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Courtesy photo
Big Spring Fire Department recently acquired this Fire Safety Trailer through of donation from the State Fire Marshal's Office.

Officials excited about safety trailer donation

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
Staff Writer

Crossroads area students will get a unique chance to not only learn fire prevention techniques during National Fire Prevention Month, but to put what they learn to work as Big Spring Fire Department prepares to introduce them to the newly acquired Fire Safety Trailer. According to Big Spring Fire Marshall Carl Condray, the local fire department re-

"We are very grateful for this incredible training tool and the opportunities it brings to this area of the state."

—Carl Condray, Big Spring Fire Marshal

cently acquired a Fire Safety Trailer from the state, a tool which could prove invaluable in teaching area children how to react in the face of a house fire. "This year, we are taking

these lessons to a new and exciting level," Condray said. "For several years we have been reaching out to the

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Ready to waltz across Big Spring?

By **BILL McCLELLAN**
Managing Editor

Big Spring Symphony Orchestra opens its 31st season at 8 p.m. Saturday in the Municipal Auditorium with "An Evening in Vienna," featuring the music of Johann Strauss II. The concert could just as likely be termed 'An Evening at the Waltz,' since that is what Strauss is best known for.

"Our concert will begin and end with famous waltzes by Strauss. We'll begin with the 'Emperor Waltzes' and end with the 'Blue Danube Waltz,'" said Dr. Keith Graumann, symphony director and conductor. "What happens in between in this concert will be so fulfilling that we expect and urge people to be 'Waltzing in the Aisles' by the time we finish!"

'A Night in Vienna' will feature music from operettas of the late-19th century in Vienna and especially the style that has become known as 'The Viennese Waltz.'

"This 'Viennese Style' has remained one of the most popular of all classical music styles since it evolved. It was born in response to the serious and dramatic 'Italian Grand Opera' of the 19th century," explained Graumann.



Courtesy photo
Soprano soloist Ava Pine will be among the guest artists performing Saturday with the Big Spring Symphony.

As has become customary, John Giordano of Corpus Christi will conduct the symphony's opening concert. Soprano soloist Ava Pine will perform.

"Maestro Giordano, our guest conductor again this year, is considered an expert in the Viennese style. Our guest artist, Ava Pine, is an up-and-coming young star in opera and operetta styles throughout the

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Holy Trinity set for annual fall festival

By **STEVE REAGAN**
Staff Writer

Now that both the calendar and the temperature gauge say it's fall, you know what that that means, right? You've got it — festivals. Residents will get a chance to enjoy good music, good

food and games for kids of just about any age when Holy Trinity Catholic Parish holds its annual Fall Festival Saturday. The festival will run from 3 p.m. to midnight at the former Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, located at 1009

Hearn St. A sneak peak of sorts will be held today — \$7 brisket plates will be on sale at the church from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Admission to the festival is free and organizers promise moderately priced food and games throughout the eve-

ning. One potential problem, however, is the weather. Cool temperatures and the possibility of rain are in the forecast, so officials said all events will be held in the church's parish

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Pick up your ag luncheon tickets now

By **BILL McCLELLAN**
Managing Editor

A professor and extension economist at Texas A&M will be the keynote speaker during the 21st Annual Ag Appreciation Day, to be held here in less than a week. Ag Appreciation Day is Thursday, Oct. 11 but tickets

must be reserved by 3 p.m. Tuesday. Dr. Joe Outlaw will speak during the noon luncheon, planned for the Dora Roberts Community Center. Outlaw received his bachelor of science, masters of science and PhD from Texas A&M University in agricultural eco-

nomics. He often interacts with members of Congress and key agricultural committee staff to provide feedback on likely consequences in regards to policy changes. Outlaw has been involved in conducting research with renewable energy topics, alternative technologies, feed

stocks, renewable fuels and co-products and dealt with the issue of supply and demand relationships. The day will begin with a breakfast at 7:30 a.m. at the DRCC, provided by Franklin & Son Tire. Tours of area

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Obituaries

D.G. (Shorty) Ballard



CLYDE — D.G. (Shorty) Ballard, 81, of Clyde, died Wednesday, Oct. 3, 2012, at his home. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 6, 2012, at the Bailey-Howard Funeral Home Chapel with Bill Faircloth officiating. Military graveside services will be at 3 p.m. at Trinity Memorial Park in Big Spring under the direction of Bailey-Howard Funeral Home of Clyde. Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

Shorty was born Feb. 13, 1931, in Cross Plains to Gilbert and Florence Meador Ballard. He graduated from Baird High School in 1948 and received an associates degree from Howard County Junior College in Big Spring. Shorty worked at Webb Air Force Base in Big Spring as a jet engine mechanic, retiring after 21 years. He married Florence (Geneva) McGaugh on June 24, 1949, in Clyde. They moved from Big Spring to Denver, and came to

Clyde from Denver in 1981. He served in the U.S. Air Force, was a member of the Denton Valley Baptist Church and was a 33rd degree Mason.

Shorty is survived by his wife of 63 years, Geneva of Clyde; one son, Danny Ballard of Clyde; one daughter, Linda Gibson of Clyde; one brother, Orin J. Ballard and wife Becky of Kansas; three sisters-in-law, Harlen Farmer of Clyde, Dee Hines of Clyde and Sue Hilburn of Abilene; seven grandchildren, Chris Allen, Tosha Cardenas and husband Nathan, Renee Waggoner and husband Jeff, Dusty Allen, Justin Gibson and wife Myranda, Nathan Ballard, and James Gibson; and nine great-grandchildren, Shelby Lynn Waggoner, Lexi Rex, Jacob Waggoner, Timothy Rex, Joshua Waggoner, Natalie Waggoner, Baylor Cardenas, Hollynd Cardenas and Hope Campbell.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two sons, Douglas Wayne Ballard and Perry Gilbert Ballard; and one sister, Zelta Faye (Ann) Ellis.

Online condolences may be made at www.bailey-howardfuneralhome.com

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Joe Vera



Joe Vera, 55, of Big Spring, died Thursday, Sept. 27, 2012 in Albuquerque, N.M. Vigil services will be at 7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 7, 2012, at Myers & Smith Chapel. Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Monday at Mount Olive Memorial Park with Deacon Johnny Arguello officiating.

He was born April 27, 1957, in Sinton, Texas, to Juanita (Flores) and Jose Vera. He had lived in Big Spring most of his life. He moved to Albuquerque 11 years ago. He was a plumber for most of his life.

He is survived by four brothers, Jesse Vera and wife Mary of Big Spring, Richard Vera and wife Mimi of Fresno, Calif., Armando Vera and Alfonso Vera, both of Albuquerque, N.M.

He was preceded in death by his parents. Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersand-smith.com

Jeremy Acuff



Jeremy Acuff, 36, of Big Spring died Wednesday, Oct. 3, 2012, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Monday, Oct. 8, 2012, at Myers & Smith Chapel with Joe Hernandez, officiating. Burial will be at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Jeremy was born July 11, 1976, in Lamesa, Texas, to Debra Lane (Armstrong) and Pete Gonzales. He has been a lifetime resident

of Big Spring. He worked in the oilfield most of his adult life.

He is survived by his wife, Shayna Acuff of Big Spring; one son, Jack Waddell and a daughter, Molly Waddell, both of Big Spring; his parents, Debbie and Terry Chamness of Big Spring and Ricky and Cyndi Acuff of Lubbock; one brother, Joshua Acuff of New York; his sister, P.J. Westmoreland and husband Bobby of Dallas; an aunt; two uncles; two nieces; and two nephews.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Wanda and Ike Wasson; and one uncle.

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

Alfred Franks

Alfred Franks, 82, of Stanton, died Friday, October 5, 2012 in a Stanton nursing home. His services are pending with Gilbreath Funeral Home of Stanton.

Mary Louise Clark



Mary Louise Clark, 77, of Corpus Christi, Texas, passed away Thursday, Oct. 4, 2012. She was born Nov. 5, 1934, in Hylton, Texas, to James Allen Sturdivant Sr. and Evalena Dunnam Sturdivant. She was a registered nurse and was a lay minister in the Episcopal Church. Mary Louise was a loving daughter, mother and grandmother.

She was preceded in death by her parents and a grandson, Stefen Allen Brown.

She is survived by her daughter, Judith Ann

Brown (Bruce) of Corpus Christi, Texas; her brother, James Allen Sturdivant Jr. (Sandy) of Tulsa, Okla.; and her grandchildren, Joseph Hays Brown, Brittany Claire Peel-Brown and James Thomas Brown.

Graveside funeral services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 6, 2012, at Rose Hill Memorial Park with the Rev. Bruce Wilson officiating. Burial will follow.

In lieu of flowers, friends are asked to make contributions to The Episcopal Church of Reconciliation, 4518 Saratoga Blvd., Corpus Christi, Texas 78413 or to your favorite charity.

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Paid obituary

Arthur 'Dee' Nanny Jr.



Arthur "Dee" Nanny Jr., 53, of Big Spring died Thursday, Oct. 4, 2012, at University Medical Center in Lubbock, Texas. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 6, 2012, at Trinity Memorial Park with the Rev. Pat Ray, pastor of Prairieview Baptist Church, officiating.

He was born June 2, 1959, to Ruth Joy (Beekman) and Arthur Dee Nanny Sr. in Big Spring, Texas. He has been a lifetime resident of Big Spring. He served in the United States Navy from Sept. 26,

1980, until Sept. 25, 1984. He served in the Pacific and Persian Gulf. He was a machinist, a welder and had worked in the oil field. He was a Baptist and a member of Prairieview Baptist Church.

He is survived by one daughter, Chelsy Jean Nanny of Odessa; his mother, Ruth Nanny of Big Spring; three sisters, Carol Leggett and husband Fred of Lubbock, Linda Nanny of Virginia and Arna Dennis and husband Joe of Flower Mound; and several nieces, nephews and great nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father, A.D. Nanny Sr. on March 13, 2004, and a brother, Eddie Nanny on Jan. 10, 1997.

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

Police/Sheriff/EMS

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 7 a.m. Thursday and 7 a.m. today:

- ANGELA ANN MCGEE, 29, of 902 E. 12th St., was arrested Thursday on a charge of failure to identify – giving false information.
- TREMAINE RASHAD FLOYD, 29, of 2301 Marshall, was arrested Thursday on charges of public intoxication and Theft of service – more than \$20 and less than \$500.
- LUIS ALEJANDRO RAMOS, 23, of 1606 Cardinal, was arrested Thursday on charges of public intoxication and Theft of service – more than \$20 and less than \$500.
- JUAN REYES JR., 53, of El Paso, Texas, was arrested Thursday on a charge of public intoxication.
- GILBERTO RAY HINOJOS, 20, of 100 N.W. Third St., was arrested Thursday on warrants for criminal mischief, disorderly conduct – fighting, no driver's license – when unlicensed and failure to appear.
- TRACEY DAWN JUAREZ, 21, of 800 W. Marcy Apt. 3, was arrested Thursday on a warrant for hindering officers discharging official duties.
- HOWARD BRANDON JOHNSON, 28, of 1511 S. Scurry Apt. A, was arrested Thursday on charges of sex offender duty to register life/annually, evading arrest or detention with a vehicle, possession of a controlled substance, possession of a dangerous drug and tampering/fabricating

physical evidence.

- TEREELL HOUSTON, 20, of 2609 Hunter, was arrested Thursday on charges of possession of marijuana – two ounces or less, driving while license invalid (two counts) and failure to appear (six counts).
- KYLER RAY CANNADY, 22, of 1312 Mt. Vernon Ave., was arrested Thursday on a warrant from another agency.
- MICHAEL ANTHONY ESCANUELA, 19, of 1900 Martin Luther King Blvd. Apt. 508, was arrested Thursday on a warrant from another agency.
- JAMES R. QUICK IV, 28, of Morton, Ms., was arrested Thursday on a charge of possession of marijuana of marijuana – two ounces or less.
- REBECCA JESSICA DELL WILLIAMS, 27, of 1802 Hamilton, was arrested Thursday on a charge of possession of marijuana of marijuana – two ounces or less.
- JOSHUA SEARCY, 25, of Dodson, La., was arrested Thursday on a charge of public intoxication.
- JAMES DUSTIN LEAR, 25, of Midland, Texas, was arrested Thursday on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
- OLIVIA TALIETHA BALLIN, 33, of 805 Lorilla, was arrested Thursday on a warrant for possession of marijuana – two ounces or less.
- THEFT was reported in the 1600 block of First Avenue.
- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 2500 block of Al-

brook.

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

- Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 73 inmates at the time of this report.
- TREMAINE RASHAD FLOYD, 29, was jailed on charges of public intoxication and theft of service.
- VALERIE MIRAMONES GARCIA, 27, was jailed on a MTA for theft of service.
- BLAKE RYAN LYLE, 30, was jailed on a sentence for possession of identifying information.
- GILBERTO RAY HINOJOS, 20, was jailed on a charge of criminal mischief and a capias warrant for disorderly conduct/fighting.
- OLIVIA TALIETHA BALLIN, 39, was jailed on a sentence for possession of marijuana.
- TRACEY DAWN JUAREZ, 21, was jailed on a capias warrant for hindering a police officer.
- CRYSTAL LEE CALDERON, 30,

was jailed on a charge of intoxication manslaughter with a vehicle.

- HOWARD BRANDON JOHNSON, 28, was jailed on charges with failure to comply with sex offender registration, tampering or fabricating physical evidence and possession of a controlled substance.

The Big Spring Fire Department and Emergency Medical Services reported the following activity:

- MEDICAL was reported in the 3200 block of Parkway. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1800 block of N. Lamesa. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 3200 block of Parkway. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 400 block of S. Gregg. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 200 block of Moore. One person was transported to SMMC.

Correction

Information published in Thursday's edition of the Big Spring Herald indicated that Old Sorehead Trade Days in Stanton would be held this weekend. In fact, Trade Days is scheduled for the following weekend, Oct. 13-14.

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Big Spring Symphony presents:

A Night in Vienna Big Spring Municipal Auditorium Guest conductor John Giordano and soprano soloist Ava Pine. For more info contact the Big Spring Symphony Association at **432-264-7223**

Oct. 6

Heritage Museum presents: "Reading and Spelling Pure and Simple"

1:00-2:30pm Book signing by author DeeDe Cauley. For more info contact the Museum at **432-267-8255**

Oct. 13

Big Spring Film Society presents: "Batman"

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Weekend activities

Saturday

- KoKo LoCo Arts and Crafts Bazaar will be held from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. at Kokopelli's, 4007 Chaparral Road.
- "Reading and Spelling Pure and Simple," written by local author Deede Cauley, will be featured at the Heritage Museum during a book signing from 1 p.m. until 2:30 p.m.
- Holy Trinity Catholic Parish Fall Festival from 2 p.m. to 11 p.m. at 1009 Hearn St. Food, live entertainment, booths and more.
- Big Spring Symphony will present "An Evening in Vienna," at 8 p.m. in the Memorial Auditorium, featuring the music of Strauss. Guest Conductor John Giordano of Corpus Christi will conduct. Soprano soloist Ava Pine will perform.

Sunday

- KoKo LoCo Arts and Crafts Bazaar will be held from 11 a.m. until 5 p.m. at Kokopelli's, 4007 Chaparral Road.
- St. Lawrence Fall Festival at St. Lawrence Parish Hall and parish grounds near Garden City. All-day activities, barbecue lunch from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m.
- A second community-wide Blessing of the Animals will be held at 3 p.m. in St. Mary's Parish Bennett Garden, 1001 S. Goliad.

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Dallas/Fort Worth metro area," said Graumann. "We are very fortunate to have both our guests come to the Big Spring Symphony to help launch our new season. "I always hear that we have performed the 'best season ever' at the end of each concert season," said Graumann. "Our challenge, then, is to plan a season that becomes the 'best' once again. We think we've chosen a fall concert

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farms will begin at 8, followed by lunch, which will be provided by 4-H Adult Leaders. "During the lunch, we will be presenting the Ag Producer of the Year Award and the Ag Business of the Year award," said Debbye ValVerde, executive director of the Big Spring Chamber of Commerce, which sponsors Ag Appreciation Day. "Also during the luncheon we will be paying a special tribute

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same kids with our lessons and to the new ones who enter the school system. Fortunately, we are able to tell that a lot of the training is retained from previous years. "However, this year we will be taking the training out of the classroom and bringing it into the home, or at least a special 'home on wheels.' This year, we were able to acquire a unique training tool from the State Fire Marshal's Office in the donation of their 'Fire Safety Trailer.'"

Condray said the trailer incorporates special effects and theatrical tricks to simulate hazardous conditions, something most children would never see until their life was in danger. "The trailer is a 40-foot gooseneck with two rooms mocked up to resemble a typical home. It features bleacher style seating that can accommodate approximately 40 elementary kids at a time," Condray said. "This trailer offers us a new level of realism to our training and allows class participants to proof their skills in a life-like situation by facing very safe, yet realistic scenarios presented by their fire department educators. "Participants will have the chance to encounter common household hazards and to identify and

correct them under the safe and watchful eye of a trained firefighter. Special effects and theatrical tricks are used to impress the minds of the students while keeping things on a safe and entertaining level. A variety of safety programs can be designed to fit the needs of the individual audiences."

Condray said the trailer was donated to the Big Spring Fire Department by the state, which faced heavy budget cuts to its programs. "We are very grateful for this incredible training tool and the opportunities it brings to this area of the state," he said. "We simply didn't have the budget to bring something like this to our department and now, through the cooperative efforts of the Big Spring Fire Marshal's Office and the State Fire Marshall's office, this program will be allowed to continue in our area for years to come. "We have been fortunate to use this trailer in years past but we now have it full-time in our department. Before, it was only available every few years and we did all we could to project it out to not only the community of Big Spring, but to those of Coahoma and Forsan as well. We wish to continue this effort and are committed to all our area children. As final touches and updates to the trailer are completed, it is our intention to offer it out to the surrounding communities through

their fire departments or emergency services agencies."

Condray said the trailer is just one aspect of the lessons area firefighters will be teaching students during National Fire Prevention Month. "During the month of October, fire departments across the nation and certainly in our own West Texas area are committed to educating the public on fire safety," Condray said. "We reach out to our school children through fire prevention activities in our schools and other areas of assembly. The Big Spring Fire Department is no different and its members will be going out in force to share these important lessons with area children and educators. "Each year we look forward to showing our kids the latest in fire-fighting technology and gear. We talk about how to safely escape fire and to crawl low to escape smoke. We also drill them on how to plan home escape routes and to properly use 911 to access emergency services."

While the addition of the trailer is a leap forward for the local fire department, Condray said repairs and improvements to the mobile facility are in the works. "Soon, we'll be approaching the community and area businesses with a rare opportunity to join with the fire department and help

make a good thing even better."

For more information on the program — or how you can help support it — contact Condray at 432-264-2305 or by email at ccondray@mybigspring.com.

FESTIVAL

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hall. Games, which include bingo and the traditional cakewalk, will be 50 cents a throw, while food booths will be selling items for around \$3, organizers said. In addition, hamburger, fajita, guiso, asado and enchilada plates will be available for \$7 apiece. Those plates include tortillas, rice, beans, salad and hot sauce.

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Joe "Louis" Munoz, 56, died Tuesday. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. today at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial will follow at Mount Olive Memorial Park. Arthur "Dee" Nanny, Jr., 53, died Thursday. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at Trinity Memorial Park. Joe Vera, 55, died Thursday, September 27, 2012. Vigil services will be at 7 p.m. Sunday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Monday at Mount Olive Memorial Park. Jeremy Acuff, 36, died Wednesday. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Monday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial will be at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Production Services (see Ronnie Wood), Lone Star Bank (Bruce Griffith), South Plains Implement Co. (Nate Avey) and State National Bank (Justin Myers). All area producers and farmers can attend the luncheon free of charge.

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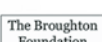
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OUR VIEW

We salute:

Each week, the Herald salutes individuals and groups from our community and area who have been recognized for special achievements or accomplishments.

We recognize these special people for working to help make our region a better place to live, work and play.

This week we salute:

- Frances Hobbs on being named the newest member of the Big Spring Economic Development Corporation board.

- Everyone who participated or attended the Howard County Fair. Here's to a bigger and better fair each year!

- Kristopher R. Poole, on being named Hangar 25 AirMuseum's Vteran of the Month.

- Queens and courts, heroes and coming home royalty — everyone who stood at mid-field last Friday to participate in homecoming traditions. There are way too many of you to name.

- The good lord, Mother Nature or the powers that be for the wonderful rain which helped area farmers and producers but also helped replenish reservoirs — even if only a little bit.

Is there an individual or organization in our community that you feel should be saluted? If so, please send us their name and why you think they should be recognized. We must have your name and telephone number and you must provide it in writing.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

May we trust in You, Lord, and Your word. Amen

Sounding the alarm: Fallen from grace

I'm not altogether sure what it means, although one answer seems too obvious, but almost everything makes me somewhat nostalgic. Not to any great degree because, as anyone who knows me knows well, I love life and I don't live in the past. In fact, I feel sorry for people who do.

I am thrilled to be alive and well in 2012 and hope to be around a lot longer, and my goal on a daily basis is to enjoy every minute of every hour to the fullest. "Carpe diem" is one of my most embraceable and cherished aphorisms and I make no apologies for being a passionate lover of life.

That being established, I will move on to a serious subject that demands the spotlight of my literary platform this week. As I watched my beloved Cowboys being dismantled by the Bears Monday night it sure made me miss Tom, Tony, Drew, Too Tall and especially Roger. Not to mention about 100 other former players who, when they wore they silver and blue, weren't as concerned about their hair or their end zone dance routine as they were of taking care of business between the sidelines.

Watching some of today's players and coaches stride the sideline cursing and throwing their helmets and destroying Gatorade coolers disgusts me and somewhat explains why players and coaches at every level today are far too often acting the same way. The many years I spent as a basketball official and a baseball umpire taught me that rebellion and senseless anger starts early and can be greatly influenced in our youth by the adults they admire, and eventually emulate, being falsely convinced that winning is everything.

It seems that in the world of sports there is a conspicuous absence of class and dignity. Maybe there always has been and I am just being too idealistic in my thinking, but I don't remember too many times in my early years of watching



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the NCAA or the NFL that the viewer would be exposed to close ups of ridiculously vulgar talk and childish displays of temper tantrums like happens entirely too often today.

Of course, there have always been those highly emotional personalities like Billy Martin, Earl Weaver, and Woody Hayes, to name just a few, who believed winning was more important than anything else and would do anything necessary, classy or not, to accomplish that goal. Those guys didn't always display self-control or dignity, on or off the field, but those characters seemed to be the exception, not the rule. Most coaches and players respected the game and the rules and projected loyalty and integrity most of the time. Nowadays it's almost impossible to find a college or professional team that isn't trying to bend some rule, or even blatantly cheat, to become the champs. Again, maybe it has always been that way, but I still believe it's worse today than ever and it will probably never change because the stakes have become entirely too high to be a loser.

But it would be shallow to address this matter only through the lens of something as ultimately insignificant as sporting events. As I climb down from my soapbox, I am keenly aware that the problem isn't limited to the fields and arenas of America's sports venues. It has much deeper roots and that's what really troubles me.

At the risk of sounding like Chicken Little, in virtually every area of life I see a disturbing deterioration of morals, the work ethic, and simple respect for decency that I consider to be a major contributor to many of the problems we are facing as a nation and a society. In the workplace, there always seems to be those who work hard and do their best.

Then there are those who work hard at making sure they get all they can without having to put forth any more effort than is necessary, content to do only what has to be done to get a check, and even being content to let others do their job.

People just don't seem to have the respect for anybody or

I COLUMN AS I SEE 'EM

anything that I remember from years past. Teachers, policemen, clergymen and almost any other profession you name, are disrespected and face unprecedented antagonism and hatred from far too many in the populace. I never dreamed I would ever live in an America that would pass laws to have a minister imprisoned if he spoke out against certain social and lifestyle issues, yet that is reality today. Teachers and students fear for their very lives in our classrooms. Policemen literally put their lives on the line every single day they are out amongst the public. And the list goes on and on.

I know you may be shaking your head and thinking "This poor ignorant fellow has no idea what he's talking about," but I assure you I am not naïve to the facts of life. My historical education dates back to the Garden of Eden and I am familiar with the story of the beginning of social conflict, Cain and Abel. But I have watched our society cast aside its integrity and class in favor of sensual gratification and hedonism and I, in whatever simple way I can, want to do whatever I can to restore dignity and respect as a way of life here in the good old USA.

I know things will never be like they were when I was a kid, riding my bike for hours with Danny and Timmy through the streets of Groves, Texas, picking up empty soda pop bottles in the ditches to trade for a full one at the corner grocery store. I know our society has fallen from grace in so many areas, but I am sounding an alarm for anybody who wants to listen and make a difference. As long as someone cares, there's always hope for change.

You may not agree with anything I've said, but I column as I see 'em.

Eddy Prince is senior pastor at Grace Fellowship Church of God in Big Spring. He can be reached by email at pastorprince@msn.com.

You heard it here, polls don't vote

That's what Vice President Walter Mondale used to say at every stop in the closing days of the campaign. "Polls don't vote. People vote."

The only problem, of course, is that polls do measure people's preferences, typically with greater accuracy in general elections than in primaries and caucuses, where it is more difficult to predict what the universe of voters will look like. So when you're down in the polls as the election is approaching, it generally means that you're down.

In recent days, there has been a spate of stories about so-called "biased" polls — biased against Mitt Romney.

The national polls show a close race within the margin of error. State by state polls show President Obama with a somewhat larger margin in key states, but with Romney still in striking distance. The race, in short, is far from over, and anyone who thinks otherwise has never been around races that really were over (Mondale/Reagan) or felt the bottom fall out of a campaign because of a bad debate (Reagan/Carter; Dukakis/Bush).

So what's with this business about biased polls?

Advocacy groups often generate biased polls to support their position, aid fundraising, influence policy and the like. On abortion, for instance, I used to say — and I think it is still true — that if you let me write the poll, it will show the country to

be overwhelmingly pro-choice. For instance, do you think that when it comes to private and personal decisions such as control over a woman's body, the government should make that choice or the woman and her family, in consultation with her doctor, should make it? Guess who wins. On the other hand, do you think abortion should be available as a form of birth control? Not so fast. Should children who are the victims of rape and incest be required to bear the child of their rapist? Nope. Is it right for people to use abortion as a form of sex-selection? Nope. "Push polls" involve the same sort of game, although no one even pretends that they're really polls. "Mitt Romney thinks people who receive Medicare are 'victims' who don't take personal responsibility."

Knowing that, Mrs. Senior Citizen, are you more or less likely to support Mr. Romney?" Less. "Barack Obama's former minister Rev. Jeremiah Wright said in 2009 that he hadn't spoken to the president because 'them Jews aren't going to let him talk to me.' Knowing that, Mr. Jewish Voter, are you more or less likely to support the president?" Less.

But that isn't how horse race polls are conducted. The big issue in horse race polls is weighting the poll so it reflects the demographics of what the voter pool will look like.

You don't want to have too many young people, too few seniors or whatever, because if you do, your results will be wrong. When you look at similar national polls with differing results, it's usually because of slight variations in how they

are predicting who will actually turn out. And even the best poll is a snapshot, not a prediction. It tells you where voters are today, not where they'll be on November 6.

That's why virtually every horse race question is followed by one about just how sure you are. Are you certain you are going to vote for X? In this race, more than 90 percent of each candidate's supporters say they won't change their minds, which is a very high number and a reflection of a very polarized electorate.

It's also why people pay so much attention to the non-horse race measures. If you're the incumbent, you want to see people feeling confident (or more confident than they were last month) about their economic situation. Do you think the country is on the right track or the wrong track? The right track is where the incumbent obviously wants people to be. Do you think the candidate cares about or understands the problems of people like you? Too many nos means trouble.

At the end of the day, the most important issue for any pollster worth paying attention to is not whether their poll helps or hurts the candidate they (secretly or not so secretly) favor. It's whether it's right.

Always believe your pollster when he gives you bad news, the late pollster Tubby Harrison used to say. For my part, I always believe the worst poll. The easiest way to lose is to believe you've won when the fat lady hasn't even started humming.

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► Church News

First Presbyterian Church, Big Spring

The Lectionary Bible study, led by Craig Holstedt and Tom Koger, meets Wednesday at 5:17 p.m. in the church library. The Chancel Choir practices at 6 p.m. The other Wednesday evening activity is the Children's Choir at 4:45 p.m.

The Youth Group, which welcomes youth from all the community and especially from First Presbyterian, First Christian, and St. Mary's Episcopal, is meeting Sunday evenings at 6:30 p.m. for supper, Handbell Choir, and a special youth-oriented financial planning course led by Susan Holstedt.

The Boy Scouts meet in the entrance room of the Fellowship Hall at 6 p.m. Monday.

The Service Committee asks that the food bags for our annual food drive be returned by Oct. 16.

Rev. Holstedt asks for any member of the congregation who has a family or special bread recipe to make it and bring it for use on World Communion Sunday this week.

Ann Farley is in charge of this week's "Take Ten." Liturgist for October is Janie Conley. Communion servers are Lucy and Paschal Odom, Janie and Dick Conley, and John Yater. Ushers for the month are Lane Reynolds, Paula Farquhar, and Susan and Gordon McDaniel.

The lectionary for the Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time is Job 1:1-2:1-10; Psalm 26; Hebrews 1:1-4, 2:5-12; Mark 10:2-16. The choir will offer the anthem "Quiet Place" by Jean Baptiste Lully and "Old Irish Blessing" by Denes Agay for the offertory. Rev. Craig Holstedt will deliver the sermon and officiate at communion for this World Communion Sunday.

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

First United Methodist Church

Sunday's services of worship at First United Methodist Church are held at 8:30 and 10:50. This week, Pastor Bill Ivin's sermon will be titled, "What God Has Joined Together" with scripture readings from Mark 10:2-12. For those who are unable to attend services in person, the early service is broadcast over KBYG AM 1400, while the later service is broadcast over KBYG FM 106.3.

Children are reminded to bring their items for Sermon In A Sack with Pastor Bill and Beau in the late service before going to Children's Church in Youth Hall. Both adult and chil-

dren's Sunday school classes are held at 9:45 and a nursery for infants and toddlers is open at that time as well as during the service of worship.

Children's Day Out program is held on Mondays and Wednesdays from 9 until 3 for children ages 4 months through prekindergarten.

Theme for this semester's classes is "Jesus Christ Superhero." It is our goal to provide the very best quality care and Christ-like experience for each child and family.

Wednesday at noon, we have a luncheon and Bible study. Pastor Bill is currently leading a study on the book of Mark. Cowboy's will be furnishing this week's meal with serving beginning at 11:50.

Real Life begins on Wednesday evening at 5:30 followed by Disciple Bible Study, Beth Moore Bible Study, Financial Peace University and EPIC Youth. The Children's Choir, JAM, meets from 6 until 7 with the first half hour devoted to music and the second to fun and games.

This year, we are proud to announce our church will be participating in Operation Christmas Child, an effort to send gifts and Christ's love to needy children overseas. Watch the church bulletins for more information regarding dates and items needed. We will also continue our Angel Tree Party at Christmas time for children of incarcerated parents.

The time draws near

St. Mary's annual book sale is Saturday

The Episcopal Church Women of St. Mary's Episcopal Church will be holding a book sale from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday in the parish hall.

St. Mary's ECW received a gift of a sizable book collection to be sold to assist the ECW with their work at the church, as well as their mission and outreach. A percentage of the proceeds from the sale will be given locally to assist with community outreach.

In the past, the group has contributed to Isaiah 58 and the Northside Community Center.

Another percentage will be donated to the Happy Camp program of the Episcopal Diocese of Northwest Texas. Happy Camp makes it possible for children who cannot attend camp for financial reasons to attend free of charge.

The balance of the proceeds will be used toward the upkeep and work of St. Mary's.

Books for sale will include novels, mysteries, inspirational books, cookbooks, children's books and humor. The gifted collection also includes a number of very nice books about art and

artists.

Paperbacks will be priced at \$1 each or six for \$5; most hardbacks will be priced at \$3 each or four for \$10.

There are nine large tables with three rows of books on each to choose from, and there is something for everyone.

Drop by the church Saturday for the opportunity to acquire reading material for the long winter months ahead, and to help raise monies for several worthwhile projects. St. Mary's is located at Tenth and Goliad in Big Spring.

for our every-other-year event, Lord's Acre, scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 13. It is time for you to bring your baked goods, silent auction items and those Treasures and personal talent creations for the live auction. The bake sale, Kids Korner and silent auction will begin at 10:30. Tickets are on sale for the dinner, which will be served at noon. Be sure to get your tickets before the event from Hays Stripling or the church office as we need to know how many to prepare for. The live auction will begin at 1.

A nursery will be provided for infants and toddlers during the live auction. Activities for older children will also be held in youth hall.

The Lord's Acre is such a fun event and the financial benefits are far reaching as they serve to assist with the many missions our church sponsors both within and outside of our local church.

First Methodist Church is located in the very heart of downtown Big Spring at Fourth and Scurry. Our telephone number is 432-267-6394; our website is www.fumchs.org.

College Baptist Church
Pastor Ken McMeans began a new series of sermons on End Times,

End Things, this past Sunday. According to the Bible, at an unknown time, Jesus will return. The Bible teaches that we should always be prepared as we do not know the day nor the hour of His coming. We are given signs of things that will occur before that time.

Many of those signs have come to pass but the time of His return is still not known. If you would like to learn more about "End Times," join us on Sunday mornings at 11 a.m.

Our youth will be leaving for Midland this afternoon for a weekend of Disciple Now. They have a great weekend planned with youth ori-

ented preaching, music, Bible study and missions.

The 3 G's older adult group will be meeting on Oct. 11 for a pot-luck meal and a program. Those 55 and older are invited to meet with us in the fellowship hall at 6 p.m.

Cornerstone Covenant Church

Cornerstone Covenant Church would like to invite you to join us Sunday at 10:30 am as we enters into a new month where our focus will be "Appreciation."

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lit up Twitter, Facebook and YouTube. The story dominated newscasts and talk shows. Las Vegas gamblers and Fantasy Footballers complained about their losses. Within three days the NFL owners restored the professional officials and promised justice would once again prevail on the gridiron.

It was interesting to watch the widespread outpouring of opinion over this issue across our country in the media, coffee shops, pubs and break rooms, when other issues of injustice go unnoticed. While the officials were missing their call on the field in Seattle, judges in Massachusetts were considering awarding a rapist rights to visit the child that

was fathered by his crime. International Justice Mission reminds us that "More children, women and men are held in slavery right now than over the course of the entire trans-Atlantic slave trade."

International Justice Mission (ijm.org) was established in 1997 in the aftermath of the Rwandan genocide. The organization seeks to rescue victims of slavery, sexual exploitation and other forms of violent crime. More than 400 lawyers, social workers and other staff work in 15 field offices in Asia, Africa and Latin America to protect the oppressed and prosecute the oppressors. 95 percent of those working for IJM are nationals of

the countries in which they serve.

Making the right call and seeking justice is at the center of God's heart. David writes, "The Lord loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of his unfailing love." (Ps 33:5). Isaiah says, "Learn to do right; seek justice. Defend the oppressed. Take up the cause of the fatherless; plead the case of the widow." (Isa. 1:17). Predicting the Messiah, he writes, "Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen one in whom I delight; I will put my Spirit on him, and he will bring justice to the nations."

Maybe this NFL fiasco will serve to remind us that every generation is chal-

lenged to throw off its social blinders to see injustices and inequalities that need to be corrected. We all have opportunity to see that justice and fairness prevail. Each of us must make "the right call" for justice and fairness as parents and children, co-workers and employers, students, teachers and administrators, citizens and government officials.

For the seemingly distant and complex issues that are beyond us, we can encourage and support organizations like IJM.

Bill Tinsley reflects on current events and life experience from a faith perspective. Email bill@tinsleycenter.com.

CHURCH

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This will be the month we give recognition to all of our general staff/helpers, directors, elder, pastor and church. Each Sunday of October we will be focusing on each group.

On Saturday, Oct. 27 from 3-5 p.m., we will be honoring Pastor Willard and his family with a reception at Meet-n-Greet (2906 W. Eighth St., formerly Skateland.) Join us in letting the Willard family know how much we appreciate them in all that they do for God's glory. Also, mark your calendars and join us Oct. 28 for CCC's 2012 Annual Member Appreciation Celebration. A special message will be given by Senior Pastor Barney Carbajal III, of Abundant Life Christian Center in Belen, N.M.

Also, on the 28th, we will be dedicating our east wing, a.k.a. "Kovenantville" for grades 1 through 6 and "The Dugout" which will be for our youth, grades 7 through 12. (Sunday morning services are recorded, so if you'd like a free copy of any service, see our Broadcasting Dept.) Wednesday from 6-7 p.m. we will continue our Overcomers R&R class. For more information, contact us at the number below.

CCC offers ministries in the following areas: Tiny Tots (19 months through kindergarten); Kovenant Kids (1st-6th grade); Chosen Generation (7th-12th grade); Covenant U - College Ministry (18-24); Men's & Women's Ministries; and Marriage Enrichment.

Cornerstone Covenant meets Wednesdays at 7 p.m. for Discipleship 101 Bible Study and Sundays at 10:30 a.m. for worship. Mother's Lounge and children church are offered for both mid-week and Sunday services.

CCC is located at 706 East 12th St., on the corner of 12th and Owens. For office hours or more information, contact us at 264-0015, visit us on the web at www.cccbigspring.org or check Covenant Connect on Facebook, Twitter or Myspace.

Forsan Baptist Church

Sunday morning, we will continue to explore our series titled, "Piercing the Darkness: A Study of Angels." Join us as we look into God's Word for the place of angels in this present life and the one to come.

Wednesday and Sunday evenings at 6 p.m., we are continuing an in-depth study of the Book of Revelation. We are able to provide CD copies of Bible study times as well as our Sunday morning services to any who may be interested.

We are in the middle of expansion for our fellowship hall, with phase two to begin shortly thereafter. Phase

Never get caught up a creek without a paddle

For a long time, I have been hearing about an unfortunate fellow who was found up Salt Creek. I've also heard about another poor chump who was caught up some unspecified creek without a paddle. I've even



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heard reports that one foolish man was discovered up Salt Creek without a paddle.

Since I was quite young when I first started hearing these reports, I always assumed that Salt Creek must be somewhere near the Salt Fork of the Brazos River. However, I recently read a tale that places the proverbial Salt Creek far from West Texas.

One undocumented account attributes the phrase "up Salt Creek" to the Presidential campaign of 1832. As the story goes, Andrew Jackson and Henry Clay were vying for

the office of President of the United States. Clay, who was known as a great orator, hired a boatman to take him up the Ohio River to Louisville where he was scheduled to speak.

In spite of Clays carefully laid out campaign plans, the owner of the boat turned out to be a Jackson supporter who either accidentally or intentionally took a wrong turn and rowed Clay up a branch of the Ohio River known as Salt Creek.

In the unfortunate incident, the great orator missed his opportunity to speak to the voters of Louisville. As history records, Andrew Jackson won the election.

However, the phrase "up Salt Creek" made its impact. By the election of 1840, the lyrics "up Salt Creek" were used in a campaign song.

Although the truth of this story about Henry Clay and his deceitful boatman may never be known, one fact remains.

To be caught up Salt Creek, especially without a paddle, leaves

one in a desperate situation.

Many decades later, as another Presidential Election approaches in our nation, politicians and their supporters from both parties are still trying to row their opponents up Salt Creek and leave them without a paddle.

Even though the apostle Peter never experienced the uproar of a Presidential Election, he knew something about the deceitful nature and ungodly behavior of humans. He wrote, "Therefore, rid yourselves of all malice and all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and slander of every kind" (1 Peter 2:1 NIV).

Even in an election year, as Christians, we should guard our tongues and control our tempers. When we strive to leave our opposition up Salt Creek, we sometimes find that we have dropped our own paddle in the murky water of deceitfulness.

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two will encompass expansion of our sanctuary with the addition of a choir loft. Check out our Facebook page for pictures of the progress.

Our church is located at 201 Main in Forsan. Sunday school begins at 9:50 with worship services at 10:50 a.m. and 6 pm. Wednesday youth activities have resumed and will continue throughout the school year. We will provide a meal and refreshments for these activities. Wednesday services begin at 6 p.m. Rides for all youth activities are available if arranged ahead of time. Call the church at 432-457-2342 or Pastor Darren Weaver at 432-213-2348.

First Baptist Church

First Baptist Church is located at 705 W. FM 700. Sunday school is at 9:30, worship at 10:50 a. m. Wednesday evenings include a meal at 5, followed

by children and youth activities. Also choir practice and Bible Study/Prayer at 6. Nursery is provided for all these activities.

We are excited about our second year of Upward Basketball. Registration is open and forms are available at the church office, phone, 267-8223. Also, you can register on line at FBCbigspring.org.

Thank you for your faithful giving to the Mary Hill Davis offering. As of now, we are \$500 short of our goal of \$5,000. If you haven't had the opportunity to give, we will continue to take monies through October. This Sunday, each family will receive a Texas-shaped bank. We're asking that during October you fill the bank with loose change etc.. These will be collected on Oct. 28 and money donated to World Hunger.

Operation Christmas Child news:

We need more shoe boxes.

Tuesday, Oct. 9 at 10 a.m. we need volunteers to wrap the boxes.

October 21, boxes will be distributed and Nov. 11 will be in-gathering day.

Last year, FBC mailed 306 boxes. Because of your faithfulness, 306 families heard about the name of Jesus. So once again bring your boxes to the church.

First Christian Church

You are invited to attend First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), located at 911 Goliad. Each Sunday starts with fellowship at 9:30 a.m. before Sunday school for all ages at 9:45 a.m. Church starts at 10:50 a.m. We celebrate Communion every week. The Lord's Table is the center of our worship each time we worship. We practice an open table, which means anyone who is a follower of Jesus is welcomed at the Communion table. Christ is remembered as we offer to one another the bread and cup of remembrance.

This Sunday, which will be Nine-teen Sunday after Pentecost in the Christian Calendar, the Rev. Ken McIntosh's message will be "The Hardest Word's To Say," from Mark 10: 2-16

Elders will be Erma Dunne and Carol Stephens; Deacons will be Eulaine McIntosh, Mariah McIntosh, Barbara Ervin and Wanda Brock; Worship Leader will be Charlotte Meheut; Communion Prep will be Barbara Ervin, and Wanda Brock; Greeter will be Mariah McIntosh; Homebound Communion will be Carol Stephens.

Isaiah 58 is open at 4:30 p.m. Mondays, and 9:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Tuesdays. We are now working Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 9 a.m., sorting and cleaning items, so we need volunteers for those days to help.

Also, every Monday evening, the TOPS Group will meet at the church fellowship hall at 5 p.m. for weigh-in. The meeting is at 5:30.

Wednesday at 5, Isaiah 58 will hold a board meeting at the church. All persons who would like to hear how Isaiah 58 is doing are invited.

Wednesday, the youth will start back up at First Presbyterian Church from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Susan Dawes and Susan Holstedt are this year fall's youth leaders.

Wednesday at 6 p.m., the choir will be at the church, going over songs for next week's services. Call Ruth Jackson for more information.

Samaritan Counseling takes place at our church Thursdays from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Fridays from 11 to 4 p.m.

We believe the church is built by people worshipping together and we welcome you any time. For questions or further information, call the church office 432-517-4821 or view our website at www.fcbs125@yahoo.com or email to fcbs125@yahoo.com.



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Ex school official faces prison time after fraud plea

EL PASO, Texas (AP) — A former superintendent is scheduled to be sentenced Friday for his part in a scheme to fraudulently improve high-stakes school testing scores in the El Paso Independent School District by getting rid of students likely to fail.

Lorenzo Garcia pleaded guilty in federal court in June to two counts of fraud and faces up to 3½ years in prison.

Garcia admitted to devising a scheme to keep hundreds of low-performing sophomores from taking the Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills test.

Some students were held back in the ninth grade while others were told to drop out before the accountability tests.

The district thus gave the appearance of improving academic performance, meaning it was able to qualify for more federal funds. Garcia personally received at least \$56,000

in bonuses.

Court documents indicate at least six other people helped Garcia organize the scheme.

Garcia, who was hired in 2006, implemented a plan with several other administrators that allowed for pre-testing of 10th-graders to identify those who were likely to fail the standardized tests.

He had one employee photograph students crossing the border so they could be forced out on the grounds that they were living in Mexico and not within the school district, court documents show.

In the short term, the strategy worked. Test scores improved in most high schools and the district's overall rating improved from "academically acceptable" in 2005 to "recognized" in 2010 — the second-highest rating possible.

The Texas Education Agency cleared Garcia in 2010 of allegations brought by then-state Sen. Eliot Shapleigh.

News in brief

U.S. unemployment rate likely rose last month as employers post sixth month of weak hiring

WASHINGTON (AP) — With a month to go until the presidential election, the government on Friday issues its September jobs report, expected to show an uptick in the U.S. unemployment rate after employers added only a modest number of jobs.

Economists forecast that the unemployment rate edged up last month to 8.2 percent from 8.1 percent, according to a survey by FactSet. Employers are expected to have added 111,000 jobs.

That would be an improvement from the 96,000 jobs gained in August. But that is still barely enough to keep up with growth in the working-age population.

The Labor Department issues the jobs report at 8:30 a.m. EDT.

An increase in the unemployment rate could add momentum to Mitt Romney's campaign to unseat President Barack Obama. Jobs and the economy were central issues in the first presidential debate Wednesday and most polls showed that voters considered Romney to have prevailed.

Romney seeking to grab momentum following first debate

FISHERSVILLE, Va. (AP) — Republican Mitt Romney is trying to ride a wave of momentum from a strong debate performance against President Barack Obama and reset the presidential campaign as the government releases new unemployment data providing the latest update on the nation's economy.

Obama, seeking to rebound from a subpar debate performance, is accusing Romney of being dishonest about how his policies would affect the tax bills of middle-class families and the Medicare benefits of retirees — a squabble that has even injected Big Bird into the race.

"I just want to make sure I've got this straight: He'll get rid of regulations on Wall Street, but he's going to crack down on 'Sesame Street'?" Obama said Thursday in Madison, Wis., referring to Romney's statement in the debate that he would cut a federal subsidy for PBS, which airs "Sesame Street." "Thank goodness somebody's finally cracking down on Big Bird."

Nearly a month before Election Day, both campaigns are seeking to move on from the first presidential debate to gain any possible advantage in a tight election. Romney emerged from Wednesday's debate energized, while Obama said the televised encounter showed areas where his Republican rival was not being candid with voters.

Turkey-Syria clashes show how quickly civil war can spill over to wider regional conflict

BEIRUT (AP) — Retaliatory Turkish artillery strikes deep into Syria have showed the speed with which the bloody civil war can entangle its neighbors and destabilize an already volatile region.

Beyond the cross-border flare-up, the 18-month battle to oust Syrian President Bashar Assad has already deepened sectarian rifts in Lebanon and Iraq, raised tensions along the long quiet frontier with Israel and emboldened Kurdish separatists in Turkey.

"There is not a single country bordering Syria that we can honestly say they are not facing a realistic threat to internal stability and national security," said Aram Nerguizian of the Center for Strategic and International Studies in Washington.

From the start, Syria's conflict burst over its borders. Hundreds of thousands of Syrians sought refuge across the country's borders with Jordan, Turkey, Lebanon and Iraq. Stray bullets and mortar rounds, sometimes with deadly result, have struck Turkey, Jordan, Lebanon and the Israeli-annexed Golan Heights.

But in a dramatic escalation on Thursday, Turkey fired back for the first time after an errant Syrian mortar shell killed five people in a Turkish border town Wednesday.

Turkey shelled Syrian military targets, and Turkey's parliament approved future retaliation under such circumstances.

Health providers rush to notify patients in 23 states of tainted steroid injections

NEW YORK (AP) — Health providers are scrambling to notify patients in nearly two dozen states that the routine steroid injections they received for back pain in recent months may have been contaminated with a deadly fungal meningitis.

It became apparent Thursday that hundreds, and perhaps thousands, of people who got the shots between July and September could be at risk after officials revealed that a tainted steroid suspected to have caused a meningitis outbreak in the South had made its way to 75 clinics in 23 states.

The Food and Drug Administration urged physicians not to use any products at all from the Massachusetts pharmacy that supplied the preservative-free methylprednisolone acetate.

So far, 35 people in six states — Tennessee, Virginia, Maryland, Florida, North Carolina and Indiana — have contracted fungal meningitis, and five of them have died, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. All had received steroid shots for back pain, a highly common treatment.

It is not clear how many patients received tainted injections, or even whether everyone who got one will get sick. The time from infection to onset of symptoms is anywhere from a few days to a month, so the number of people stricken could rise.

Fatal parasailing accidents renew calls for safety regulations in Florida, elsewhere

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Soaring high above the ocean, tethered to a boat, a parasail ride is at once exhilarating and peaceful, even quiet. But every year, there are accidents.

The Parasail Safety Council, which tracks injuries and deaths nationwide, reports more than 70 people have been killed and at least 1,600 injured between 1982 and 2012, out of an estimated 150 million parasail rides during those 30 years.

That's a casualty rate of about one per 90,000 rides. In comparison, the chance of being seriously injured at an amusement park is about one in 9 million rides, according 2010 data from the International Association of Amusement Parks and Attractions.

Despite parasailing's inherent risk, few federal or state safety regulations exist for it. In Florida, which has by far the largest number of parasail operators at about 120, repeated efforts to enact new rules following fatal accidents have gone nowhere. Florida is seen by safety proponents as a national bellwether because of parasailing's popularity in a state highly dependent on tourist dollars.

The lack of safety regulations frustrates Shannon Kraus, mother of two girls who crashed into a Pompano Beach hotel roof in 2007 when their parasail line snapped during a storm. One of the girls, 15-year-old Amber May White, later died of her injuries.

New prelate jokes about DUI arrest, as installation draws gay rights protesters

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — San Francisco's new Roman Catholic archbishop made self-deprecating jokes about his recent drunken-driving arrest during his formal installation ceremony, which came just days after he pleaded guilty to a lesser charge of reckless driving.

But Archbishop Salvatore Joseph Cordileone, a strong supporter of California's ban on same-sex marriage, did not refer to the distress his appointment has aroused in this gay-friendly city and mentioned marriage only obliquely Thursday.

Amid heavy security and the splendor of his faith's most sacred rites, Cordileone told an audience of more than 2,000 invited guests at St. Mary's Cathedral he was grateful for the support he had received from people of different religious and political viewpoints following the Aug. 25 arrest.

"I know in my life God has always had a way of putting me in my place. I would say, though, that in the latest episode of my life God has outdone himself," Cordileone said with a chuckle.

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Fill in the grid so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 through 9 with no repeats. That means no number is repeated in any row, column or box.

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	4		5		9	6		

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Test Your Play

1. You are West, and the bidding has gone:

South	West	North	East
1 NT	Pass	2 NT	Pass
3 NT			

NORTH

♠ 7 3

♥ K Q J

♦ Q J 10 8

♣ 7 6 4 2

WEST

♠ Q 9 8 6 2

♥ 9 2

♦ K 7

♣ A Q 8 3

You lead the six of spades, and declarer wins partner's ten with the jack. South leads a heart to dummy's jack and returns the queen of diamonds, which you win with the king. How would you continue?

2. You are declarer with the West hand at Six Notrump, and North leads the ten of hearts. How would you play the hand?

WEST	EAST
♠ A 7 4 2	♥ K 6
♥ K J 3	♦ A Q 4
♦ A K 4	♠ Q 10 2
♣ K 9 5	♣ A 10 8 7 6

1. From the play thus far, it is clear that South's opening notrump bid (15 to 17 points) included the ace of hearts, ace of diamonds and A-K-

Tomorrow: Where there's life, there's hope.

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J of spades (your partner cannot have the ace or king of spades, given his play at trick one). It follows that South cannot have the king of clubs, which would give him 19 points.

You should therefore shift to the club three at this point, confident that partner will win with the king. If partner has another club to return, you will defeat the contract.

If you fail to lead a club and instead woodenly return a spade, declarer will score three spade tricks, three diamond tricks and at least three hearts to make the contract.

2. The only problem is how to handle the clubs to give yourself the maximum chance for four tricks in the suit. Best is to win the heart in dummy, lead the club six and play low if South plays low. (If the six wins, continue with the seven.) If the six loses to North's jack or queen, win any return and play the king of clubs. The slam becomes certain if North follows suit to the king.

The only time this line of play fails is when North has been dealt the singleton jack or queen. If you alternatively attacked the clubs by first cashing the king or ace, you would go down if the next player was either void of clubs or held a low singleton. These cases outnumber those where North started with a singleton honor.

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TODAY

Football

- Sterling City (3-2) at Grady (3-2), 7:30 p.m.
- Sands (3-2) at Buena Vista (1-1), 7:30 p.m.
- Robert Lee (4-1) at Garden City (1-4), 7:30 p.m.

Volleyball

- Snyder at Big Spring, Freshmen, J.V. 5 p.m., Varsity 6:30 p.m.

SATURDAY

Cross Country

- Big Spring at Odessa, UTPB campus, TBA.

To submit a calendar item, please call 263-7331, ext. 237, or e-mail sports@bigspringherald.com



HERALD file photo/Bruce Schooler

The Sands Mustangs force a fumble against Highland during a game earlier this season. The 11-man football squads in the Crossroads area have an open week before district play begins next Friday, but local six-man squads will be in action tonight. Sands (3-2) will travel to Buena Vista, Garden City (1-4) hosts Robert Lee and Grady is at home, slated to play Sterling City. All game times are set for 7:30 p.m.

Do or die: Rangers to meet Orioles in one-game playoff

STEPHEN HAWKINS

AP Sports Writer

ARLINGTON, Texas — After a grinding stretch when the Texas Rangers lost nine of their last 13 games, and the AL West crown in the process, manager Ron Washington gave his players the day off Thursday.

They get a chance to start fresh Friday.

One chance — or the season will be over for the two-time defending American League champions long before another World Series.

"I don't feel any different," Washington said. "Other than the fact we have an opportunity to get back in the playoffs if we win a ball game."

Still, the team that twice came within a strike of winning last year's

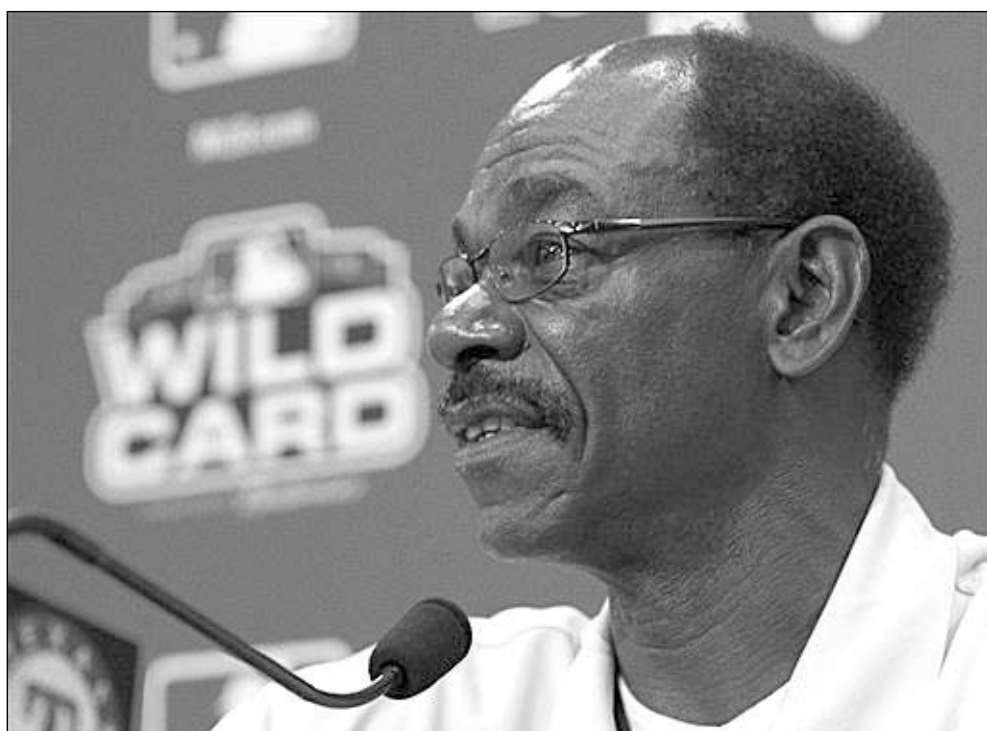
World Series, never expected to be in this kind of postseason situation.

Instead of winning another division title, after being in first place for a majors-high 178 days this season, Texas hosts a winner-take-all AL wild-card game Friday night against Baltimore and former manager Buck Showalter.

Yu Darvish makes his MLB postseason debut for the Rangers against the only AL team the right-hander from Japan didn't face this season. Lefty Joe Saunders, a late-season acquisition by the Orioles, has never won at Rangers Ballpark.

The winner goes on to play the New York Yankees, another of Showalter's

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AP photo

Texas Manager Ron Washington speaks during a press conference Thursday about the Rangers' meeting with the Orioles in a one-game affair to determine who receives a wild card playoff berth.

One-game wild-card playoffs: Dramatic, but fair?

BEN WALKER

AP Baseball Writer

By sometime Friday night, either Chipper Jones will be out of baseball or the defending World Series champion Cardinals will be out of the playoffs.

One and done.

A pair of wild-card matchups — St. Louis at Atlanta, then Baltimore at Texas — to decide which teams advance to the next round. Part of the new, expanded postseason format, where 162 games, six months of grinding and upward of 50,000 pitches get boiled down to nine all-or-nothing innings.

Dramatic? Certainly. Fair? Well, depends on who you ask.

"I hate it," Washington manager Davey Johnson said.

At 69, he has a vested interest. His NL East champion Nationals will visit the Cardinals-Braves winner Sunday in Game 1 of the division series.

"I love it," Cleveland closer Chris Perez said. "If you are in it, or watching it as a fan, it doesn't get any more exciting."

Or, as Texas general manager Jon Daniels summed up on the eve of his team's big game: "I'll let you know tomorrow."

Clearly, several sides to this debate.

Major League Baseball hoped to get more clubs involved in postseason races, and the Angels, Dodgers, Brewers, Rays and Pirates were among those that enjoyed the chase this year.

There also was some sentiment that wild-card teams were getting it too easy and winning the World Series too often, as the Cardinals did last season. By adding an extra playoff club in each league

and then forcing it to play in a winner-take-all game, it could make the path tougher.

On the other hand, a club that runs into the wrong pitcher could be eliminated in a hurry.

"I think for teams like Atlanta — who had an unbelievable year, and it could be ruined by one game — it's probably unfair," Washington first baseman Adam LaRoche said.

"Now, in one game, any given day, a college team could beat a big league team. It's just the way the ball rolls. So I don't know how much one game proves as far as who deserves to move on," he said.

"You almost have to do it two out of three. But then you get other teams sitting around for a week. So I don't know the right way to do it."

Orioles All-Star center fielder Adam Jones also is in jeopardy. His team returns to the postseason for the first time since 1997, but could be ousted before it gets a home playoff game.

"I'm sure there are some people in Baltimore that are frustrated. Of course you want Camden Yards rocking," he said.

This is not the first time a whole season has come down to one game.

Baseball history is filled with thrilling one-game playoffs — the Bucky Dent home run in 1978, Matt Holliday heading home in the 13th inning in 2007, among others. But those came about naturally, tiebreakers forced by final-day developments.

Minnesota's Ron Gardenhire is the only person to manage two one-game division tiebreakers, losing 1-0 to the Chicago White Sox in 2008, then beating Detroit

6-5 in 12 innings the following year.

"When we won Game 163 against Detroit, that was probably one of the funnest times I've had on a baseball field," he said. "After everything you've been through to go and play and get one chance and lose 1-0 was really heartbreaking."

"And you're going to see that this year. You go through a whole big battle like they've gone through down the end with every game, every inning, every pitch meaning something and then you get one game? Somebody is going to go, 'We did all that for this?'"

The NFL is set up for one-and-dones. The NBA and NHL play a series in the postseason. So did baseball — best-of-five, best-of-seven — until adding this mini-round.

"I wish it was a three-game playoff," Miami Marlins manager Ozzie Guillen said. "I've clinched and I wait for you and you just got here, and one game, anybody can win, and I'm done? Tampa Bay third baseman Evan Longoria agreed that one game makes things difficult. Yet after the Rays were eliminated in the final days, he'd gladly trade places with Texas or Baltimore."

Slugger Adam Dunn would like the chance for one more swing, too, after his White Sox were overtaken by Detroit in the AL Central. Still, one game is rugged for anyone.

No matter, it's a new era in baseball. Oakland general manager Billy Beane can accept that, and sees all sides to the fresh playoff format.

"Yeah, listen, it's great and it's terrible all in the same sentence," he said.

Busch apologizes for rant against Toyota

TALLADEGA, Ala. (AP) — Kyle Busch apologized Thursday to manufacturer Toyota for his profanity-laced rant about the fuel mileage at Dover.

Busch had to make a late stop in Sunday's race that he believed cost him the win. Joe Gibbs Racing teammate Denny Hamlin also had to stop for gas, but winner Brad Keselowski in a Dodge and Jimmie Johnson in a Chevrolet got better mileage and didn't have to stop.

Busch unleashed a string of profanities directed at Toyota on his in-car radio, and did not do media interviews after the race.

In a statement issued Thursday by both JGR and Toyota, Busch said his comments were "misguided."

"I made some remarks out of frustration on my radio at the end of last weekend's race in Dover that were very misguided," Busch said. "I owe my friends at Toyota and TRD an apology. We have a great partnership with TRD and they built me a motor that helped me lead over 300 laps and nearly lap the field."

Red Sox fire Valentine after one tumultuous season

BOSTON (AP) — The Boston Red Sox found out too late that Bobby Valentine wasn't the manager to straighten out a clubhouse of coddled veterans.

They didn't take long to decide that he isn't the right guy to nurture a rebuilding team into a contender, either.

The Red Sox fired Valentine on Thursday, less than one year after he was hired to bring order to the clubhouse that disintegrated during the 2011 pennant race. Instead, Valen-

tine clashed with players, coaches and the media while riding the team to a last-place finish and its worst record in almost 50 years.

"When we hired Bobby, the roster was fairly mature and we felt — mistakenly, in retrospect — that we had a chance to win and the team was ready to win," general manager Ben Cherington said in an interview at Fenway Park. "We're now at a different point. We're trying to build the next good Red Sox team."

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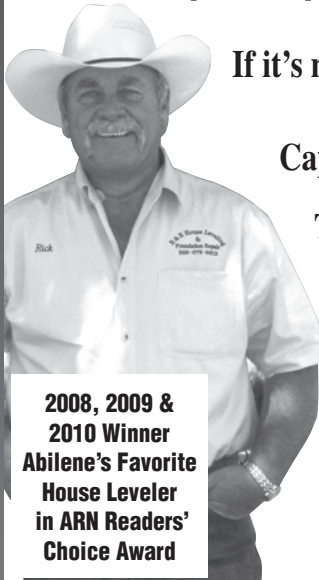
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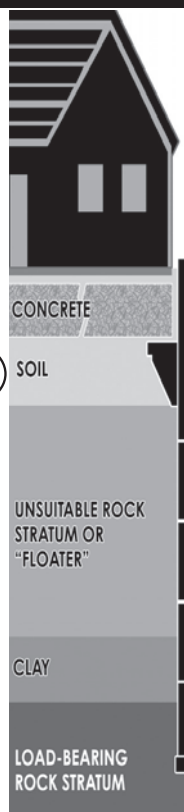
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
AND INVITATION TO BID

Pursuant to Texas Education Code §71.005, Big Spring Independent School District ("BSISD") hereby gives public notice of its intention to lease its mineral interest in certain real property (the "Mineral Interest"), located within Howard County, Texas, and legally described as:

- *Beginning at a stake for the Northwest Corner of Survey 19 in Block No. 33, Township 1 North of the Texas and Pacific Railway Survey in Howard County, Texas;
- *Thence North at 77° East along the North Boundary line of said Section No. 19, 417.5 feet to a point for a corner;
- *Thence South 13° East 417.5 feet to a point for a corner;
- *Thence South 77° West 417.5 feet to a point in the West Boundary Line of said Survey No. 19 for a corner;
- *Thence North 13° West along the West Boundary line of said Survey 417.5 feet to a place of beginning and comprising four (4) acres of land out of and part of aforesaid Survey No. 19.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, the term "Mineral Interest" does not include hard minerals such as, but not limited to, coal or lignite, that require surface mining.

BSISD will accept sealed bids for the lease of the Mineral Interest in the above-described property. Bidders must be willing to implement all reasonable procedures and precautions to maintain student safety, as deemed necessary by the District, in accordance with the District's mineral lease.

Sealed written bids should be addressed to "BSISD Oil and Gas Lease Bid c/o Debbie Green, Business Manager, Big Spring ISD, 708 E. 11th Pl., Big Spring, TX 79720." Sealed written bids for the lease of the above-described mineral interests may be submitted, beginning September 28, 2012. All bids must be received by the BSISD business office no later than 4:00 p.m. on October 29, 2012. Sealed written bids may be submitted by U.S. mail or hand delivery. No faxed bids, electronic bids or late bids will be accepted. Bids received after the deadline will be returned to sender unopened. Prospective bidders may obtain a copy of the District's proposed mineral lease and bid instructions by contacting Debbie Green, Business Manager, at (432)264-3620.

Bids will be presented to the Big Spring Board of Trustees at the regular Board meeting on November 8, 2012, at which time the Board will conduct a public hearing for consideration of such bids. Big Spring ISD Board of Trustees reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids, to waive any and all technicalities, and accept the bid of the highest and best bidder in accordance with Texas Natural Resources Code §71.006. The transfer of any interest real property, including the Mineral Interest, by Big Spring ISD to any successful Bidder is subject to approval by the Board of Trustees.

WAIVER OF CLAIMS: BY TENDERING A RESPONSE TO THIS INVITATION TO BID, THE BIDDER ACKNOWLEDGES THAT IT HAS READ AND FULLY UNDERSTANDS THE REQUIREMENTS FOR SUBMITTING A BID AND THE PROCESS USED BY THE DISTRICT FOR SELECTING A HIGHEST AND BEST BIDDER. FURTHER, BY SUBMITTING A BID, THE BIDDER FULLY, VOLUNTARILY AND UNDERSTANDINGLY WAIVES AND RELEASES ANY AND ALL CLAIMS AGAINST THE DISTRICT AND ANY OF ITS TRUSTEES, OFFICERS, AGENTS AND/OR EMPLOYEES THAT COULD ARISE OUT OF THE ADMINISTRATION, EVALUATION, OR RECOMMENDATION OF ANY BID SUBMITTED IN RESPONSE TO THIS INVITATION TO BID. #7523 September 28, 2012 and October 5 & 12, 2012

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
CITY OF ACKERLY
TEXAS COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT
PROGRAM

The City of Ackerly will hold a Public Hearing at 7:00 PM on October 8, 2012 at the Ackerly City Hall in regards to the submission of an application to the Texas Department of Agriculture for a Texas Community Development Block Grant Program (TxCDBG). The purpose of this meeting is to allow citizens an opportunity to discuss the citizen participation plan, the development of local housing and community development needs, the amount of TxCDBG funding available, all eligible TxCDBG activities, and the use of past TxCDBG funds. The City encourages citizens to participate in the development of this TxCDBG application and to make their views known at this public hearing. Citizens unable to attend this meeting may submit their views and proposals to the City Secretary at the City Hall. Persons with disabilities that wish to attend the meeting should contact the City Secretary to arrange for assistance. Individuals who require auxiliary aids or services for this meeting should contact the City Secretary at least two days before the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made. Mayor
City of Ackerly
#7536 October 5, 2012

“It Pays To Read
Big Spring Herald
Classifieds”

Raise a glass! Women winemakers winning success

MICHELLE LOCKE

For The Associated Press

ST. HELENA, Calif. — In 1978, the first vintage that Cathy Corison made wine, she could count on one hand the number of women she knew of doing the same kind of work in the cellars of the Napa Valley. Without using all her fingers.

Nearly 35 years later, Corison needs a lot more fingers. Winemaking remains primarily a man's world, but research by Santa Clara University professors Lucia Albino Gilbert and John Gilbert has found that nearly 10 percent of California wineries now have women as the main or lead winemaker.

Their second finding: Women winemakers tend to be more highly acclaimed than their male counterparts.

Why? Hard to say, — and that's not a question the Gilberts attempt to answer in this study — but it may have something to do with persistence. It takes the same effort and skills for a male or female winemaker to succeed, but women can face additional challenges achieving success in a male-dominated field.

“I think women winemakers had to be really determined and really passionate and still do,” says Corison, named 2011 Winemaker of the Year by the San Francisco Chronicle.

An academic psychologist who has studied women's career paths, Lucia Gilbert became interested in women winemakers. With little information available on the subject, she put together a comprehensive list of the 3,200-plus winemakers in California, identifying the women and developing the website,

Women Winemakers of California.

The total of women winemakers came to 9.8 percent, below the 15 to 20 percent the Gilberts expected.

It's easy to see why she overestimated. After all, some of the most famous winemakers ARE women, such as Heidi Barrett, who worked for the “cult” winery Screaming Eagle. Among other kudos, the winery is known as home of a 6-liter bottle of the '92 vintage that sold for \$500,000 at the 2000 Napa Valley Wine Auction.

So, the researchers came up with a new question — are women winemakers achieving disproportionate levels of success?

Quantifying winery acclaim is a slippery business, but the Gilberts went at it by using the listing of wineries from the 2010 reference work Opus Vino, which includes about 4,000 wineries in the world identified as noteworthy by wine critics and wine writers who worked with the book's editor-in-chief, Jim Gordon.

The results: 23 percent of California wineries with women winemakers made it into Opus Vino compared to 14 percent of wineries with male winemakers.

Gordon, former managing editor of Wine Spectator magazine and currently editor of Wines & Vines Magazine, was surprised by the Gilberts' findings. He and the other authors picked out top wines based solely on quality and without regard to the winemakers behind them, so “seeing our selections through the perspective of Dr. Gilbert's data was a kind of revelation.”

But Gordon's not convinced that women winemakers are disproportionately successful compared to men given the 10

percent baseline. “There is still a long way to go there,” he points out.

Are there differences between women and men winemakers?

Corison used to resist that idea “with everything I had. Because differences have always been against women.”

But after years of working in the field she feels that there may be two differences. “There's pretty good evidence that women have perhaps better sensory abilities. So that's one issue. And, I believe that winemaking is all about details. So perhaps if there's a difference in attention to details? I don't know. I don't feel strongly about that.”

Corison, who grew up in Southern California, took a roundabout path to winemaking.

She studied biology, but “fell in love with wine when I was a sophomore.” She was smitten by “all the usual reasons, it's delicious, you share it with friends, it makes food taste better and vice versa. On another level, I fell in love with the fact that it's a whole series of living systems. I'm a biologist and I'm still studying biology. That's what tunes me into winemaking, the fact that it's alive.”

“There've always been challenges, but I think there have been advantages, too. I think that we sort of stuck out like sore thumbs, so for better or worse people noticed what we did,” Corison says of women in her field.

Online: Full study available at <http://www.womenwinemakers.com>

Tomorrow's Horoscope

Yesterday, the sun, Mercury and Saturn were in Libra. Today, the cosmic dynamic changes, first with Mercury and then with Saturn slipping into Scorpio. Saturn's transit is the more dramatic of the two, having generational implications. The planet of responsibility and limits will move slowly through Scorpio's transformation spell until Dec. 23, 2014.

ARIES (March 21-April 19).

Instead of seeing the huge task before you as an overwhelming job, see it as a series of little jobs, all of which happen to be quite doable with your current resources.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). There will be some drama. It will take but three days for the nonsense going on now to get old. Knowing that you'll look back on it and think it's just ridiculous, you may want to limit your current investment.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). With the moon rooting you on, there's a bubbly quality to your conversation. Be careful: Effervescence is contagious. Tonight features a social and culinary destination.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You'll be attuned to the story behind things. When the story isn't being told, you'll either speculate as to what it might be, or you'll ask gentle questions to try to nudge out the truth.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You may get the feeling that a boss, client or friend is sharing incorrect or irrelevant information. Though the “customer” is not always right, it's sometimes necessary to treat them as if they are.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Jokes and stories are best shared face to face.

Resist the urge to forward them in email form because it robs you of the opportunity to work on the social skills that really matter today: how you present yourself in person.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You have no interest in making a good impression. You feel that unless you can wow people, it's not worth your time to show up. So you'll over-deliver on what you never promised you'd do in the first place.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Mercury encourages you to take up space and command attention with your communication style. You'll gain the support of authority figures and the approval of those who see you as an authority.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You may feel inclined to reach out and quite literally touch people. Handshakes and hugs are healing, especially since you've spent so much energy communicating virtually.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Do not underestimate the power of your friendships. As your sign mate President Woodrow Wilson said, “Friendship is the only cement that will ever hold the world together.”

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). If love is a game, this feels like the prize-winning round. Hand on the buzzer, you hope to come up with the right answer. Of course, it's best not to make your move until you're really sure.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Your inner circle will like hearing what you think, but beyond that, there is little to gain and much to lose from discussing personal views with business associates or the general public.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Oct. 5). A new attitude takes hold in you this year. Your joy will be reflected in an

activity in which you love to immerse yourself. You could rescue an animal or be someone's hero in November. Finances improve in 2013 simply because you create a budget and stick to it. An adventure (and a possible relocation) launches in May. Scorpio and Aquarius people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 20, 37, 16, 5 and 43.

WEEKEND LOVE FORECAST: ARIES: It's natural to gravitate toward the familiar whether or not it's what you really want.

TAURUS: You'll show your love by fulfilling a request.

GEMINI: Crushes are only fun when they do not make your heart feel quite literally squashed. Casual interests are better than obsessions. Keep it light.

CANCER: You'll be conscious of how your eyes convey messages, and you'll use them well.

LEO: You're not in it for the sheer pleasure; you want a relationship of shared virtue.

VIRGO: When you and a love have the same wish, your relationship grows in this bond.

LIBRA: Life may feel like a revolving door. When you're circling through with someone you love, it's a pleasure to keep going in circles, getting nowhere.

SCORPIO: You have a way of turning a simple “thank you” into a memorable, romantic scenario.

SAGITTARIUS: Share your insights. Someone loves how smart you are.

CAPRICORN: The most romantic gift you can give to another is the gift of your time.

AQUARIUS: You're not fragile, but you appreciate the one who handles you with care.

PISCES: As you look at a person with your heart, you see what's invisible to the eye.

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Annie's Mailbox ®



KATHY MITCHELL
MARCY SUGAR

Dear Annie: My son married a young widow with two small boys. They have been married 15 years and are currently expecting their first child together. Throughout this marriage, my daughter-in-law would never let my son have any kind of fatherly relationship with her older boy, although he was the sole father of the younger child. Now the older boy is 20 and won't leave his mother's side.

He has had only one girlfriend, and she was the daughter of a close friend of Mom's. He has to sleep in the bedroom next to hers.

He paces the floor until she gets home from work and then follows her around the house. He sits outside the bathroom door while she bathes. He calls and texts her constantly, and she does the same.

When he graduated high school, he attended a local community college because he didn't want to leave the city. But it became too difficult to drive back and forth between school and the house, so he quit and got a minimum-wage job.

This young man doesn't have a good relationship with his younger brother or my son. It's as though he resents their presence in the home and wants his mother all to himself.

She takes him everywhere she goes. I find it very strange and can't help wondering whether they are involved in an incestuous relationship. What do you think? — *Just Wondering*

Dear Wondering: We don't believe it is necessarily incestuous, but it is decidedly unhealthy. The mother has created a dependency. She treated her son as a “husband substitute” when she was widowed, and he has clung to that job (with her encouragement) ever since. This is unfair to the boy, as well as to his brother. And there is the possibility that the mother will transfer her affections to the new baby, creating a more serious problem.

Please talk to your son and urge him to help this young man become independent of his

mother — a developmental step that he has missed. It sounds as if the entire family could use some counseling.

Dear Annie: I love my mother, but our relationship has never been easy. Most of my childhood memories are unpleasant due to my parents' nasty divorce. When my younger brother chose to live with Dad, it just about killed Mom. The bitterness and depression swallowed her up. My brother and I could never fill the hole in her heart or put a smile on her face.

I am now 25 and can't stand her self-pity and rude comments about my father and brother. She complains about being single, having no friends and coming home to an empty house. I try to spend time with her, but we always end up arguing. I think she thrives on the conflict.

My husband and I plan to start a family soon. I want my mother in my life, but I don't want my kids to be around so much negativity. There is no loving way to describe her negative attitude. How would I explain it to them? — *Worried Daughter*

Dear Daughter: Kids are amazingly adaptable and accepting. If your mother loves them, they will respond and understand that this is just the way Grandma is. You may need to set boundaries on how much rudeness she spouts in front of them and limit her time when she is particularly negative. But otherwise, handle each challenge as it appears.

Dear Annie: As a public health official, I disagree with your response to “Concerned Sister,” whose sister has dogs, cats, turtles and a lizard. The home environment as described suggests some significant health issues, from salmonella that is carried by reptiles to canine feces left on the floors for periods of time. These health hazards are sources of pathogens that cause infectious diseases. If there isn't a mental health diagnosis, the symptoms are definitely in place for one. — *D.S., Health Director*

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Spaghetti with Pinot Grigio and Seafood

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FAMILY FEATURES

Long weekends present a perfect opportunity to celebrate good wine, good food and the good company of family and friends. What better way to create a beautiful evening than to host a fun gathering with easy-to-share fare, delicious wine pairings and a great movie?

When it comes to movie night entertaining, Emmy award-winning chef and cookbook author Giada De Laurentiis recommends serving sharable nibbles and setting the scene with inspired wine pairings.

Planning a get-together soon? Try one of these entertaining-ready recipes, complete with Bella Sera® wine pairings, for further inspiration. For more movie night recipe ideas from Giada, and wine pairing tips, visit www.bellaserawine.com.

Movie night bites bring family and friends together



Skewered Greek Salad

Apple Zeppole with Cinnamon Whipped Cream

"I love Bella Sera's Moscato — it's slightly sweet and has a hint of peach. It's great as is or with dessert."
— Celebrity Chef Giada De Laurentiis

Yield: 4 servings

- 1 large apple, peeled and grated (about 1 1/2 cups)
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 1 stick butter
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup water
- 1 cup flour
- 4 eggs
- 1 cup whipping cream
- 2 tablespoons confectioners' sugar, plus more for dusting
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- Olive oil for frying

In medium saucepan, combine butter, salt, sugar and water over medium heat. Bring to a boil. Take pan off heat and stir in flour. Return pan to medium heat and stir continuously until mixture forms a ball, about 3 to 5 minutes. Transfer flour mixture to a medium bowl.

Using an electric hand mixer on low speed, add eggs, one at a time, incorporating each egg completely before adding the next. Beat until smooth. Add grated apple and stir to combine. If not frying immediately, cover with plastic wrap and reserve in refrigerator.

Combine whipping cream, 2 tablespoons confectioners' sugar and cinnamon in medium bowl. Whip until medium soft peaks form. Transfer whipping cream to serving dish.

Meanwhile, pour enough oil into a large frying pan to reach a depth of 2 inches. Heat oil over medium heat until a deep-fry thermometer registers 325°F.



Apple Zeppole with Cinnamon Whipped Cream

Using a small ice-cream scooper or 2 small spoons, carefully drop about a rounded tablespoon of dough into hot olive oil. Turn zeppole once or twice, and cook until golden and puffed up, about 4 minutes. Fry zeppole in batches so as not to overcrowd pan. Drain on paper towels.

Transfer zeppole to a serving dish and sprinkle with powdered sugar using a small sieve. Serve with cinnamon whipped cream alongside for dipping.

Recipe courtesy of Giada De Laurentiis
As seen on "Everyday Italian" in episode "Après Ski."

Spaghetti with Pinot Grigio and Seafood

"Bella Sera Pinot Grigio is light-bodied, refreshing and has a hint of citrus — it's the perfect complement to lighter recipes."
— Celebrity Chef Giada De Laurentiis

Yield: 4 to 6 servings

- 1 pound spaghetti
- 1/4 cup olive oil
- 3 shallots, chopped
- 3 garlic cloves, minced
- 3/4 cup chopped oil-packed sun-dried tomatoes
- 1 1/2 cups Bella Sera Pinot Grigio
- 1 pound large shrimp, peeled and deveined
- 2 pounds littleneck clams, scrubbed
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- 2 cups arugula, tough stems removed

Bring a large pot of salted water to a boil over high heat. Add pasta and cook until tender but still firm to the bite, stirring occasionally, 8 to 10 minutes. Drain.

Meanwhile, heat olive oil in a large, heavy skillet over medium heat. Add shallots and garlic and cook for 3 minutes, until tender but not brown. Add sun-dried tomatoes and cook for another minute. Add wine, shrimp and clams, and bring liquid to a boil. Reduce heat, cover pan, and simmer until shrimp are pink and clams have opened, about 7 minutes. Discard any clams that have not opened.

Add spaghetti to skillet with seafood mixture. Add salt and pepper and stir to combine, then gently fold in arugula. Mound pasta on a serving platter and serve immediately.

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Skewered Greek Salad

Pair with Bella Sera Pinot Grigio

Yield: 4 to 6 servings

Skewers:

- 24 grape or small cherry tomatoes
- 3 ounces firm feta cheese (see Cook's Note), cut into 12 (1/2-inch) cubes
- 12 pitted kalamata olives
- 1/2 small red onion, cut into 12 (1/2-inch) pieces

Vinaigrette:

- 2 teaspoons fresh lemon juice
- 2 teaspoons red wine vinegar
- 4 teaspoons chopped fresh oregano leaves
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- Salt and freshly ground black pepper

Special Equipment:

- 12 6-inch bamboo or wooden skewers

For skewers: Thread skewers starting with a tomato, then a cube of feta cheese, an olive, a piece of onion and finally, another tomato. Repeat with remaining ingredients and skewers.

For vinaigrette: In small bowl, mix together lemon juice, red wine vinegar and half of the oregano. Whisk in olive oil until mixture thickens. Season with salt and pepper.

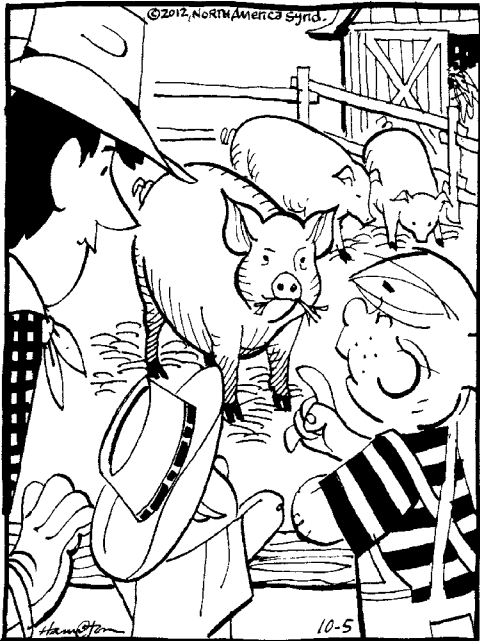
Arrange skewers on a serving platter. Spoon vinaigrette over skewers and sprinkle with remaining oregano.

Cook's Note: Buy feta packed in water; it is moist and easier to skewer and it won't crumble.

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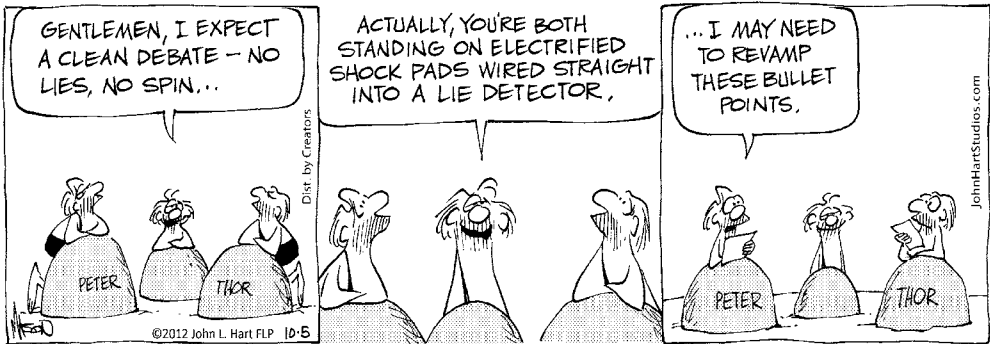
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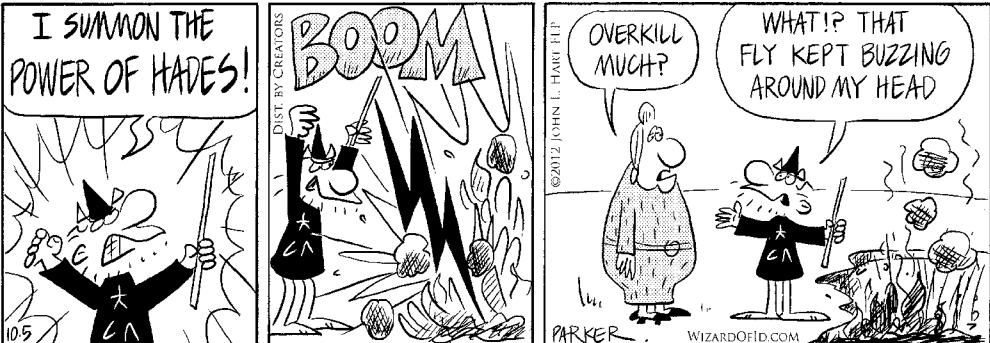


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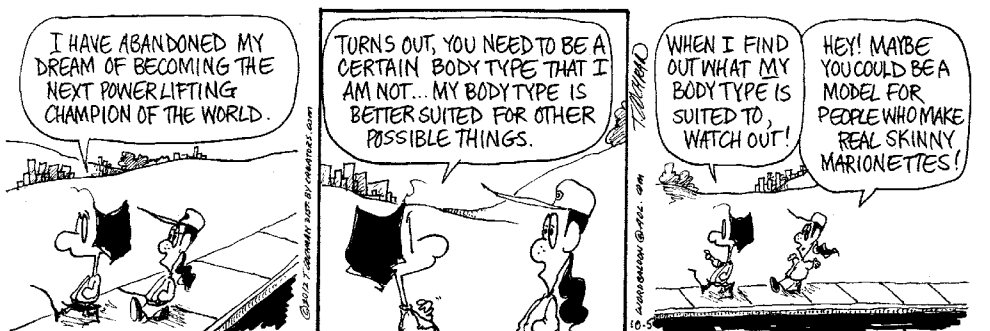
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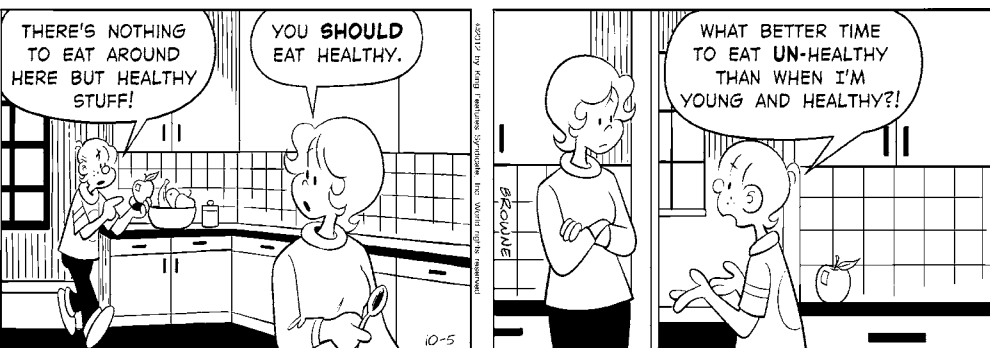
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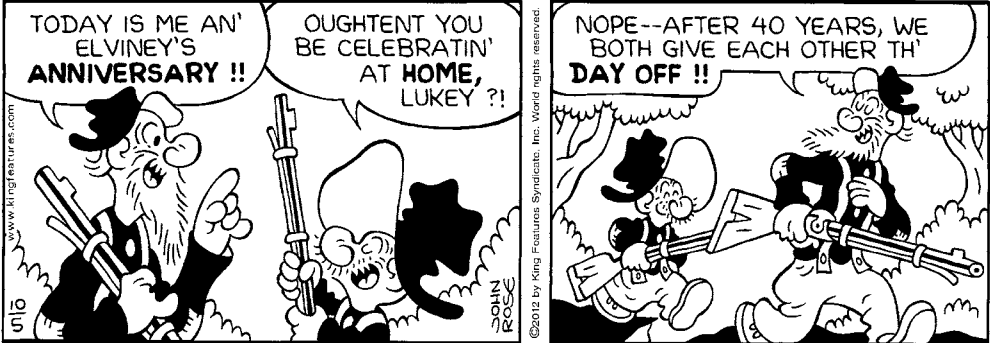
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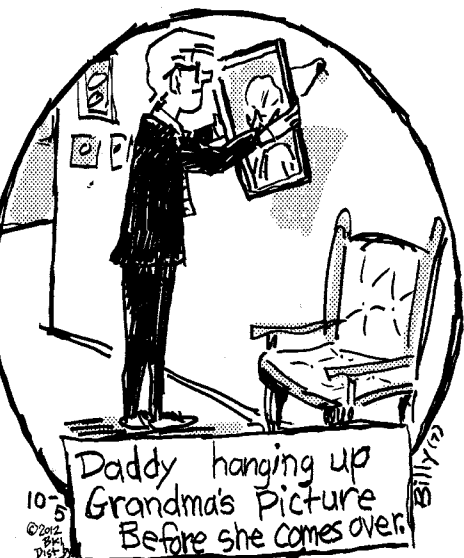
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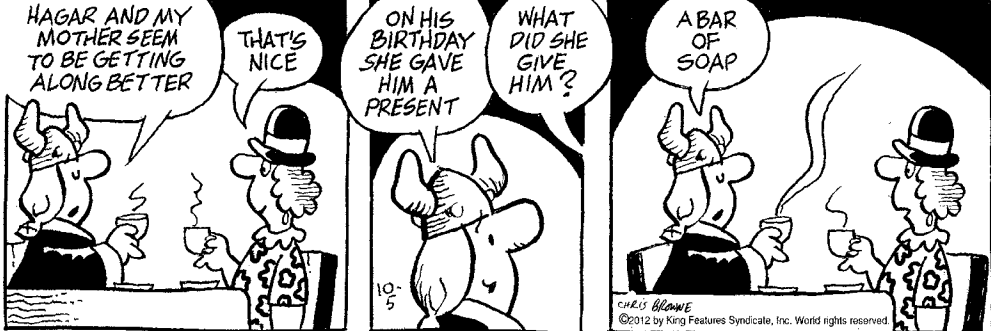


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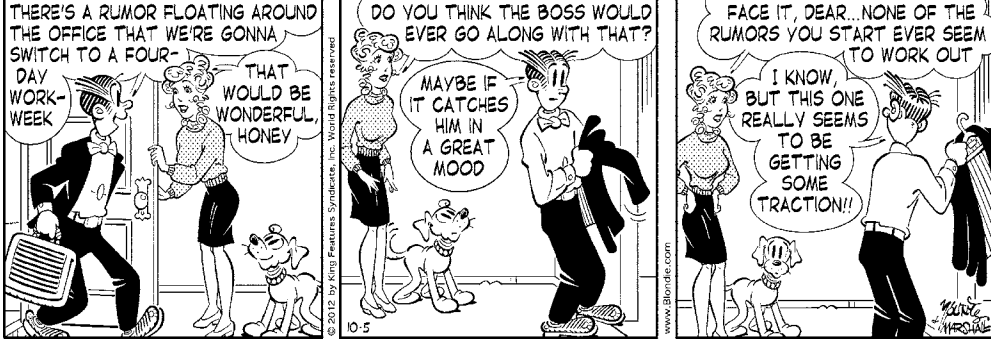


Guest cartoonist Billy (age 7) continues his week of observations.

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This Date In History

Today is Friday, Oct. 5, the 279th day of 2012. There are 87 days left in the year.

Today's Highlights in History:

On Oct. 5, 1962, The Beatles' first hit recording, "Love Me Do," was released in the United Kingdom by Parlophone Records. The first James Bond theatrical feature, "Dr. No" starring Sean Connery as Agent 007, premiered in London.

On this date: In 1829, the 21st president of the United States, Chester Alan Arthur, was born in Fairfield, Vt. (Some sources list 1830.)

In 1892, the Dalton Gang, notorious for its train robberies, was practically wiped out while attempting to rob a pair of banks in Coffeyville, Kan.

In 1910, Portugal was proclaimed a republic following the abdication of King Manuel II in the face of a coup d'etat.

In 1921, the World Series was covered on radio for the first time as Newark, N.J., station

WJZ relayed reports from the Polo Grounds, where the New York Giants were facing the New York Yankees. (Although the Yankees won the opener, 3-0, the Giants won the series, 5 games to 3.)

In 1931, Clyde Pangborn and Hugh Herndon completed the first non-stop flight across the Pacific Ocean, arriving in Washington state some 41 hours after leaving Japan.

In 1937, President Franklin D. Roosevelt, speaking in Chicago, called for a "quarantine" of aggressor nations.

In 1941, former Supreme Court Justice Louis D. Brandeis — the first Jewish member of the nation's highest court — died in Washington at age 84.

In 1947, President Harry S. Truman delivered the first televised White House address as he spoke on the world food crisis.

In 1953, Earl Warren was sworn in as the 14th chief justice of the United States, succeeding Fred M. Vinson.

In 1970, British trade commissioner James Richard Cross was kidnapped in Canada by militant Quebec separatists; he was released the following December.

In 1981, President Ronald Reagan signed a resolution granting honorary American citizenship to Swedish diplomat Raoul Wallenberg, credited with saving thousands of Hungarians, most of them Jews, from the Nazis during World War II.

In 1988, Democrat Lloyd Bentsen lambasted Republican Dan Quayle during their vice-presidential debate, telling Quayle, "Senator, you're no Jack Kennedy."

Today's Birthdays: Actress Glynis Johns is 89. Comedian Bill Dana is 88. College Football Hall of Fame coach Barry Switzer is 75. Rhythm-and-blues singer Arlene Smith (The Chantels) is 71.

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Answer to previous puzzle

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Walker chosen as Tech's interim coach

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — Chris Walker took over Thursday as Texas Tech's interim head basketball coach, replacing Billy Gillispie.

"I'm very thankful that Texas Tech and Kirby Hocutt have given me this opportunity," Walker said a few hours after learning he was tapped for the post. "It means everything to me."

Walker and athletic director Kirby Hocutt have a verbal agreement for a six-month contract as interim coach. Hocutt said details of the agreement would be available once a contract is signed.

Gillispie resigned Sept. 20, citing health concerns and with the university investigating allegations that he mistreated some of his players. He led the Red Raiders to an 8-23 record in his only season in Lubbock.

Hocutt said the interim job was "attractive" to many at the college and NBA level.

"But it became clear over the course of the last couple of weeks, when you see the energy, when you see the determination, when you see the attitude of this group of young men, that the best decision for this basketball program was to stay in-house and to elevate Chris Walker to this role," Hocutt said.

Walker took over day-to-day operations of the

program Sept. 7 after Hocutt told Gillispie he needed to focus on his health.

Hocutt said Thursday that a report on its investigation into allegations of additional practice-time violations than ones previously reported to the NCAA has been submitted to the governing body. He declined to comment further.

Junior Jaye Crockett, the team's third-leading scorer from last season at 8.8 points per game, said the past month hasn't been too difficult.

"It's a struggle because it's a different situation, but I don't think it's hard," he said. "We've all been a family. We've been focused on working out and being the best team we can be this year."

Hocutt declined to speculate on whether Walker could become the permanent head coach after this season.

Walker came to the program last year after two seasons at his alma mater Villanova, where he was an assistant under Jay Wright. He has 17 years of collegiate coaching experience, including four teams that went to the NCAA tournament — Villanova twice, Vanderbilt and Pepperdine.

Before coaching at Villanova, Walker was an assistant for Steve Alford for two years at New Mexico.

Texas A&M, Mississippi matchup could get offensive

OXFORD, Miss. (AP) — Texas A&M and Mississippi are two programs that have new quarterbacks, new head coaches and run a similar offense.

The Aggies are having more success with the formula so far.

Ole Miss (3-2, 0-1 Southeastern Conference) hosts Texas A&M (3-1, 1-1) on Saturday at Vaught-Hemingway Stadium in what's likely to be an entertaining, high-scoring game.

Ole Miss coach Hugh Freeze and Texas A&M coach Kevin Sumlin both employ a spread offense that's heavy on passing, speed and — if all goes well — touchdowns.

Freeze said the two coaches are friends and have a great familiarity with each other's offense.

"He'll want to beat us badly and we'll want to get our win, also," Freeze said.

"We do a lot of the same stuff. We probably do a little bit more (variety) than he does because I feel like we have to. They do what they do and they do it very well."

"We're very similar."

The Rebels have shown ample improvement so far this season, already improving their win total after a 2-10 debacle in 2011. They fell to top-ranked Alabama 33-14 last week — which wasn't a bad score considering the Tide has crushed everyone else in their path — but the loss still extended their SEC losing streak to 15 games.

Texas A&M is coming off an impressive 58-10 victory over Arkansas and has outscored its last three opponents 176-27.

Redshirt freshman quarterback Johnny Manziel continued his torrid start to the season, completing 29 of 38 passes for 453 yards and three touchdowns against the Razorbacks.

Manziel has been a perfect fit for Sumlin's offense, and has shown a particularly good aptitude for making positive things happen after a play breaks down. He also rushed for 104 yards and a touchdown in the Aggies' dominant win over Arkansas.

Freeze said Manziel is a complete quarterback and makes good decisions for someone so new to the college game.

"He has a lot of things that are impressive," Freeze said. "He has

great speed and mobility. At the end of the day, the guy finds a way to extend play after play. Then it ends up being a dagger to you. He extends it and scores touchdowns. That's the most concerning thing."

The Ole Miss quarterback situation is much less settled. Bo Wallace has started all five games this season, throwing for 840 yards and seven touchdowns, but has struggled against good competition.

Five of his six interceptions have come in losses to Alabama and Texas.

Freeze said on Monday that backup Barry Brunetti would have a chance to win the starting job against Texas A&M.

Even if he doesn't start, it's almost certain the Rebels will play both quarterbacks. Brunetti has been effective in limited playing time, completing 19 of 27 passes for 177 yards and a touchdown.

Sumlin said the Ole Miss offense would be difficult to handle regardless of who is under center.

"They do a great job offensively in their schemes to get you

spread out and to split you," Sumlin said. "They've got some weapons and they are tough to defend. We've got our work cut out for us. The combination of their scheme with their team's speed is what separates them."

The Rebels' quick passing approach might negate one of Texas A&M's biggest strengths: an elite pass rush.

Junior defensive end Damontre Moore has been one of the SEC's most productive defensive players this season, with 10½ tackles for a loss, including six sacks.

But he said the Aggies will have to pick their spots to attack or risk giving up big plays.

"We have to be very disciplined," Moore said.

"He's the most athletic quarterback we've played all year. He's a little more agile. They run the zone read as well as anybody in the country. It puts more of an emphasis on us as a defensive line to be fundamentally sound."

This is only the fifth meeting between the two programs and the first since 1980. The Aggies have won all four games in the series.

RANGERS

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former employers, in the AL division series and will host the first two games.

Baltimore is in the playoffs for the first time in 15 years. Showalter, hired by the Orioles midway through the 2010 season, dismissed any notion that it means more to him getting to face Texas, where he managed for four years and then was replaced by Washington after the 2006 season.

"For our players and organization to get an opportunity, it's re-

warding. We're trying to do everything possible to get back to Baltimore," Showalter said. "Personally, I thanked the players for letting me come along for the ride."

Just a week ago, Texas had a four-game division lead with six to play after splitting a four-game series at home against Oakland. The Rangers lost five of those last six games, including a three-game sweep this week against the A's, who clinched the division title on the last day of the regular season with a 12-5 victory.

The Rangers had a 5-1 lead in the season finale before Oakland's

big comeback, including center fielder Josh Hamilton missing a popup for a two-base error with two outs that allowed two runs to score and broke a 5-all tie.

The 4-9 span is their worst such slide of the season. The only other time they were swept in a three-game series was the first week of July at the Chicago White Sox.

"Just like any of our fans or anyone involved with our organization, there was a level of disappointment at first. A chance to win the division, and we couldn't put it away," general manager Jon Daniels said.

"Then you take a step back and realize there are 20 teams that would kill to be where we are right now and would trade places with us in a heartbeat. ... We've got one of our best pitchers on the mound at home."

While Darvish (16-9) is a rookie in the majors, the 26-year-old starter had plenty of postseason experience before the Rangers committed

more than \$107 million last winter to acquire Japan's top pitcher. He was 8-2 with a 1.38 ERA and five complete games in 11 postseason starts for the Hokkaido Nippon-Ham Fighters from 2006-11.

"He's an expensive one," Showalter said. "He's impressive. They gotten a return on everything they've invested. He's pretty special."

The Orioles acquired Saunders (9-13 overall, including 3-3 in seven starts for Baltimore) on Aug. 26 from Arizona. The lefty has previous playoff experience for the Los Angeles Angels.

But Saunders is 3-7 with a 6.48 ERA in 11 career starts against Texas, including 0-6 with a 9.38 ERA in six previous starts at Rangers Ballpark.

"You can make numbers any way you want to," Showalter said. "If you're looking for pitchers with good numbers against the Texas Rangers, they're hard to find."

It has been more than two years since Saunders pitched in Texas, and he allowed only one run in seven innings then.

Now the Virginia native who grew up an Orioles fan is starting their biggest game of the season.

"It's a huge opportunity. It's been a blessing since I got traded over here, it's been an amazing experience," he said. "It'd be really nice to get a win for the club and get a playoff game back home. That's what this organization is asking me to do."

Texas won five of the seven games in the regular season and scored at least 10 runs three times. That includes the May 8 game in Baltimore when Hamilton, the free-agent-to-be slugger, became the 16th player in major league history with four homers in a game.

Hamilton (43) and Adrian Beltre (36), the standout defensive third baseman limited

to being the designated hitter against Oakland because of a strained left shoulder, have the most homers by a pair of big league teammates this season.

The Orioles have a pair of 30-homer hitters in Adam Jones (32) and Chris Davis (33), who is among seven former Rangers playing for Baltimore.

Davis was traded to the O's with right-hander Tommy Hunter in July 2011 for Koji Uehara, the righty reliever who retired 25 consecutive batters for Texas before giving up a single in his last outing.

"The big thing for us was coming in August and playing these guys and kind of dealing with the emotions of being back, being on the other side of things," Davis said.

"Right now we're definitely excited to be in the postseason, and we really don't care who our opponent is. ... We're just glad to be in this situation."

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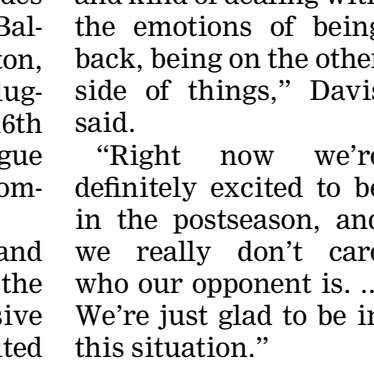
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