the Alley) Sat. 8am - 2pm TOO MUCH to List MUST SEE!!

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NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATIONS AND INTENT TO OBTAIN AIR PERMIT AMENDMENT AND RENEWAL

AIR QUALITY PERMIT NUMBER 80833

APPLICATION Alon USA, LP, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for an amendment to and renewal of Air Quality Permit Number 80833, which would authorize modifications to and continued operation of the Big Spring Refinery located at 200 Refinery Road, Big Spring, Howard County, Texas 79720. This application is being processed in an expedited manner, as allowed by the commission's rules in 30 Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 101, Subchapter J. This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and not part of the application or notice. For exact location, refer to application. <http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610/index.html?lat=32.268055&lng=-101.421111&zoom=13&type=1>. The existing facility and/or related facilities will emit the following air contaminants: carbon monoxide, hazardous air pollutants, hydrogen sulfide, nitrogen oxides, organic compounds, particulate matter including particulate matter with diameters of 10 microns or less and 2.5 microns or less and sulfur dioxide.

The applications were submitted to the TCEQ on October 10, 2019. The permit renewal will be issued in conjunction with the amendment. The reasons for any changes or incorporations, to the extent they are included in the renewed permit, may include the enhancement of operational control at the plant or enforceability of the permit. The applications will be available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ central office, the TCEQ Midland regional office, and the Howard County Library, 500 South Main Street, Big Spring, Howard County, Texas beginning the first day of publication of this notice. The facility's compliance file, if any exists, is available for public review in the Midland regional office of the TCEQ.

The executive director has determined the applications are administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the applications.

PUBLIC COMMENT/PUBLIC MEETING You may submit public comments, a request for a public meeting, or request a contested case hearing to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. The TCEQ will

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consider all public comments in developing a final decision on the applications. The deadline to submit public comments is 30 days after newspaper notice is published.

The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or ask questions about the applications. A public meeting about the applications will be held if the executive director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the applications or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

If only comments are received on the applications, the response to comments, along with notice of the executive director's action on the applications, will be mailed to everyone who submitted comments or is on the mailing list for these applications.

The executive director will complete the technical review, issue a preliminary decision on the applications, and a Notice of Application and Preliminary Decision will be published and mailed to those who are on the mailing list for these applications. That notice will contain the final deadline for submitting public comments. If a hearing request is timely filed in Response to this Notice of Receipt of Application and Intent to Obtain Air Permit, the time period for requesting a contested case hearing will be extended to thirty days after the mailing of the executive director's response to comments.

After the final deadline for public comments following the Notice of Application and Preliminary Decision, the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. If comments are received, the response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the applications, will then be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or is on a mailing list for these applications.

OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING You may request a contested case hearing. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in state district court. A contested case hearing will only be granted based on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decisions on the applications. Further, the Commission will only grant a hearing on issues submitted by you or others during the public comment period and not withdrawn.

A person who may be affected by emissions of air contaminants from the facility is entitled to request a hearing. If requesting a contested case hearing, you must submit the following: (1) your name (or for a group or association, an official representative), mailing address, daytime phone number; (2) applicant's name and permit number; (3) the statement "[I/we] request a contested case hearing"; (4) a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the application and air emissions from the facility in a way not common to the general public; (5) the location and distance of your property relative to the facility; (6) a description of how you use the property which may be impacted by the facility; and (7) a list of all disputed issues of fact that you submit during the comment

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period. If the request is made by a group or an association, one or more members who have standing to request a hearing must be identified by name and physical address. The interests which the group or association seeks to protect must also be identified. You may also submit your proposed adjustments to the application/permit which would satisfy your concerns.

Following the close of all applicable comment and request periods, the Executive Director will forward the application and any requests for contested case hearing to the Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting. The Commission may only grant a request for a contested case hearing on issues the requestor submitted in their timely comments that were not subsequently withdrawn. If a hearing is granted, the subject of a hearing will be limited to disputed issues of fact or mixed questions of fact and law relating to relevant and material air quality concerns submitted during the comment period. Issues such as property values, noise, traffic safety, and zoning are outside of the Commission's jurisdiction to address in this proceeding.

MAILING LIST In addition to submitting public comments, you may ask to be placed on a mailing list to receive future public notices for this specific applications mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk by sending a written request to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION Public comments and requests must be submitted either electronically at www.tceq.texas.gov/agency/decisions/cc/comments.html, or in writing to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. Please be aware that any contact information you provide, including your name, phone number, email address and physical address will become part of the agency's public record. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the Public Education Program toll free at 1-800-687-4040. Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040.

Further information may also be obtained from Alon USA, LP, P.O. Box 1311, Big Spring, Texas 79721-1311 or by calling Mr. Frank Burgard, Environmental Manager at (432) 263-9214.

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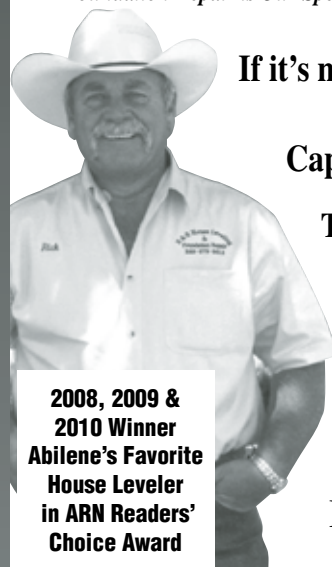
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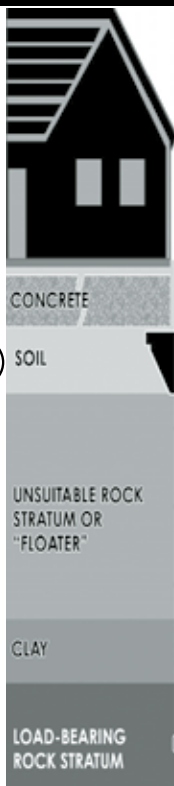
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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Bidding quiz

How many points does the opening bidder indicate by his rebid in each of the following sequences?

Opener	Responder
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- 1♦ 1♠
1 NT
- 1♥ 1♠
2 NT
- 1♠ 1 NT
3♠
- 1♥ 1 NT
2♦
- 1♠ 1 NT
3♣

1. Thirteen or 14, or 13 to 15 points, depending on the range of your opening one-notrump bids. (If you play 15-to-17-point notrump openings, you should not have more than 14 points when you rebid one notrump.) The one-notrump rebid shows a balanced hand (4-3-3-3, 4-4-3-2 or 5-3-3-2 distribution) and willingness to play at one notrump if responder has a balanced minimum (six to 10 points).

2. Eighteen or 19 points. The jump to two notrump by opener shows a balanced hand containing 18 or 19 high-card points. It is not a forcing bid; responder may pass with minimum values (six or fewer points) for his one-spade response.

3. Sixteen to 18 points. The invi-

tational jump-rebid promises at least six spades, including two or more honors. Responder may pass with minimum values (six or seven points) for his one-notrump response. In most cases, the three-spade bidder will have only 15 or 16 high-card points, with the rest of his count based on distributional values.

4. Thirteen to 18 points. The change of suit in this sequence might be based on minimal values, e.g., ♠94♥AQ863♦AQ752♣10, or on values well above a minimum, e.g., ♠AQ8♥KQ752♦AQ104♣3. Because of the inherent ambiguity of the opening bidder's change of suit, the responder often finds himself awkwardly placed in choosing his next action. If he has only six or seven points and a preference for opener's second suit, he can pass, but with all other hands, he must bid again, and must use his judgment as to how to continue.

5. Nineteen or more points. This bid — a jump-shift — is 100 percent forcing to game, so responder must keep bidding until a game (or slam) is reached. The bid announces that the combined hands contain enough points for game — even if responder has only six points — but opener is not yet sure where the best game lies.

Tomorrow: Chalk one up for declarer.

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Determine the code to reveal the answer!

Solve the code to discover words related to fashion. Each number corresponds to a letter. (Hint: 4 = t)

- 8 21 20 1 14 10**
Clue: Create from an idea
- 6 24 4**
Clue: Shape or design
- 20 4 2 13 21**
Clue: Distinctive appearance
- 6 13 18 4 3 1 10 14**
Clue: Covers the body

Answers: A design B cut C style D clothing

SUDOKU

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

Level: Advanced

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Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

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

ANSWER:



Tomorrow's Horoscope

Cosmic Call to All Saints

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS

unnecessary self-criticism.



ARIES (March 21-April 19). Your present will play out according to how you see your past. It's never too late to change that story. Of course, the facts will remain, but what they mean to you can always change to better support you.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Suffering is caused by overidentifying with some part of your experience. This could come in the form of clinging too tightly to a role or letting an activity define you. Try to see yourself as separate from what you are doing.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You have certain expectations of yourself. Love yourself whether or not you reach them. The more unconditional love you give, the more you'll attract. And unconditional love is high-octane spiritual power.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Part of being proud of what you do is showing it in its best light. It's worthwhile to put time, thought, effort and money into the presentation because this helps others understand both the work and you.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). People should know when they're happy, but somehow they don't always. That's why it's so important to notice it, point to it, talk about it, exclaim it, dance it, or just whisper it to yourself. Life is mighty fine.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). It's uncomfortable to know that someone has given more than they intended to give you. Maybe they didn't know it would take so long or cost so much. Regardless, you would do the same in those circumstances, so just relax.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). When you give a recommendation and the other person doesn't take it, does that feel like a slight? A disappointment? This is why you need to take your own advice. It's a self-respect and self-love thing.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). It does seem you have to unlearn in order to learn today, to clear before you can build, to change the water before you can clean, to drop your beef with someone before you can love.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Silence will be the social skill you'll find most useful. It's not that other people will think you've misspoken or said too much; it's just that you might, and your re-play of conversation could trigger

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). To force things is not only ineffective; it's a bad look. Take a breath. To let the true value of a thing show itself to you, all you have to do is stand by and wait for it to emerge.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). It's tempting to go on as if nothing happened. However, even just a half-hour spent processing the past will make a world of difference. Think of it as a spiritual stretch to keep you limber and open to life.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). People tend to ask you the wrong questions because they want to be close to you and they're not sure how. Decide what you'd like them to have asked and then answer that way regardless of what they really asked.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Nov. 1). One of your cosmic talents is a sensitivity to the pain of others. You could make money alleviating it. With a deft combination of risky and sensible moves, you'll create future stability for you and yours. The important part is that you trust yourself and don't let anything get in the way of acting on your intuition. Gemini and Pisces adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 8, 39, 45, 16 and 22.

Write Holiday Mathis at HolidayMathis.com.

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Annie's Mailbox

Thanks, But No Thanks

Dear Annie: I always enjoy sharing my baked goods and also my soups with my neighbors. Some will return the favor by making items for me. I never expect them to reciprocate, though I know I always try to reciprocate when people do things for me.

I'm writing to you because now someone is giving me presents that I really don't want. I am always thankful, but I do not like any of the items. I know I need to be thankful. But I do not like to lie, and I would rather have just a thanks for my baked goods and soups instead of thank-you gifts that I do not like at all!

Normally, I would just donate the items to a church, but I am too afraid that this friend will be looking for me to use the items. And, of course, I do not want to hurt her feelings. What is your suggestion? -- You Shouldn't Have

Dear You Shouldn't

Have: "The true purpose of a gift is to be received," writes minimalist expert Marie Kondo in her bestselling "The Life-Changing Magic of Tidying Up," and I couldn't agree more. When someone gives you an unwanted gift, receive it gratefully; recognize the warm-hearted intention behind it; and write them a thank-you note. Then donate

it (or return it, if they've included a gift receipt) without guilt. If you want to head off future unwanted gifts from this friend, simply tell her: "I appreciate your thoughtfulness, but you really do not need to get me anything. Your friendship is enough." If she's been spending money on the items she's giving you, and if she seems determined to continue doing so, you might politely tell her that you have more than enough material things but that you'd love to see more donations to a charity you support.

Dear Annie: This is in response to the lady who complained about how people hold their fork and knife. Your response was very true. I have rheumatoid arthritis, and as my hands have gotten worse, holding things is a real challenge. I used to peel potatoes in a few minutes, but it now takes many times as long. I also park in a handicapped spot. Some days, I can move fairly easily; other days, it is a challenge to just get out of my car. I have other friends with osteoarthritis, multiple sclerosis and Parkinson's disease who have similar problems.

I learned long ago not to judge by appearance. Thank you for explaining that things aren't always what they seem. -- Mary W.

Dear Mary W.: I'm sorry that you're struggling with rheumatoid arthritis. I'm happy to print your letter to again amplify the message that others' suffering and limitations are not always readily apparent.

Dear Annie: Your advice to "Left Behind" would be poor advice in some states. As a Washington state lawyer, I can tell you that Washington has what is called a "committed intimate relationship," in which unmarried partners may have community property like rights in each other's property. Also some states have common-law marriage.

"Left Behind" should consult a lawyer with a family law practice in her state to find out if she has any rights. -- Regular Reader in Vancouver, Washington

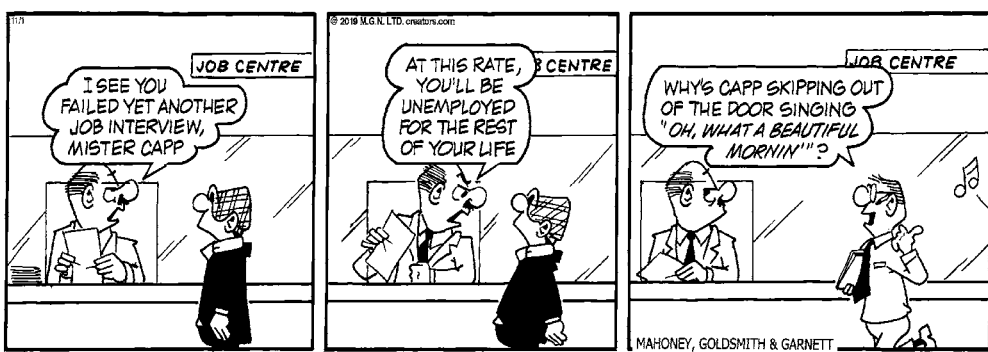
Dear Regular Reader: I'm embarrassed to say that I failed to get the complete picture when researching my answer. I'm printing your note to correct the record for "Left Behind" and anyone else in her shoes. Contacting a lawyer is the best bet. Thanks for writing and setting me straight.

Send your questions for Annie Lane to dearannie@creators.com.

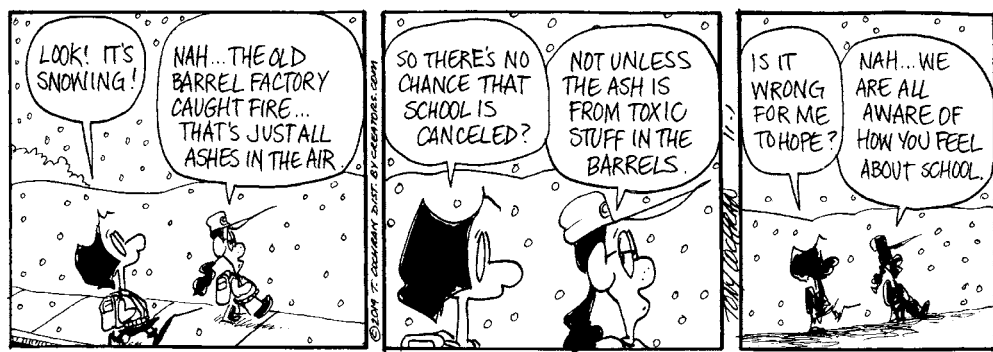
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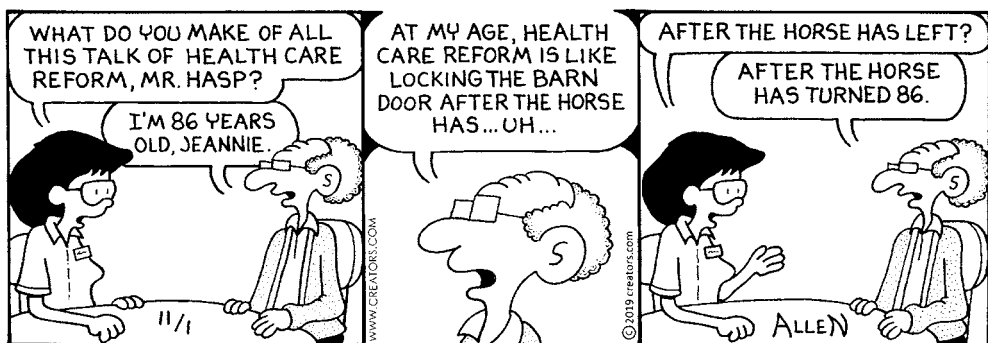
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This Date In History

Today in History

Today is Friday, Nov. 1, the 305th day of 2019. There are 60 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On Nov. 1, 1936, in a speech in Milan, Italy, Benito Mussolini described the alliance between his country and Nazi Germany as an "axis" running between Rome and Berlin. On this date: In 1604, William Shakespeare's tragedy "Othello" was first presented at Whitehall Palace in London. In 1765, the Stamp Act, passed by the British Parliament, went into effect, prompting stiff resistance from American colonists. In 1861, during the Civil War, President Abraham Lincoln named Maj. Gen. George B. McClellan General-in-Chief of the Union armies, succeeding Lt. Gen. Winfield Scott. In 1945, Ebony, a magazine geared toward black readers, was first published. In 1950, two Puerto Rican nationalists tried to force their way into Blair House in Washington, D.C., in a failed attempt to assassinate President Harry S. Truman. (One of the pair was killed, along with a White House police officer.) In 1952, the United States exploded the first hydrogen bomb, code-named "Ivy Mike," at Eniwetok (en-ih-WEE'-tahk) Atoll in the Marshall Islands. In 1968, the Motion Picture Association of America unveiled its new voluntary film rating system: G for general, M for mature (later changed to GP, then PG), R for restricted and X (later changed to NC-17) for adults only. In 1973, following the "Saturday Night Massacre," Acting Attorney General Robert H. Bork appointed Leon Jaworski to be the new Watergate special prosecutor, succeeding Archibald Cox. In 1989, East Germany reopened its border with Czechoslovakia, prompting tens of thousands of refugees to flee to the West. In 1991, Clarence Thomas took his place as the newest justice on the Supreme Court. In 1995, Bosnia peace talks opened in Dayton, Ohio, with the leaders of Bosnia, Serbia and Croatia present. In 2003, Democratic presidential candidate Howard Dean stirred controversy within his party by telling the Des Moines (duh-MOYN') Register he wanted to be "the candidate for guys with Confederate flags in their pickup trucks."

(The former Vermont governor explained that he intended to encourage the return of Southern voters who had abandoned the Democrats for decades but were disaffected with the Republicans.) Ten years ago: Afghan President Hamid Karzai's challenger, former Foreign Minister Abdullah Abdullah, withdrew from an upcoming runoff election, effectively handing Karzai a victory. Lender CIT Group filed one of the biggest Chapter 11 bankruptcy filings in U.S. corporate history. (CIT Group emerged from bankruptcy protection the following month.) Meb Keflezighi (keh-FLEZ'-gee) became the first U.S. man in 27 years to win the New York City Marathon, in a time of 2:09:15; Ethiopian runner Derartu Tulu won the women's title in 2:28:52. Five years ago: The national average price of gasoline fell to \$2.995, according to AAA, marking the first time in four years that gas was cheaper than \$3 a gallon. The United Nations' expert panel on climate science, meeting in Copenhagen, Denmark, finished a report on global warming that the agency said offered "conclusive evidence" that humans were altering Earth's climate system. Bayern won the \$5 million Breeders' Cup Classic by a nose, surviving a stewards' inquiry prompted by multiple horses bumping near the start. One year ago: Robert Bowers pleaded not guilty to federal charges in the shooting that left 11 people dead at a Pittsburgh synagogue; funerals for the victims of the deadliest anti-Semitic attack in American history continued for a third day. Edmund Zagorski became the first man executed in Tennessee's electric chair since 2007; his last words were "Let's rock," before he was executed for shooting two men and slitting their throats during a drug deal. Thousands of Google employees around the world briefly walked off the job to protest what they said was the company's mishandling of sexual misconduct allegations against executives.

Today's Birthdays: World Golf Hall of Famer Gary Player is 84. Country singer

Answer to previous puzzle grid with letters.

Bill Anderson is 82. Actress Barbara Bosson is 80. Actor Robert Foxworth is 78. Magazine publisher Larry Flynt is 77. Country singer-humorist Kinky Friedman is 75. Actress Jeannie Berlin is 70. Music producer David Foster is 70. Actress Belita Moreno is 70. Rhythm-and-blues musician Ronald Khalis Bell (Kool and the Gang) is 68. Country singer-songwriter-producer Keith

Stegall is 65. Country singer Lyle Lovett is 62. Actress Rachel Ticotin is 61. Rock musician Eddie MacDonald (Smalltown Glory, The Alarm) is 60. Apple CEO Tim Cook is 59. Actress Helene Udy is 58. Pop singer-musician Mags Furuholm (a-ha) 57. Rock singer Anthony Kiedis (Red Hot Chili Peppers) is 57. Rock musician Rick Allen (Def Leppard) is 56. Country singer

"Big Kenny" Alphin (Big and Rich) is 56. Singer Sophie B. Hawkins is 55. Rapper Willie D (Geto Boys) is 53. Country musician Dale Wallace (Emerson Drive) is 50. Actress Toni Collette is 47. Rock musician Andrew Gonzales is 47. Actress-talk show host Jenny McCarthy is 47. Actor David Berman is 46. Actress Aishwarya Rai (ash-WAHR'-ee-ah reye) is 46. Rock singer Bo Bice is

44. Actor Matt Jones is 38. Actress Natalia Tena is 35. Actor Penn Badgley is 33. Actor Max Burkholder is 22. Actor-musician Alex Wolff is 22. Thought for Today: "People who bite the hand that feeds them usually lick the boot that kicks them." — Eric Hoffer, American author and philosopher (1902-1983).

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Newsday Crossword

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- 63 Alternative nickname to Beth 64 eBay seller's upload 65 Polite title 66 Jargon suffix 67 Alaskan souvenir 68 Street market booth 11 Disco's '30s ancestor 12 Weighty reading 13 Far below fine 18 Passover casserole 23 Chocolate syrup brand 25 Envelope-pushing 26 DVD preceder 27 Joins forces 28 Do a dairy job 29 Under-the-chin instrument 30 Fan favorites 31 Batter to an ump's right 32 Start of an exercise admonition 33 Diminutive ending in music 34 College World Series org. 38 Of lofty dignity 40 Mock-laugh sound 42 Solemn "yes" 43 Comfortable bed of metaphor 46 Second-guesser's question 47 Regular exerciser 50 Robust 51 Bulb that blooms 52 Defensive trench 53 Impel 54 Botanical ascending axis 56 Verdi masterwork 57 Nonstick cookware name 58 Web designer's code 61 Company covering meds 62 Royal Navy designation

13x13 crossword grid with numbers 1-68.

Howard Hawks open season tonight

By SHAWN MORAN

Herald Sports Writer

The Howard Hawks open their 2019-20 season tonight against Nation Wide Academy. Head coach Scott Raines believes this is the deepest roster he has ever had while coaching at Howard.

With only one returning player, sophomore guard Eric Reed Jr., there is still optimism surrounding the team that this will be the most competitive Hawks squad in a very long time.

"We're the deepest team we've ever had. I've been here 15 years," Raines said. "We have 12 or 13 quality guys that are capable of starting. We have a lot of experience, even though we only have one returner."

Coach Raines has filled his roster for this season with Division I transfers and transfers from other junior colleges from around the country.

After struggling to find consistent scoring from the bench and role players

in the past, including last season, Raines believes that will not be an issue for this year's team.

"I think one of our strengths is they're going to have a hard time night-in and night-out playing over at Howard because you've got to stop this guy and that guy," Raines said. "We're going to lean a lot on Eric but we have some real quality transfers that we think can do great things. We also have a few freshman. I think a lot of nights you'll see 12 or 13 probably score between 5 and 15 points."

With plenty of attention focused on high school football fields this Friday night, the Hawks will look to start off their 2019-20 season with a convincing win at home.

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No. 12 Baylor still undefeated after 17-14 win over WVU

WACO, Texas (AP) — No. 12 Baylor got quite defensive to remain undefeated.

While Charlie Brewer threw for 277 yards with two touchdowns, the defense blocked a late field goal try while allowing only one big play, and the Bears won a game when scoring less than 20 points for the first time since 2006.

"A tremendous, tremendous defensive game," coach Matt Rhule said after the 17-14 victory over West Virginia on Thursday night. "We are still learning that it's OK just to play defense and not worry."

John Mayers kicked a go-ahead 36-yard field goal with 10:19 left to break a 14-all tie, and Baylor won its 10th game in a row despite an often frustrating night on offense and special teams.

Two seasons after winning only one game, the Bears (8-0, 5-0 Big 12) are the league's only undefeated team — and one of eight remaining among FBS teams.

"Don't apologize for going 8-0, for winning this game," Rhule said. "Just have to continue to improve as we try to move forward."

West Virginia (3-5, 1-4) had eight quarterback sacks. With second-and-goal from the 1 late in the second quarter, Baylor was stuffed for no gain on three consecutive plays and had to settle for a 7-0 halftime lead.

Still, the Bears avoided what happened last Saturday, when while they had an open date the Big 12's other three ranked teams that did play lost. That included Oklahoma's loss at Kansas State that left Baylor alone atop the conference standings.

"We talked about how this wasn't good enough," linebacker Jordan Williams said. "We need to grow from it because we don't want to have that same feeling those teams had."

After R.J. Sneed muffed a punt that was recovered at the Baylor 34, West Virginia couldn't get a first down.

"We're pretty good on defense," linebacker Blake Lynch said.

Casey Legg kicked the ball through the uprights on a 43-yard field goal attempt, but the Mountaineers were penalized for delay of game and had to try again. Nose tackle Bravvion Roy then blocked Legg's 48-yard attempt with 3 1/2 minutes left.

The Mountaineers had two big plays for their touchdowns. George

Campbell had an 83-yard catch-and-run from Austin Kendall on the first play after a punt, and Winston Wright went 95 yards for the Mountaineers' first kickoff return for a touchdown in five years.

West Virginia finished with 219 total yards, 136 outside of that one big play.

Wright's return was on the ensuing kick after Brewer's 21-yard TD pass to Denzel Mims, who had opened the second half by fumbling at the end of a 30-yard reception on his first catch since taking a hard hit early in the game.

West Virginia beat Baylor 58-14 last year, but the Mountaineers were coming off a 52-14 loss at Oklahoma in their last game and came into this game as a nearly three-touchdown underdog.

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