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Weather
 10% chance of rain Saturday

Friday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 78. Southeast wind around 10 mph becoming southwest after midnight.
Saturday: Isolated showers and thunderstorms after 1pm. Sunny and hot, with a high near 102. Southwest wind 5 to 10 mph becoming east in the afternoon. Chance of precipitation is 10%.
Saturday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 77.
Sunday: Partly cloudy, with a low around 77.
 Source: NWS, via weather.gov

AAA Texas: Largest weekly gas price decrease this year

One city under \$4; fuel prices could fluctuate through July

Special to the Herald

The statewide gas price average in Texas is \$4.33 for a gallon of regular unleaded fuel, according to the AAA Texas Weekend Gas Watch. That price is 16 cents less than on this day last week and is \$1.52 more per gallon compared to this day last year. Of the major metropolitan areas surveyed in Texas, drivers in El Paso are paying the most on average at \$4.44 per gallon while drivers in Laredo are paying the least at \$3.98 per gallon. The national average price for a gallon of regular unleaded is \$4.75, which is 11 cents less when compared to this day last week and \$1.61 more than the price per gallon at this same time last year.

Drivers in Big Spring have rejoined the under-\$4 crowd, with the lowest gas price Thursday at \$3.95 per gallon at both Alon in the 1800 block of Gregg, and at Murphy USA in the Wal-Mart parking lot. Big Spring's highest price is still hovering at \$4.26.

The Texas statewide gas price average experienced the largest weekly decline in 2022, dropping by 16 cents per gallon on

average week-to-week, for regular unleaded fuel. While many drivers will be happy to see prices coming down, it remains to be seen if this is a trend or another round of price fluctuation, which has occurred numerous times this year. The main factors behind the recent drop – crude oil prices are decreasing due to concerns about a decline in global demand later this year as well as increased supply regionally. However, July is typically one of the busiest months for road travel and gasoline demand. This in addition to Russia's war in Ukraine and the uncertainty surrounding global crude supplies could cause prices to fluctuate and possibly move higher during July.

"The largest weekly decline in 2022 for fuel prices is good news for drivers, but we're not out of the woods just yet," said AAA Texas spokesperson Daniel Armbruster. "Gas prices will remain elevated compared to one year ago and could fluctuate in July, which is typically one of the busiest months in Texas for road trips and fuel demand."

Drivers in Texas are paying the 6th lowest gas price average in the country, according to gasprices.aaa.com. Meanwhile drivers in California are paying the most at \$6.19 on average for a gallon of regular unleaded.

Today in History

On July 8
1889: The first issue of the Wall Street Journal is published.
1932: Dow Jones Industrial Average reaches its lowest level of the Great Depression: 41.22.

Daily Quotes

"Don't be afraid to give up the good to go for the great."
 — **John D. Rockefeller**
 "America is not just a power, it is a promise. It is not enough for our country to be extraordinary in might; it must be exemplary in meaning."
 — **Nelson Rockefeller**
 "The opinion which other people have of you is their problem, not yours."
 — **Elisabeth Kubler-Ross**
 "I think women like to conquer hearts. Men like to conquer countries."
 — **Anjelica Huston**

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Highland Fourth of July Parade announces participant winners

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Courtesy photo

Organizers of the 2022 Highland Fourth of July Parade have announced the best decorations in 14 different categories. See the results and more photos on Page 12.

Low Water Pressure

Special to the Herald

According to a press release issued by the City of Big Spring, City water customers on East 16th Street from Lexington to Benton experienced low to no water pressure Thursday while utility crews completed a water valve installation in the area.

In the release, the city expressed sincere appreciation for the patience and cooperation of residents in the area. Those with questions, please contact the office of Shane Bowles, Public Works Director, at 432-264-2501.

Library closed today

Special to the Herald

In a press release, Judge Kathryn Wiseman has announced that the Howard County Library is closed today, July 8, 2022, due to parking lot resurfacing. Patrons may use the west side alley book drop to return any materials; the front book drop will be temporarily removed.

The Library will resume regular business hours Monday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

PBUWCD: Conserve water – eliminate water-thirsty brush

Special to the Herald

When we hear "invasive species in Texas," we tend to think about feral hogs, Africanized bees and maybe even zebra mussels. It's not very often our minds jump to the thought of plants, trees and shrubs as invasive species. But here in West Texas, it is especially true that some of our land is being taken over by aggressively resilient brush such as Mesquite, Salt Cedars, and Ashe Juniper.

As the extreme drought continues through 2022, area residents are reminded of how precarious the state's water resources situation has become. With drought conditions and the population of Texas steadily increasing, supplying water to diverse agriculture, industrial, and municipal uses has become a major concern.

Brush has long been recognized as a "water thief" on Texas rangelands. The infamous mesquite tree of West Texas can be seen as iconic for dry, arid climates or as a nuisance invading the land. Throughout history, mesquite trees have always been known for ab-



Courtesy photo

PBUWCD warns residents to eliminate "water thieves" such as mesquite and brush species of plants.

sorbing high quantities of water. Mesquite's stranglehold is so bad that some people in Africa refer to it as the "devil's tree." A single tree can consume nearly 21 gallons of water per day. They absorb groundwater and lower the water table effectively causing surrounding vegetation to die off, allowing the tree to thrive and spread. The total volume of water

consumed by invasive brush can add up quickly, especially in severely dry conditions.

In Texas, the clearing of "brush species is a popular technique to increase water yields, improve livestock grazing and enhance wildlife habitat. Many factors must be considered for responsible brush control projects to achieve these results, including amount of rainfall, evaporation rate, and physical characteristics of the site and the region of the state. Since brush management can be expensive, it is important to ensure that it is done correctly, with an eye toward long-term follow-up maintenance practices and grazing management so that both wildlife and human communities benefit. On certain sites, brush clearing might be effective because it could enhance groundwater recharge. Brush management on sites with shallow soils that drain rapidly and are underlain by fractured materials, such as the Texas Edwards Plateau, is most likely to increase groundwater recharge.

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Sheriff

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

- Note - Official's with the Howard County Jail reported having 91 inmates at the time of this report
- **MORGAN DIONE AUSBIE**, 28, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of criminal trespass, criminal mischief more than \$100 less than \$750.
 - **JASON HARVEY BEDFORD**, 38, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of assault family violence.
 - **TODD WILLIAM COKER**, 31, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of parole violation.
 - **TIMOTHY JAMES CRAIG**, 27, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of bail jumping and fail to appear.
 - **DONALD JACKSON JR.**, 39, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of motion to revoke probation w/

emergency request, motion to adjudicate/possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram, possession of a controlled substance more than 1 gram less than 4 grams.

- **JEREMY M LONGORIA**, 36, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of criminal mischief-substantial inconvenience.
- **SIDNEY DEWAYNE PARKER**, 54, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of aggravated assault date/family/house.
- **ERIK PAUL WAYNE QUALLS**, 57, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of criminal trespass habit/shelter.
- **GILBERT SILVA**, 35, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of resist arrest, search, or transport.

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1800 block N Highway 87. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1600 block Lancaster. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 800 block E 13th St. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2200 block S Gregg St. One person was transported to

Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 300 block Veteran Blvd. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the County Road 53 and Highway 350. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 6100 block N Service Rd. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 200 block W FM 700. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

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

- 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. 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

- 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.
- Weight Watchers meets at 6 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church. Weigh-in is at 5:30 p.m. Weigh-in is confidential and you don't have to talk if you don't want to. Flexible payment options.
- Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder support group meeting is at 6:30 p.m. at the VA Medical Center Veteran's Healing Center.
- Bring Everyone Into The Zone, or BEITZ Support Group, is a veteran-based peer group. The purpose of the group is to provide peer-to-peer support to service members, veterans and families, especially those suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), traumatic brain injury (TBI), military sexual trauma (MST) and other traumatic events in their lives. BEITZ meets every Thursday at 6 p.m. at 501 Birdwell Lane. For more information, email francisco.garza@wtcmhmr.org, or call 432-268-3003.
- GriefShare is a biblical support group that focuses on helping people who are dealing with a loved one's death. Each DVD session features nationally respected grief experts and real-life stories, followed by small group discussion about the topics presented (with workbook support); there is no charge for attendance. 13-week seminars are held three times per year on Thursday evenings, 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Visit the GriefShare Ministry of TBC Facebook page. You can also call Vivian Gordon at 432-466-3583 for information on seminar dates and how you can register to attend.

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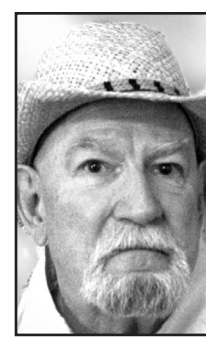
Obituaries

Retha Taylor

Retha Taylor, 55, died Wednesday, July 6, 2022. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Obituaries

Richard "Rick" "Scooter" Glenn Hicks



Richard "Rick" "Scooter" Glenn Hicks, of Caney, Kan., passed away on June 30, 2022, in Bartlesville, Okla. He was born to Samuel Riley Hicks and Ruby Mae (Elliot) Hicks on August 9, 1947, in Big Spring, Texas.

After graduating from Coahoma High School, he attended Canyon College; after college, he worked for different entities and retired from the Parks Department of the city of Big Spring, Texas. On October 28, 1989, he married the love of his life, Marie Billbe. He was a two-time cancer survivor and he enjoyed watching the Texas Rangers and the Dallas Cowboys and loved hunting, fishing, and billiards.

He is preceded in death by his father Samuel Riley Hicks; mother, Ruby Mae Hicks; brothers, Henry Hicks, Bobby Hicks, and Roger Hicks; sister, Joyce Barrett; father-in-law, James Billbe; and daughter-in-law, Angela Brown.

He is survived by his wife, Marie Hicks; daughter, Ruby Bingham and husband, Brandon; sons, Joshua Brown, Scott Brown and wife, Brittnie; daughter, Angie Bertty and husband, Dennis; grandchildren, Mia, Kaci, Adalynn, Chloë, Zach, Matthew, Micha, Kaela, Korbin, Nalani; mother-in-law, Vivian Billbe; brother-in-law, Jim Billbe and wife, Toni; sister-in-law Sherry Scholl and husband, Ron; sister-in-law Carol Stephens and husband, Steve; three great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews; and Cracker, his beloved pet.

Visitation was at Stumpff Funeral Home and Crematory from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. on Tuesday, July 5.

Graveside service will be 2 p.m. Saturday at Coahoma Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the National League of POW/MIA, or any other charitable contribution of your choice.

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

Paid obituary

Kenneth Yockers



Kenneth Yockers, 60, died Saturday, July 2, 2022.

Visitation will be 9 a.m. until 9 p.m. Sunday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral service will be 10 a.m. Monday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Trinity Memorial Park.

Kenneth was born on Dec. 3, 1961, to Gretta Yockers. He was a lifetime resident of Big Spring and a Baptist.

Kenneth retired from Canterbury retirement homes.

Kenneth is survived by a son, Kenneth Yockers of Big Spring; two daughters, Rhonda Yockers of Big Spring and Carol Yockers of Lubbock; a brother, William Yockers of Big Spring; a sister, Malinda Armstrong of Big Spring; seven grandchildren, Mariah, Elizabeth, Nikolaus, Riley, Kenny, Alicia, and Dereona; two great grandchildren, Elijah and Luna.

Kenneth was preceded in death by his mother, Gretta Yockers.

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

Kyle Diebold

Kyle Diebold, 65, died Tuesday, July 5, 2022. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Daniel Hembree

Daniel Hembree, 54, died Tuesday, July 5, 2022. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Sylvia Rodriguez

Sylvia Rodriguez, 76, died Thursday, July 7, 2022. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

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Brush management can, under some circumstances, increase water yield. The amount of water “freed up” by brush control can vary widely, however, depending on site characteristics and on what vegetation comes in to replace the brush. Evapotranspiration is the process by which water is transferred

from the land to the atmosphere by evaporation from the soil and other surfaces and by transpiration from plants. In some cases, the grass that replaces the brush may actually have an evapotranspiration rate equal to or higher than the brush that was removed.

For more information regarding brush control, the Permian Basin Underground Water Conservation district invites you to visit their website at www.pbuwcd.com or call them at 432-756-2136.

Take Note

• Homecoming for Big Spring High School is set for September 9 and 10, 2022.

The class of 1962 is celebrating its 60th anniversary and is looking for missing classmates, listed below. Please send names, addresses and/or contact information to: Susan Zack Lewis at ts@crcom.net

Jimmie Atkins, Cecil Baker, Elnora Baker, Joetta Barnes, Idalina Barraza, Alice Bedwell, , Kenneth Billings, Cal Boardman, Bill Bonner, Gayle Bratcher, Leahmon Bryant, Joe Cagle, Kay Carter, Mildred Cawthron, Janice Chandler, Clementeen Chatman, Charles Clay, Sue Cole, Suzanne Compton, Ronnie Cox, Larry Deighton, Rexie Denton, Ann Drinkard Sinclair, Lonnie Evans, Paula Faubion, Owen Frost, Lana Fulbright, Margaret Fuller, Yolanda Gamboa, David Garcia, Richard Gibbs, James Gilbert, Norma Graves, Thomas Green, Gloria Greenwood, Edith Gregory, Michael Halverson, Jan Hamilton, Gerald Harrison, Preston Harrison, Sam Hartfield, Don Heath, Billie Henderson, Jerry Henderson, Clarence Henkell, Roger Henry, Rosemary Herrera, Jimmy Hinds, Connie Hinojos, Caroline Holder, Virginia Houchin, Claudie Horn, Ronnie Jeter, Diane Jones, Nancy Jones, Karen Kendrick, Carey King, Rick King, R.C. Knightstep, Jimmy Knous, Ola Mae Lane, Tommy Leslie, Caroline Lewis, Peggy Lewis, Pat Martin, Ed Martinez, Ernest Mata, Dorinda Medford, Ray Minks, Donald Mitchell, Cruz Montanez, Jerry Moore, Virginia Morris, Harold Morrison, Linda Morton, Carol McCullough, Virginia McKee, Bettie McPherson, Betty McWhorter, Skipper Neill, Rita Nelson, Sandra Nichols, Sandra Nixon, Margaret Oliver, Shirley Osborn, Linda Page, Judy Parker, Dexter Pate, Judy Pate, Gene Patton, Johnny Paul, Greg Peay, Elton Perkins, Iva Mae Perkins, Jim Pierce, Bobby Prior, Mary Puga, Claudia Richardson, Winnora Richbourgh, Teresa Rocha, Mary Roger, George Ryan, Carolyn Seago, Carla Smauley, Chap Smith, Chester Smith, Danna Smith, Wyetta Smith, Marcus Sweatt, Jimmy Thomas, Robert Thomas, Perry Thompson, Guadalupe Tovar, Earlene Trantham, Margaret Turnbow, Jan Turney, Leola Vance, Leonilda Webb, Richard West, Lynda Whiteside, Troy Wilhite, Diane Womack, Margaret York, Jeri Cain.

• 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 or a box, and answer a few questions - such as how many people live in the household - to pick up food. The food pantry also has a Facebook page where they will post any updates. <https://www.facebook.com/healthynuggetsofgold44>.

• Everyone welcome! Western swing by Michael Leonard. New Life mature adult dance at the Dora Roberts Community Center, 100 Whipkey Drive. The last dance for the summer will be this Friday, June 17 from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Entry fee is \$5. Bring snacks to share. Refreshments are provided. For more information call 432 517-9097.

• Ready for Home School or individualized education in school? Maranatha Baptist Academy, located at 903 Johnson Street, in Big Spring, Texas, is currently open and taking applications for enrollment for the 2022-23 School year. We are a faith-based Christian Academy and use the individualized Accelerated Christian Education Curriculum for Kindergarten through 12th grade, published in Hendersonville, Tennessee. July 20 is our startup date, and applications will be accepted year-round. Someone will take your call for information at 432-213-1046. Please leave a message and we will get back with you.

• 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.

• 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 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 e-mail 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, hospital-ity 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 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and other assistance

will take place the third Thursday of each month from 9:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. Both distributions will take place at 1009 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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• 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.

• 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 becoming 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 Lynn Creswell or Chavonna Parker 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 Emergency Services Chaplains Corps is seeking volunteer chaplains. The corps provides spiritual services to Howard County residents and visitors in crisis situations.

Prospective chaplains don't require any specific experience or education to qualify for the position, just a calling from God and a willingness to devote time to the program, which requires a 24- to 30-week training program and dedication of one day per week for emergency call-outs. Those interested should contact Senior Chaplain Jacqueline Roland at 432-213-1221.

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

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Rosa Gamboa, 86, died Saturday. A celebration of Rosa's life Saturday, July 16, 2022 by Zoom.

Lonnie Grice, 97, died Tuesday, June 21, 2022. Graveside service Friday, July 15, 2022 at 10 AM at Trinity Memorial Park.

Charlie Florez, 63, died Sunday. Internment Saturday 10 AM at Mt. Olive Cemetery.

Kenneth Yockers, 60, died Saturday. Visitation Sunday 9 AM until 9 PM at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral service Monday 10 AM at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Trinity Memorial Park.

Richard Hicks, 75, died Thursday. Visitation Friday 6 PM until 7 PM at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Graveside service Saturday 2 PM at Coahoma Cemetery.

Retha Taylor, 55, died Wednesday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

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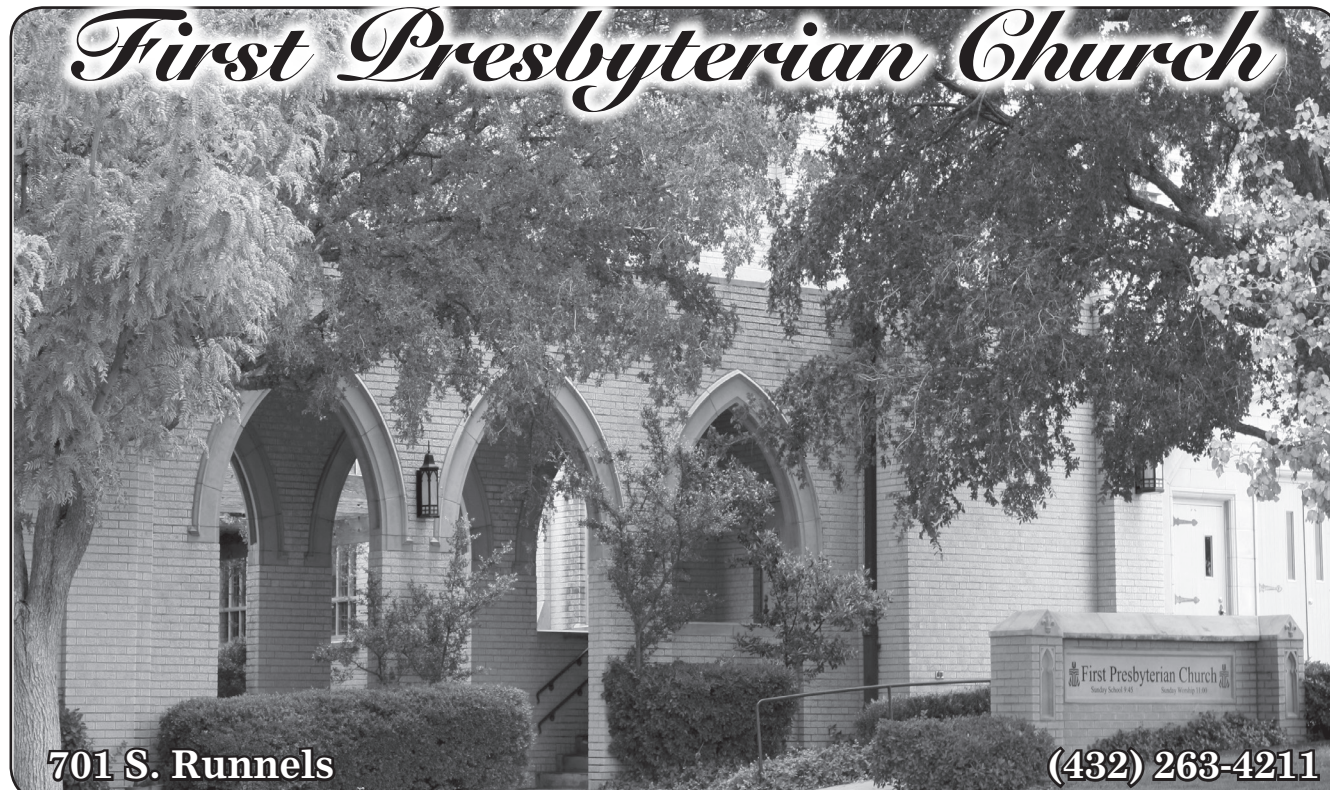
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We are located at 2805 Lynn Drive in the Kentwood neighborhood in Big Spring. If you would like to reach Pastor Kohl, Vicar Roever or the church office, please call (432) 264-7818, or e-mail us at aliveinchristtx@gmail.com.

Bible Study and Sunday School begin at 9:30 a.m. 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. Please come and join us.

The readings for this Sunday are Leviticus (18:1-5) 19:9-18, Colossians 1:1-14, and Luke 10:25-37.

The psalm is Psalm 41.

Shyrlee Reid will present the scripture readings this week.

Our Wednesday Evening Bible Study is continuing. A meal is served at 5:30 and our bible study begins at 6. Please come and join us.

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.

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Times on the Sign:

- Sunday morning
- 9:15 for Bible Study for all ages.
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- Girl’s Missions meet on Sunday at 5 p.m.
- Sunday Evening Service is at 6

p.m.

- Wednesday with our praying Youth groups
- Family Fellowship meal between 6:30 and 6:55 p.m.

- Bible Study and Prayer Meeting at 7 p.m.

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Nursery and extended care is as needed for all services.

Come join in the fun as we celebrate during this summer season, serving our Lord. Services for July 10, 2022, is a great time for families to gather and celebrate our God together. Our services are in the building, livestreaming, and on our Facebook page as well. Visitors, it was a such a joy to welcome you on Sunday. Come join us again as we gather in exciting and worshipful services. Come and 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 we celebrate our God knowing He really 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 Summer, 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 Savior, Jesus Christ our Cornerstone!

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No Midweek Gathering

There will be no midweek gathering this Wednesday. We hope to see you on Sunday!

Making Waves VBS

Join the fun August 2 - 5 from 6 to 8:30 p.m. In this wet and wild VBS, kids learn that what they do today can change the world around them. When we put your trust in Jesus, we can “make waves” because of His Spirit living inside us. Through fun activities, engaging lessons, and God’s Word, we’ll help kids understand how they can share God’s love with the people around them. You can find the registration link on our website: www.nazfamily.org or our Facebook page.

Back to School Drive

We are partnering with Tate’s Place for a community wide back to school event that will take place on August 7. They have asked our church to collect hair care and toiletry products that can be handed out to families on that day. You can drop those items off in the foyer or at the church office.

WOW

Our District Women of Worth conference will be on July 28 - 30 in Wichita Falls. You can go to this site to find out more information and register today: <https://www.westexnaz.org/women-of-worth-conference>

First Presbyterian Church

Worship services July 10 will begin at 10:50 a.m. in the Sanctuary at Eighth and Runnels. Organist/Music Director Gabe Martinez will be leading music this week. Reverend Allen Cross will be preaching a sermon entitled: Not The Usual Neighborhood. Scripture readings for this Sunday are: Psalm 25:1-10; Luke 10:25-37; Colossians 1:9-10.

Sunday School is on summer break until Labor Day; however, Take Ten fellowship will continue in our parlor at 10:20 on Sunday mornings.

Two Wednesday events are on summer hiatus. The Women’s Bible Study will resume August 3. The video series will resume after Labor Day and will be about the history of the American West.

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.

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The following weekly events are open to the community:

Wednesday

The Women’s Bible Study meets at 10 a.m. – on hiatus until August 3.

The World Heritage Sites Lectures meets at noon – on hiatus until September.

The Lectionary Bible Study meets at 5 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 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.

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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 Wednesdays 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.

Something to think about...

We had a great time celebrating Independence Day with our family. Of course, watching fireworks



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is one of the highlights for our kids. It reminds me of the time that our oldest son first persuaded me to buy some fireworks for them. He was so excited as we pulled up to the stand because the sign said, “Buy One Get One Free!” Ephraim believed that we got a great deal because for every firework we bought, we got one free. It became one of those “teachable moments” as I attempted to enlighten him to the whole concept of advertising.

I believe that there is a desire deep within the human heart to be free. That is why I think we are drawn to anything labeled “free”, which is why the word is used so often in advertising. However, it is also the desire that inspired 56 men to sign a document drafted by Thomas Jefferson in 1776 declaring our independence as a free nation. And the rest, as they say, is history.

The most famous words of that powerful document are known by most Americans: “We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness...” Jefferson goes on to declare that the United Colonies are Free and Independent States and are absolved of all allegiances to the British Crown, “And for the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of Divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes and our sacred Honor.”

Freedom is not free. It is so valuable these men were willing to give up their fortunes, their lives, everything they had to secure freedom for themselves, their families and all who would call the United States their home. We were not created to be controlled. We were not created to live in bondage. I believe that we were created to be free. That desire within can drive us to do great things. And yet, the freedom that we ultimately seek, true freedom, spiritual freedom, can only be found as we lay

down our life to follow Christ.

Paul articulates it so clearly in Romans 8: Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life has set you free from the law of sin and death. For what the law was powerless to do because it was weakened by the flesh, God did by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh to be a sin offering. And so he condemned sin in the flesh, in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fully met in us, who do not live according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. ~ Romans 8:1-4

As we live in the Spirit of Christ, we experience genuine freedom. Freedom from condemnation, freedom from fear, freedom from worry, freedom from others expectations, freedom from idols, freedom from the power of sin and death – as Jesus tells us, “Whoever the Son sets free is free indeed.” May we experience the deeper freedom that God offers us and live as free people today.

The Sinfulness of Sin

“Was then that which is good made death unto me? God forbid. But sin, that it might appear sin, working death in me by that which is good; that sin by the commandment might become exceeding sinful.” Romans 7:13

Sin is sinful; always has been, always will be. We know that sin is sin because 1 John 3:4 says that sin is the transgression of the Law. A quick glance into the Scriptures affords us a description of what sin is. We could mention adultery, murder, theft, lying, idolatry, witchcraft and covetousness, just

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to name a few. But what about laws against mingling diverse cattle breeds, or sowing our fields with mingled seed, or wearing garments mingled of linen and wool? According to Leviticus 19:19, these too, are God’s statutes, and it is a sin if we transgress them. The God who said “thou shalt not covet”, is the same God who forbade the mingling of cattle breeds, seeds in the garden, and garments made of linen and wool. We can-

not even plant beans and corn together, or wear clothes made of a mixture of linen and wool without transgressing God’s statutes. It is a sin to do these things because all sin is transgression of the Law. What are we supposed to do? We can’t pick and choose which of God’s statutes to obey, and which ones to transgress (ignore). When it comes to His Laws, God is not a God of convenience; we either obey, or transgress them all, because James 2:10 says that if we keep the whole Law, but offend in one point, we are guilty of all.

I think that we have not come to understand just how sinful sin truly is. Sin is so exceedingly sinful, that it corrupts every part of our own righteousnesses (our good works). My opinion is that we have not understood the exceeding sinfulness of our sin until we have come to grips with the true sinfulness of our own righteousnesses. By seeking a solution to our sin in our own good works (the deeds of the Law), we add sin to sin, because by the deeds of the Law there shall no flesh be justified in God’s sight. The answer to our sin can only be found in Christ, because He is the end of the Law for righteousness to all who believe.

Just A Thought!

How did David know this?



JOELLE LUDINGTON

Who told him he was fearfully and wonderfully made? Do you ever wonder how or where all this info comes from?

Here’s a thought:

It was God.

Matthew 16:17

King James Version

17 And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Barjona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven.

*In the book of Psalms, David writes in chapter 139, verses 13 and 14: “for it was you who created my inward parts; you knit me together in my mother’s womb. I will praise You because I have been fearfully and wonderfully made.”

“Fearfully,” when translated from the Hebrew, means “With *great reverence, *heart-felt interest, and with *respect.” “Wonderfully,” when translated from the Hebrew, means, “unique and set apart.”

Reflections

Forever Friends

Last week we went on an “almost post-Covid” cruise to Alaska. There were still testings and protocols to pass, but the cruise business is back. What made the week truly spectacular was going with our best friends from college. We had a great time exploring new places and reflecting. We were young when we first met. My wife and our friends were fresh from high school graduations in Texas and Kentucky. I was older and wiser by a year or two.

After we married, we gathered in each other's apartments as penniless newly-weds and played games, affordable and unforgettable entertainment. Our paths parted when we started our families. I had twin girls for them, three children stretched over 13 years for us. We stayed in touch at a distance.

Fifty years later, our children are grown. They are advancing in their careers and raising our grandchildren. We have completed most of our

journey, in good health and full of memories, hoping to remain useful and finish well.

We are thrilled to make new friends for whom we are grateful, but we shared our youth with these friends when we were trying to figure out our own identity and had little idea of the direction our paths would take. We have other friends from our childhoods and our careers whom we love. Some drifted away. Some died. But this couple stuck. Nothing can reproduce the treasure we have found.

And now that we have re-converged in the late years of our journey we are overwhelmed with gratitude for God's goodness and grace. We are more content than we were in our youth. We are still ambitious to do good and to bless others, but we know we are blessed beyond measure in ways we could have never imagined. Only God could do such a thing.

Friendship gives us a glimpse of the relationship God desires for each of us. As Proverbs says, “There is a friend that stays closer than a brother.” (Proverbs 18:24).

After three years walking the hills of Galilee and

Judea, Jesus explained his relationship with the twelve in these terms: “Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command. I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you.” (John 15:13-15).

No matter who we are or where we came from, no matter our race, gender or age, God desires to be our friend. He desires to lead us on our journey, from beginning to end. An old hymn perhaps expresses it best, “I've found a Friend, oh, such a Friend! He loved me ere I knew Him; He drew me with the cords of love, and thus He bound me to Him. And round my heart still closely twine, those ties which naught can sever. For I am His, and He is mine, forever and forever.”

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Our Church had just finished with a Block Party to celebrate the Back to school season for kids. We were cleaning up when I turned at the sound of crying. One little girl was standing at the bouncy house sobbing loudly. Her mother hurried over thinking she was hurt. She cried even louder, “Mommy, is the party over?” I didn't hear what “Mommy” said in reply, but I imagine she empathized with her heart.

Many exciting times in our lives happen and we wonder why time goes by so quickly. Sometimes we end up crying when we realize the “Party” is over. Then we either look for a new “party,” or try to remember the old ones.

There is a song that says, “Time is now fleeting, the moments

are passing, passing from you and from me.”

The Bible says there is a time for everything. A time to be born and die, a time to mourn and laugh. A time to plant and reap. God set the time for man to be born and die. Then the judgment comes.

That time is just around the corner, or cloud as you will. Jesus is coming back for His own soon and very soon. Then, for some, the party really will be over. For those who have Jesus in their hearts the party will just begin.

Everytime a soul gets saved the angels rejoice and have a huge birthday party in Heaven. Think of the party at the marriage supper of the Lamb we will have with the Bride Groom Jesus when He girds Himself to serve us. Then He will wipe away all our tears and the everlasting “Party” will have just begun.

The patriotic Virgin: How Mary's been marshaled for religious nationalism and military campaigns

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(THE CONVERSATION) Ever since Russia began its invasion of Ukraine on Feb. 24, 2022, analysts picking apart Vladimir Putin's motives and messaging about the war have looked to religion for some of the answers. Putin's nationalist vision paints Russia as a defender of traditional Christian values against a liberal, secular West.

Putin's Russia, however, is only the latest in a centurieslong lineup of nations using religion to bolster their political ambitions. As a Jesuit priest and scholar of Catholicism, I've seen in my research on nationalism and religion how patriotic loyalties and religious faith easily borrow one another's language, symbols and emotions.

Western Christianity, including Catholicism, has often been enlisted to stir up patriotic fervor in support of nationalism. Historically, one typical aspect of the Catholic approach is linking devotion to the Virgin Mary with the interests of the state and military.

The birth of a belief

An Egyptian papyrus fragment from the fourth century is the first clear evidence of Christians' praying to the Virgin Mary. The brief prayer, which seeks Mary's protection in times of trouble, is written in the first person plural – using language like “our” and “we” – which suggests a belief that Mary would respond to groups of people as well as individuals.

That conviction appeared to grow in the following centuries. After the Roman Emperor Constantine converted to Christianity in A.D. 312, the new faith developed a close relationship with his empire, including a belief that Mary looked with particular favor on the capital city of Constantinople.

Political and religious leaders asked the Virgin for victory in battle and shelter from plagues. In A.D. 626, Constantinople was besieged by a Persian navy. Christians believed that their prayers to the Virgin destroyed the invading fleet, saving the city and its inhabitants. The Akathist hymn, which has been prayed in both the Orthodox and Eastern Catholic churches ever since, gives Mary the military title “Champion General” in thanks for that victory.

In the Catholic West, military successes such as European victories over the Ottoman Empire were attributed to Mary's intervention. Her blessing has been sought on imperialist endeavors, including Spain's conquest of the Americas.

Even today, Mary holds the title of general in the armies of Argentina and Chile, where she is considered a national patroness. The same association between Marian devotion and patriotism can be found in many Latin American countries.

National symbol

Off the battlefield, many Catholic cultures have historically felt they had a special relationship with Mary. In 1638, King Louis XIII formally dedicated France to the Virgin Mary. Popular belief interpreted the subsequent birth of the future Louis XIV as Mary's miraculous reward, after 23 years of waiting for a male heir.

About two decades later, Polish King Jan II Kazimierz consecrated his country to Mary amid a war. Both acts reflected church and political leaders' beliefs that their countries had a sacred mission and divine approval for their political ambitions.

When these kinds of beliefs become widespread in a society, many scholars would label them religious nationalism – though there is a long-standing debate about when affection for one's country becomes “nationalism.” There is widespread consensus, though, that religion is one of the most common elements of nationalism, and many nationalist projects have invoked Mary's blessing.

Polish territory, for example, was divided between Russia, Prussia and Austria for more than a century. But Polish Catholics continued to address Mary as “Queen of Poland.” Her title asserted the existence of the Polish people as a nation. And it implied that efforts to reestablish Poland as a sovereign country had a heavenly helper.

Similarly, in the 19th century, both Queen Victoria and the Virgin Mary were referred to in different contexts as “Queen of Ireland,” expressing two rival visions of Ireland: part of the Protestant United Kingdom, or a separate and essentially Catholic country.

Many different movements have used the figure of the Virgin to support their agendas. In colonial Mexico, the figure of Our Lady of Guadalupe, one title for Mary, was originally interpreted as being a champion of the “criollos,” native-born inhabitants of Spanish descent. During the 1810-21 War of Mexican Independence, “la Guadalupana” figured on the banners of the “independista” forces. The Spanish army, meanwhile, adopted the “Virgin of Los Remedios,” another title for Mary, as their own

patroness. She would later be invoked in support of Indigenous people and mestizos, people with both Indigenous and Spanish ancestry.

Mary is invoked not only by nationalist causes. Sometimes she is inspiration for countercultural or protest movements, from the pro-life cause to Latina feminists. Labor leader Cesar Chavez placed the image of Guadalupe on banners as his organization marched for farmworkers' rights.

Mary's future

All these uses draw on the ancient belief in Mary's power to intervene in times of trouble. However, ideological, political and especially military ambitions and religious sentiment are a volatile mix. As the current war in Ukraine shows, allegiance to one's nation, especially when it claims Christian inspiration, can inspire both imperialist expansionism and heroic resistance to it.

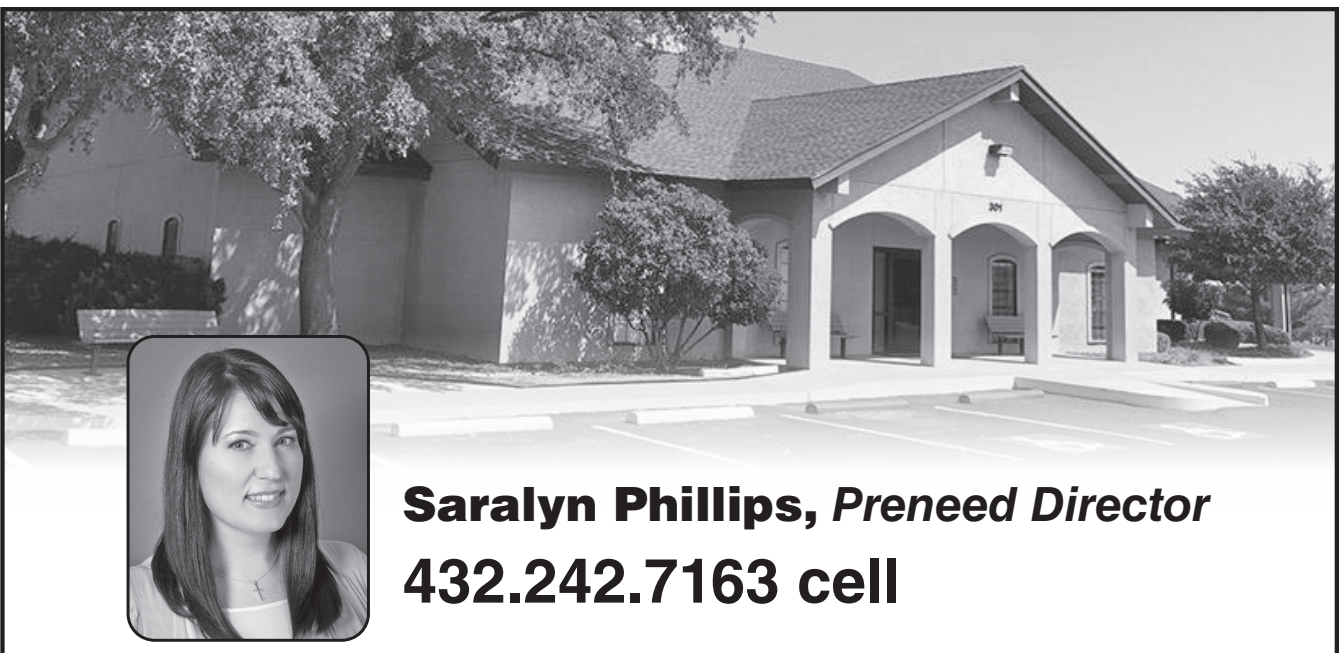
This makes a better understanding of religious nationalism urgently important, especially for the church. Twentieth- and 21st-century popes have condemned aggressive nationalism but have not defined it clearly.

In cultures that are largely secularized, appeals for Mary's protection or claims that she has a special relationship with any one nation are now likely to seem archaic, outlandish or sectarian. But what I know of both Marian devotion and national identity has convinced me that ancient patterns often survive and reassert themselves in new times and places.

Even where the practice of Catholicism is in decline, Mary's cultural significance remains strong. And religion continues to be a regular element of many nationalist agendas.

My guess is that we have not seen the last of the warrior Virgin.

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Royals hit 3 HRs off Javier, end Astros' 8-game win streak

By KRISTIE RIEKEN

AP Sports Writer

HOUSTON (AP) — Whit Merrifield, Hunter Dozier and Emmanuel Rivera all homered as the Kansas City Royals roughed up Cristian Javier early and held on for a 7-4 win over Houston on Wednesday night, ending the Astros' major league-best eight-game winning streak.

Javier (6-4) had allowed one hit in 14 innings over his last two starts, which included seven innings of a combined no-hitter against the Yankees on June 25. He struck out 27 in those two appearances, both wins. But the Royals got to him almost immediately.

Merrifield sent Javier's third pitch into the seats in left field for his fourth homer this season. Javier walked Andrew Benintendi before Dozier's two-out shot to the Crawford Boxes in left field made it 3-0. Rivera homered to left-center in the second.

Brad Keller (4-9) allowed five hits and four runs in 5 2/3 innings and the Royals' bullpen shut the Astros out for the rest of the way. Scott Barlow allowed one hit in a scoreless ninth for his 13th save.

"I was just real proud of the offense," manager Mike Matheny said. "Coming out, even though the last couple of days we get something going and not being able to put it away, but (we) come back resilient and aggressive. And you can tell they believe in themselves and that's a beautiful thing."

Kansas City was clinging to a one-run lead entering the ninth inning before Nicky Lopez hit a ground-rule double with one out and scored on a two-out double by Andrew Benintendi. MJ Melendez followed with an RBI single that pushed the lead to 7-4.

"They jumped us early," manager Dusty Baker said. "They were hitting the ball out of the ballpark and the game boiled down to, they really beat us in the

first and the ninth. It was a bookend game for them."

Javier yielded five runs on four hits with three walks and seven strikeouts in five innings for his first loss since June 6. His three homers allowed tied a career high after he entered the game having given up just five all season.

Matheny was asked about the key to his team's success against Javier.

"It's just some of that momentum," he said. "It's always a really good thing for an offense to have. Guys have just been building on what they've seen the last couple of days."

Aledmys Diaz homered for a second straight game and Jake Meyers had two hits and two RBIs. But the Astros were unable to overcome their early deficit after come-from-behind wins in the first two games of the series.

Houston cut the lead to 4-1 on an RBI double by Meyers with two outs in the second.

Benintendi walked again to open the third before scoring on a two-out double by Dozier that made it 5-1.

The Astros got within 5-3 in the fourth on Kyle Tucker's run-scoring single and Meyers' RBI groundout.

There were two outs in the sixth when Diaz homered to cut the lead to one and chase Keller. Reliever José Cuas loaded the bases before getting out of the jam.

TRAINER'S ROOM

Royals: Rookie INF Bobby Witt Jr. was out of the lineup a day after fouling a pitch off his right hand. X-rays Tuesday night were negative, but Matheny said he was awaiting the results of more extensive tests.

Astros: 2B Jose Altuve and 1B Yuli Gurriel got rare days off for rest. ... LHP Parker Mushinski (left elbow discomfort) allowed two hits, two runs and walked two without getting an out in the first game of a rehabilitation assignment with Triple-A Sugar Land Wednesday night. He threw 20 pitches.

Browns finally trade Mayfield, send quarterback to Panthers

By TOM WITHERS

AP Sports Writer

CLEVELAND (AP) — Baker Mayfield's wild four-year ride in Cleveland is over.

The No. 1 overall pick in 2018, Mayfield was traded Wednesday by the Browns, who moved on from the divisive quarterback months ago and finally sent him to the Carolina Panthers for a future draft pick.

Mayfield, who was pushed out of his starting job amid the Browns' pursuit of Deshaun Watson, is going to Carolina for a conditional draft pick in 2024 or 2025.

The Browns are paying \$10.5 million of Mayfield's \$18.8 million contract for next season, two people familiar with the negotiations told The Associated Press. The Panthers will pay \$4.8 million and Mayfield will take a \$3.5 million pay cut, said the people, who spoke to the AP on condition of anonymity because the trade can't be finalized until Mayfield passes a physical.

Mayfield can earn back some of the money through incentives. Also, if he plays 70% of Carolina's snaps next season, the pick the Browns are receiving will be a fourth-rounder in 2024.

The trade was announced by both the Browns and Panthers, who coincidentally will meet in next season's opener in Charlotte, a matchup spiced up by Mayfield switching teams.

Mayfield's time with the Browns effectively ended in March when the team traded three first-round selections and six overall to the Houston Texans for Watson, who is facing a possible NFL suspension for violating the league's personal conduct policy.

Watson has been accused of sexual misconduct by two dozen massage therapists in Texas. The league's disciplinary officer is expected to rule on Watson before the Browns open training camp later this month.

Mayfield, who played most of last season with a left shoulder injury, felt betrayed by Cleveland's move for Watson, demanded a trade and then had to wait until the Browns found a team both interested in him and willing to take on his salary.

Browns owners Dee and Jimmy Haslam thanked

Mayfield for his contributions.

"From the moment he was drafted, he gave his all for this organization and this city," they said. "With his fierce competitive spirit, he excited the fanbase and accomplished things that no player at his position had done in Cleveland for a very long time. He also made a difference in the community, whether it was hosting events at the Boys and Girls Club, honoring our troops, supporting the Special Olympics as well as countless other charitable endeavors."

The 27-year-old will compete for Carolina's starting QB job with Sam Darnold, who was taken two picks after Mayfield in 2018.

The Panthers, who have not made the playoffs since 2017, have been searching for stability at the quarterback position ever since head coach Matt Rhule was hired in 2020. They also took a run at Watson before he chose Cleveland.

Mayfield's four years with the Browns included fewer memorable moments than distracting ones as he couldn't end the team's long search for a franchise QB.

The stint was full of highs and lows, coaching changes, too much drama and not nearly enough wins.

Former Browns general manager John Dorsey was enamored with Mayfield's talent and swayed by his swagger, choosing the Heisman Trophy winner from Oklahoma first despite other options, including Josh Allen and Lamar Jackson.

Mayfield began his rookie season as Tyrod Taylor's backup before coming off the bench in Week 3 and rallying the Browns to their first win in 635 days, a 21-17 victory over the New York Jets on national TV.

Mayfield wound up passing for 3,725 yards and throwing 27 touchdown passes as a rookie, breaking the NFL record for a first-year quarterback. For the first time in years, there was genuine hope for a floundering franchise that has had 32 starting QBs since 1999.

However, Mayfield's second season was a major setback. He threw nearly as many interceptions (21) as touchdowns (22) and seemed to be on a different page of the playbook than star receiver Odell

Beckham Jr. Cleveland went 6-10 and fired coach Freddie Kitchens.

Mayfield also regularly squared off with commentators criticizing his play and sparred with local reporters. His immaturity showed particularly on social media, where he often posted rebukes to detractors.

The 2020 season signaled a turnaround as Mayfield led the Browns back to relevance with their first postseason appearance since 2003. He thrived in first-year coach Kevin Stefanski's offense, throwing 20 TD passes and just three interceptions in his last 12 games.

Mayfield directed a playoff win — the Browns' first since 1994 — over the rival Pittsburgh Steelers on Jan. 10, 2021, and came within minutes of getting Cleveland to the AFC Championship a week later before losing at Kansas City.

The resurgence triggered Super Bowl predictions for the Browns in the 2021-22 season and speculation they would sign Mayfield to a long-term contract.

Neither came close to happening. After dropping the hyped season opener to the Chiefs, the game's outcome decided when Mayfield threw a late interception, he suffered a torn left shoulder labrum the following week while trying to make a tackle.

The injury worsened when he was sacked by Arizona's J.J. Watt a few weeks later, and Mayfield never found his rhythm the rest of the season. Beckham forced his way off the roster and the Browns stumbled to a 8-9 finish and missed the playoffs.

Mayfield also raised eyebrows by publicly questioning Stefanski's play-calling.

Mayfield sat out the finale and had surgery soon after. Browns general manager Andrew Berry said he expected Mayfield to bounce back as the team's starter in 2022, but everything changed with the pursuit of Watson.

In recent weeks, as Watson's legal entanglement dragged on, there had been speculation the Browns could turn to Mayfield. But the quarterback recently said he didn't think a reconciliation was possible.

They were done with him long ago.

Pandemic-delayed World Games open in Birmingham a year late

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (AP) — Delayed a year because of the COVID-19 pandemic, the World Games open Thursday in Alabama featuring more than 3,600 athletes participating in non-Olympic events including sumo wrestling, gymnastics, martial arts and tug of war.

The opening ceremony, set for Thursday night at Protective Stadium in Birmingham, includes performances by Nelly and the band Alabama.

It will kick off 10 days of competition around the metro area in nearly 40 sports with participants from about 100 nations.

Organizers said more than 350,000 tickets have been sold, and events will be available for viewing by livestream.

CBS Sports will televise 12 hours of coverage.

Some competitions already have been held.

Hundreds of people turned out in

Oxford, about 60 miles (97 kilometers) east of Birmingham, for exhibition games between the USA Football Women's National Team, Team Australia and Team Japan.

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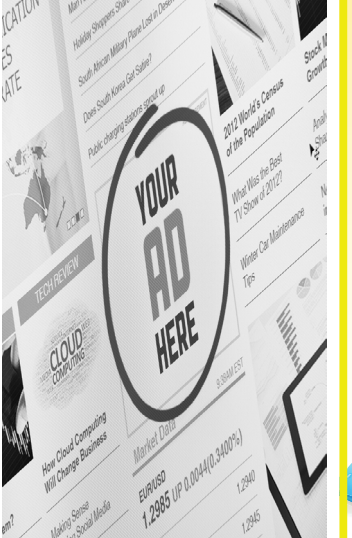
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By Steve Becker

Bidding quiz

You are South and have the following hand: ♠AQ96♥KQJ83♦A72♣10. 1. East bids One Club, you double, and your partner responds with One Spade. What would you bid now? 2. West bids One Club, East raises to Two Clubs, and you double. Partner responds with Two Hearts. What would you bid now? 3. Your partner bids One Notrump. You bid Two Clubs (Stayman), and partner bids Two Diamonds. When you next bid Three Hearts, partner raises to Four Hearts. What would you bid now? *** 1. Three Spades. Partner's one-spade bid, aside from showing four or more spades, was a forced response, and it is possible that he might not have a single high-card point. However, it is a good rule of thumb to assume partner has at least three or four points and proceed accordingly. By raising partner to three spades, you cover the case where he has a worthless hand while at the same time appraising him that a game can be made if he has almost anything at all. You shouldn't bid four all by yourself, since you need a little something from him to have a chance for 10 tricks. Tomorrow: The disappearing trick. ©2022 King Features Syndicate Inc.

Today in History

Today in History: July 8, The "Great Grain Robbery"

Today is Friday, July 8, the 189th day of 2022. There are 176 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On July 8, 1972, the Nixon administration announced a deal to sell \$750 million in grain to the Soviet Union. (However, the Soviets were also engaged in secretly buying subsidized American grain, resulting in what critics dubbed "The Great Grain Robbery.")

On this date:

In 1776, Col. John Nixon gave the first public reading of the Declaration of Independence, outside the State House (now Independence Hall) in Philadelphia.

In 1853, an expedition led by Commodore Matthew Perry arrived in Yedo Bay, Japan, on a mission to seek diplomatic and trade relations with the Japanese.

In 1907, Florenz Ziegfeld staged his first "Follies," on the roof of the New York Theater.

In 1947, a New Mexico newspaper, the Roswell Daily Record, quoted officials at Roswell Army Air Field as saying they had recovered a "flying saucer" that crashed onto a ranch; officials then said it was actually a weather balloon. (To this day, there are those who believe what fell to Earth was an alien spaceship carrying extra-terrestrial beings.)

In 1950, President Harry S. Truman named Gen. Douglas MacArthur command-

er-in-chief of United Nations forces in Korea. (Truman ended up sacking MacArthur for insubordination nine months later.)

In 1967, Academy Award-winning actor Vivien Leigh, 53, died in London.

In 1989, Carlos Saul Menem was inaugurated as president of Argentina in the country's first transfer of power from one democratically elected civilian leader to another in six decades.

In 1994, Kim Il Sung, North Korea's communist leader since 1948, died at age 82.

In 2000, Venus Williams beat Lindsay Davenport 6-3, 7-6 (3) for her first Grand Slam title, becoming the first Black female champion at Wimbledon since Althea Gibson in 1957-58.

In 2010, the largest spy swap between the U.S. and Russia since the Cold War unfolded as 10 people accused of spying in suburban America pleaded guilty to conspiracy and were ordered deported to Russia in exchange for the release of four prisoners accused of spying for the West.

In 2011, former first lady Betty Ford died in Rancho Mirage, California, at age 93.

In 2016, on the first day of a two-day summit in Warsaw, NATO leaders geared up for a long-term standoff with Russia, ordering multinational troops to Poland and the three Baltic states as Moscow moved forward with its own plans to station two new divisions along its western borders.

Ten years ago: A bomb in eastern Afghanistan killed six NATO service members on a day in which a total of 29 people died from roadside bombs and insurgent attacks. Roger Federer equaled Pete Sampras' record of seven men's singles titles at the All England Club and won his 17th Grand Slam title overall, beating Andy Murray 4-6, 7-5, 6-3, 6-4. Academy Award-winning actor Ernest Borgnine, 95, died in Los Angeles.

Five years ago: At the Group of 20 summit in Hamburg, Germany, world powers lined up against President Donald Trump on climate change, reaffirming their support for international efforts to fight global warming. After their first face-to-face meeting, Russian President Vladimir Putin said he thought Trump believed his denials of Russian meddling in the U.S. presidential vote.

One year ago: President Joe Biden said the U.S. military operation in Afghanistan would end on Aug. 31; in a speech in the White House East Room, Biden made an impassioned argument for exiting the nearly 20-year war without sacrificing more America lives, but acknowledged that there would be no "mission accomplished" moment to celebrate. Amid increasing coronavirus infections, Tokyo's governor said fans would not be allowed in Tokyo-area stadiums and arenas for the Olympics, which would begin in two weeks. Former South African president Jacob Zuma turned himself over to police to begin serving a 15-month prison term for contempt. Lawyer

Michael Avenatti was sentenced to 2 1/2 years in prison for trying to extort up to \$25 million from Nike; Avenatti had gained fame representing porn star Stormy Daniels in lawsuits against Donald Trump. Fourteen-year-old Zaila Avant-garde of Louisiana spelled "murraya" correctly to win the Scripps National Spelling Bee, becoming the first African American champion.

Today's Birthdays: Singer Steve Lawrence is 87. Actor Jeffrey Tambor is 78. Rock musician Jaimoe Johanson is 77. Ballerina Cynthia Gregory is 75. Actor Kim Darby is 75. Actor Jonelle Allen is 74. Children's performer Raffi is 74. Celebrity chef Wolfgang Puck is 73. Actor Anjelica Huston is 71. Writer Anna Quindlen is 70. Actor Kevin Bacon is 64. Actor Robert Knepper is 63. Country singer Toby Keith is 61. Rock singer Joan Osborne is 60. Writer-producer Rob Burnett is 60. Actor Rocky Carroll is 59. Actor Corey Parker is 57. Actor Lee Tergesen is 57. Actor Michael B. Silver is 55. Actor Billy Crudup is 54. Actor Michael Weatherly is 54. Singer Beck is 52. Comedian Sebastian Maniscalco is 49. Actor Kathleen Robertson is 49. Christian rock musician Stephen Mason (Jars of Clay) is 47. Actor Milo Ventimiglia (MEE'-loh vehn-tih-MEEL'-yuh) is 45. Singer Ben Jelen (YEL'-in) is 43. Actor Lance Gross is 41. Actor Sophia Bush is 40. Rock musician Jamie Cook (Arctic Monkeys) is 37. Actor Jake McDorman is 36. Actor Maya Hawke is 24. Actor Jaden Smith is 24.

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FEATURES

Horoscopes By Holiday

FRIDAY
JULY 8, 2022

A Lesson from Jupiter

Taller people have farther to fall, richer people have more to lose and the powerful few are always vulnerable to being conquered by their numerous underlings. Maybe you're not exactly where you want to be, but there's a unique advantage of your current position. This is the lesson of Mercury's square to Jupiter, the planet of abundance.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You may do what's expected of you, but you're just as likely to do the opposite of that because today you're a rebel. You take pleasure in the surprise of others. You delight in their raised eyebrows and luxuriate in their laughter.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). A task feels like a slog, and you'll be tempted to quit at what seems like the halfway point. But you can't know what the halfway point is until you get to the end and measure back. Don't quit. You're closer to success than you think.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Success can be scary. If you do well, you'll be in unknown territory. Grapple with that realization by remembering how often you've faced the unknown and not only managed it, but eventually learned to own it.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). It feels good to solve people's problems and

to experience their relief. You'll underpromise and overdeliver, a surefire success formula. Though you don't expect your generosity to be repaid, it will be.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You'll take measures to counteract artificiality. You'll resist those who would have you purchase what you don't need. Revisit the rituals that remind you of your values and connect you to who you are and where you come from.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Knowing a lot never made anyone wise. You're very experienced in a certain realm so it's harder for you to look at things with a beginner's mind, and yet you do this to fantastic effect today, elevating your work to a new level.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). While it's natural to want to avoid negative feelings, you're also not afraid to process them. You recognize that your feelings are a reaction to a thought. You'll change your thought, and a feeling will change too.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). It will be far better to go forward in blind optimism than to be critical of the early stages of a project, thereby making it impossible to gain momentum. For now, enthusiasm is more important than getting things absolutely right.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Momentum wins, so don't let fine details hang you up. Neither should you worry about who is going to approve or how your work is measuring up. You don't have to get it all perfect, just good

enough to move forward.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You'll spend a lucky hour focusing exclusively on what needs to happen to reach your goal. A good plan saves time. More awareness allows you to do things with less effort. Caution: so-called free things can be costly.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You want to shine in a certain someone's eyes, though your success does not hinge on the opinion of one person. Even when you get the approval you want, keep building your core of fans; group support will be best.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Being around people can give you energy or drain you of it, depending on your mood. Today's small doses of mostly delightful social interaction represent the ideal scenario, as just a little fellowship can go a long way.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (July 8). Your approach to goals will change. You're used to plotting out your own challenges and meeting them heroically, but this year other people will make plans that include you and you'll shine in a different and new way. More highlights: A spontaneous risk, a bag of money and the expansion of your family tree. Capricorn and Sagittarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 10, 7, 15, 5 and 11.

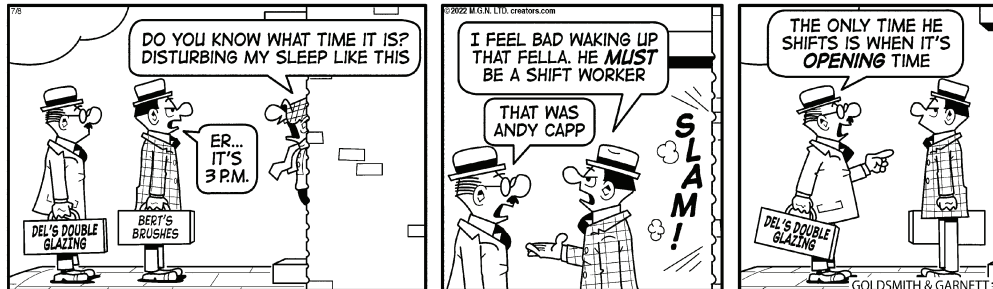
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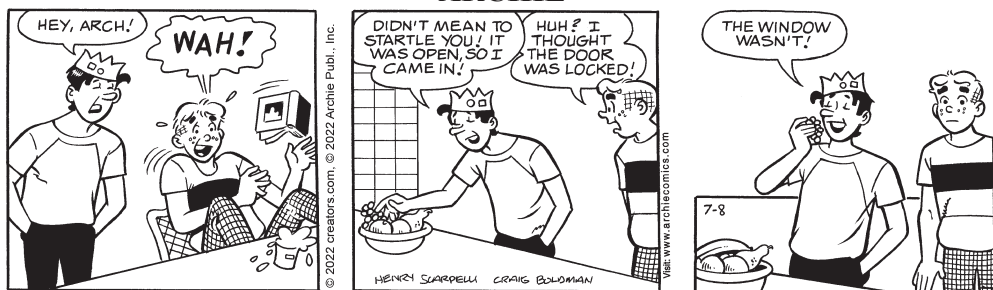
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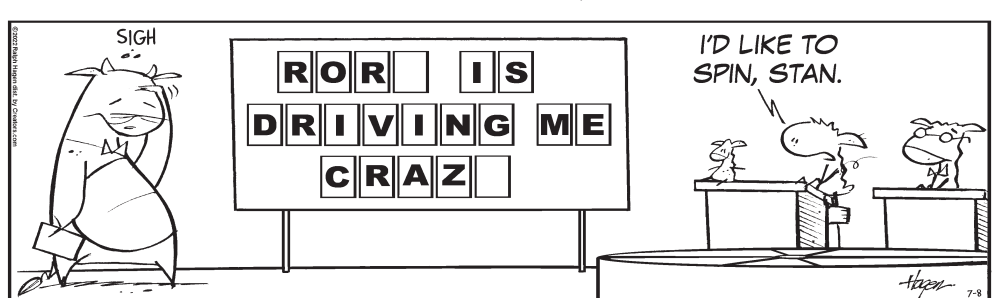
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- ACROSS**
- 1 BBC sitcom
 - 6 Some grad school graders
 - 9 Get a good soaking
 - 14 Hardly fair
 - 15 What fills some wells
 - 16 Outmoded knockout
 - 17 Gospel group
 - 19 Name on the cover of *Fear of Fifty*
 - 20 Water sport
 - 21 Withdrawal from a deposit
 - 22 Hydrates oneself
 - 23 GPS display
 - 24 Ninth-century autocrat
 - 26 Cold front, for instance
 - 28 Actress Thurman
 - 29 Rolls sold at a farm
 - 30 Metaphor for slowness
 - 31 Sailor's expertise
 - 33 Hydrates slowly
 - 34 Kindle reading
 - 36 Boxes in concert halls
 - 40 Invader of Britannia
 - 42 Deen of Southern dishes
 - 43 ___ Lanka
 - 46 Warner Music milestone of 2020
 - 47 Started to boil
 - 49 People buying popcorn tubs
 - 52 Vegas airport code
 - 53 Supernatural
 - 54 Get behind
 - 55 Galileo's hometown

- 56 Undivided
 - 57 Amazingly successful
 - 59 Bartender's supply
 - 60 Ancestor to everyone
 - 61 Shenanigan
 - 62 Fortune hunters
 - 63 '70s day-care attendee
 - 64 Work crews
- DOWN**
- 1 Where to learn to paint
 - 2 From a Gulf State
 - 3 Dangerous dwelling
 - 4 Restarting fresh
 - 5 Tourney pass
 - 6 Bridal shop inventory
 - 7 Tee off
 - 8 Go on a run
 - 9 Kind of coaster
 - 10 Open courtyards
 - 11 First preceder/follower
 - 12 Emphatic refusal
 - 13 Rubbed off
 - 18 Geologist into the hard stuff
 - 22 Promo merchandise
 - 24 "Southern" school
 - 25 Air chamber
 - 27 Errant shot
 - 31 The Wheat State, for short
 - 32 Volvo's former rival
 - 34 Chaplin, in the '20s
 - 35 Keyboard innovator
 - 37 Duffer's do-over
 - 38 Delightful
 - 39 Perennial blunderers
 - 41 Without a focus
 - 42 *Bob the Builder* former ailer
 - 43 Bad looks
 - 44 Commodores frontman
 - 45 It's not the opposite of "Enter!"
 - 47 Lab glassware
 - 48 Hankering
 - 50 Calculus pioneer
 - 51 Color akin to pistachio
 - 55 Legal lead-in
 - 57 *Batman v Superman* villain
 - 58 EPA determination

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Level: Advanced

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!

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Today's Answers

A	B	F	A	B	A	T	H	E
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C	R	E	A	M	A	G	I	C
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Today's Answers

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53rd Annual Highland Fourth of July Parade 2022 Winners

By **ROGER CLINE**

Herald Staff Writer

This past weekend, the 53rd Annual Highland Fourth of July Parade marched, rode, and danced down Highland Drive, displaying patriotic colors and decorations for all to see.

As usual, the participants' decorations were judged and the winners received the honors. Here's the list of this year's awardees:

- Walkers – First place, Obrie Buentello; Second place, Lori Little.
 - Motorized vehicles (ages 12-18) – First Place, Aide Buentello; Second place, Paige Beall; Third place, Storey McKinnon and Areiana.
 - Battery Vehicles (ages 0-12) – First place, Barron Babas; Second place, Bella and Journey McKinnon.
 - Bicycles (ages 1-7) – First place, Reid Grantham; Second place, Tucker Grantham; Third place: Olive Bouston.
 - Bicycles (ages 8+) – First place, Hudson Crenshaw; Second place, Abbey Adams; Third place, Austin Adams.
 - Scooters and Rollerblades – First place, Kreed Smith.
 - Tractors – First place, Clint Folsom.
 - Golf Carts – First place, Ricky Adams; Second place, Kaitlyn Grant; Third place, Felica Brown.
 - Strollers – First place, Landon, Amanda, and Liberty Parker; Second place, Orielle and Orion Buentello.
 - Wagons – First place, N.D. Mason; Second place, Mason, Ashley and Karsyn Parker.
 - Four Wheelers – First place, (Tie) Zack Folsom and Zane Folsom; Second place, Legend McKinnon.
 - Pets – First place, Alyssa Brown and Chester; Second place, Layla Brown and Biscuit; Third place, Ester Van Blarcom and Bella.
 - Houses – First place, 805 Highland (Linda and Ricky Adams); Second place, 602 Highland (Bill and Sherry Wigginton); Third place, 903 Highland (Steve and Rebecca Mattingley).
 - Mail Boxes – First place, 508 Highland (Mike and Laura Hughes); Second place, 901 Highland (Dickey and Kay Bailey); Third place, 2904 Goliad (Jimmy and Sandy Stewart).
- Congratulations to the winners, and thank you, Highland neighborhood, for your patriotic spirit!



Congratulations to all the winners and thanks to everyone that helped and participated!!

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