

Weather

Night:

Saturday: Sunny, with a

Sunday: Sunny, with a

clear, with a low around 23.

COVID-19

in Howard County:

Feb, 2, 2022

Confirmed Cases: 3,593

Probable Cases: 2,772

Fatalities: 161

(note: new COVID-19 numbers were

not available by press time.)

Night: Mostly

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clear, with a low around 14.

Mostly

Friday

high near 45.

high near 48.

Sunday

Corley, Guerra take top spots in JH Spelling Bee

By ROGER CLINE Herald Staff Writer

It's a term for a small fish similar to a herring, and the word is also used informally to mean closely packed together. Sardeen? Saurdine? Champion spellers like Big Spring Junior High's eighthgrader Gavin Corley know the correct spelling of the word — the final hurdle in the school's campus-level Scripps Spelling Bee held earlier this week — is "Sardine."

BSJHS Principal Rebecca Otto said 25 students competed in the contest, the first step in the road leading to the annual Scripps National Spelling Bee.

"All contestants did really well and should be proud of themselves," Otto said. "For a second year in a row, the spelling bee champ was Gavin Corley. Gavin will be advancing tot he next round in Midland a little later this spring."

Otto said the contest's runner up was seventh-grader Andrea Guerra.

The Scripps National Spelling Bee began in 1925 when nine newspapers joined together to host a spelling bee. Now, 90 years later, the contest reaches 11 million students each year. Students from all walks of life participate in the annual bee, starting with contests at their local school and progressing to regional or area, and then state, competitions before advancing to the national bee.

Congratulations, Gavin and Andrea, and Gavin — good luck in the upcoming bees!



Courtesy photo

Big Spring Junior High's eighth grader Gavin Corley, left, and seventh-grader Andrea Guerra took first and second places respectively in the school's Scripps Spelling Bee this week.

Daily Quotes

"Throughout my life, there are four people I've met who were truly original people. The other three were Groucho Marx, Jim Morrison, and Pablo Picasso." — *Alice Cooper*

"There is just so much hurt,

disappointment, and oppression one can take... The line between reason and madness grows thinner." — *Rosa Parks*

"About 40 miles away from Paris, I began to see the old trench flares they were sending up at Le Bourget. I knew then I had made it, and as I ap-

Girl Scout Cookies!



Courtesy photo

Local Girl Scouts from Troop 33918 are selling Girl Scout Cookies around Howard County, according to a notice from Aide Moreno Buentello. Nationwide, Girl Scouts have been raising funds

Biden orders forces to Europe amid stalled Ukraine talks

Associated Press

President Joe Biden is ordering 2,000 U.S.-based troops to Poland and Germany and shifting 1,000 more from Germany to Romania, demonstrating to both allies and foes America's commitment to NATO's eastern flank amid fears of a Russian invasion of Ukraine, the Pentagon said Wednesday.

Russia fired back with a sharply worded objection, calling the deployments unfounded and "destructive."

Russian President Vladimir Putin also had a new telephone exchange with British Prime Minister Boris Johnson. But readouts from both governments showed no progress, with Putin saying the West was giving no ground on Russia's security concerns and Johnson expressing deep concern about Russia's "hostile activity" on the Ukrainian border, referring to Putin's buildup of 100,000 troops there.

The Biden administration is aiming to demonstrate U.S. resolve without undermining efforts to find a diplomatic solution to the crisis. Biden notably has not sent military reinforcements to the three Baltic countries on NATO's eastern flank — Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania — that are former states of the Soviet Union.

proached the field with all its lights, it was a simple matter to circle once and then pick a spot sufficiently far away from the crowd to land O.K."

- Charles Lindbergh

"Collaborate, don't dictate." — *George A. Romero*

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selling the sweet cookies for more than 100 years, beginning as early as 1917, when the Mistletoe Troop in Muskogee, Okla., baked and sold the treats.

No U.S. troops are being sent to Ukraine, and White House

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What's the best day of the week to buy gas?

Editor's note: The following story was shared with the Big Spring Herald as a press release from GasBuddy.com

Special to the Herald

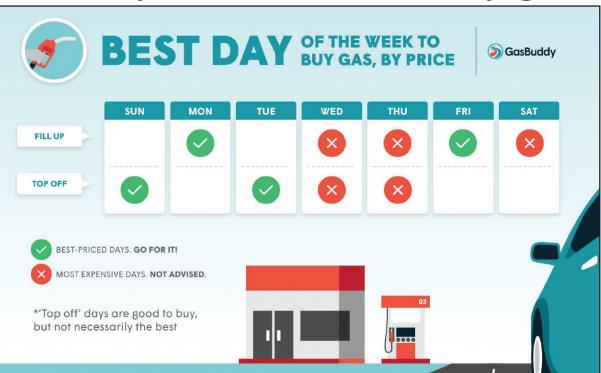
Americans' wallets have been hit hard by high gas prices, now about 50 percent higher than they were a year ago and forecast to potentially hit \$4 per gallon in the coming months. GasBuddy recently released a new study that found the best and worst days of the week to fill up in order to maximize savings.

In Texas, the best day of the week to fill up is Sunday, while the most expensive day is Thursday. The state follows national trends fairly closely, as Sunday is a good

"top off" day nationally, and Thursday is the most expensive day on the national gas-buying scene as well as for the state.

On a national level, the best day to save money on gas is Monday. The first day of the week offers the lowest average gas prices in the majority of the U.S. -17 states including Illinois, Michigan and Virginia. Monday was also the best day to buy gas on GasBuddy's 2017, 2018 and 2019 studies.

Contrary to previous years, Friday became one of the cheap-



est days of the week to buy gas in 2021. This trend refutes 2019's results, which placed Friday as one of the most expensive days of the week at the pump, and can perhaps be attributed to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and the emerging prominence of work from home lifestyles.

Nationally, the worst day to save money is Thursday. In 2019, Saturday was named the worst day of the week in 16

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LOCAL

Obituaries

Darrell Pollock



Darrell Pollock, 83, of Big Spring, passed away January 29, 2022. He will lie in state from 9:00 am to 9:00 pm on Saturday, February 5, 2022 at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Darrell was born in Big Spring, Texas on February 21, 1938 to Berniece (Rutledge) Pollock and James Edward Pollock. He had worked as a farmer, lineman and a courier for First Bank of West Texas.

of Big nuary 29, e from 9:00 rday, Feb--Pickle & Briggs Pollock; his brother: Don Pollock of Dallas; his four children: Natasha Pollock Smith of Big Spring, Elizabeth Pollock Ayers of Norman, Oklahoma, Charles Errol Pollock of Big Spring and Darrell Lee Roy Pollock of Monahans, Texas. He leaves nine grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

Darrell was preceded in death by his parents J.E. Pollock and Berniece Pollock and his sister Patsy Pollock Casey.

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

He is survived by his loving wife of 62 years Lillie

Jacqueline "Jackie" Whetsel



Jacqueline "Jackie" Whetsel, 78, died Sunday, January 30, 2022. Visitation will be 9 AM until 9 PM Sunday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Private graveside service will be Monday at 11 AM at Trinity Memorial Park.

Jackie was born on January 4, 1944 in Shreveport, LA to Emily and Lee Doyle Whetsel. She had been in Howard County since

1948 and she was Baptist.

Jackie graduated from Forsan High School in 1962. She was employed at Big Spring State Hospital for 25 years. She also had worked at Furr's Cafeteria and Sonic.

She loved her C.B. radio, her handle was "Country Girl".

Jackie is survived by 2 brothers: Lee Doyle Whetsel, Jr. & Marty Whetsel (Donna) of Forsan; 5 nieces & nephews: Terry Whetsel, Nancy Conner, Christie Sanders, Daniel Whetsel, & Stephanie Pitchford; 2 special cousins: Doylene Raney & Duchess Klein.

Jackie was preceded in death by her parents: Emily & Lee Doyle Whetsel and 1 brother: Sonny Whetsel.

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

Paid Obituary

Support Groups

FRIDAY

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

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

SATURDAY

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

SUNDAY

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

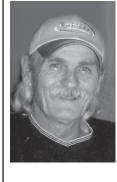
MONDAY

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

Richard "Rick" Arnold Nelson



Richard "Rick" Arnold Nelson, age 77 of Big Spring passed away on Monday, January 31, 2022.

The family will receive friends from 5:00pm to 7:00pm Saturday. February 5, 2022 at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

He was born May 31, 1944 in Long Beach, California and married Rhonda Womack on December 21, 1970.

Survivors include his wife of

51 years, Rhonda Nelson; daughter, Bobbi Nelson; son, Terry Bliesner; and 6 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by son, Billy Nelson; and grandson, Brennan Darden, and parents.

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

Jean Marilyn Money Jean Marilyn Money of Big



Jean Marilyn Money of Big Spring, Texas passed away on January 30th, 2022. A visitation will be held from 6:00 – 8:00 PM on Sunday February 6th, 2022 at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory. Services will be 10:00 AM, February 7th,2022 at St. Mary's Episcopal in Big Spring, Texas. Interment will follow at Ector County Cemetery, Odessa Texas at 1:00 PM.

Jean was born September 20th, 1929 in Dallas, Texas to Purley Gratan Willis and Alice Pauline Streich Willis. She married Andrew Eiben and they had five children together and lived on the family farm in Coupland, Texas. After leaving that area she moved to Odessa. Then in May of 1970 she married Wilson Money. Later they moved to Big Spring where she retired from the Pathology Department at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. She was able to devote her time and enjoyed painting, and being involved with the art center in Big Spring. She also enjoyed sewing and quilting and was part of the quilting group in Big Spring. Jean was involved in her church serving in whatever they needed her to do.

She is survived by her 5 children: Gratan Eiben and wife Diane of Iowa Park, Willis Eiben of Big Spring, Hope Eiben Galloway and husband Jerry of Austin, Carter Eiben of Coupland, and Lloyd Eiben and wife Roxeanne of Midland. Grandchildren: Wendy McDonald, Layla and Mosby Hamilton Jr., Jennifer Sanders, Joshua Eiben, Stacy and Cy Turner, Heather and Jeffrey Hopper, Lyndsay Eiben, Matt Eiben, Christopher Eiben, and numerous great-grandchildren.

Jean is preceded in death by her parents, an infant sister, her first husband Andrew Eiben, 2nd husband Wilson Money, and grandson Jeremy Eiben.

TUESDAY

• 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.

WEDNESDAY

• 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 325-212-860

Submit your Support Group information to be included or updated. Email information to editor@ Bigspringherald.com or call 432-263-7331.

Take Note

• Keep Big Spring Beautiful meets at noon the first Monday of every month at Howard College in the Cactus Room. Our vision is that every Big Spring citizen will take individual responsibility for making Big Spring the most beautiful city in Texas. Visitors are always welcome. For more information call Tammy at 432-935-0057.

• Big Spring and surrounding counties are in need of foster families. Foster parents are the caretakers for the children in the community who have been abused or neglected. For more information on becom-

ing foster parents or adoptive families, call the Children's Protective Services office at 432-263-9669.

• Victim Services is a non-profit independent community-based program serving victims of all violent crime, including, but not limited to, assault, sexual assault and domestic violence. Victim Services advocates are available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, to provide crisis intervention or accompaniment to the hospital and law enforcement agencies, as needed. If you can commit to 30-hour training, an interview process and a background check, we need you. For more information, call Linda Calvio at 432-263-3312.

• The mission of CASA of West Texas is to promote and support quality volunteers who speak for the best interest of abused and neglected children in court in an effort to find each child a safe, nurturing and permanent home. We need your help. If you're interested in volunteering, contact Sara Basaldua at 1-877-316-8346 or visit www.BecomeaCASA.org or www.casawtx.org.

• The Howard County Democrats meet every Monday at 5:30 p.m.at the Cactus Room at Howard College in the Student Union Building. For more information, e-mail howardcountytxdems@gmail.com.

The family would like to express their gratitude towards IPH hospice staff and the Austin Retirement & Nursing Center.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to St Mary's Episcopal Church Big Spring Texas.

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



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press secretary Jen Psaki on Wednesday said the administration has stopped calling a Russian invasion "imminent," because that word implies Washington knows Putin has made a decision to invade. Officials say Putin's intentions remain unclear.

However, increasing U.S. troop levels in Eastern Europe is exactly what Putin has said he finds intolerable, along with the prospect of Ukraine joining NATO. The U.S. already has several thousand troops in Poland, and Romania is host to a NATO missile defense system that Russia considers a threat. The U.S. presence in the region has increased since 2014 when Russia made its first invasion of Ukraine.

Pentagon press secretary John Kirby said the soon-to-deploy U.S. forces are intended to temporarily bolster U.S. and allied defensive positions.

"These are not permanent moves," he said,

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states. In 2021, Thursday topped the list as the most expensive day of the week by far in 28 states. In 2021, the middle of the week became far more expensive to fill up than on Mondays or Fridays. While the weekend previously held the title for the most expensive prices,

Wednesday now follows Thursday as the most expensive day to fill-up. "When it comes to saving money at the pump, Monday becomes more than

• The Big Spring Symphony is celebrating 40 years. Shows remaining this season include: Feb. 19 winter concert entitled "Thank you, Maestro John," celebrating the career and retirement of frequent BSSO Guest Conductor Maestro John Giordano, to be held at Big Spring High School Auditorium at 7:30 p.m.; and Spring Pops Concert, featuring Marie Osmond, on at 7:30 p.m. April 23 at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. Tickets can be purchased in season passes or per concert. For updates and general information, follow The Big Spring Symphony Facebook page or go to www. bigspringsymphony.org.

• The Chamber of Commerce's Annual Banquet will be February 10 at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. At the event, the annual Five under 55 Awards, the Russ McEwen Community Award and the 2021 Man and Woman of the Year will be announced. For sponsorship information, call 263-7641.

 Food distribution at Three Angels Food Pantry is held every third Tuesday of the month at the Big Spring Seventh-Day Adventist Church, located at 4319 Parkway Rd. Food is provided by the West Texas Food Bank. People will need to bring ID and plastic bags, and answer a few questions to pick up food. The food pantry also has a Facebook page where they will post any updates. https://www. facebook.com/healthynuggetsofgold44.

• New Life senior/mature adult dances are held the third Friday of every month from 7 to 10 p.m. at the Dora Roberts Community Center, 100 Whipkey Drive. Music is Western swing style. Entry fee is \$5 and refreshments are provided. For more information call 517-9097.

stressing that the purpose is to reassure allies. Kirby said Russia had continued its buildup, even in the previous 24 hours, despite U.S. urgings that it deescalate.

In Moscow, a senior official said the U.S. movements will complicate the crisis.

"The unfounded destructive steps will only fuel military tensions and narrow the field for political decisions," Deputy Foreign Minister Alexander Grushko said in remarks carried by the Interfax news agency.

Ukraine's Foreign Minister Dmytro Kuleba again played down fears of a Russian attack in a call with reporters but said that if Russia makes moves that could signal an imminent invasion Ukraine would react as necessary.

Of the 2,000 U.S. troops newly deploying from Fort Bragg, North Carolina, about 1,700 are members of the 82nd Airborne Division infantry brigade, who will go to Poland. The other 300 are with the 18th Airborne Corps and will go to Germany as what the Pentagon called a "joint task force-capable head-

quarters."

Poland's Defense Minister Mariusz Blaszczak wrote on Twitter that the deployment to his country is "a strong signal of solidarity in response to the situation in Ukraine."

The 1,000 U.S. troops going to Romania are members of the 2nd Cavalry Regiment based at Vilseck, Germany. They will augment about 900 already in Romania, Kirby said.

The cavalry deployment's purpose is to "deter aggression and enhance our defensive capabilities in frontline allied states during this period of elevated risk," the Pentagon said in a separate written statement.

"It's important that we send a strong signal to Mr. Putin and to the world" of the U.S commitment to NATO, Kirby said.

He said France has decided it, too, will send troop reinforcements to Romania under NATO command, and he noted that a number of other European NATO countries are considering adding forces on NATO's eastern flank.

the dreaded end of the weekend. GasBuddy analyzed gas price data and found that the first day of the work week offers the lowest average gas price in 17 states, making it yet again the best day to fill-up," said Patrick De Haan, head of petroleum analysis at GasBuddy. "Though there is variation in daily gas prices across different states, the consensus is that filling up at the beginning or end of the work week, on Monday or Friday, is the best way to save money. Following Monday, Sunday is the cheapest day to fill-up. But even if you can't always time your fill ups, the golden rule is to always always shop around before filling up."

Take Note

meeting is Nov. 20.

 The Great Courses history video lecture series is taking place each Wednesday in the Theater Room in the First Presbyterian Church, located at 701 Runnels Street. No charge for the lectures.

• Howard County Community Health Center is offering the Moderna – a two dose and Janseen – a single dose, Covid-19 vaccine to those over the age of 18. Businesses, churches, groups or organizations of 10 members or more who would like the vaccine can schedule a time to have a mobile vaccine clinic. The staff will to the business, church, or organization to administer the vaccine. For ore information, call 806-894-7842 ext 178 or 124 or email Covid19@sprhs.org

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

Duties include working in the gift shop, delivering newspapers to inpatients, hospitality services, popcorn and more. To find out more about opportunities available with the SMMC Auxiliary, contact Amy Miramontes at 268-4809 or April Arms at 268-4907.

• St. Vincent de Paul food distribution will take place the second Thursday of each month from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. and other assistance will take place the third Thursday of each month from 10 a.m. until 12 p.m. Both distributions will take place at 1009

tist Church in Big Spring. 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.

O'Neal-Kunkle, Chapter #47 of the Disabled American Vets (D.A.V.), meets the third Monday of every month at 6:30 p.m. at 2204 Runnels Street. For more information, please contact Mike Tarpley at 432 556-2227.

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

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

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Clyde McMahon, Jr., 84, died Friday, January 28, 2022. Graveside service will be Saturday 2:30 \mathbf{PM} at Trinity Memorial Park.

Jacqueline "Jackie" Whetsel, 78, died Sunday, January 30, 2022. Private graveside service will be Monday at 11 AM at Memorial Trinity Service.

Allen Parrish, 73, died February 1, 2022. family The will friends receive Monday from 5:00 PM until 7:00 PM at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Graveside service will be Tuesday at 11:00 AM at Texas State Veterans Cemetery in Abilene.

• The Big Spring Art Association is looking for community businesses to display pieces of their artwork. In an effort to build awareness for the importance of the arts and highlight local talent, the Big Spring Art Association displays different art pieces across the community. If you would like a piece of art work displayed in your business lobby contact any member of the Big Spring Art Association.

• Drive-through COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics are held from 3-6 p.m. each Thursday afternoon at Whatley Plaza, located on the northwest part of the Scenic Mountain Medical Center campus, 1601 W. Martin Luther King Boulevard, also known as 1601 W. 11th Place. The vaccination is free. For more information, visit www.scenicmountainmedical. org/vaccine.

 The Big Spring Art Association meets the third Saturday of the month, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon,

in the basement of the Howard County Library. Come join us, we would love to have you. For more information, call 432-263-4155; Michelle Worthan at 325-227-3911; Kay Smith at 432-213-1153; or Ruby Bruns at 432-664-1943. The November featured artist/ special speaker will be Denise Malm. The next

Hearn at SVDP Building.

• Interim HealthCare is looking for volunteers. Those who would like to find out more about becoming a volunteer can call 432-263-5999.

• 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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Maria Perez, 80, died Tuesday, February 1, 2022. Visitation Friday 9 AM until 9 PM with vigil service at 7 PM at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral Mass Saturday at 10 AM at Holy Trinity Catholic Church with burial at Mt. Olive Cemetery.

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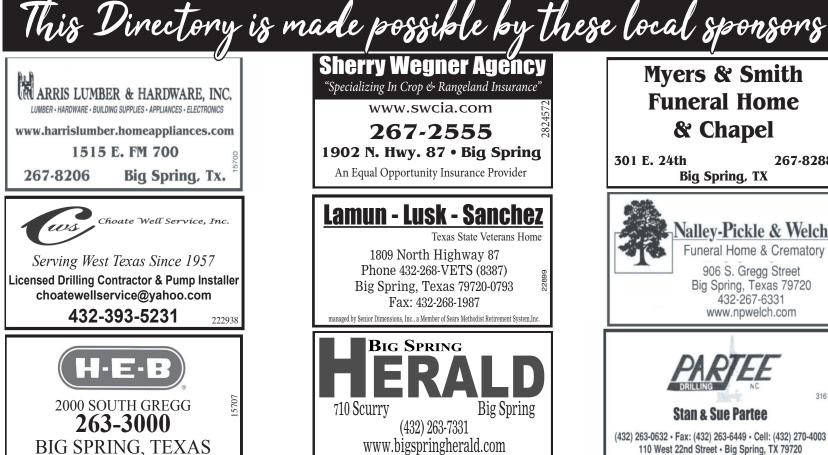
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Church News

NazFamily Church

This Sunday

"For we walk by faith, not by sight." (2 Corinthians 5:7 NKJV) The faith journey is never safe and easy. It is more like walking on a tightrope across the Grand Canyon. A few years ago Nik Wallenda did just that. He travelled across the Grand Canyon on a tightrope, without a harness and without a net. He later shared about the faith, courage, and focus it takes to stay on that narrow little line. It made me think about the faith it takes to keep our eyes fixed on Jesus. We have to watch our steps carefully in life. We have to focus every fiber of our being on the One who is holding us up that which will get us safely to the other side. Join us this Sunday as we explore what it means for us to Walk by Faith!

Men's Breakfast

Food + Fellowship + Faith Building = Men's Breakfast! If you're looking for the best breakfast in Big Spring then you won't want to miss our next Men's Prayer Breakfast on February 5th @ 8am. Invite some guys and come join us!

Rekindled: Relationship Enrichment Weekend

Join us for our annual Rekindled event on February 11-12! Special speakers Calvary & Ceresa Callender will give us key insights to make eternal investments in our relationships. This is a free event. You won't want to miss it! You can register on our website at www.nazfamily.org

Way, Truth, Life - A Journey of Grace

Jesus invites us on a journey. "Come, Follow me." It is a simple invitation to go on an adventure with a beloved friend. The Christian life is about more than right belief. It is more than intellectual assent. It is an invitation to journey with Jesus. Join us on February 20th as we begin a new church wide series discovering Discipleship as a Journey of Grace.

Blessings ~ Pastor Richard

College Baptist Church

We welcome you as old and new members through salvation and baptism! Come see what God is doing at the corner of 11th and Birdwell Lane. Join us with strong courage at College Baptist Church--

We are open:

*Sunday morning -- 9:15 for Bible Study for all ages. *Worship time is at 10:45 a.m.

*Girl's Missions meet on Sunday at 5 p.m.

 \ast Wednesday with our praying Youth groups starts at 6 p.m.

Fellowship meal between 6 and 6:45

Bible Study and Prayer Meeting at 7 p.m.

Children meet for King's Kids and Krafts.

Nursery and extended care is as needed for all services.

Come join in the fun as we celebrate during our winter season, serving our Lord. Services for February 6, 2022, is a great time for families to gather and celebrate our God together. Our services are in the building, live streaming, and on our Face Book page as well. Catch up on God's perfect plan! Visitors, it was a such a joy to welcome you on Sunday. Come join us again—it is always exciting to welcome new faces. Our services are lively and worshipful.

The youth are gearing up for D-NOW this week-end. Come to youth meetings to find out about our great love for the youth of our community.

We definitely enjoy the worship time as our ministry team leads us in songs of praise, and where our pastor, Bro. Ken McMeans, inspires us as we delve into God's Word. Come and study with us as to what it takes to really know God cares for us so much He sent His only begotten Son, Jesus Christ, to save us. Focus on growth in Jesus as we continue in 2022, as our pastor reminds us every Sunday, Jesus is coming SOON! Please call: 432-267-7429, for more information concerning Men's, Ladies' and youth meetings at this great and friendly church. Pray that lives are changed by the power of our Saviour, Jesus Christ our Cornerstone!

First Presbyterian Church, Big Spring

First Presbyterian Church of Big Spring is collecting family size hygiene products to benefit indigent people in the community. The items will be distributed through Howard County Resources. We are celebrating the season of Epiphany through the end of February. During this time, we will use scriptures selected from Wilda C. Gaffney's book: A Women's Lectionary For The Whole Church. We hope that looking at scripture in a non-traditional way might open our hearts and minds to unexpected insights from our God.

Worship services February 6th will begin at 10:50 a.m. in the Sanctuary at 8th and Runnels. Our Scripture readings will be Psalm 45:6-10,12-15; Song of Songs 4:9-15; Luke 5:1-11. Rev. Allen Cross will be preaching a sermon entitled: Brimming Over. Organist/music director Gabe Martinez provides music for the service. We will be celebrating Holy Communion.

Sunday School begins at 9:45. Rev. Cross teaches the Children's Class. Tom Koger leads the Youth Class. The Discovery Class has started a new 10 week DVD study by Adam Hamilton called "Words of Life." What if the Ten commandments were not understood as rigid, ancient rules but a guide for experiencing a good life today, given by a loving, protecting God who brings order out of chaos? Hamilton brings contemporary eyes to history's most important set of ethics. Vicki Miller and Helen Glass are leading the study.

Sunday morning Take Ten fellowship is in the parlor between Sunday School and worship.

Presbyterian Women will resume meeting on January 25th and will be looking at lesson 3 of Merryl Blair's "What My Grandmothers Taught Me" which takes lessons from Matthew's genealogy of Jesus.

Members and non-members alike are invited to take advantage of the spiritual resources available on our website and Facebook page. They include a six day each week prayer podcast, a weekly scripture reading and commentary, a weekly video devotional, and a video release of each Sunday's sermon. All these tools and resources prepare us for the coming Sunday worship.

DIGITAL SPIRITUAL RESOURCES

Church Calendar

Daily Prayer Podcast (Monday-Saturday) Scripture Commentary (Tuesdays) Video Devotional (Wednesdays) Video Preview of this week's bulletin (Fridays) Sunday Sermon Podcast & Video (Sundays)

Website: fpcbigspring.com Facebook Page: FPC of Big Spring YouTube Channel: FPC of Big Spring

The following weekly events are open to the community:

WEDNESDAY

The Women's Bible Study meets at 10 a.m. The History Lectures meets at noon. The Lectionary Bible Study, meets at 5:00 p.m.

THURSDAY

Everyone is invited to join the Lunch Bunch at 11:30 a.m.

All our worship services can be heard live on KBST 1490 AM and 95.7 FM at 11:00 a.m. as usual or seen recorded online at www.fpcbigspring.com by selecting the SERMONS tab and the correct date.

Please call the church office at 263-4211 for other information. We would be pleased for you to Like us on Facebook. Although the physical address of First Presbyterian Church is 701 Runnels, the mailing address is P. O. Box 2222, Big Spring, Texas 79721.

Cornerstone Covenant Church

Cornerstone Covenant Church (aka - CCC) is a unified, spirit-led, purposedriven church, which cultivates an atmosphere of faith so that lives can be transformed by Jesus Christ.

We would love the opportunity to Connect with YOU! You can expect biblical teaching & preaching, genuine loving fellowship and live spirit filled praise & worship on Sunday's (onsite) @9:30AM |(onsite & online)@11:00AM & Wednesday's (onsite & online) @7PM.

You can find us live online at facebook.com/CCCBigSpring or at Cornerstone Covenant Church Live on YouTube (look for the CCC logo).

Please join us this week at one of the following events:

Sunday, February 6th, 2022– For the month of February we have a wonderful NEW SERIES Entitled: LOVE & WAR-How to resolve conflicts in your relationships. Also join us Wednesday's for our MDWK Supplemental Series Entitled: Love Therapy. We look forward to seeing you soon. #love&war #lovetherapy

Saturday, February 5th-Join Men's 41 Prayer Breakfast @ 7AM in the ARC. We strive towards building a community of faithful men who are equipped to lead themselves and their families on a closer walk with God. On our journey, we will learn what it means to be godly servant-leaders and challenge each other to pursue that life. Men of all ages are invited to join us for a great time of food, fun, fellowship and the Word of God.

Starting Monday, February 14th - Hurting Moms, Mending Hearts is a 10week online support group that meet @ 6:30PM. This is for Moms who are experiencing heartache and pain because their child is rebellious, out of control and making choices that may cause serious damage and even destruction. Contact April Gutierrez @ 816-5431 for more information (zoom access & book \$24.95). You will learn how God's promises through the scripture can help you surrender your child to God.

CCC is located at 706 East 12th Street. For office hours or other questions please contact our Administrative Office at 432-264-0015, email us at info@ cccbigspring.org. You can also find us at www.cccbigspring.org if you would like more information.

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First Christian Church

First Christian Church is located at 911 Goliad. To contact the church office or Pastor Brian Michaelz, call 432-517-4821.

We are an open, welcoming and compassionate church, pursuing a joyful relationship with Jesus.

This year of the pandemic has been one none of us will soon forget.

We have reopened for in person worship. We are taking proactive steps to maintain the health and safety of all who attend services.

Join us at First Christian Church, to find out more information about First Christian Church or to see the online service, join Facebook Group at www. facebook.com/group/fccbigspring

If you or someone you know would like to be placed on the FCC prayer list, please contact the church office or tell one of the members.

We invite you to come as you are to give thanks for everything in a fresh way. If that sounds good to you, we would enjoy meeting you.

Sunday morning Social Time - pre-Worship Service - starts approximately 9:30 a.m. in the Sitting Room by the office. Donuts, Coffee, Hot Chocolate, Hot Tea and Bottled Water Worship Service starts at 10:50 a.m. Hope to see you there!

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Something to think about.

<u> By Richard Schneberger</u>

Special to the Herald

"Be still, and know that I am God" ~ Psalm 46:10a

Pressure! Deadlines, reports, bills, taxes, meetings, budgets, conflicts, training, meetings, children, projects, school, meetings, emails, counseling, prayer, and did I mention meetings! I could keep going, but I think you get the idea. I imagine I am not the only one who feels pulled in many different directions at the same time. In the midst of our hectic lives it is difficult to stop and get still. But, I'm convinced that our ability to listen attentively to the Lord requires that we get quiet. We need to turn down all the noise in our life and in our hearts to hear that still, small voice.

I love what Macrina Wiederkehr once wrote: "We are naturally reverent beings, but much of our natural reverence has been torn away from us because we have been born into a world that hurries. There is no time to be reverent with the earth or with each other. We are all hurrying into progress. And for all our hurrying we lose sight of our true nature a little more each day. This is precisely why we need to believe in the presence of God with us. We are not alone. There is One who wants to give back our reverence. There is one who wants to give us back the gift of time. Read the Scriptures, then, with reverence, giving up the lie that you don't have time."

An unhurried environment is important in the development of genuine relationships, including our relationship with God. The busyness of our culture is the enemy of spiritual formation. As Pastor John Ortberg describes so well:

"Not long after moving to Chicago, I called a wise friend to ask for some spiritual direction. I described the pace of life in my current ministry. The church where I serve tends to move at a fast clip. I also told him about our rhythms of family life: we are in the van-driving, soccer-league, piano-lesson, school-orientation-night years. I told him about the present condition of my heart, as best I could discern it. What did I need to do, I asked him, to be spiritually healthy?

Long pause. 'You must ruthlessly eliminate hurry from your life,' he said at last.

'Okay, I've written that one down,' I told him, a little impatiently. 'That's a good one. Now what else is there?' I had many things to do, and this was a longdistance call, so I was anxious to cram as many units of spiritual wisdom into the least amount of time possible.

Another long pause. 'There is nothing else,' he said. 'You must ruthlessly eliminate hurry from your life.'

I've concluded that my life and the well-being of the people I serve depends on following his prescription, for hurry is the great enemy of spiritual life in our day. Hurry destroys souls. As Carl Jung wrote, 'Hurry is not of the devil; hurry is the devil."

I encourage you today to slow down and enter into an atmosphere of prayer and worship where you can become more aware of God's presence and recognize His immense blessings in your life. Be still and know that He is God! Listen attentively to His Voice! Follow Jesus this week!

This is not what God had in mind on what is truly important in this **Desiring God more than By BILLY HOLLAND**

Special to the Herald

For those who ponder about the requirements for developing and maintaining a deeper relationship with God, we must include some vital components and one of the most critical is desire. Ask any business person or athlete about what it takes to accomplish a goal and they will always testify about the importance of vision, perseverance, and determination. Likewise, when it comes to drawing nearer to the Lord we must begin with old-fashioned enthusiasm. The next question is where does this passion come from? Most Christians will agree that Christ draws people to Himself and if you are having thoughts about your spiritual life, this is evidence that you are being stirred by His grace. One thing we can be sure of whether we embrace the Calvinist or Armenian theology is that God created us so that He could have a close personal relationship with us.

The New Year is a couple of weeks away and it's common to think about rededicating our commitment to our Creator and making new resolutions that bring us peace and joy. So, how do we intensify our awareness of His presence? Fire in the Bible is often used to describe spiritual adoration for the Lord. A raging blaze within a heart for God describes a stronger faith and excitement while being lukewarm is related to discouragement, apathy and defeat. Ask Him to rekindle your embers.

An important nugget of wisdom is to know that we can be as close to God as we want. Nothing is preventing us from walking with Him except our resistance. We've heard the passage in Romans 12:2 that talks about not being conformed to the world but being transformed by the renewing of our mind. This means we worship the things we love and until our mind is changed we will not change our behavior. God's warning that in order for anyone to advance with Him, we must make Him our highest priority. There are levels of spiritual commitment and unfortunately it's common to live however we want while using Him as a backup plan in case our arrangements do not work out.

when He sent His Son to the cross to restore us back to Him. Many do not understand what it means to surrender their will to God while others have no intention to yield under His control. Whatever the reasons or excuses people make to refuse Christ as their Lord and King, each person will be held accountable for the way they lived. When it comes to our opportunities to choose whom we will serve, He is either Lord of all or He is not our Lord at all.

I appreciate all of you who read this column each week and for the encouraging emails and cards. I spend much of my time studying and writing and enjoy the blessings of being able to share God's word and my thoughts. I earnestly pray for the Lord to draw us all closer to Him and I believe He is willing to help anyone come into the secret place of His presence if that is what they really want. I remember the old hymn, "turn your eyes upon Jesus" and I can honestly say these words are more meaningful to me now than ever before. As we continue to focus life, we will notice how the things of this world will grow strangely dim."I surrender all" is another convicting challenge and as I dwell on this invitation, I realize how easy it is to sing but how difficult it is to live.

Let's look at some practical actions we can take that will make an immediate improvement in our personal intimacy with God. Before we build we must have a blueprint and changing our lifestyle will require a fresh agenda. Find a quiet place where you can read a certain portion of the Bible every day. Begin a prayer journal and in this time of meditation, express your deepest thoughts to Him, ask Him to fill you with His Spirit, and begin to think about others and pray for them. Do not be surprised if those around you begin to think you are weird. This is a good thing because it's exactly what He intended. If you desire to go even deeper, you can read about the power of fasting which increases your spiritual discernment and proves that you desire to know Him more than anything in the world.

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A new brick program has been started. Those who would like to know more information about the thankful brick program can contact Pastor Brian at 469-978-7547.

Alive in Christ Lutheran

Crestview Baptist Church

At Crestview Baptist Church, we believe the most fulfilling pursuit is not entertainment, gimmicks, or programs. The most fulfilling pursuit for a follower of Christ is to know Christ and His Word, so that we may live for him. If you believe that, please come and worship with us! Sunday School starts at 10 AM, Worship begins at 11 AM, and our Sunday and Wednesday night meetings are at 6:30 PM. We are studying Biblical Doctrine. Come and be with us at 2305 Gatesville Rd., Big Spring.

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We look forward to seeing you.

Come join us for Sunday evening activities.

Supper Club at 5:00 P.M.

Sunday, February 6, Children's Music Ministry

at 5:30 P.M.

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We are located at 2805 Lynn Drive in the Kentwood Neighborhood in Big Spring. If you would like to reach Pastor Kohl, Vicar Roever 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 am and we are having class each Sunday morning. Our Sunday Service begins at 10:30 a.m. You can catch us on Facebook Live on our Facebook page. If you are new to the area or haven't been to church before or in a while, please accept this as an invitation to join us this Sunday.

Our Wednesday Evening Bible Study is continuing. A meal is served at 5:30 and our bible study begins at 6:00. We have begun a new bible study on Forgiveness. Please come and join us.

The readings for this Sunday are Isaiah 6:1-8, (9-13) 1 Cor. 14:12b – 20, and Luke 5: 1-11. The psalm is Psalm 138.

Dolline Budke 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.

St. Mary's Episcopal

St. Mary's Episcopal Church welcomes all to participate in our services. We are located North of the High School on Goliad Street (1001 S. Goliad), 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 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.

First United Methodist

First United Methodist Church is located just off Gregg Street at the corner of Fourth and Scurry in downtown Big Spring. Our Sunday morning schedule includes the 9 A.M. Traditions service featuring the pipe organ, choir, trumpet and hymns. At 11 A.M., The Bridge service featuring contemporary music led by a wonderful praise team.

Worship services are broadcast live each Sunday at 11 A.M. on radio station KBYG-105.5 FM. You can also find the services live streamed on our Facebook page at First United Methodist Church **Big Spring**

This past Sunday, we had a great time of worship and fellowship. We celebrated worship together with our traditional worship and our contemporary worship services. What a sweet time in the Lord! After morning worship we shared a Pot Luck fellowship meal together. Lots of great food and fellowship was shared by those in attendance.

Pastor Ricky shared a message from the book of Ephesians 3:14-21, "For this Reason I Kneel". The Apostle Paul was praying for the Christians at Ephesus. In this passage we see the reason Paul kneels before the Father! It's so that Christ would

dwell in our hearts by faith. That Christ would be the center of our church family and in our homes. That we would grasp God's love, know the width, length, depth, and height of God's love. That we would be filled with God's fullness, that the Holy Spirit would reveal the things of Christ more fully in us. What a privilege to be able to talk with God and know He listens and answers our prayers. May we all kneel before our HeavFebruary 9, for evening activities

6:00 P.M. Celebrate Recovery

6:00 P.M. Ladies Bible Study

6:00 P.M. Bridge Rehearsal

7:30 P.M. Choir Rehearsal

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

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By JOHN WAWROW

AP Hockey Writer

BEIJING — Difficult as it was hearing Brianna Decker crying out in pain while laying prone on the ice, Kendall Coyne Schofield understood the U.S. women's hockey team still had a game to finish.

After the Americans wrapped up their 5-2 win over Finland to open the Beijing Games, Schofield could verbalize what she felt when encountering Decker standing on crutches next to the bench.

"I just told her, `We got this,'" Schofield said. "No matter what she's a big part of this group. ... You saw that in our response after she went down, how much we picked up the game and took control."

The Americans certainly had their veteran teammate's back after Decker was hurt while being tripped from behind by Ronja Savolainen 9:32 into the first period.

The sight of the team's assistant captain and 11year veteran unable to put weight on her left leg before being stretchered off provided a motivating spark to the defending Olympic gold medalists.

Amanda Kessel and Alex Carpenter scored twice over the next 3 1/2 minutes in the Group A match. Schofield then put the win away with two goals in 64 seconds in the second.

"There's no replacing Brianna Decker," said Schofield, the team's captain. "But in that situation, everyone stepped up to the plate in the way they were asked to. And I think that's how we were successful tonight."

Now it's a matter of the Americans continuing to forge ahead — while more than likely missing their top center — in their bid to become the first U.S. squad to win consecutive titles.

"It was sickening," Kessel said of the yelps of pain coming from Decker after she and Savolainen were tangled up to the left of the U.S. net.

"She's one of the toughest players that I've ever played with or against, so you know she's not staying down on the ice or crying when it's not bad. So it's definitely a gut punch," Kessel added. "We want to win for her." Without going into detail, coach Joel Johnson said Decker's injury was still being evaluated. Johnson also said he wasn't going to dispute the official's decision not to penalize Savolainen, who appeared to slew-foot Decker from behind, leading to both players falling to the ice.

"They saw it as just people getting tangled up," Johnson said. "I'm biased, and so I saw it a little differently. But I don't think it was a missed call by any means."

Savolainen said she wasn't sure what happened, and called it "an unlucky situation" while sharing what she told Decker following the game.

"I just ask how she's feeling, and then I said, `Sorry.' Like, I didn't want to hurt her," she said.

Decker's injury was the second to a key player during the tournament's opening day. Canadian forward Melodie Daoust did not return after being checked hard into the boards by Sarah Foster in Canada's 12-1 rout of Switzerland.

Carpenter scored twice for the U.S., and Maddie Rooney stopped 10 shots in just her second game since an injury forced her to miss the world championships in August.

Finland had little response to the Americans' push after Decker was hurt. The Finns managed just one shot over the remainder of the first period. They were outshot 19-2 in the second and 52-12 overall.

Susanna Tapani scored twice, and Anni Keisala made 47 saves for Finland, which won bronze at the 2018 Games.

Tapani's second goal came with 2:20 remaining, although it wasn't awarded until a video review was conducted after time ran out. The teams were ready to depart to their locker rooms before they had to play the final 2:20 over again.

"USA are a really good team and they did an awesome job," Finland captain Jenni Hiirikoski said. "They showed how to score today."

The Americans improved to 9-0 against Finland in Olympic play. The U.S. has Friday off before facing Russia on Saturday.

In other games, Natalie Spooner had two goals and three assists and Claire Thompson had a goal and four assists in Canada's win over the Swiss in Group A.

"That's quite the way to make an entrance into the Olympics," Spooner said.

Sarah Fillier scored the first two goals and the Canadians led 8-0 through two periods. Canada is the reigning world champion after a 3-2 overtime win over the U.S. in August ended the Americans' fivetournament gold-medal run.

In Group B, Michaela Pejzlova scored on a breakaway with 13:33 left in the third period, and the Czech Republic capped its women's hockey Olympic debut with a 3-1 win over host China.

Tereza Radova became her nation's first woman to score in the Olympics by redirecting defender Aneta Tejralova's pass to open the scoring 10:38 into a game the Czech Republic never trailed. Denisa Krizova also scored and Klara Peslarova stopped 13 shots.

China was outshot 36-14 in its first Olympic appearance since finishing seventh of eight teams in 2010. Mi Le scored and Canadian-born goalie Tiya Chen stopped 33 shots for a Chinese national team made up of mostly members of the Russian-based Women's Hockey League's Vanke Rays.

With the Czech Republic up 2-1, Pejzlova secured the win by beating Chen through the legs after being set up by a blue-line-to-blue-line pass from Pavlina Horalkova.

Fans — each with a blue-colored Olympic flag to wave — were seated socially distanced in two corners of the lower level of Wukesong Sports Centre. There were also about two dozen male and female cheerleaders who lined the rail above the first level. The cheerleaders wore dark blue jerseys with "Ice Hockey" printed on them, and performed a dance to techno music before the start of each game and during the intermissions.

In another Group B game, Rui Ukita capitalized on a turnover to score the go-ahead goal on a breakaway 4:03 into the third period in Japan's 3-1 victory over Sweden.

AP WAS THERE: Steelers win 4th Super Bowl beating Rams

By HAL BOCK

AP Sports Writer

PASADENA, Calif. — The Pittsburgh Steelers came in the heavy favorites with the Los Angeles Rams a double-digit underdog. That didn't stop Terry Bradshaw from struggling to sleep the night before over the thought of losing instead of clinching an unprecedented fourth Super Bowl ring. The Steelers trailed 19-17 as the fourth quarter began at the Rose Bowl before more than 103,000 people. The Associated Press is republishing verbatim the story on Bradshaw and Pittsburgh beating the Los Angeles Rams 31-19 for those Steeljustified.

Derided as 11-point underdogs, Los Angeles played inspired football and led 19-17 as the fourth quarter began. What's more, by then Bradshaw was operating without Swann, who was knocked out on a crushing hit by cornerback Pat Thomas in the third period.

But the veteran Pittsburgh quarterback would not be denied. On the Steelers' first possession of the final quarter, he faced a third-and-8 at his 27-yard line.

The Steelers sent Stallworth on a fly pattern down the middle of the field and Bradshaw led his man perfectly. The fleet wide receiver simply outsprinted cornerback Thomas and caught the ball easily, dashing into the end zone with the touchdown that put Pittsburgh in front 24-19. Now Vince Ferragamo, the gallant young quarterback of the Rams, who was starting only his eighth professional game, tried to bring his team back. Passes of 24 yards to Preston Dennard and 15 to Billy Waddy had the Rams on the move at the Pittsburgh 32 as the capacity Rose Bowl crowd of 103,985 roared in excitement. But the bubble burst for the youngster, who inherited the starting job in a sea of midseason injuries, on the next play. He pressed his luck, trying for one more pass, and it was one too many. Middle linebacker Jack Lambert intercepted for the Steelers and Bradshaw went to work. Again he launched a long pass for Stallworth, who gathered in the 45-yard pitch, carrying Pittsburgh to the Los Angeles 33. It was Stallworth's third catch of the day and pushed his yardage total to 121. A pass interference call against Thomas in the end zone followed, and with the ball on the 1-yard line, Franco Harris barreled in for his second touchdown of the game — wrapping up the Steelers victory. Bradshaw's two touchdown passes gave him nine for his Super Bowl career, one better than the mark held by Roger Staubach of Dallas. He finished with 309 yards for the game, pushing his career total on these extravaganzas to 932 — another record. The performance earned Bradshaw the game's Most Valuable Player award for the second consecutive year, making him only the second man in Super Bowl history to win the honor a second time. Bart Starr of Green Bay was voted MVP honors in each of the first two Super Bowls. For three periods, this game — one of the most exciting in the history of the contest — belonged to the underdog Rams, a lame-duck team that was often booed through the season and came into this final game as a distinct long shot against the awesome Steelers. They held a 13-10 halftime lead, and fans sitting through a spectacular halftime show that seemed to set the Rose Bowl into a huge Roman candle wondered if the magic could continue in the second half. But for thousands of the fans who had taken the long journey from Pittsburgh bringing their blackand-gold hats and jackets, the halftime had to be an upsetting interlude as they waited to see if, indeed, the Steelers could come back. Bradshaw and Swann provided the answer with only 2:48 gone in the second half.

ers' last Super Bowl championship in Pasadena on Jan. 20, 1980:

It was a different kind of Super Bowl for Terry Bradshaw and the Pittsburgh Steelers.

Oh, nothing so serious as the outcome. The Steelers won the National Football League championship game, beating off a determined Los Angeles challenge 31-19 as Bradshaw shattered two passing records while firing a pair of touchdown bombs to Lynn Swann and John Stallworth.

It was an unprecedented fourth Super Bowl crown for the Steelers, but Bradshaw said it was the first one he really worried about.

"I couldn't shake the thought of losing," the quarterback said. "And I couldn't sleep last night. It was the first time that's happened to me."

Finally, Bradshaw began thinking positively, just in time.

"I decided we'd win 28-7 and Benny Cunningham would be the hero," he said.

Only one part of the prediction paid off, but it was the important one: the Steelers victory.

"It was the most satisfying Super Bowl," said Bradshaw, named the game's most valuable player for the second straight year. "We had a chance to set some history, and we did it."

The team history was a fourth championship and the personal histories were Super Bowl records for career yardage and touchdowns. Bradshaw hit Swann with a 47-yarder and busted the game open with a 73-yard pass play to Stallworth that brought Pittsburgh from behind in the fourth quarter.

"The TD to Swann was a delayed blitz," the quarterback said. "I didn't see the catch. I only heard the crowd."

"We had a chance for an interception on Swann's catch," said Los Angeles coach Ray Malavasi, recalling how the Pittsburgh receiver had made an acrobatic catch between two defenders.

But the play of the game was the 73-yarder to Stallworth.

"That was against a prevent defense on third down," Bradshaw said. "It was a hook and go from the slot. All we've run off that play all year is a hook and slide."

The Steelers had put in the wrinkle last week, and Bradshaw wasn't happy with it until Sunday. "It's a funny thing," he said. "I ran it eight times in practice, and it didn't work at all."

Defensive back Eddie Brown took the responsibility for Stallworth's catch. "I just blew it," he said. "I should've gone in the middle, but I took the outside receiver instead of the inside. I played it like we had five defensive backs, but we had six. I should have been there."

Malavasi agreed. "We had an audible busted on that one," he said.

The two long passes were the difference as the Steelers wore down the persistent Rams. But it was no simple task, and Bradshaw's pregame jitters proved





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How to determine if it's time to downsize

Individuals work hard to save enough money to purchase their homes. And the hard work doesn't end there. Once homeowners settle into a new home, they may set their

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sights on renovations that suit their individual needs. And even when buyers find a home that needs no such work, maintenance requires homeowners' utmost attention.

All that hard work is perhaps one reason why seniors may be a little reluctant to down size as they advance through their golden

years. In addition to the sweat equity homeowners put into their homes, all the memories they've made within their walls can make it harder to put a home on the market.

Downsizing is a difficult decision that's unique to each homeowner. Seniors who aren't quite certain if downsizing is right for them can consider three key factors to make a decision that's in their best interests.

 Cost: Perhaps no variable affects senior homeowners' decisions to downsize their homes as much as cost. No one wants to outlive their money, and

downsizing to a smaller home can help seniors reduce their monthly expenses by a significant margin. Even homeowners who have long since paid off their mortgages can save substantial amounts of money by downsizing to a smaller home or even an apartment or condominium. Lower property taxes, reduced insurance premiums and the need to pay for fewer repairs are just some of the ways downsizing can save seniors money.

 Space: Many people love the extra space that single-family homes provide. But seniors can take a walk through their homes

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and see how many rooms they still use on a consistent basis. If much of the home is unused, seniors can probably downsize without adversely affecting their daily lives.

• Market: The real estate market is another factor to consider when deciding if the time is right to downsize. A seller's market can help seniors get the biggest return on their real estate investment, potentially helping them make up for meager retirement savings. For example, home prices skyrocketed across the country during the COVID-19 pandemic, making that a great time for sellers to put

their homes on the market. Seniors selling to downsize may capitalize on such spikes since they won't be looking to turn around and buy larger, equally expensive homes once they sell their current place. If the market is down and seniors can withstand the work and cost a little longer, it may be best to wait until things bounce back in sellers' favor.

Downsizing requires careful consideration of a host of variables. No two situations are the same, so seniors should exercise due diligence to determine if downsizing is right for them.

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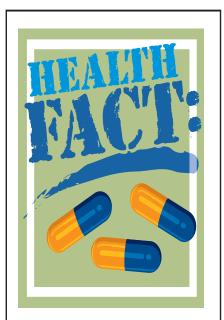
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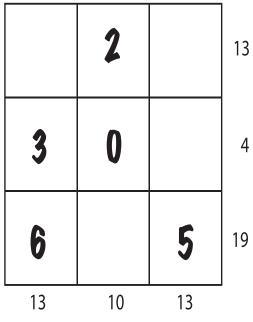






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2. Your right-hand opponent bids One Diamond, which you double. Your partner responds One Heart. What would you bid now?

3. After two passes, your right-hand opponent opens One Club, which you double. Your partner responds Two Hearts. What would you bid now?

4. You open One Spade, and partner bids Two Notrump (13-15 points, balanced distribution). You bid Three Hearts, and partner bids Three Notrump. What would you bid now?

1. Four Notrump. Partner obviously likes diamonds and probably has seven of them headed by the A-Q or A-Q-J. How many tricks your side can make depends on how many aces he has.

It is therefore best to bid four notrump, which in this sequence is Blackwood even though no suit has been directly agreed upon as trump. If partner responds five spades (three aces), you plan to bid seven notrump (or seven diamonds); if he

You have the following hand, responds five hearts (two aces), you'll bid six diamonds; and if he responds five diamonds (one ace). you'll pass.

2. Three Hearts. You can't bid four hearts, since partner might have a worthless hand, but your hand is too strong for a raise to only two hearts. Three hearts, inviting partner to carry on to a game with a smattering of values, is just about right.

3. Three Clubs. When this hand appeared in The Bridge World magazine, a panel of 45 experts voted as follows: 22 for three clubs; 16 for four hearts; five for four notrump; two for two spades.

Those favoring three clubs (a cuebid) or four notrump were obviously more slam-minded than those who leaped to four hearts, basically a closeout bid. It does seem that if partner has two aces, a slam is probable, and for that reason this writer favors three clubs or four notrump, in that order.

4. Four Notrump. Twelve tricks might be laydown if partner has the right values, even though the combined point count cannot be 33.

Four notrump is invitational in this sequence, and partner does not have to respond. It asks partner to bid six notrump if he has a maximum for his initial two-notrump bid, and has nothing to do with Blackwood.

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In 1997, a civil jury in Santa Monica, California, found O.J. Simpson liable for the deaths of his ex-wife, Nicole Brown Simpson, and her friend, Ronald Goldman.

In 1999, senators at President Bill Clinton's impeachment trial voted to permit the showing of portions of Monica Lewinsky's videotaped deposition.

In 2004, the social networking website Facebook had its beginnings as Harvard student Mark Zuckerberg launched "Thefacebook."

In 2020, thousands of medi-cal workers in Hong Kong were on strike for a second day to demand that the country's bor-der with China be completely closed to help prevent the spread of the coronavirus; the territory reported its first death from the virus and the second known fatality outside China.

Ten years ago: Republican presidential front-runner Mitt Romney cruised to a decisive

POEMING! THANKS

victory in the Nevada caucuses. Green Bay quarterback Aaron Rodgers won the 2011 Associated Press NFL Most Valuable Player award in a landslide. Florence Green, who had served with the Women's Royal Air Force and was recognized as the last veteran of World War I, died in King's Lynn, eastern England, at age 110.

Five years ago: The Justice Department appealed a judge's order temporarily blocking President Donald Trump's refugee and immigration ban, saying it was the "sovereign prerogative" of a president to admit or exclude aliens in order to protect national secuorder to protect national secu-rity. Running backs LaDainian Tomlinson and Terrell Davis and quarterback Kurt Warner were elected to the Pro

Republican Rep. Marjorie Taylor Greene of Georgia off both of her committees, an unprecedented punishment that Democrats said she'd earned by spreading hateful and violent conspiracy theories. A voting technology com-Fox News, three of its hosts and two former Trump lawyers – Rudy Giuliani and Sidney Powell – for \$2.7 billion, for allegedly conspiring to spread false claims that the company helped "steal" the presidential election. Johnson & Johnson asked U.S. regulators to clear the world's first single-dose COVID-19 vaccine. Wisconsin Gov. Tony Evers issued a new statewide mask order after the Republican-controlled Legislature repealed his pre-vious mandate. (The state Supreme Court would strike down the mask mandate nearly

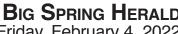
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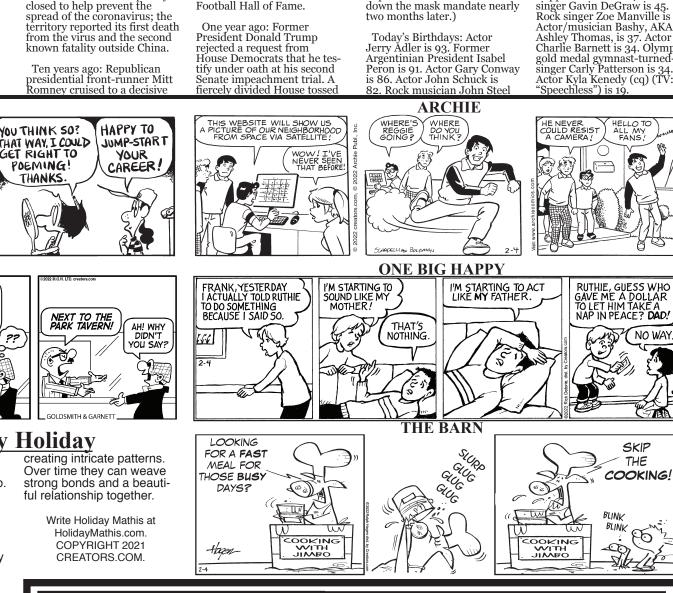
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 - 41 Stylus descriptor
 - 44 Joining forces
 - 45 White House
 - secure spot, for short



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Friday FEBRUARY 4, 2022

Conjunctive Generosity

As the sun and Saturn align in philanthropic Aquarius, those who have more to give will be asked to give more. It's fair. A poor person's twenty-dollar contribution can be an act of greater generosity than a billionaire's milliondollar contribution because generosity isn't measured in bottom line amounts, it's measured in percentages.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Too many projects going at one time will diffuse your energy, halt your progress and diminish your effectiveness. Cut your to-do list down dramatically. TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You'll do as you intend to do. The success or failure of your actions is irrelevant. What's important is that you follow through, honoring your strong convictions. GEMINI (May 21-June 21). The uniqueness of individuals is apparent. You're different from your friends. Honor that. For now, stick with what works best for you and don't invite inquiry or advice CANCER (June 22-July 22). When you're around people who completely accept you for who you are, you have more energy. It's because you don't have to waste any in the self-monitoring and editing, which get exhausting. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You'll create wonders using scraps, leftovers and the raw materials no one else can figure out what to do with. You're incredibly entertaining too, so you'll have an audience VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Your attraction secret: a one-track agenda. The multi-tasking person is not only less effective, but also less appealing. Charisma is intentional and focused, not diffused and distracted. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Your trepidation causes you to be aware of possibilities and choose your course carefully. But don't agonize over heavy stuff. You're supposed to climb the mountain, not carry it. SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). A focus of the early hours will have a disproportionately favorable impact on the rest. Whatever you can do to make your morning routine smooth will set you up for success all day. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). New endeavors come with fresh frustrations but keep working through them and before you know it, those small daily efforts will add up to the results you desire CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). While "chase" is a fun game for the elementary school playground, those who chase make others

run. Catch your intended through sheer attraction. AQŬARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You stay on track by thinking in black-and-white terms. Each decision you make either brings you closer to or further away

from your goals. With every move ask, "which is it?" **PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). You shouldn't have to sacrifice one relationship to make another one work. If torn between two people, the disharmony may be within you. Fix it by reconciling two aspects of yourself.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY

(Feb. 4). Health and vitality will spring from a peaceful mind and a full heart. These are quiet but powerful assets from which anything is possible. There are many who will work and live better when you get what you want. You'll work with people whose talents complement yours beautifully. A partner will be with you all the way. Leo and Aries adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 6, 50, 2, 24 and 35.

creating intricate patterns. Over time they can weave strong bonds and a beautiful relationship together.

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Newsday Crossword

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- posture **11** Half a school yr. 14 Name on the cover of Fear of Fifty
- 15 Chops up, in a way
- 16 Residents' org.
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- 68 Sorority letter

DOWN Combat zone

- compound
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- **18** Chest protectors

- radioactive 13 The best
- conductors

23 Sewing kit staple 47 One obsessed

9 Finish with 10 Substances under analysis 11 Water softener

- - with self-service 48 Colorist 49 Largest US union

WEEKEND LOVE

FORECAST: ARIES: Ignore the glitches as you look at the big picture. There's a lot that works about your current love life. TAURUS: Decide your own value because any assessment others make will be wrong. GEMINI: Stay focused on the good traits of those close to you and they will compound before your eyes. CANCER: You'll celebrate the ups, help with the downs and find wavs to make all the in-betweens a bit more memorable. LEO: You'll share in another person's dream and still inhabit your own. VIRGO: You want people to feel free to express themselves around you, so you are unconditionally supportive. LIBRA: A psychic experience is in store, as unexplainable as it is personal. SCORPIO: You'll get evidence of your unique connection to someone. SAGITTARIUS: It's rare and beautiful, the astute observer who can read your mood and respond accordingly. CAPRICORN: Lavishing another person with attention fulfills you. It's not quite as easy for you to be on the receiving end. AQUARIUS: Unusual problems require unusual solutions found in strange places. PISCES: You've no shortage of charisma; your fan club will grow exponentially.

COUPLE OF THE

WEEKEND: Aries and Aquarius see the world in different ways and approach accordingly. Aries charges in with instinct and physical confidence. Aquarius dives with the intellect first. mentally exploring and visualizing the possibilities before ever making a move. Their connection seems unpredictable at first, but their rhythms match up consistently this weekend.

- by 36 Across **19** Tell it like it ain't
- 20 "Eww, stop talking!"
- 21 Bearing
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- 3 Jet set destination
- 4 Here, on the 3 Down
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- 6 Conversation stopper
- 7 Indications of things to come
- 8 Austrian exclamation
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- 27 Corporate farming
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- 51 Battery-powered Olympic gear
- 52 Physician known for his reference book
- 60 Science Friday broadcaster
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Here's How It Works: 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!

Today's Answers

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Religion

Then and Now

<u> By Dr. Lillian Bohannan</u>

Special to the Herald

When I was a senior in college in California, I had the privilege of being the Freshman Ladies Dorm supervisor. It gave me a private room, extra tuition money, and a few more perks in that position. I was blessed to be able to work with the incoming freshmen.

Just recently, my granddaughter finished High School at nineteen, entered college in North Texas, and was asked to be the Freshman dorm supervisor. I told her she got a jump on me. She also received the honor of being on the Dean's list. I don't think I ever was on that list.

But the point is, our heritage to our children and grand- children is so very important--not only in the work ethics we leave them, but the religious heritage as well.

Work ethics may get them a large paycheck or not. But the truth we leave

them in Christ is of eternal value. We must not let this generation of young people go lacking in the most important aspect of their lives. They may end up on the poverty rolls of our society, or they may be paying the bills so another can enjoy the freedom in America to have their needs met.

We are told not to despise the poor. But if our children and grandchildren don't have enough of a work ethic they will be the poor. So we as grandparents have an obligation to encourage them to be the best that they can be. We do that by example.

Then there is the religious ethics of God's Word. We must teach them His truth. We must give them something to hold onto in this out of control world. They need to know what we believe and why. If we don't tell them, even if they don't listen, we will be held accountable by our Father who art in Heaven. Better get busy and give them what you have now, so their then will be a productive as yours was.

Why are people calling Bitcoin a religion?

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(THE CONVERSATION) Read enough about Bitcoin, and you'll inevitably come across people who refer to the cryptocurrency as a religion.

Bloomberg's Lorcan Roche Kelly called Bitcoin "the first true religion of the 21st century." Bitcoin promoter Hass McCook has taken to calling himself "The Friar" and wrote a series of Medium pieces comparing Bitcoin to a religion. There is a Church of Bitcoin, founded in 2017, that explicitly calls legendary Bitcoin creator Satoshi Nakamoto its "prophet."

In Austin, Texas, there are billboards with slogans like "Crypto Is Real" that weirdly mirror the ubiquitous billboards about Jesus found on Texas highways. Like many religions, Bitcoin even has dietary restrictions associated with it.

Religion's dirty secret

So does Bitcoin's having prophets, evangelists and dietary laws make it a religion or not?

As a scholar of religion, I think this is the wrong question to ask.

The dirty secret of religious studies is that there is no universal definition of what religion is. Traditions such as Christianity, Islam and Buddhism certainly exist and have similarities, but the idea that these are all examples of religion is relatively new.

The word "religion" as it's used today – a vague category that includes certain cultural ideas and practices related to God, the afterlife or morality – arose in Europe around the 16th century. Before this, many Europeans understood that there were only three types of people in the world: Christians, Jews and heathens.

This model shifted after the Protestant Reformation when a long series of wars began between Catholics and Protestants. These became known as "wars of religion," and religion became a way of talking about differences between Christians. At the same time, Europeans were encountering other cultures through exploration and colonialism. Some of the traditions they encountered shared certain similarities to Christianity and were also deemed religions.

Non-European languages have historically not had a direct equivalent to the word "religion." What has counted as religion has changed over the centuries, and there are always political interests at stake in determining whether or not something is a religion.

As religion scholar Russell McCutcheon argues, "The interesting thing to study, then, is not what religion is or is not, but 'the making of it' process itself – whether that manufacturing activity takes place in a courtroom or is a claim made by a group about their own behaviors and institutions."

Critics highlight irrationality

With this in mind, why would anyone claim that Bitcoin is a religion?

Some commentators seem to be making this claim to steer investors away from Bitcoin. Emerging market fund manager Mark Mobius, in an attempt to tamp down enthusiasm about cryptocurrency, said that "crypto is a religion, not an investment."

His statement, however, is an example of a false dichotomy fallacy, or the assumption that if some-

thing is one thing, it cannot be another. There is no reason that a religion cannot also be an investment, a political system or nearly anything else.



Mobius' point, though, is that "religion," like cryptocurrency, is irrational. This criticism of religion has been around since the Enlightenment, when Voltaire wrote, "Nothing can be more contrary to religion and the clergy than reason and common sense."

In this case, labeling Bitcoin a "religion" suggests that bitcoin investors are fanatics and not making rational choices.

Bitcoin as good and wholesome

On the other hand, some Bitcoin proponents have leaned into the religion label. McCook's articles use the language of religion to highlight certain aspects of Bitcoin culture and to normalize them.

For example, "stacking sats" – the practice of regularly buying small fractions of bitcoins – sounds weird. But McCook refers to this practice as a religious ritual, and more specifically as "tithing." Many churches practice tithing, in which members make regular donations to support their church. So this comparison makes sat stacking seem more familiar.

While for some people religion may be associated with the irrational, it is also associated with what religion scholar Doug Cowan calls "the good, moral and decent fallacy." That is, some people often assume if something is really a religion, it must represent something good. People who "stack sats" might sound weird. But people who "tithe" could sound principled and wholesome.

Using religion as a framework

For religion scholars, categorizing something as a religion can pave the way for new insights.



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