

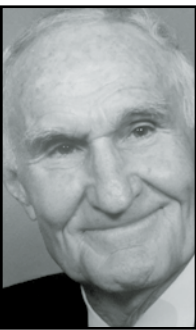
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Obituaries

Weldon D. Bigony



Weldon D. Bigony, 96, died in Waco, Texas, on Aug. 10, 2016.

The family will receive friends from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 14, 2016, at Myers and Smith Funeral Home. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m., Monday, Aug. 15, 2016, at First United Methodist Church of Big Spring with Pastor Bill Ivins officiating. Burial will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

He was born May 23, 1920, at Ben Franklin, Texas, to Dorsey and Bessie (McClanahan) Bigony. Weldon graduated from Big Spring High School. He attended Baylor University in Waco, Texas. He left Baylor following the attack on Pearl Harbor, just six months short of graduation, to serve his country and enlisted in the U.S. Naval Air Corps. After training in single- and multi-engine military aircraft, he was stationed in Shanghai, China, from April to August, 1946.

Following his discharge from the service on Aug. 17, 1946, in Shanghai, he flew briefly for Greater China Aviation Corporation before joining CNRAA Air Transport (later renamed Civil Air Transport, or CAT) in October, 1946, which was founded by

General Claire Chennault of Flying Tiger fame. Initially formed to fly United Nations relief supplies into China's hinterland following the end of the Second World War, Civil Air Transport flew in support of the Chinese Nationalists against the Chinese Communists during the Chinese civil war. He married Amalie (Harpfinger) Bigony on June 11, 1949, in Canton, China.

In 2002, at the age of 82, Weldon returned to Baylor to complete his final year of degree study on his 60-plus-year-old football scholarship. Just one week shy of his 83rd birthday, Weldon graduated before 10,000 cheering classmates and families on May 17, 2003.

Weldon was a member of First United Methodist Church of Big Spring and Grace Church in Waco.

Weldon was the eldest of six children. He was preceded in death by his wife Amalie, and four of his sisters, Rita Mae (Bigony) Spradling, Myra Lee (Bigony) Pierson, Dorothy Bigony, and Frances (Bigony) Puckett.

He is survived by his three children, Marc Wayne D. Bigony of Seattle, Wash., twins Bruce Alan Bigony of Altadena, Calif., and Vicky May (Bigony) Peters of Golinda, Texas; and three grandchildren; and daughter-in-law Mary Frances Bigony of Altadena, Calif.

Joseph "Joe" Howard Osborn



Joseph "Joe" Howard Osborn, 78, of Big Spring died Wednesday, Aug. 10, 2016, at his home.

A memorial service will be held at 5 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 13, 2016, at Spring Creek Fellowship with Derrick Looney officiating.

He was born April 20, 1938, to Ethel Miles Osborn and Otto Osborn in Carthage, Mo. He married Marsha Gilbert Dec. 22, 1989, in Big Spring. Joe worked as a truck driver for more than 35 years.

Joe is survived by his wife, Marsha Osborn of Big

Spring; two daughters, Kathryn Qualls and husband Ted of Gardenville, Nev., and Peggy Osborn of Aromas, Calif.; four sons, Jeffery Osborn and wife Sheri of Sacramento, Calif., Joey Osborn of Oklahoma City, Okla., Carl Williams and wife Chloe of San Antonio, and Christopher Osborn and wife Brittany of Big Spring; nine grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; three brothers, Billy Osborn, David Osborn, and Melvin Osborn, all of California; three sisters, Louise Ashley of California, Pearl Lambert of Arkansas, and Wanda Stewart of California.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one grandson and one sister.

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

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **LAURIE RAMIREZ FLORES**, 33, of 1501 W. Fifth St. was arrested on warrants for right turn on red where prohibited, failure to maintain financial responsibility, and failure to appear.
- **ELDA MELINA BERNAL**, 45, of 1311 Mobile was arrested on warrants for criminal mischief (impairing, interrupting, or diverting public water), issuance of a bad check, and theft (less than \$50); and on other outstanding warrants.
- **COURTNEY FELICIA AUSBIE**, 31, of 1319 Harding St. was arrested on charges of fraudulent use or possession of identifying information (10 to 50 items) and possession of a controlled substance (less than 1 gram); and on outstanding warrants.
- **PRESTON CODY WALKER**, 30, no address given, was arrested on a warrant for burglary of a building.
- **BRITTANY VANESSA ESCANUELA**, 25, of 2521 Chanute Dr. was arrested on outstanding warrants.
- **MARK ANTHONY CHAVARRIA**, 27, of 1108 W. Sixth St. was arrested on a warrant for theft (\$50 to \$500).
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 2000 block of South Johnson Street and at the intersection of First and Jones streets.
- **THEFT** was reported in the 200 block of Rocco Road, the 200 block of West FM 700, and the 1800 block of South Johnson Street.
- **STOLEN VEHICLE** was reported in the 500 block of West Fourth Street.
- **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported in the 1500 block of South Johnson Street.

Support Groups

THURSDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, open discussion noon to 1 p.m.; women's meeting; 6:30 until 7:30 p.m. Newcomers' meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

- Weight Watchers meets at 6 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church. Weigh-in is at 5:30 p.m. Weigh-in is

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Sunrise: 7:09 AM Sunset: 8:32 PM	Sunrise: 7:09 AM Sunset: 8:30 PM	Sunrise: 7:10 AM Sunset: 8:29 PM	Sunrise: 7:11 AM Sunset: 8:28 PM	Sunrise: 7:11 AM Sunset: 8:27 PM

Texas at a Glance



Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	99	74	P Cloudy	Kingsville	102	78	P Cloudy
Amarillo	87	64	P Cloudy	Livingston	100	78	M Cloudy
Austin	104	79	P Cloudy	Longview	100	77	Sunny
Beaumont	95	80	M Sunny	Lubbock	90	67	M Cloudy
Brownsville	98	80	M Sunny	Lufkin	100	76	P Cloudy
Brownwood	103	75	P Cloudy	Midland	98	73	M Cloudy
Corpus Christi	98	81	P Cloudy	Raymondville	104	79	P Cloudy
Corsicana	103	79	Sunny	Rosenberg	99	78	M Cloudy
Dallas	103	80	M Sunny	San Antonio	104	79	P Cloudy
Del Rio	105	82	Sunny	San Marcos	103	77	Sunny
El Paso	98	73	M Sunny	Sulphur Springs	104	77	Sunny
Fort Stockton	97	70	M Sunny	Sweetwater	95	72	M Cloudy
Gainesville	100	76	P Cloudy	Tyler	102	78	Sunny
Greenville	103	77	Sunny	Weatherford	102	76	Sunny
Houston	101	81	M Cloudy	Wichita Falls	100	76	Sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	89	73	M Cloudy	Miami	88	79	P Cloudy
Boston	95	73	M Cloudy	Minneapolis	80	66	Cloudy
Chicago	86	72	Cloudy	New York	96	81	M Cloudy
Dallas	103	80	M Sunny	Phoenix	102	84	Sunny
Denver	83	58	Sunny	San Francisco	62	50	Cloudy
Houston	101	81	M Cloudy	Seattle	87	64	Sunny
Los Angeles	80	66	Sunny	Saint Louis	93	74	Cloudy

Sheriff

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

Note – Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 69 inmates at the time of this report.

- **COURTNEY FELICIA AUSBIE**, 31, was booked by BSPD on charges of fraudulent use or possession of identifying information (10 to 50 items) and possession of a controlled substance (less than 1 gram); and on warrants for theft of property (\$100 to \$750) and failure to appear/possession of a controlled substance (less than 1 gram).
- **ELDA MELINA BERNAL**, 45, was booked by BSPD on warrants for criminal mischief (impairing, interrupting, or diverting public water), issuance of a bad check, and theft (less than \$50), and theft of property (\$20 to \$500) by check.
- **DON LLOYD BROOKS**, 50, was booked by

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1700 block of East 25th Street. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

HCSO on a warrant for theft of materials (aluminum, bronze, copper, or brass).

- **MARK ANTHONY CHAVARRIA**, 27, was booked by HCSO on warrants for theft (\$50 to \$500); resisting arrest, search, or transport; and possession of marijuana (less than 2 oz.).
- **BRITTANY VANESSA ESCANUELA**, 25, was booked by BSPD on two warrants for theft of property (\$20 to \$500) by check; and on warrants for theft of property (\$500 to \$1,500) and issuance of a bad check.
- **LAURIE RAMIREZ FLORES**, 33, was booked by BSPD on warrants for right turn on red where prohibited, failure to maintain financial responsibility, and failure to appear.
- **PRESTON CODY WALKER**, 30, was booked by BSPD on a warrant for burglary of a building.

Fire/EMS

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1300 block of Stadium. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1700 block of Yale.

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- A Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder support group meeting is at 6:30 p.m. at the VA Medical Center Veteran's Healing Center.

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- VA Alcoholics Anonymous support group, 7-8 p.m., Veterans Healing Center.

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Suggestions sought on naming downtown Midland



City of Midland

Downtown Midland recently has seen multiple transformative projects, and will see several more in the future. Mayor Jerry Morales hopes to give this newly revitalized area a fresh identity and wants a new name for the greater downtown area.

To give a suggestion on what the downtown area should be named, visit www.midlandtexas.gov/downtownsurvey. The survey will be available online through Friday. A group of downtown stakeholders will consider the various suggested names to be used for future marketing purposes. Current options include "Energy," "Fuel," "Heritage," and "Midtown," followed by words such as "District," "Village," or "Square."

Here's an update on current projects in the heart of downtown:

Midland Center

The City Council has approved a maximum budget of \$42.8 million for a new Midland Center. The entirety of the project will be paid for with hotel/motel funds, which are gener-

ated by visitors staying in Midland hotels. Groundbreaking could begin as early as January, and the project is expected to be complete as early as summer 2018.

Santa Rita Hotel

The private developers of the Santa Rita Hotel continue to move forward on the hotel, which will also include a public food market, restaurants, a 400-seat ballroom, office space and parking. Developers have indicated that they have secured funding for the project, which could see a groundbreaking by early next year.

Centennial Plaza

In conjunction with construction on the Midland Center and Santa Rita Hotel, the city is planning updates for Centennial Plaza that will include a splash pad, staging area for concerts and green space. The \$4 million project will be paid for by hotel/motel taxes and a reimbursement of \$2.2 million from Midland Development Corp. for the sale of the former county courthouse property.

Protesters march in downtown Dallas despite chief's request

DALLAS (AP) — A small group of demonstrators took to the streets in downtown Dallas on Wednesday night to protest police use of force against black people, despite the police chief's request that they stay away out of concern for officers' safety.

Police Chief David Brown told the organizer of the demonstration that holding such events downtown poses a tactical threat to officers. The group behind Wednesday's protest was the same one that planned the July 7 protest and march that ended in the sniper shooting deaths of five law enforcement officers.

Brown posted an email exchange with organizer Dominique Alexander, founder of the Next Generation Action Network, to a police blog Wednesday a few hours before the protest was set to begin.

"What's more important than our officers (sic) safety... cancel it and don't schedule anymore in the downtown area... I insist," Brown wrote in an email that included the ellipses.

Just before the protest was set to begin, Alexander was arrested outside City Hall.

A police spokeswoman said Alexander was issued a criminal trespass warning and arrested on unrelated outstanding warrants for failure to appear. The outstanding warrants against Alexander involve about \$5,000 in tollway tickets from adjoining Collin County, said Damon Crenshaw, the network's vice president. Kim Cole, an attorney for Alexander and his group, said she and Alexander believed the warrants were resolved a year ago.

By 6:30 p.m., about 25 demonstrators had gathered at a park.

The group then marched along Main Street toward the jail, gaining numbers as they went. Upon arriving, they encountered about a dozen Dallas County sheriff's deputies

standing in a shoulder-to-shoulder line to keep demonstrators away from the jail.

As the group dwindled, Cole emerged from the jail to say Alexander was safe and in good spirits.

"He's very, very proud of you all for keeping up the fight," Cole told the group.

She also said the group would continue to hold demonstrations in downtown Dallas, regardless of the police department appeals.

Brown spoke to the City Council on Tuesday about the ongoing investigation into the July attack that left four Dallas police officers and one Dallas Area Rapid Transit officer dead as well as several other officers and civilians wounded. Shooter Micah Johnson was also killed.

The chief told the council he is increasingly worried for officer safety with downtown protests. He said officers would continue to staff the protests and rallies but would crack down on protesters who blocked traffic or attempted to shut down freeways.

The Next Generation Action Network, a Dallas-based civil rights group, held a protest march on July 29 that attracted several dozen protesters compared with nearly 1,000 at the July 7 event. The July 29 march did not include a police escort, and officers armed with rifles in riot gear ordered protesters off the streets to the sidewalks.

Alexander, an ordained Baptist preacher and a convicted felon whose uncle died in a police-involved shooting, has asked the City Council to meet to discuss violence toward African-Americans. Alexander and a handful of protesters went to City Hall for a Wednesday council meeting to make several requests, including asking the city to form an independent review board to investigate police shootings.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS
BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The _____ Coahoma ISD _____ will hold a public
meeting at _____ 6:00 PM August 23, 2016 _____ in _____ Board Room CUSD Elementary
_____, Coahoma, Tx _____. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the
school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation
in the discussion is invited.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed
the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information
and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Maintenance Tax

\$ 1.04 /\$100 (Proposed rate for maintenance and operations)

School Debt Service Tax

Approved by Local Voters \$.23 /\$100 (proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)

Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding
fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated
for each of the following expenditure categories:

Maintenance and operations

1 % increase or (decrease)

Debt service

7 % (decrease)

Total expenditures

0 % increase or (decrease)

Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value
(as calculated under Tax Code Section 26.04)

Preceding Tax Year

Current Tax Year

Total appraised value* of all property

\$ 495,331,069

\$ 424,606,554

Total appraised value* of new property**

\$ 2,074,449

\$ 5,927,942

Total taxable value*** of all property

\$ 373,455,200

\$ 309,718,823

Total taxable value*** of new property**

\$ 1,924,790

\$ 5,161,975

* "Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Tax Code Section 1.04(8).

** "New property" is defined by Tax Code Section 26.012(17).

*** "Taxable value" is defined by Tax Code Section 1.04(10).

Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness* \$ 11,929,997.30

* Outstanding principal.

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Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates					
	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	\$ 1.04	\$.23*	\$ 1.27	\$ 5,409	\$ 4,338
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$ 1.04	\$.27*	\$ 1.31	\$ 4,621	\$ 4,396
Proposed Rate	\$ 1.04	\$.23*	\$ 1.27	\$ 4,513	\$ 4,420
* The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.					

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence		
	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$ 103,586	\$ 99,258
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$ 45,930	\$ 54,407
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$ 1.27	\$ 1.27
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$ 588.31	\$ 690.97
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes		\$ 102.66
Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.		

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an
election is 1.04 . This election will be automatically held if the district adopts
a rate in excess of the rollback rate of 1.04 .

Fund Balances	
The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:	
Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	\$ 2,164,070
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	\$ 832,610

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News in brief

Bombings in Thailand target tourist cities, killing 4 people

HUA HIN, Thailand (AP) — Coordinated explosions targeting some of Thailand’s most popular resort cities and beach towns killed at least four people and wounded dozens more. Police said Friday that 10 foreigners were injured in the violence, some of the worst in the country since the military seized power in a coup two years ago.

It was not clear who was behind the attacks Thursday and Friday, which followed a successful referendum held last weekend on a new constitution that critics say will bolster the military’s power for years to come.

The explosions all occurred south of Bangkok and several of the blasts — including one on Patong beach in the tourist town of Phuket and three in the seaside resort city of Hua Hin — appeared designed to strike the tourism industry, which provides vital income to the government.

Thailand’s economy has sagged since the military seized power in a 2014 coup. But tourism has remained one of the few bright spots, with more than 14 million people visiting through May 2016 compared to nearly 30 million in all of 2015.

Foreign governments, including the United States, issued warnings urging travelers to avoid affected areas.

With rare humility, Trump concedes he could come up short

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — In a rare show of humility by the boastful billionaire, Donald Trump is acknowledging that his presidential campaign faces challenges and could ultimately fall short.

The Republican presidential nominee is straying from his signature bravado as he campaigns in the battleground state of Florida, even telling a gathering of evangelical ministers Thursday he’s “having a tremendous problem in Utah.” The same day, the reality show star acknowledged that his lack of political correctness could cost him the election if Americans reject his blunt approach.

“We’re having a problem,” Trump told the ministers, adding that the next president could get to nominate up to five high-court justices. “It could cost us the Supreme Court.”

Trump’s campaign planned to sit down with RNC officials in Orlando on Friday. But both Republican Party officials and Trump’s campaign said the meeting was focused on Florida campaign operations and not tensions between the campaign and the GOP. The officials weren’t authorized to comment publicly and requested anonymity.

After trouncing 16 challengers in the Republican primary, Trump is encountering worrying signs as his campaign moves into the general election. Democrat Hillary Clinton’s lead over Trump in national polls has widened in recent days, while a growing number of fellow Republicans have declared they won’t support their own party’s nominee.

As Trump struggles, Clinton goes on offense to win over GOP

WASHINGTON (AP) — Hillary Clinton is seizing opportunities presented by a volatile presidential race to expand her base of support heading into the fall, seeking to position the Democratic Party for a sweeping victory in November.

As Donald Trump struggles through a second week of self-inflicted stumbles, the Democratic nominee’s campaign has started to push into Republican territory by courting some of the party’s core supporters and expanding her campaign’s operations into traditionally red states.

“The map favors us and, in a way, the dynamics right now favor us,” said Joel Benenson, Clinton’s senior strategist. “The more places you can make them play defense, the better off we are.”

Throughout his presidential bid, the Republican nominee has used controversy to draw attention back to his campaign. It’s a strategy that initially worried some Clinton aides, who feared he would drown out their

candidate’s general-election message.

But with three months to Election Day, Clinton aides say they see more advantages than liabilities as Trump continues to say the politically unimaginable.

Critics slammed Trump this week for appearing to suggest that gun-rights supporters could shoot Clinton to prevent her from appointing federal judges as president, and he drew criticism for standing by a false claim that President Barack Obama founded the Islamic State.

Unfriended? Divisive presidential campaign roils Facebook

CINCINNATI (AP) — Some friends don’t let friends talk politics anymore on Facebook.

Others are on “unfriending” sprees. And some, such as Adolfo Olivas of Hamilton, Ohio, have decided to just shut down their accounts, as the divisive presidential campaign causes a deluge of news feeds amid photos of smiling kids’ first day of school and what’s on the grill for dinner.

The last straw for the former Republican mayor came after GOP nominee Donald Trump’s criticism of fellow Gold Star parents, the Muslim parents of Iraq war casualty Humayun Khan.

“Just reading all of those comments justifying Mr. Trump’s outbursts,” explained Olivas, whose son Nicholas, 20, was killed on Army patrol in Afghanistan in 2012. “I cannot stand to put up with the stupidity of those who will try to justify those words!”

In Rio, the rival Koreas are showing some mutual respect

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — Despite a continuing nuclear standoff and virtually no interactions between each other politically, some North and South Koreans are making an exception — among their athletes at the Rio de Janeiro Olympics.

The countries’ interactions in Rio first grabbed international headlines when South Korea’s 17-year-old gymnast Lee Eun-ju took a selfie with North Korea’s Hong Un Jong earlier this month as they trained for competition. They interacted more a few days later when they shared the floor during preliminary competition, where Lee was eliminated and Hong advanced to the vault final.

It is Lee’s first Olympics, while Hong was the first North Korean female gymnast to win gold, at the 2008 Beijing Games.

IOC President Thomas Bach described the selfie as a “great gesture.”

On Wednesday, North Korean shooter Kim Song Guk walked up to South Korean rival Jin Jongoh and shook his hand moments after Jin clinched his third straight Olympic gold in the men’s 50-meter pistol.

Man freed 28 years after being imprisoned for murder as teen

WILMINGTON, N.C. (AP) — A man convicted of murder as a teenager and imprisoned 28 years ago is luxuriating by sleeping on his cousin’s living room sofa after a North Carolina judge ruled he did not get a fair trial.

Johnny Small, 43, said he looked forward to a hot bath and getting used to an amped-up world full of cell-phones he never knew now that he’s left prison after nearly three decades Thursday evening. After prison cots, he said he preferred the sofa in a big, open room to a private bedroom.

“There’s a lot I’ve got to adapt to,” Small said after arriving at his cousin’s manufactured home just before nightfall. “I don’t know how to function. I mean, when I came into it (prison) I was still a kid and in a way I still got a kid’s state of mind.”

Hours earlier, Superior Court Judge W. Douglas Parsons ruled there was not enough evidence to justify Small’s conviction for the 1988 murder of Pam Dreher in Wilmington. She was shot in the head at point blank range while lying on the floor of her tropical fish store.

Parsons determined it was physically impossible for a supposed eye witness to be at the murder site at the time as she reported seeing Small leaving the shop. Police also withheld key evidence, Parsons said.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS
BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The Glasscock County Independent School District will hold a public meeting at Wednesday, August 31, 2016, 8:30a.m. in Glasscock County ISD Administration Building
Garden City, Texas. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Maintenance Tax\$ 1.04 /\$100 (Proposed rate for maintenance and operations)

School Debt Service Tax

Approved by Local Voters\$ 0.08 /\$100 (proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)

Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:

Maintenance and operations	_____ % increase	or	<u>31</u> % (decrease)
Debt service	_____ % increase	or	<u>15</u> % (decrease)
Total expenditures	_____ % increase	or	<u>29</u> % (decrease)

Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value
(as calculated under Tax Code Section 26.04)

	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year
Total appraised value* of all property	\$ <u>2,877,635,054</u>	\$ <u>2,923,395,697</u>
Total appraised value* of new property**	\$ <u>145,742,756</u>	\$ <u>1,192,531</u>
Total taxable value*** of all property	\$ <u>2,397,632,455</u>	\$ <u>2,326,39,341</u>
Total taxable value*** of new property**	\$ <u>145,648,433</u>	\$ <u>1,051,496</u>

* "Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Tax Code Section 1.04(8).

** "New property" is defined by Tax Code Section 26.012(17).

*** "Taxable value" is defined by Tax Code Section 1.04(10).

Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness* \$ 26,566,298.00

* Outstanding principal.

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Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates

	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	\$ 1.03710	\$ 0.09000 *	\$ 1.12710	\$ 24,919	\$ 15,598
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$ 1.20004	\$ 0.08607 *	\$ 1.28611	\$ 23,140	\$ 474
Proposed Rate	\$ 1.03710	\$ 0.08000 *	\$ 1.11710	\$ 23,038	\$ 474

* The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$ 107,056	\$ 70,277
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$ 85,645	\$ 56,221
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$ 1.127100	\$ 1.120000
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$ 965.30	\$ 629.67
Increase-(Decrease) in Taxes		\$ (335.63)

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is \$1.04 (M&O). This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of \$1.04 (M&O).

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	\$ 5,223,755
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	\$ 344,519

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1 John 4:18

The Lord says, "I will rescue those who love me. I will protect those who trust in my name. When they call on me, I will answer; I will be with them in trouble. I will rescue them and honor them. I will satisfy them with a long life and give them my salvation."

Psalms 91: 14-16

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(Joel 2:23)

God's love supply is never empty. "For his unfailing love toward those who fear him is as great as the height of the heavens above the earth."

(Psalm 103:11)

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Did you ever wonder? Too much of a good thing

You know there are just some people who go around looking for something to complain about! No matter what happens they are unhappy because they wanted better or wanted more, wanted it faster! Sometimes we refer to them as ‘the glass half empty’ people.

This describes the mixed rabble that left Egypt with the Hebrews. They were from various nations, but they, too, had been slaves of the Egyptians. They were looking for an easier life.

But now that they were free, they found themselves living in tents in the very hot desert. For most of the day the temperature is above 100 degrees, and nights are cold.

These people were dissatisfied with the choice they had made. They longed for the plentiful fish, fresh



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vegetables and fruit that they had to eat in Egypt, but they disregarded how hard they had to work to get that food.

God had given them manna, fresh every morning. There were several ways it could be cooked. This gave them several flavors, but it was a grain. They soon got tired of eating bread and cereal.

Now they craved meat.

The wording used here hints that they also were unhappy that the Hebrews held them to very strict rules for family life. In Egypt there had been no rules of morality.

God heard the complaining and He was angry that they did not appreciate the kindness He did for them. A fire broke out and consumed at the edges of the camp.

Do you remember how the camp of the Israelites was structured around the Tabernacle? Around the edges is where the mixed multitude camped. These people did not love God; they did not serve Him as their god.

The Israelites cried to Moses and He prayed to God. The fire was stopped.

This was such a large number of people that one person could not listen to every complaint and judge who was right and who was wrong. Now they wanted meat!

Moses complained to God that his load was too heavy. “These people ask for meat. Where will I get meat to feed so many?”

God had Moses select seventy leaders, and God placed some of the spiritual wisdom of Moses on them. They judged disputes between the people, and Moses heard only the harder cases that required more wisdom. This was the beginning of the Sanhedrin, the highest court in Israel.

God told Moses to say to the people, “Prepare yourselves for tomorrow and you shall eat meat. For an entire month you shall eat meat, until it comes out your nose and becomes nauseating to you.” (Num 11:18-20, paraphrased)

The next day a wind blew quail in

from the sea. They were exhausted from fighting the wind, and they lay on the ground. For a day’s walk in any direction quail were piled three feet deep.

The people worked for two days and nights gathering quail, preparing and laying the meat out to dry.

The meat was still between their teeth, not yet chewed, when the wrath of God flared against the complainers and He struck them down.

The rest of the people ate quail morning, noon and night for thirty days! Until it made them nauseated and they vomited it out!

Have you ever gotten sick from eating good, tasty meat? I have! After my divorce, my son kept my freezer full of fresh deer meat.

I joyfully had chicken-fried back strap, grilled chops, sumptuous roasts, chili... until one day it wouldn’t go down! The more I chewed, the bigger it got in my mouth, and I just couldn’t swallow it!

Try it sometime. God knows what He is doing!

Church news

Spring Tabernacle

Faith Based Rehab: When you’ve tried everything the world has to offer and it hasn’t worked. Maybe it’s time to find what does work. How ready are you to find a way that does work? Are you ready to commit to the one that can make your life work? Are you sick and tired of being sick and tired? Jesus is the truth, the life, and the way. He knows how to fix what’s broken in you. Come with determination to be set free. Call 263-0544 for more information.

Crestview Baptist Church

Our Sunday School hour begins at 10 a.m. on Sunday mornings. Brother Mark Watt will be continuing the study in 2 Corinthians. Our worship service begins at 11 a.m. Pastor Tom Lassiter will be finishing the 4th chapter of John, as we go through the gospel of John, verse by verse. On Sunday night at 6:30 p.m., we will continue our study on Revelation. We will be in chapter 12. On Wednesday nights at 6:30, we are studying the 1st letter of Paul to the Corinthians. We are currently on chapter 14. Come and join us at 2305 Gatesville Road, Big Spring.

Big Spring First Presbyterian Church

On Wednesday the Lectionary Bible Study, led by Craig Holstedt and Tom Koger, meets at 5:17 p.m. in the church library. The Chancel Choir will rehearse Wednesday at 6 p. m. Please be on the lookout for new faces and voices in the Chancel Choir in the near future.

The Service Committee announces the Annual School Supply Drive, which will be collected August 14. Items needed for this drive include No. 2 pencils, red and black pens, spiral notebooks, three-ring binders, notebook dividers, rulers, compass, loose-leaf three-hole notebook paper with lines, colored pencils, 24-count box of Crayola crayons, Elmers white glue, glue sticks, Fiskor’s kids scissors, washable markers, big pink erasers, box of Kleenex, paper towels, bottle of hand soap, baby wipes. These items will be taken to the Salvation Army for distribution for needy children.

The Covenant Class, under the



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Last Sunday was the First Church of the Nazarene’s Vacation Bible School service. The kids enjoyed learning how to be bold for Jesus.

leadership of John Ferguson, continues their study entitled “Toward a New Creation”. “Life on God’s Terms,” the last unit for the quarter, continues the themes in Romans to show that God has acted to set us right through Jesus Christ.

The Discovery Class is examining a DVD study called Half Truths by Adam Hamilton, pastor of a large church in Kansas City. He looks at simple phrases that “sound Christian,” like something that might be found in the Bible, capturing some element of truth, yet missing the point in important ways. The goal of this study is that by examining these partial truths, participants may be led to greater truths found in Jesus Christ. Lesson titles are “Everything Happens for a Reason,” “God Helps Them Who Help Themselves,” “God Won’t Give You More Than You Can Handle,” “God Said It, I Believe It, That Settles It,” and “Love the Sinner, Hate the Sin.”

The session meets for this month

on Tuesday, August 16, at 6 p.m. in the church library.

Cecilia Hallford is in charge of Take Ten for this Sunday. Ushers for August are Jim Little, Ellen Austin, Susan Holstedt, and Sarah Salinas. Buddy Cochrane is Lector for August.

The lectionary for the Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost (or 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time) is Isaiah 5:1-7; Psalm 80:1-2, 8-19; Hebrews 11:29-12:2; Luke 12:49-56. The sermon this Sunday, which will be a Congregational Hymnsing, will be in song. This should be an opportunity to sing and hear some of the hymns that have not been heard for some time.

Please note that our worship service begins at 10:50 a.m. for announcements and parish concerns before our radio broadcast starts at 11.

If you cannot attend worship, you may listen in on KBST 1490 AM, beginning at 11 a.m. If you wish to have a printed bulletin for Sunday services, please call the church office at 263-4211.

Birdwell Lane Church of Christ

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Worship - 10 a.m. & 5 p.m.
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First Church of the Nazarene

Pastor Cal will be continuing his series on "under construction." Coming up on Sept. 18, the opening of our Cedar Road Campus inside of New Hope Christian School will be taking place. NazFamily also is hosting Back to Church Sunday that day.

Check out all the small groups by visiting the website at nazfamily.org.

Sunday morning youth, adult and children’s classes at 9 a.m. throughout the campus.

Sunday service begins at 10 a.m. in the sanctuary.

Children’s church at 10 a.m. Sunday in the Fellowship Hall.

Wednesday night’s weekly prayer starts at 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary while children and youth classes are in other classrooms.

A ministry of the NazFamily Church is the Nazarene Christian Academy for K-6 grades at 118 Cedar Road. The Academy is fully accredited. Contact Alyssa Clark by calling the main church number.

You can also listen each Sunday to KBST 95.7 at 10 a.m. for a live broadcast of the service.

Contact the church office at 432-267-7015. The church is located at 1400 Lancaster.

First Christian Church

First Christian Church is located at 911 Goliad St. Big Springw. Fellowship begins every Sunday at 9:15 a.m., Sunday School is at 9:45 a.m.



You may also see what’s happening at the church by visiting our website www.fpcbs.org.

On our website, you can find a link that will enable you to listen to several recent sermons by Rev. Craig Holstedt. We would be pleased for you to Like us on Facebook.

The trash builds up

Over the last several weeks, I've had the opportunity to volunteer with the group "Keep Big Spring Beautiful."

As their name suggests, this group is made up of people who are concerned with the physical appearance of our city. At one meeting I attended the comment was made that instead of "Keep Big Spring Beautiful" it should be "Make Big Spring Beautiful," because through negligence and apathy our city is no longer very beautiful.

This past Tuesday evening, as I was picking up trash with nine other volunteers around I-20 and Lamesa Hwy, I was thinking how does it get this bad (the amount of trash). Surely the majority of our residents don't litter. I know someone might leave the cover open on a dumpster and a good wind



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storm can send trash 10 blocks away in a hurry. The thing that bugged me the most, though, was all of the cigarette butts. Try spending a little over an hour picking up cigarette butts with a grabber pole (no really, try it – every Tuesday evening! Contact "Keep Big Spring Beautiful" and ask them about the Tuesday Twilight Trash-off) and it will open your eyes to the condition of our city.

So what does this have to do with God or the church? Well, I was thinking about how easy it is to neglect certain things in our lives. Did your mom or dad ever say something like, "If you would get your room clean and then spend just a few minutes a day, it would be much easier to keep it clean?"

This principle is true when it comes to our spirituality and our faithfulness to God. The devil knows that all he has to do is distract for a little while and the trash and dirt and grime of the world will begin to pile up in our lives.

At first we know we should not be involved

in those things. We know we shouldn't watch those types of shows on television; we know we shouldn't look at that stuff on the internet; we know we shouldn't listen to music with that type of language.

But after a while, we start to get used to the trash. A little dirt becomes normal. Then a little trash becomes a whole lot of trash. The same can happen spiritually to us as well.

Maybe it's time for a major cleaning in your life. I would encourage each one of us to really look at what we are letting into our lives, especially those of us with kids. What are we consuming on a daily basis in the things that we see, hear, and do? Put forth the effort to get your life cleaned up.

Then with a little daily effort spent reading God's word and praying to him it will become easier to keep your life the way God wants it.

Greg Surles is the pastor of Birdwell Lane Church of Christ.



CHURCH

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Worship then begins at 10:50 a.m. To contact someone if you have any questions regarding their services or any goings on call 432-517-4821 Monday through Friday between the hours of 9 a.m. and 3 p.m.

This Sunday's guest minister, Mr. Dan Miracle will be preaching a sermon based on Luke 12:49-56, Jesus the cause of division. Liturgist will be Mary Beth Johnson. Serving at the Lord's Table will be Shirley Lee and Joyce Davis.

Choir practice has resumed after a brief break for the summer and Tara Trowbridge, Choir Director and Lawrence Thibeault, Music Director are hard at work preparing some beautiful pieces to enhance worship. A couple of hymns you will be able to enjoy this Sunday are, "God of Grace and God of Glory" and "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus."

First Christian Church is actively searching for a part-time minister. If you are interested or know someone who is, please call the church office for more information. 432-517-4821.

First Baptist Church

You're invited to rejoice in the LORD with the congregation of FBC Sunday at 10:50 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Pastor Mark Lindsey continues the sermon series "Summer in the Psalms" in which a different Psalm is explored each week, looking at its unique themes and finding meaningful ways to connect it to each listener's life.

Music Minister Alan Schantz will lead the people in songs of praise and worship which feature a blend of contemporary Christian music and foundational hymns of the faith. The worship choir will honor God with the special music "This is My Father's World".

Assistance is available for those with mobility issues; use the west circle drive, and someone will be happy to assist you inside and park your vehicle. If unable to attend, you may join the service through the live stream on the website at: fbcbigspring.org.

At 9:30 a.m., Sunday School groups meet throughout the building with children gathering in the Good News Garage, and youth, college students,

and adults meeting in second floor classrooms. These classes are a great way to build friendships and study the Bible; come early for a time of fellowship. Greeters are happy to help you find your class.

At 5:30 p.m., you're invited to the Family Life Center for a time of worship, followed by a meal, and then break into small groups for discussion of Thom Ranier's book "I Will".

The groups change weekly, and are inter-generational. The study focuses on what it means to be a part of the body of Christ, and you can join the study at any time.

Children will meet separately for activities directed by Children's

Minister Justin Green.

All area families are invited to a fun-filled evening at the Rockhounds game Aug. 20. The cost is \$15 per person which includes a pre-game all you can eat meal, a ticket to the ballgame, and a spectacular post game fireworks show. Call 267-8223 to reserve your tickets.

Ladies, save the date of September 10 for a special "Time Out" event for all area women. The day will feature a tasty lunch, door prizes, and feature guest speaker 'Greater Than Rubies' blogger Caitlin Skidmore. Tickets are \$15 and are available in the church office.

Wednesday evening begins with a meal served in the Family Life Center from 5-6, followed by activities for all ages. Go to fbcbigspring.org for details. On the menu Aug. 17 is spaghetti.

First Baptist Church is located at 705 W FM 700. There is always a place for you at FBC.

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Pastor Jim Walterhouse, wife Debbie, and the people of Blessed Hands Deaf Church ask you to join them in praising our Risen Savior Jesus Christ, Sunday at 10:50 a.m. or 2 p.m.

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The Big Spring Steers practice during Thursday's two-a-days. Big Spring will play Pecos tonight in a scrimmage at Memorial Stadium, weather permitting. JV and freshmen start at 4:30 p.m., varsity starts at 6 p.m.

Oklahoma going for 10th title in Big 12 still with 10 teams

DALLAS (AP) — Oklahoma already has a record nine Big 12 championships, and last season took the league into the College Football Playoff for the first time.

While the smallest Power Five conference could soon be expanding, the Sooners and Bob Stoops — now the longest-tenured FBS coach — seem to have everything in place to push for another playoff run out of the 10-team league.

Since their last national title in 2000, the Sooners made another BCS Championship Game in 2008 and last season played in the Orange Bowl, losing the CFP semifinal to Clemson after the Big 12 was snubbed for the first four-team playoff in 2014.

"I don't reflect back much on it," Stoop said of the national title in his second season at Oklahoma. "I look forward and try and continue to

improve, and be a more powerful team is what I'm constantly preaching."

Big 12 leaders have to decide whether to add two, four or no teams. Even without expansion, the league is restoring its championship game in 2017, with a likely split into divisions again. For now, the Big 12 remains the only Power Five conference with a round-robin league schedule.

"We've been in five different conferences, and we've done it about every way that you can," said TCU coach Gary Patterson, whose Horned Frogs go into their fifth Big 12 season. "I don't think there's any tougher way of playing it as when you have to play everybody."

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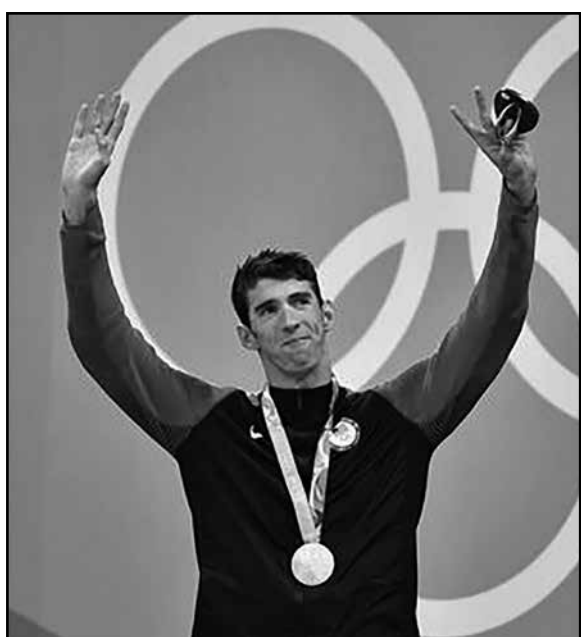
Baker Mayfield is back for his second season as Oklahoma's quarterback, with the

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Youth soccer signups start August 13

The Big Spring Youth Soccer Association will hold signups for the 2016 season on Saturdays, August 13, August 20, and August 27 from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. They will also sign up August 22-26 from 5:30-7 p.m.

There will be no signups on Thursday, August 25 due to the Howard County Bowl. Signups will be held at the Spring Town Plaza. Cost is \$60 a child, ages 3-15.



AP Photo/Martin Meissner

Phelps after winning gold for the men's 200-meter individual medley.

Phelps leaves Lochte in his wake one last time at Olympics

RIO DE JANEIRO (AP) — Michael Phelps wagged four fingers, recognizing another historic achievement.

Now, he's the first swimmer ever to win the same event at four straight Olympics.

Ryan Lochte was left in his wake every time.

In what was billed as the final showdown between two of America's greatest swimmers, Phelps blew away Lochte — and everyone else — to win his fourth gold medal of the

Rio Olympics and 22nd overall with a victory in the 200-meter individual medley Thursday night.

Phelps finished a full body-length ahead of the field after dominating the breaststroke and freestyle legs, finishing in 1 minute, 54.66 seconds.

He's got 13 individual golds and 26 medals overall.

"I don't know how to wrap my head around that," Phelps said. "It's been a hell of a career."

That's an understatement.

ment.

A 12-time Olympic medalist, Lochte had settled for two silvers and a bronze behind Phelps at the last three Olympics in this event.

This time, he didn't even make the podium.

Leading at the midway point, Lochte faded to fifth — nearly 3 seconds behind the winner.

"We bring out the best in each other," he said. "I was a little bummed

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Unlike Jeter, A-Rod leaves Yankees without fans' love

NEW YORK (AP) — Alex Rodriguez's time with the New York Yankees will be remembered for one World Series title, two MVP awards and countless controversies.

And for him not being Derek Jeter. "When I'm amongst Yankee fans and the conversation turns to him, he's not held with great fondness," said Marty Appel, author of "Pinstripe Empire: The New York Yankees from Before the Babe to After the Boss."

"There was just something about the way he related to people over the years that fell short of a warm embrace, whether it was body language or dating celebrities," said Appel, a former Yankee media relations director and television producer. "The rank-and-file lunch-box-carrying people just never really took to him."

Perhaps the most talented and notorious player of his era, Rodriguez is set to play his final game for the Yankees on Friday night at home against Tampa Bay. New York plans to release A-Rod after the game, even though the team must pay him about \$7 million for the rest of this season and \$20 million more next year.

"I think it's going to be a crazy, electric stadium. I think there will be plenty of applause and there will be plenty of boos because people love



AP Photo/Michael Dwyer

New York Yankees' Alex Rodriguez warms up before a baseball game against the Boston Red Sox in Boston, Thursday, Aug. 11, 2016. Rodriguez will play his last game Friday.

to hate him," said "Bald" Vinny Milano of the Yankee Stadium Bleacher Creatures, who became an A-Rod fan after meeting him at a charity event. "There are always going to be Yankees fans who hate the guy, no matter what his on-field accomplishments were, no matter how great of a player he was on the field. Outside influences affect their opinion of the guy

— whether they're right, wrong or indifferent. They attack his personality or his attitude. But if you look at baseball only, there's no way you can't say he's one of the best who ever played the game."

Mariano Rivera got a sendoff tour, leaving the Yankee Stadium mound for the final time in tears when Jeter and Andy Pettitte removed him three

years ago, setting off a thunderous 4-minute ovation.

Jeter, like Rivera a five-time World Series champion, got another round-the-league farewell and hit a game-winning single versus Baltimore on his final swing at Yankee Stadium in September 2014, raising both arms in triumph.

Mark Teixeira is still starting and will remain with the team until the end of the season after announcing this will be the final season.

Rodriguez, usually Yin to Jeter's Yang, has been told pretty much to hit the road quickly with his .199 average as the Yankees turn to youth. He is being given a prospect as an adviser to mentor prospects next year, and his goodbye takes place with an undertone of good riddance.

"My job description does not entail a farewell tour," manager Joe Girardi said Wednesday, explaining Rodriguez's disappearance from the lineup.

A-Rod, who turned 41 last month, has hit .283 with 351 homers and 1,095 RBIs for the Yankees, helping lead them win their 27th Series title in 2009 but often failing in other postseasons.

But for some fans, he will never be in the same category as Babe Ruth,

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Rangers rally again, but CarGo and Rockies do as well to win 12-9

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — The Texas Rangers rallied together to go ahead against Colorado. This time, the Rockies had a late comeback of their own.

Carlos Gonzalez delivered a pinch-hit, bases-clearing double to cap a five-run rally in the eighth inning Thursday, and the Rockies held to win 12-9 on a steamy day in North Texas.

"These games have been back-and-forth the whole series. We've done it to them three times, they did it to us today," Rangers first baseman Mitch Moreland said.

"They were up and we came back late on them, and they flipped the script on us."

Texas had won five straight, including three against Colorado with the Rockies scoring the deciding runs in the eighth inning or later each game. After trailing 4-0 early Thursday, the Rangers had just taken the lead with a four-run seventh before Colorado had its big rally.

Lefty reliever Jake Diekmann (3-2) walked Colorado's No. 8 hitter with one out in the eighth, and then allowed consecutive singles to left-handed hitters before

hard-throwing Matt Bush took over about 18 hours after recording his first major league save with a dominating ninth.

"Diek just lost a little feel for the strike zone. ... A little bit erratic, little uncommon for me," manager Jeff Banister said. "As far as Bush, looked like he was trying to nip the edges."

After getting the second out of the inning on a sacrifice bunt, Bush's consecutive walks included David Dahl with the bases loaded. Gonzalez, who hadn't played since coming out early Monday

with a nagging sprained left ankle, then lined a double to the wall in left-center.

"It was the perfect scenario for me. That's what I work for, for moments like that," said Gonzalez, a two-time All-Star. "I'm glad I got the job done, especially with all the tough losses against the Rangers."

On a day when the temperature listed on the scoreboard reached 105 degrees, the game took 4 hours, 3 minutes to play. There were 402 combined pitches thrown by 10 pitchers, five for each team.

The Rangers had tied the

game at 7 on back-to-back homers by Adrian Beltre and Moreland to start the seventh. Elvis Andrus had a tiebreaking RBI double after twice failing to get a bunt down before Ian Desmond's grounder got another run in for a 9-7 lead.

"It was a gritty game by us, them, too," Desmond said.

Rougned Odor had an RBI triple and a two-run homer for the Rangers. His 22nd homer in the fourth got Texas within 6-5.

Scott Oberg (1-1), the third of five Rockies pitcher, got the win.

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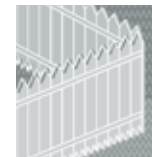
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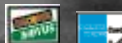
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ARIES (March 21-April 19). You find some small reason to celebrate, and suddenly you've this irresistible party energy around you. Happy people will be attracted to your high vibration.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Your great work will not be the result of a flash of inspiration. It will be the culmination of dozens of experiments then

hundreds of exercises to hone and tweak them. Try to be patient as you follow your curiosity.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Upon entering a room, it's natural to assume that everyone inside already knows one another, but of course this isn't usually the case. A small amount of boldness is all it will take to make new friends.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). There was a time you needed someone more than you do now. It doesn't mean that you were using this person before (maybe a little). Anyway, your efforts in the relationship will mean more now because they are selfless.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Feelings are not facts. Feelings grab your attention and your mind immediately takes on the work of making sense of it -- filling in a story to explain why, a theory, any theory, valid or not. Don't overreact!

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Interests are, of course, a natural basis for friendship, but how are you to meet these new friends who share your interests

Tomorrow's Horoscope

unless you take some initiative and go to the meetup where they are hanging out?

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You like people who are curious like you. This always leads to riveting conversation. You also like resolved people who don't have to ask so many questions. Today brings a good balance between the two types.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Do not mistakenly think that if you get this or that out of the way, you'll finally have peace. Your peace is not being impeded by "this or that," so much as the machinations of your mind, which can also be trained toward tranquility.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Questions of authority arise. Who is to say? Who calls the shots? Whose opinion matters? Who gets the final word? The obvious answers are wrong. Look deeper. Power can be tricky and secretive.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). The very ambition that causes you to want to be at a higher peak might be preventing you from

seeing your situation from the better vantage point. The only way is to shake off your desire, fear and ego. Be the moment.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). When you think of the other person as an adversary, the gap between your positions seems ever so wide. But is this person really the enemy? With all you have in common, you could be fighting for a shared goal.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Travels and adventures are on your mind, though you wonder if all the fun is in the fantasy of this. There are pains and inconveniences involved in making this real. Is it worth it? Only you can answer that.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Aug. 12). Life is cumulative. What you now consider to be some of your most valuable experiences were at one time stories you didn't want to tell. Because of your open mind and embracing heart, many resplendent happenings unfold before the year is over. Take your impressive earnings and invest them in the February project. Pisces and Libra adore

you. Your lucky numbers are: 6, 2, 1, 14 and 9. **WEEKEND LOVE FORECAST:** **ARIES:** The nervous energy of getting to know someone could also be interpreted as tremendous excitement. **TAURUS:** The one who doesn't treat your love as a precious commodity doesn't deserve so much of it. **GEMINI:** They will if they want to. You can't make them want to -- or (SET ITAL) can (END ITAL) you? **CANCER:** You most cherish the affection you feel you've earned. **LEO:** Create a stunning appearance; increase your influence. **VIRGO:** Intellectual tango is just as scintillating as the actual dancing kind. **LIBRA:** It's weird when you can't tell when a get-together is a date or not, but it happens. **SCORPIO:** You have to feel like you're driving the relationship at least some of the time. **SAGITTARIUS:** Total freedom is overrated. Establish those boundaries; you both crave them. **CAPRICORN:** Make the "crush" stage last as long as possible, because you'll miss it later. **AQUARIUS:** Even the busiest person will find time for their pedestal-perched love. So how are you

going to get up on the pedestal? **PISCES:** If you say you're busy because you want to seem less attainable, you're playing a game. Really too busy? You (SET ITAL) are (END ITAL) the game.

COUPLE OF THE WEEKEND: Sagittarius and Leo make a white-hot, supernatural match -- fire signs with the potential to consume one another with passion. This is the stuff of epic, legendary love, and anything less will seem to these two to be a failed effort. Because they are either all in or all out, self-preservation sometimes demands they bail early on, before their lives and hearts are irreversibly changed by this love.

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Friend Hazard

Dear Annie: I need advice on how to sever a guy friendship that has become increasingly difficult. We first met on the golf course and played several rounds together. Both of us enjoyed playing and talking about the game of golf. But it soon became apparent that he has very few friends because of his attention-seeking, self-absorbed personality. He calls me on a regular basis, sometimes to discuss golf on TV and sometimes to talk about his various health issues, real and imagined. Now that he's given up playing golf, we have very little in common. He spouts outrageous opinions on health topics, women, racial issues and politics. He is an unabashed bigot. He obviously needs mental health counseling for

low self-esteem issues. But that would be an impossibly hard sell. Is there any way that I could gently ease myself away from this well-intended but failed friendship? -- Teed Off
Dear Teed: Your empathy is commendable, but you can't save this man from himself. The next time he asks you to do something together, simply say, "No, thanks." It may feel strange at first, but you don't owe him any more explanation than that. You are not responsible for his emotions.
Dear Annie: My husband and I have a delightful 9-year-old grandson. He is a kind, caring, intelligent child. His parents and elders have taught him to respect everyone and to stand up for himself and others when the occasion occurs. I love him beyond words. My husband had always had a good relationship

with him until recently. A few years ago, my grandson made the decision to stop cutting his hair. His hair now reaches halfway down his back. My husband hates it. He continually tries to convince both my grandson and his father (our son) that the hair should be cut and he should get a "boy" haircut. Because he hasn't been able to make this happen, he has started to insult and bully both my son and my grandson. This baffles me because as a teenager, my husband had long hair. I've tried discussing it with my husband, but he can't seem to see our grandson as anything but a walking, talking head of hair. It has gotten so bad that my son has suggested that we limit our time with them. Could you suggest an approach that will help my husband see his grandchild for what he is instead of focus-

ing on his looks? -- Sad Grandma
Dear Grandma: Your husband needs to cut it out. Whether it's coming from a kid at school or a grandparent, bullying is never OK. Press the question of why it bothers him so much that your grandson has long hair. Ask him whether he can remember when he grew his hair out as a younger person, and then ask why he did it and how it made him feel if adults ever gave him a hard time about it. What matters most is that your grandson is healthy and that you have a relationship with him -- something that won't exist if he keeps this up.
Dear Annie: I'm a maternity nurse and university professor. My area of expertise is perinatal loss. I read the column regarding a friend's response to a miscarriage. This is what I'd like to say to

"Friend in Need": I'm so sorry to hear about your loss. Your friend's response was most likely accentuated because she was pregnant and hearing of your experience made her feel vulnerable. People often don't know what to say, so they avoid the bereaved, which is painful. I'm not making excuses for her. Death happens, and we need to learn to say "I'm sorry" and not feel we need to fix it. Nothing but time will ease your pain. Loss of a friend

added to your losses. I hope that you find a new friend who is empathetic to you. Unfortunately, there are many of us women who are in this unwanted "club." -- A Nurse in the Know
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By Steve Becker

Bidding quiz

You are South, both sides vulnerable. The bidding has been:

South	West	North	East
1 ♠	Pass	1 ♠	Pass
2 ♣	Pass	2 ♦	Pass
?			

What would you now bid with each of the following four hands?

- ♠ 84 ♥ J7 ♦ A52 ♣ AQJ943
- ♠ Q10 ♥ AQ10 ♦ K7 ♣ KJ9652
- ♠ 106 ♥ KJ5 ♦ 94 ♣ AKJ763
- ♠ Q102 ♥ 84 ♦ AK ♣ KQ8654

1. **Three clubs.** Each new suit bid by the responder is forcing for one round. Since you are therefore obligated to bid over two diamonds, the only question is what to bid.

Three clubs is the most descriptive rebid. By bidding one, two and three clubs, you make it clear that your opening bid is in the minimum range, that you are unenthusiastic about either of partner's suits, and that you cannot bid notrump. If partner chooses to go on in the face of your signoff bids, he does so on his own responsibility.

2. **Three notrump.** An important principle of bidding is that if you have underbid at one point, you should try to correct it later by making a strength-showing bid. In the same way, if you make an early overbid, you should bid weakly from then on to try to correct the previous impression.

3. **Two notrump.** Partner may be angling for game in notrump, and the reason for his failure to bid it himself might be that he lacks a heart stopper. In any case, regardless of what partner's purpose is in forcing you to bid again, there is no real choice but to say two notrump.

As indicated previously, this is not a strong bid. It merely shows that you can't support partner's suits and that you have a heart holding that makes a notrump contract feasible.

4. **Three spades.** Having bid only two clubs on the preceding round, you are obligated to show that your hand is a maximum for your two previous bids. If you were simply to bid two spades, it would sound as though you had started with a minimum opening that included marginal spade support, such as three small spades instead of the Q-10-2. These extra values can be shown by making a jump-preference to three spades.

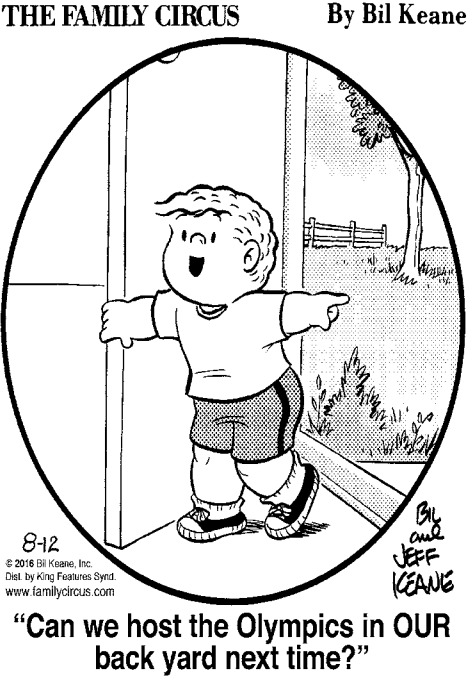
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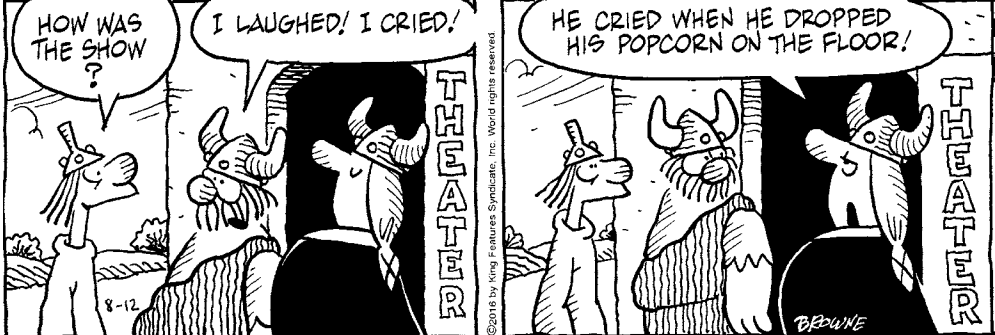
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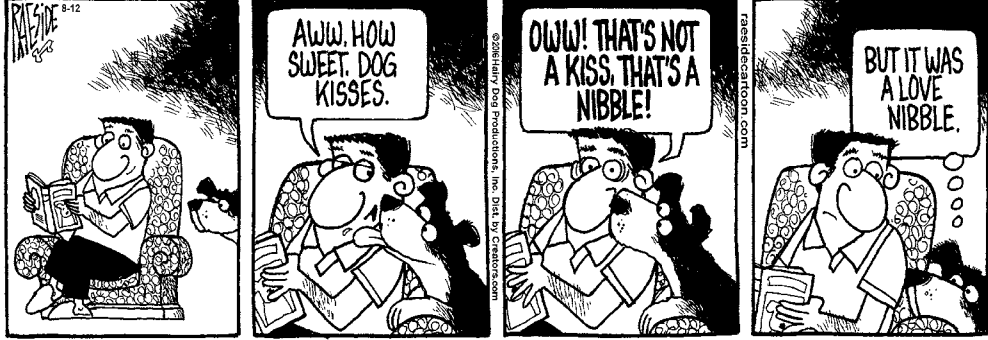
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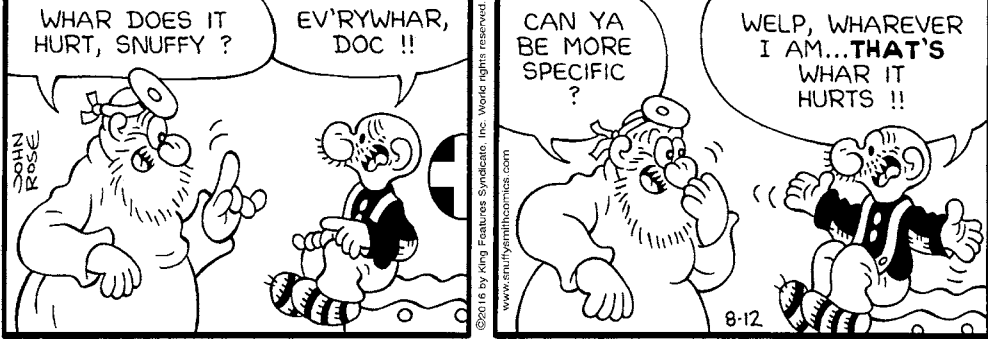
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On this date:

In 1867, President Andrew Johnson sparked a move to impeach him as he defied Congress by suspending Secretary of War Edwin M. Stanton.

In 1898, fighting in the Spanish-American War came to an end.

In 1915, the novel "Of Human Bondage," by William Somerset Maugham, was first published in the United States, a day before it was released in England.

In 1941, Marshal Henri Philippe Petain (ahn-REE' fee-LEEP' pay-TAN'), head of the government of Vichy France, called on his countrymen to give full support to Nazi Germany.

In 1944, during World War II,

Joseph P. Kennedy Jr., eldest son of Joseph and Rose Fitzgerald Kennedy, was killed with his co-pilot when their explosives-laden Navy plane blew up over England.

In 1953, the Soviet Union conducted a secret test of its first hydrogen bomb.

In 1960, the first balloon communications satellite, the Echo 1, was launched by the United States from Cape Canaveral.

In 1962, one day after launching Andrian Nikolayev into orbit, the Soviet Union also sent up cosmonaut Pavel Popovich; both men landed safely Aug. 15.

In 1978, Pope Paul VI, who had died Aug. 6 at age 80, was buried in St. Peter's Basilica.

In 1981, IBM introduced its first personal computer, the model 5150, at a press conference in New York.

In 1985, the world's worst single-aircraft disaster occurred as a crippled Japan Airlines Boeing 747 on a domestic flight crashed into a mountain, killing 520 people. (Four people survived.)

In 1994, Woodstock '94 opened in Saugerties, New York.

Ten years ago: Thousands of people gathered across from the White House, even though President George W. Bush was out of town, to condemn U.S. and Israeli policies in the Middle East.

Five years ago: A divided three-judge panel of the 11th Circuit Court of Appeals in Atlanta struck down the centerpiece of President Barack Obama's sweeping health care overhaul, the so-called individual mandate. (The mandate was upheld by the U.S. Supreme Court in June 2012.) Tiger Woods missed the cut at the PGA Championship at Atlanta Athletic Club with a 3-over 73, finishing out of the top 100 for the first time ever in a major.

One year ago: Islamic State sympathizers circulated an image that appeared to show the body of a Croatian hostage abducted in Egypt, the first such killing of a foreign captive since the extremist group established a branch in the Arab country. Deadly warehouse blasts in the Chinese port city of Tianjin claimed 165 lives.

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Answer to previous puzzle

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Newsday Crossword

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- ACROSS**
- 1 Group engaging in idol chatter
 - 8 Loathsome ones
 - 15 Promoting harmony
 - 16 Share socially, in a way
 - 17 Gibraltar monkey
 - 18 Form of banking centre payment
 - 19 "From __ zinc" (vitamin slogan)
 - 20 Sound prefix
 - 22 Alphabetical trio
 - 23 Aquatic rodent
 - 25 Nationality suffix
 - 27 Only DC-born VP
 - 28 Gave a holler
 - 29 Lacking limits
 - 31 Bit of help
 - 32 Rearward
 - 33 Spike Lee alma mater
 - 34 Kin of -kin
 - 35 Bygone
 - 37 Preserver of a sort
 - 40 Ocean State sch.
 - 41 2022 Super Bowl designation
 - 42 Seething
 - 43 Composed of simple elements
 - 47 Buck Rogers' girlfriend
 - 48 Disparage, with "on"
 - 49 Astronaut excursion
 - 50 Last-place metaphor
 - 51 Fútbol cheer
 - 52 Elitist, informally
 - 54 Tout hangout, for short
 - 55 Descriptor for Bach's works
- DOWN**
- 1 Mustache style named for a villain
 - 2 Talent scout's rave
 - 3 Niacin source
 - 4 Org. serving O'Hare
 - 5 Readily redeemable
 - 6 Tonsils neighbor
 - 7 Chard cousin
 - 8 Photo flaw
 - 9 DVR button
 - 10 Numerical ending
 - 11 Roquefort source
 - 12 Melville vessel
 - 13 Body of work
 - 14 Simmered slowly
 - 21 Despicable
 - 24 Word before tag or tape
 - 26 Weary state
 - 27 Lion prey
 - 29 Consistently, in verse
 - 30 Attentive look
 - 32 Cordial flavoring
 - 35 NL West team
 - 36 Today's Special Value offerer
 - 37 Dialogue
 - 38 Dynamo's moving part
 - 39 Prohibition-era refreshment
 - 40 Sport authority
 - 42 What an engraved "S" might mean
 - 43 Mesa Verde materials
 - 44 Pelican State med school
 - 45 End of a Puzo trilogy
 - 46 What taverns were among the first to buy
 - 47 Man-cave amenity
 - 50 Tribunal
 - 53 Confucius compilation
 - 56 Round figure
 - 57 Hernando's "Huh?"
 - 58 Application
 - 60 TS Eliot's birthplace

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BIG 12

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option for another year after this in Norman for the former Texas Tech walk-on freshman starter thanks to a Big 12 rule change about in-league transfers. The Sooners also have the running duo of bruising Samaje Perine and explosive Joe Mixon.

Oklahoma State, TCU and Baylor all also won at least 10 games last season.

Healthy quarterback Mason Rudolph is among a wealth of returners for the Cowboys. Dual-threat quarterback Trevone Boykin is gone, but TCU has 13 starters back from last season, plus six other starters who had season-ending injuries a year ago.

Baylor, the nation's best offense the last three seasons, still has plenty of talent. But the Bears lack depth in transition after the offseason dismissal of coach Art Briles following allegations that the program didn't properly handle sexual assault allegations against some players.

TOP PLAYERS

Baker Mayfield, QB, Oklahoma. A legitimate Heisman Trophy

candidate who threw for 3,700 yards and accounted for 43 touchdowns (36 passing, seven rushing) with only seven interceptions.

Malik Jefferson, LB, Texas. While starting every game as a true freshman and recording 61 tackles, Jefferson also became a key leader.

Patrick Mahomes, QB, Texas Tech. The dual-threat quarterback, the national leader with 393 total yards per game, is now a one-sport athlete. He got his first full offseason focusing solely on football after giving up baseball.

Samaje Perine, RB, Oklahoma. Quiet off the field, the junior already has 3,062 yards and 37 TDs in two seasons, just 1,056 yards shy of Billy Sims' school record.

Seth Russell, QB, Baylor. The top-rated FBS passer when he suffered a season-ending neck injury seven games into last season, Russell is healthy but has no proven backup.

Josh Carraway, DE, TCU. Already one of the league's top pass-rushers (nine sacks), and with help with the return of fellow end James McFarland from injury.

James Washington, WR, Oklahoma State. A deep-ball threat who can outleap defenders, his 10 TD catches averaged 49 yards.

AROD

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Lou Gehrig, Joe DiMaggio, Yogi Berra and Jeter.

A-Rod's career was tainted by his 2009 admission that he used performance-enhancing drugs while with Texas from 2001-03 and his season-long suspension in 2014 for violations of baseball's drug agreement and labor contract. Fans at ballparks on the road held up signs deriding him as "A-Roid" and "Cheater."

Before the World Series title, he was considered an automatic October out, his stature diminished by an 8-for-59 (.136) postseason funk from 2004-07 that included 18 consecutive hitless at-bats with runners in scoring position. And he leaves with just six postseason RBIs in his last 79 at-bats.

Still, he did hit .365 with six homers and 18 RBIs in the 2009 postseason. He did have 13 consecutive seasons with at least 30 homers and 100 RBIs, seven of those years with the Yankees. And 1,578 of his 3,114 hits and a majority of his 696 home runs have been for New York.

He was on the field for spring training workouts at sunrise, perhaps the hardest worker on a team of proven professionals. He became a 14-time All-Star, two-time Gold Glove shortstop and the 1996 AL batting

champion. He trails only Barry Bonds (762), Hank Aaron (755) and Babe Ruth (714) in home runs, and his 2,085 RBIs are second to Aaron's 2,297 since RBIs became an official statistic.

But Rodriguez was never just about baseball.

He made tabloid headlines for his divorce; dating Madonna, Kate Hudson, Cameron Diaz and Torrie Wilson; for sunbathing shirtless in Central Park; walking through a Toronto hotel lobby with a blond stripper; participating in high-stakes celebrity poker games; selling his Miami house for \$30 million; and living in a Manhattan condominium with tax abatement.

There were the lawsuits, later dropped, against Major League Baseball; the Major League Baseball Players Association, Yankees head team physician Dr. Christopher Ahmad and New York-Presbyterian Hospital.

"Who brought more shame to the franchise? How many Yankee immortals sued the team doctor? The players association? Baseball

itself?" said broadcaster and baseball historian Keith Olbermann, whose family had Yankees season tickets from 1972-2012. "Reggie (Jackson) got to three World Series in five seasons. Billy Martin? Seven in 15, right? Alex's era with the Yankees is one of the most barren in franchise history. There will be no reason for the fans to recall him fondly or even positively."

Even before Rodriguez was dealt to the Yankees by Texas in February 2004, he often was in the center of a storm. His record \$252 million, 10-year contract with the Rangers in December 2000 put A-Rod in a permanent spotlight. In the April 2001 issue of Esquire, he transformed from Jeter's friend to frenemy.

"Jeter's been blessed with great talent around him. He's never had to lead," Rodriguez was quoted as saying. "You go into New York, you wanna stop Bernie (Williams) and (Paul) O'Neill. You never say, 'Don't let Derek beat you. He's never your concern.'"

PHELPS

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about my performance, but I was happy for him to get a gold and get one for Team USA."

Japan's Kosuke Hagino took the silver, while China's Wang Shun claimed the bronze.

But Phelps was in a league of his own.

As usual.

He's got one more individual event at what he insists will really be his final Olympics — remember, he already retired once — and will be looking to add a fourth straight gold in the 100 butterfly to his staggering resume.

Then, he'll close out these Olympics in the 4x100 medley relay.

There seems little doubt he'll go six-for-six.

"I've been able to kind of finish how I wanted to," Phelps said.

It was quite a night for the powerful American team, which picked up two more golds. Ryan Murphy

completed a sweep of the men's backstroke events in the 200, but the most socially significant triumph was Simone Manuel tying 16-year-old Canadian Penny Oleksiak for the top spot in the 100 freestyle.

With the shared win, Manuel became the first African-American woman to capture gold in swimming.

Her fingernails painted red, white and blue, Manuel broke down in tears after her landmark victory in a sport that still struggles to attract people of color.

"I think that this win helps bring hope and change to some of the issues that are going on in the world," Manuel said. "But, I mean, I went out there and swam as fast as I could and my color just comes with the territory."

Manuel and Oleksiak — the first athlete born in this century to win a gold medal in any Olympic sport — stunned world-record holder Cate Campbell.

Campbell and her younger sister, Bronte, were hop-

ing to battle for gold after teaming up to lead Australia to a victory in the 4x100 free relay.

Neither one made the podium by themselves. Cate was under her own world-record pace at the turn, but had nothing coming back and fell all the way to sixth. Bronte was second at the flip and slid to fourth at the finish.

"When you're in form coming into an event, it's hard not to think about outcomes," Cate Campbell said. "I just let my imagination run away with me a little bit."

Murphy extended American dominance of the backstroke events, which goes back to 1992.

Three days after winning the 100 back, Murphy touched first again in 1:53.62.

Murphy became the third American man in the last five Olympics to take both races. Aaron Peirsol pulled off the sweep at Athens in 2004, while Lenny Krayzelburg claimed both golds at the 2000 Sydney Games.

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A pilot participating in the 2016 Big Spring Hang Gliding Nationals competition checks his glider pre-flight Monday.



HERALD photo/Roger Cline
A hang glider pilot takes to the air, towed behind a “trike” style tow plane Monday.



HERALD photo/Roger Cline
A volunteer performs last-minute checks on a hang glider about to launch Monday.



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A pilot prepares to launch from a tow dolly. Gliders are towed behind an ultralight tow plane to a height of about 2,000 feet.

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