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HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody
Coahoma High School senior Garrett Parrish is all smiles at the start of CHS commencement ceremonies Thursday evening.

Rain doesn't dampen joy for accident victim, fellow Coahoma HS graduates

BY LYNDEL MOODY
Staff Writer

After months of recuperating from a broken neck caused by a sledding accident in February, a power outage at the Coahoma High School commencement was not much of an obstacle to overcome for graduating senior Garrett Parrish.

Parrish was all smiles as he was pushed across stage to receive his high school diploma Thursday night at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. A power outage several minutes earlier cut off the lights briefly and shut down the sound system for about five minutes before ceremonies continued.

The outage was most likely caused by a storm system that

rolled in early that night dumping rain and causing flooding around areas of the city. According to On-cor's on-line storm system map about 125 residents were out of power along the Birdwell Lane area with more than 150 left in the dark throughout Howard County.

After dumping rain along the

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Murder arrest

Gutierrez charged in shooting death of Freddie Ramos

BY LYNDEL MOODY
Staff Writer

Big Spring Police have made an arrest in the shooting death of Freddie Ramos.

Joe Cruz Gutierrez, 28, of 1010 NW 2nd St., was arrested by Big Spring Police criminal investigators at 9:36 p.m. Thursday on a charge of murder for the death of Freddie Ramos.

According to a news release from the Big Spring Police Department, "Gutierrez has confessed to the murder and is currently being held at the Howard County Detention Center awaiting arraignment. The Big Spring Police Department wants to thank the citizens of Big Spring for the information and cooperation received regarding this investigation. This investigation is ongoing and we have no further information at this time."

On Wednesday night, Big Spring police responded to several calls of shots fired outside the Spanish Inn restaurant located in the 300 block of N. Scurry St. When they arrived, police officers found Ramos dead.

As of this morning, Gutierrez had not be arraigned, according to police officials.

Contact Staff Writer Lyndel Moody at 432-263-7331, ext. 234.



Gutierrez

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Everybody, into the pool! City of Big Spring/KBST Splash-In Saturday

What: City of Big Spring/KBST Splash-In

Where: McEwen Family Aquatic Center, Comanche Trail Park.

When: 1 p.m. Saturday

BY LYNDEL MOODY
Staff Writer

Summer is about to be herald in Saturday with a big splash.

The annual city of Big Spring Splash In is expected to draw thousands to the official opening of the Russ McEwen Family Aquatic Center Saturday taking advantage of

a free dip in the pool.

According to Hayley Lewis, tourism coordinator, the first 600 people will be admitted at 1 p.m. and have until 3 p.m. to enjoy the water park before exiting for the next group of 600. That group will be allowed into the park at 3:30 p.m. and will have two hours for swimming before the pool

closes at 5:30 p.m.

Admission for the day is free. No outside food will be allowed at the center, Lewis added.

The aquatic center summer season which runs through August and daily operating hours are Tuesday through

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Long, Thompson top graduates at Forsan HS

BY LYNDEL MOODY
Staff Writer

Forsan High School has announced its top students for the 2015 graduating class. Zachary Long has been named valedictorian while Hannah Thompson is the salutatorian.

Long is the son of Kelly and Angie Long. During his time in high school, he has been an active member of the Forsan



Long

as treasurer, tennis team and UIL academics.

This year, Long advanced to state UIL academics in

High School band and is the band president and trumpet section leader. His other extra curricular activities include One Act Play, Student Council where he serves

spelling and vocabulary where he placed fifth. He also is the yearbook editor and is a member of the National Honor Society. His after school activities include participation in the youth group at 14th and Main Church of Christ.

Long will attend Lubbock Christian University in the



Thompson

fall, where he has been awarded the F.W. Mattox full paid scholarship, and will major in communication design.

Thompson is the daughter of Tommy and Lisa Thompson. She is a member of the Forsan High School band color guard serving as captain her senior year. She also participated in One Act Play, Student Council where

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Obituaries

Robert 'Bob' Myers



Robert Wayne "Bob" Myers, 78, of Big Spring, died Wednesday, May 27, 2015, at Midland Memorial Hospital. The family will receive friends from 7 p.m. until 8 p.m. Friday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Graveside service with Air Force Honors from Goodfellow Air Force Base will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday at Trinity Memorial Park Peace Chapel with the Rev. Ken McIntosh, officiating.

He was born Dec. 23, 1936, in Miamitown, Ohio to Dolores (Noes) and Albert Wayne Myers. He entered the U.S. Air Force at Fort Thomas, Ky. Oct. 28, 1954 and was discharged from Webb Air Force Base Aug. 27, 1958. He has been a resident of Big Spring since 1954. He married Maxine Rosson Feb. 9, 1957, in Big Spring. He was a firefighter with the Big Spring Fire Department for over 25 years and

Janice Penn



Graveside services for Janice Glaze Penn, 71, of Hudson, will be held Saturday, May 30, 2015, at 10 a.m. at the Largent Cemetery, with Jesse Jenkins and Dennis Abernathy officiating.

Mrs. Penn was born Sept. 30, 1943 in Big Spring, Texas to the late Joe Glaze and Jessie (Robertson) Glaze, and died peacefully surrounded by her family at her residence in Hudson on Thursday, May 28, 2015.

She resided in Hudson for most of her life and formerly lived in Tarzan, Texas. Mrs. Penn was a homemaker and a member of Timberland Drive Church of Christ.

Survivors include her husband of 47 years, Mike Penn of Hudson; son and daughter-in-law, Shawn and Stephanie Penn of Hudson; daughters and sons-in-law, Jennifer and Brent Slatter and Kody

retired as a captain.

He loved the outdoors — hunting, fishing and training bird dogs. He was a member and past president of the Permian Basin Bird Dog Club. He loved baseball and played semi-pro for the Cincinnati Reds and had also coached little league. He was a member of First Christian Church.

Bob is survived by his wife, Maxine Myers of Big Spring; one son, Rick Myers and wife Yvonne of Sweetwater; one daughter, Patti Hutte and husband Michael of Kerrville; four grandchildren, Rebecca Myers and Allison Myers, both of Odessa, Andrew Hutte of Arlington and Megan Hutte of Belton; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers.

The family suggests memorials to First Christian Church Memorial Fund, 911 Goliad, Big Spring, TX 797210.

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

Paid obituary

and Codie Jenkins, all of Hudson; grandchildren, Wade Penn, Ben Penn, Mikah Slatter, Claire Slatter, Paul Slatter, Levi Slatter, Cason Jenkins, Eli Jenkins, Riley Jenkins, and Easton Jenkins; sisters and brothers-in-law, Georgia and Eldon Welch and Nancy and Sammy Yates, all of Tarzan, Texas; sister, Linda Nichols of Seminole; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her grandson, Luke Slatter.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Luke Slatter or Ruth Penn Memorial Scholarship Fund at Hudson School, 6735 Ted Trout Drive, Lufkin, Texas 75904.

The family invites friends to attend an hour of prayer, praise, and worship on Friday, May 29, 2015, at 6 p.m. at Timberland Drive Church of Christ, 912 South Timberland Drive, Lufkin, Texas 75904.

Memories and condolences may be added at www.carrowayfuneralhome.com.

Carroway Funeral Home, Lufkin, directors.

Paid obituary

Alphonse 'Poncho' Mendez Jr.



Alphonse "Poncho" Mendez Jr., 90, of Big Spring, died Wednesday, May 20, 2015, in El Paso, Texas. Vigil services will be 7 p.m. Monday, June 1, 2015, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Tuesday, June 2, 2015, at the Holy Trinity Catholic Parish. Interment with military honors will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

He was born April 9, 1925, in Big Spring, Texas and married Eloise Puga June 7, 1947, in Big Spring. She preceded him in death Dec. 17, 2005.

Poncho was a lifelong resident of Big Spring and attended Big Spring High School and received his associate degree from Howard College. He served in the United States Navy during World War II on the USS Denver. After returning to Big Spring, he worked at the Big Spring Veterans Administration

Medical Center as a lab technician for 35 years. After retiring from the VA he worked as a greeter and cashier at the Spanish Inn and Alberto's Crystal Cafe.

He was a member of Holy Trinity Catholic Parish and had been a longtime member and helped build Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

Survivors include one son, Al Mendez and wife, Mary of El Paso; two brothers, Edward G. Mendez and wife, Sylvia of Big Spring, and Albert Mendez and wife, Ofelia of Parris, Calif.; two sisters, Margie Deanda and husband, Albert, and Josie Sanchez and husband, Mike, all of Big Spring; two grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Alfonso and Josefa Garcia Mendez; and a brother, Ralph Mendez.

The family suggests memorials to any DAV organization.

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

Joyce Hollingsworth



Joyce Hollingsworth, 82, of Big Spring, was born Jan. 26, 1933, and passed away, Friday, May 22, 2015.

Mrs. Hollingsworth was a beloved wife, mother and grandmother. She was active in the Big Spring Chapter of Big Spring Master Gardeners. Her passions were gardening and knitting.

She is survived by two daughters, Sallie Goodrich and Grace

Hardin; and two grandsons, Logan Thomas and Richard Smith.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Carl; and two daughters, Vicki Hollingsworth and Carol Lewis.

The family will receive visitors at her home at 1811 Hill Top Road, Saturday, May 30, 2015 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

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

Paid obituary

Lloyd Robinson

Lloyd Robinson, 84, of Ackerly, died May 28, 2015 at a local nursing home. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Crematory.

Martina Moron

Martina Moron, 86, of Coahoma, died Thursday, May 28, 2015 in Brazil, Ind. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Crematory.

Support Groups

SATURDAY

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

SUNDAY

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

MONDAY

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

- Reformers Unanimous International is a faith-based addictions program helping people

find freedom from addiction. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Mondays at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Enter at the main entrance of the church.

- Stepping Stone Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at Spring Town Plaza (inside the mall, next to Attitudes Hair Salon, down by Bealls). Open meeting at 7 p.m.

TUESDAY

- Big Spring and Snyder Parkinsons Support Group meeting at the Big Spring Senior Center at 10:30 a.m. the second Tuesday of the month.

Police/Sheriff/Fire/EMS

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- JACOB ALEXANDER GALAN, 25, of 1607 S. Main St. was arrested on charges of theft more than \$50 but less than \$500 shoplifting.
- JOE CRUZ GUTIERREZ, 28, of 1010 N.W. 2nd St. was arrested on charges of murder.
- ISAAC FIDELE NDJIKO, 41, of Houston, Texas was arrested on charges of public intoxication.
- BRANDON RAY LUNINGHAM, 31, of 1215 Ridgeroad Dr. was arrested on charges of evading arrest/detention, violation protective order – goes to or near residence/employment/school and criminal trespass – property/building/aircraft/vehicle.
- KEITH ALLEN MYRICK, 27, of 1610 N. Midway was arrested on a warrant for another agency.
- LUIS MIGUEL LOPEZ, 31, of 1111 W. 7th St. was arrested on a warrant for another agency.
- ESTEBAN JUAREZ III, 35, of 306 Denton St. was arrested on charges of assault that causes bodily injury.
- THOMAS EUGENE GARLING, 22, of 1305 Barnes St. was arrested on charges of disregard stop sign and expired registration.
- SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY was reported in the 1700 block of E. Hwy 350.
- CITY ORDINANCE VIOLATION was reported in the 1800 block of E. 11th Place.

- THEFT was reported in the 1600 block of S. Gregg St., 3600 block of W. Hwy 80, the 200 block of W. FM 700, the 1600 block of Oriole St., the 200 block of Tubb Loop and the 1700 block of E. 3rd St.
- ASSAULT was reported in the 1500 block of Sycamore St.
- MINOR ACCIDENT was reported in the 500 block of State St.
- CITIZEN ASSIST/REQUEST OFFICER was reported in the 3300 block of W. Hwy 80.

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

Note – Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 72 inmates at the time of this report.

- JACOB ALEXANDER GALAN, 25, was booked by the BSPD on charges of theft of property more than \$50 but less than \$500.
- THOMAS EUGENE GARLING, 22, was booked by the HCSO on charges of expired registration and disregard for a stop sign.
- JOE CRUZ GUTIERREZ, 28, was booked by the BSPD on charges of murder.
- ESTEBAN JUAREZ III, 35, was booked by the HCSO on charges of assault that causes bodily injury.
- LUIS MIGUEL LOPEZ, 31, was booked by the HCSO on a warrant or possession of marijuana less than 2 ounces in a drug free

zone.

- BRANDON RAY LUNINGHAM, 31, was booked by the HCSO on charges of evading arrest/detention, violate protections order and criminal mischief.
- KEITH ALLEN MYRICK, 27, was booked by the HCSO on a warrant for possession of marijuana less than 2 ounces in a drug free zone.
- ISAAC FIDELE NDJIKO, 41, was booked by the BSPD on charges of public intoxication.

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

- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 1000 block of Hwy 87. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 1000 block of 24th St. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported at mile marker 3 Hwy 87. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAUMA CALL was reported in the 300 block of N. Scurry St. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 1000 block of 3rd St. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MOTOR HOME FIRE was reported in the 1000 block of Hwy 350. Fire was extinguished.

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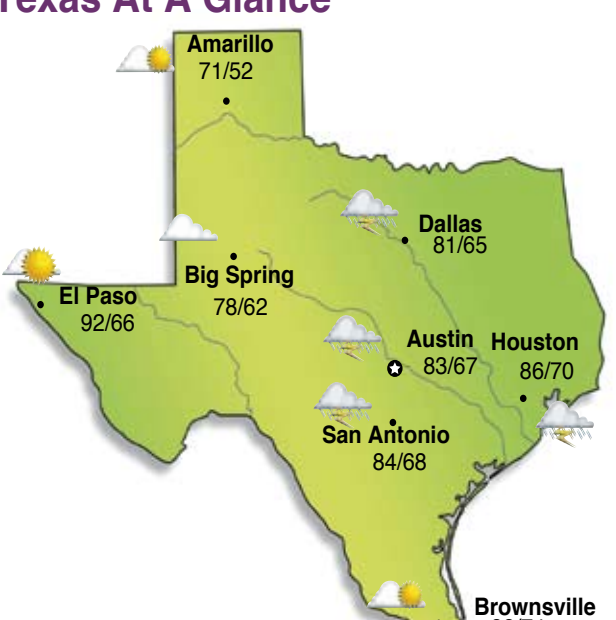
Today's Weather

Local 5-Day Forecast

Sat 5/30	Sun 5/31	Mon 6/1	Tue 6/2	Wed 6/3
				
78/62 Overcast. A stray shower or thunderstorm is possible. High 78F.	83/63 Times of sun and clouds. Highs in the low 80s and lows in the low 60s.	89/66 Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 80s and lows in the mid 60s.	93/67 A few clouds. Highs in the low 90s and lows in the upper 60s.	94/68 Sunshine. Highs in the mid 90s and lows in the upper 60s.
Sunrise: 6:41 AM Sunset: 8:46 PM	Sunrise: 6:40 AM Sunset: 8:47 PM	Sunrise: 6:40 AM Sunset: 8:48 PM	Sunrise: 6:40 AM Sunset: 8:48 PM	Sunrise: 6:40 AM Sunset: 8:49 PM

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Texas At A Glance



City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	76	61	t-storm
Amarillo	71	52	pt sunny
Austin	83	67	t-storm
Beaumont	84	68	t-storm
Brownsville	88	74	pt sunny
Brownwood	80	63	t-storm
Corpus Christi	86	74	pt sunny
Corsicana	81	64	t-storm
Dallas	81	65	t-storm
Del Rio	84	69	t-storm
El Paso	92	66	mst sunny
Fort Stockton	79	62	t-storm

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Kingsville	88	72	pt sunny
Livingston	85	68	t-storm
Longview	84	64	t-storm
Lubbock	73	57	pt sunny
Lufkin	86	68	t-storm
Midland	78	62	t-storm
Raymondville	87	73	pt sunny
Rosenberg	83	68	t-storm
San Antonio	84	68	t-storm
San Marcos	84	68	t-storm
Sulphur Springs	80	65	t-storm
Sweetwater	76	62	t-storm

Area Cities

RAIN

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Crossroads area, the storm headed east hitting the Abilene/Colorado City area on to Fort Worth/Dallas and south

FORSAN

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she served her senior year as president, and is a member of the National Honor Society. Thompson was a student trainer for the football team and member of the tennis team. Thompson is also involved in her youth group at the Forsan Baptist Church.

In the fall, Hannah will be attending the University of Texas at Arlington with a Freshman Honors Scholarship of \$4,000 per year.

Forsan High School will hold commencement ceremonies at 4 p.m. Saturday in the high school gym.

Members of the class are: Wade Alexander, Erin Bagnall, Travis Ballard,

including the San Angelo and Ballinager areas. As of this morning the website waterdatafortexas is reporting Lake OH Ivie, located near Ballinagar, has risen from 14 percent to 14.2 percent full. Water in

Oscar Barraza, Isaiah Carrillo, Brittney Cline, Carlee Daniel, Darby DePauw, Devin DeVore, Christian Gamble, Colby Hair, Emily Hatfield, Alicia Heaton, Garrett Kligora, Ashlie Knox, Gabriel Leal, Zachary Long, Victoria Martinez, Abigail Martinez, Jordan Matthews, Mary-Ashely McDaniel, Sloan Miller, Christopher Mims, Hannah Minchew, Granger Newton, Ryan Pearson, Andy Qualls, Summer Rainer, Ethan Rocha, Kelia Smoot, Kaycie Soles, Kaleb Stanley, Jennie Steel, Cody Tanis, Dalton Taylor, Hannah Thompson, Emali Thompson, Dalton Vaughn, Makala Wharton, Trevor Williams, Nicholas Wilson and Yanci Yeater.

Contact Lyndel Moody at 263-7331, ext. 234, or by citydesk@bigspringherald.com.

Take note

• Sears, located in the Big Spring Mall is collecting for the Make a Wish Foundation. Donations of \$5 or more between the May 21 and June 4 will provide customers with a Wish Weekend Shopping pass that will allow the customer to save an extra 10 percent off on June 5 and 6. A customer can donate \$10 or more the days of the event and receive the discount. A donation must be made to receive the discount.

• Spring Tabernacle Ministries, 1209 Wright St., has a brief, inspirational message before giving away food and clothing on Thursday mornings. It's a great way to work off community service and get help, too. Be there at 9-11 a.m. and get two for one, plus a rehab meeting.

• The Howard College Music program is offering a season ticket allowing a person to gain entrance to all of its performances for the season including guest solo recitals, chamber concerts and all student recitals as well. The ticket is \$50 for the general public and \$40 for Howard College faculty. The 2015-2016 season is expected to feature from 15 to 20 concerts from up and coming professional musicians including concerts for trombone, brass quintet, flute, clarinet, two trumpets, cello, piano, tuba, solo and group voice recitals, saxophone quartet, a trio featuring cello, trumpet and piano. To reserve a ticket, call 432-264-5145, e-mailing Kiley at dkiley@howardcollege.edu or e-mailing Wills at ewills@howardcollege.edu.

• John C. Gibson, author of Tall Texas Teen Tales, confidential Misadventures of a poor Redneck, will hold three book signing events, Friday and Saturday. Gibson is a former Big Spring resident and his book is set in 1960s Big Spring. Book signing locations are today at 4 p.m. to 5 p.m., Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, 215 W. Third; and Saturday, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., the Settles Hotel main lobby, 200 E. Third St.

• Crossroads Hospice needs volunteers for patient care. Contact Eva at 263-5300.

• The Big Spring Art Association area wide art show is being held through Saturday at the Heritage Museum, 510 Scurry.

• The Coahoma High School classes of 1952-1956 will have a get together from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. July 24

at the Hampton Inn of Big Spring's Cowboy Meeting Room. For more information, call 432-213-3259.

• SOS — Save Our Symphony. The Big Spring Symphony Association needs funds to help pay off debts occurred in this past symphony season. Contributions can be made to the Big Spring Symphony, P.O. Box 682, Big Spring, Texas 79721 or can be directly deposited to the symphony's account at Western Bank, 607 S. Scurry St. For more information, contact Symphony President Suzanne Markwell at 214-256-1674.

• For information on Garrett Parrish's condition, or to post messages of support, visit his Facebook page (#GPSTRONG). Parrish was seriously injured in a recent sledding accident.

• An account has been set up at Wells Fargo Bank for Briana Mendoza to help with medical cost. Briana was recently diagnosed with cancer.

• The Big Spring Symphony Board of Directors meets every second Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the symphony office, 808 Scurry Street

• The All-School CHS Reunion date has been scheduled for Saturday, July 25, 2015. This year's focus will be on recognizing and honoring Coahoma ISD teachers from throughout the years.

• Home Hospice is in need of volunteers of all ages. The organization is requesting volunteers to sit with patients, make items for patients and help with office work. Volunteers set their own hours. For more information, contact Sherry Hodnett at 264-7911 or 432-213-0150.

• A hungry child cannot learn. Food2Kids - Big Spring was created to provide nutrition for hundreds of children who do not get a substantial meal on the weekends. F2K began last November and this volunteer program now serves more than 300 children weekly. Once the need has been identified, F2K fills a sack of food to send home each Friday during the school year. You can help. Volunteers are needed and donations can be sent to Food2Kids - Big Spring, P.O. Box 1641, Big Spring 79721. Find us on Facebook at www.Facebook.com/Food2Kids

take at Lake JB Thomas was minimal, according to the National Weather Service in Midland. Officialrainfallreports from the McMahan-Wrinkle Airport show Big Spring received .88 inches of rainfall, a representative of the National Weather Service

said this morning.

Currently a flash flood watch will be in effect beginning at 10 p.m. tonight until 1 p.m. Saturday for portions of the northern and eastern Permian Basin and the southern portions of the Rolling Plains. This includes Borden, Scurry,

Howard, Mitchell, Glassock and Reagan Counties. Rainfall amounts of 1 to 2 inches may be possible resulting in rapid runoff and possible flash flooding in flood prone areas.

According to the forecast, showers and thunderstorm may greet

those attending the Big Spring High School graduation ceremonies set for 8 p.m. tonight at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum, 1001 Birdwell Lane. The chance of perception is 60 percent. A 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorm is possible on Saturday.

SPLASH

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Friday noon to 8 p.m.; Saturday, 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.; and Sunday, 1 p.m. to 8 p.m. The center is closed on Monday.

Daily entrance fee is \$5 for adults and children older than two. Children two years old or younger are not charged. Children ages eleven and

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Sat.: 4:20 10:15
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Sat.: 1:25 7:15
Tomorrowland (PG) Digital
Fri.: 12:40 3:50 7:00 10:10
Sat.: 12:40 3:50 7:00 10:10

Pitch Perfect 2 (PG-13)
Digital Fri.: 1:40 4:35 7:30 10:25
Sat.: 1:40 4:35 7:30 10:25
Poitrgeist (PG-13) 3D
Fri.: 12:30 5:20 10:20
Sat.: 12:30 5:20 10:20
Digital Fri.: 2:55 7:45
Sat.: 2:55 7:45

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Jesus "Jesse" Ramirez, Jr., 72, died Monday. Funeral services will be at 1:00 PM Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

Robert Wayne "Bob" Myers, 78, died Wednesday. The family will receive friends from 7:00 PM until 8:00 PM Friday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Graveside service will be at 11:00 AM Saturday at Trinity Memorial Park Peace Chapel.

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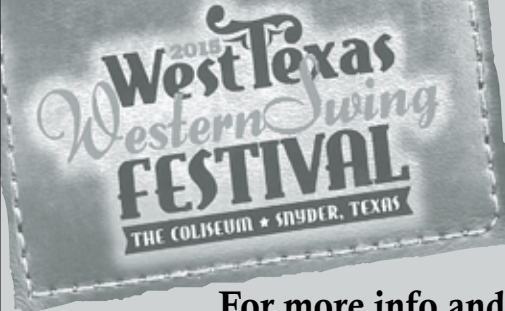
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DAILY PRAYER

May we remain diligent about reading Your word, Lord, for our life.

Amen

Costs of a \$15 minimum wage

In the 1970s, when oil prices jumped, most liberals embraced a simple solution: price controls. It should be illegal, they thought, to sell oil or gasoline for more than a certain amount. Americans should be able to drive without being fleeced by oil companies and foreign governments.

The impulse was understandable. Gasoline is an essential commodity for most people. When the cost rises, it imposes a heavy burden on consumers, most of whom have few transportation options.

In 1971, in an attempt to tame inflation, Republican President Richard Nixon imposed controls on almost all prices. By 1974, he had lifted most of them. But those on gas remained. Under Democratic President Jimmy Carter, they led to widespread shortages and long lines at service stations — and didn't keep prices from rising. But the controls lasted until his successor, Ronald Reagan, lifted them in 1981.

Liberals learned an unforgettable lesson: Price controls on gasoline don't work. In recent decades, when gas prices have soared, Democrats have shown no desire to repeat the lesson.

But they embrace a similar approach for another problem: low pay for many workers. Chicago decided last year to boost the minimum wage to \$13 an hour by the middle of 2019. Seattle, San Francisco and Los Angeles have gone even higher, raising the floor to \$15 an hour in the next few years, and other cities may follow suit. It's a price control on labor.

Their intentions are good. Full-time employment at the current federal minimum of \$7.25 an hour provides an income of just \$14,500 a year. For an adult supporting one child, that's well below the poverty line of \$15,930.



STEVE CHAPMAN

If you set the minimum too high, you will get a shortage of jobs. Forbidding employers from paying \$9 or \$12 an hour means that many of their workers won't get \$13 or \$15 an hour. They will get zero per hour, because those jobs will disappear.

The problem is that a higher legal minimum wage is at odds with the prevailing supply of and demand for labor. If you set the minimum too high, you will get a shortage of jobs. Forbidding employers from paying \$9 or \$12 an hour means that many of their workers won't get \$13 or \$15 an hour. They will get zero per hour, because those jobs will disappear.

Some businesses will reduce staffing or hours. Some will scrub expansions they had planned.

Some will install machines to handle tasks previously assigned to humans. Some will shut down.

Not all employers will take steps that will curb employment, but many will. Raising the minimum wage collides with one of the basic laws of economics: the higher the cost of something the lower the demand. In the employment realm, the effects may not be immediate, but they are inexorable.

An editorial in *The New York Times* wished away unwanted responses. It promised that the change will yield "savings from lower labor turnover and higher labor productivity." Higher pay can "be offset by modestly higher prices" and by "paying executives and shareholders less."

But if giving raises paid for itself, companies wouldn't need to be forced to do it.

Raising prices means fewer

customers will buy what these companies are selling, which reduces the number of employees they need. Executives and shareholders who get paid less can turn to companies that can pay more because they don't rely on low-wage labor.

Some of these consequences have already occurred in Seattle. One pizzeria owner, employing 12 people, told NPR her choice was to go back to working 60 to 80 hours a week or close. She's closing.

"Even Seattle's best-known chef, Tom Douglas, says he may have to close some of his 15 restaurants," it reported. If a famous restaurateur can't make it work, how will obscure ones fare?

Restaurants have other options besides shutting down. They can automate orders with modern technology. They can require diners to pick up their food at a counter instead of having it brought to them. They can use disposable plates and utensils. And if you worry about robots taking your job...

All of these changes reduce the need for employees. Maybe the higher pay to the workers who have jobs will make up, by some calculus, for the unemployment visited on the others. Maybe not. Either way, there's no escaping the tradeoff.

Back in the 1970s, people imagined that stations would supply plenty of gas even if we restrict what they could charge. Today, they imagine businesses will supply plenty of jobs even if we dictate what they must pay. But the laws of economics are not so easy to repeal.

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Sloppiness won't doom health reforms

How many politicians, aides, lobbyists, lawyers, insurance moguls, professional groups and interns — both the political and medical kind — agonized over the details in the Affordable Care Act? The number is big.

But despite thousands of hands in the kitchen, the final product included four words that cast doubt on a cornerstone of the reforms — subsidies for those buying coverage on federal health insurance exchanges. Unbelievable.

Die-hard foes of the reforms have weaponized those words as a means to kill the law. They argue in the Supreme Court case *King v. Burwell* that specifically offering subsidies for plans bought on exchanges "established by the State" means no help for those going to federal exchanges.

Since the program started, low- and middle-income Americans have been receiving tax credits for coverage on both types of exchanges. Almost everyone assumes that's how it's supposed to be.

Take away subsidies for federal exchanges and only the sickly will join it.

The economic structure underpinning guaranteed coverage will collapse as premiums charged for plans on federal exchanges soar and the healthy stay away in droves.

The plaintiffs, though they come from the right, are doing their Republican colleagues no favor. You see, when the Affordable Care Act created federal



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The bipartisan takeaway here is the appalling state of American governance. We now hear from all sides that omission of subsidies for the federal exchanges was "sloppy," "careless," "inadvertent," "a drafting error." Actually, it was inexcusable.

exchanges in states that had not set up their own, leaders in Republican-controlled states could noisily defy President Obama while taking few political risks. They could refuse to set up state exchanges knowing that their constituents would enjoy subsidized coverage on the federal exchanges.

Lose those subsidies and Republican politicians are going to have a lot of angry people on their hands. Some 7.5 million Americans receive subsidies on federal exchanges.

Hypocrisy now crashes over the Republicans' wall of opposition to the Affordable Care Act.

Politicians are currently rewriting the story of their obstruction of a law that they dread could come apart.

An exasperating example is Olympia Snowe, a former senator from Maine who fancies herself a moderate Republican. During the battle for the bill's passage, she strung Obama along for months, pretending that she might provide him at least one Republican vote. (Why Obama indulged these stalling tactics ... perhaps his memoirs will tell.)

Anyhow, Snowe recently commented that the little words at

the heart of the Supreme Court case were unintended. "Why would we have wanted to deny people subsidies?" she said. "It was not their fault if their state did not set up an exchange."

So why did she vote against the bill? She also railed against "Obamacare" as a "government-run health care system," not that this was the case. Until Snowe left the Senate in 2013, she worked with her party to undercut the reforms.

But get this: At the time of the bill's writing, Snowe proposed letting Americans buy cheaper drugs from Canada. It was OK, apparently, for a foreign government to help struggling Mainers obtain health care but not for their own.

One expects the health reforms to survive this latest assault. The best outcome would be the Supreme Court's confirming that the words were a mistake and that yes, subsidies for the federal health exchange are legal.

If the court says no, politicians in states relying on federal exchanges could swing into action and set up some form of state exchange. And the Obama administration would probably make it easy for them.

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But let's move on.

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Did You Ever Wonder: Pharaoh’s Dream

At the end of two years (to the day), Pharaoh had a dream which frightened him, so he sent for his necromancers — the wise men of Egypt. He related his dream to the necromancers, but they couldn’t interpret it for Pharaoh. Since the king was so upset by the dream, the Cup-bearer finally remembered and told Pharaoh that Joseph had interpreted their dreams.

Pharaoh called for Joseph to be brought before him. The scripture takes time to tell us that Joseph was bathed, his beard was shaven and he was dressed in clothes fitting for an audience with the king. Pharaoh said to Joseph, “I have dreamed a dream which no one can interpret. Now I have heard that you



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can comprehend a dream and interpret it.” Joseph answered, “That is beyond me; it is God Who will respond with Pharaoh’s welfare.” Unlike the necromancers who were puffed up and proud, Joseph gave glory to God for his ability. Then Pharaoh told of his dream, “I was standing by the bank of the River.” (This was the Nile River. The Egyptians worshiped many gods and the Nile River was one of their gods.) “And behold, seven cows emerged from the River. Their flesh was robust and beautiful of form, and they were grazing on the marshland. “Suddenly, seven other cows emerged. They were scrawny and boney and of emaciated flesh; and they ate up the healthy cows. Though they ate the fatter cows, the skinny cows remained as thin as before.” “Then I awoke! But I dreamed again. Seven ears of grain sprouting on a single stalk; they were full and good. And suddenly seven ears of

grain — withered, thin and scorched by the east wind — were growing after them. The thin ears of grain swallowed up the seven good ears.” Joseph said to Pharaoh, “It is a single dream. God is showing Pharaoh what He is about to do. The seven good cows and the seven good ears of grain are seven years of abundance. They are followed by seven lean cows and seven shriveled ears of grain. This is seven years of famine. “Now let Pharaoh seek out a discerning and wise man and set him over the land of Egypt. Let him appoint overseers to prepare the land of Egypt. Let Pharaoh gather one fifth of the food produced in the good years and store it in warehouses as a reserve for the land against the seven years of famine.” Pharaoh normally taxed his subjects one fifth of their annual increase. In a very abundant year, his subjects were not too hard pressed to pay double their usual taxes. This seemed good to Pharaoh.

Because God had informed Joseph of all this, Pharaoh appointed Joseph as the overseer. “You shall be in charge of my palace and by your command shall all my people be sustained; only by the throne shall I outrank you.” Pharaoh removed his ring and put it on Joseph’s hand. He had him dressed in royal garments and placed a gold chain on his neck. Pharaoh gave Joseph a wife, Asenath, the daughter of Joseph’s former master, Potiphar. He also had Joseph ride in Pharaoh’s own chariot and proclaimed to the people that they were to obey Joseph. Think back....now Joseph’s sheaf was standing as in his dream! Thirteen years Joseph had waited and believed God! Eunice Filler, author of “Rachael: Porch Swings and Spearmint Tea,” is a former school teacher with ties to the Big Spring community. She has returned to enjoy her retirement as a Big Spring resident. Questions? Fill-ereunice@yahoo.com.

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Cornerstone Covenant Church would like to invite you to join us Sunday at 10:30 a.m. Pastor Michael Willard will continue his seven part series on servanthood sharing his biblical insight that all servant leaders should know.

- Tonight at 7 p.m. the Brigade — our men’s ministry — will be gathering for the Rock Hound’s.
- Wednesday at 7 p.m., join us for mid-week bible study, as we dive deeper into our current series “Servant-hood.” CCC offers classes for all ages. Other class topics may vary.
- Sunday, June 7 at 9 a.m. Our New Members class will start on the first Sunday in June. There is a signup sheet at the Welcome Center desk in the Misfits Lounge.
- Thursday, June 11 at 7 p.m. Our 50 & Up small group will be gathering at 2405 East 25th St., Faye and Steve Flowers home. Bring a dish to share.
- Friday, June 12 at 6 p.m. Our Single Ministry will be gathering for a pool party at 2906 W. 8th S.; next to the Meet-N-Greet. Be sure to bring swim clothes, a towel and a dessert to share.

Lastly, we serve a free breakfast each Sunday morning at 10 a.m. in the Misfits Lounge. CCC offers nursery and children church for both mid-week and Sunday services.

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Forsan Baptist Church

This Sunday Brandon Gartman will continue his message series. Come and support Brandon in fleshing out his call to the pastorate.

On Wednesday evenings we are currently involved in a bible study in the Book of Exodus, tracing back the elements of God’s plan that got us to this point in history. On Sunday evening we have begun a new bible study through 1 and 2 Thesalonians.

Revival! Our revival dates are June 17-20. Guest speakers will be Josh Puckett, Lester Brown, Eddy Prince, and Clay Garmon. Music will be provided by Cody Brotherton.

All Wednesday youth activities are finished for the summer. CHAOS, GA’s, RA’s, and Mission friends will resume when school resumes in August. Normal Wednesday prayer meeting and bible study times will remain active.

Our church is located at 201 Main in Forsan. Sunday school begins at 9:50 a.m., with worship services at 10:50 a.m. and 6 p.m. 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 United Methodist Church

First United Methodist Church is located just off Greg Street at the corner of Fourth and Scurry streets in downtown Big Spring. Services are held each Sunday morning at 8:30 a.m. and 10:50 a.m. The 10:50 a.m. service is broadcast live each week on radio station KXCS-105.5 FM.

This Sunday, Pastor Ivins will launch a new sermon series titled “When God’s Spirit Moves.” The first message is entitled “The Forgotten God” and is taken from II Corinthians 3:7-18. Congregational hymns this Sunday include “He Is Exalted,” “Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty,” “O Worship the King,” “Maker in Whom We Live,” and Glorify Thy Name.”

Pastor Ivins will launch a new study in I Corinthians at Wednesday noon bible study this coming week. Meal service begins at 11:50 a.m. in Garrett Hall. There is a small fee for the meal. All are welcome.

The adult Celebration Choir rehearses each Wednesday night at 7 p.m. in the upstairs music suite. New members are always welcome. For more information, please phone 267-6394.

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

First Baptist Church

Come worship with us Sunday at 10:50 a.m. as we gather in praise of Jesus Christ, the source of our joy and hope. The sermon, brought by Dennis Etheridge, is titled “What Are You Worth?” Drawn from 1 Corinthians 6:19-20, the message reminds us that our value has been set by the high price paid by Christ on the cross, and that just as our spirits and souls have been redeemed, our bodies which are the containers of these, are to be used to glorify and honor God. If you are unable to attend the service, you may watch it through the live stream on our website at: fbcbigspring.org.

At 9:30 a.m., Sunday school classes meet for all age groups and life stages. Greeters are available to direct you to a class and to the coffee.

There will be no evening worship service this week to allow for an extended time with family and friends.

Summerama begins Tuesday and promises to be a fun time for all involved. Summerama is for children entering into first through those going into seventh and meets each Tuesday and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., which is the same schedule of our Mother’s Day Out program. Call the church office at 267-8223 for additional information about Summerama.

Vacation Bible School is almost here. Our VBS will be held June 8-12 from 9 a.m. to noon.

Participants will “Journey Off the Map” into uncharted territory as God leads them beyond their

expectations on an exciting trek that is unknown to us, but known by Him.

Triple LLL (Living Longer and Loving It) meets Tuesday at noon in the church dining room. Bring a friend, enter through the east kitchen doors, and be ready to enjoy some outstanding fellowship and food.

Our Youth Group will be taking a trip to Schlitterbahn in June. Contact Youth Pastor Jonathan Raffini at 270-8332 if you have a teen interested in going.

Wednesday evening begins with a meal served from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Family Life Center followed by activities for all ages. Go to fbcbigspring.org for details or call the church at 267-8223. Join us Wednesday for beef enchilada casserole.

FBC is located at 705 W FM 700.

Blessed Hands Deaf Church

Our summer schedule offers one service each Sunday at 2 p.m., and we invite you to join us in praising God as we meet for worship. Pastor Jim Walterhouse will lead us in the study of Ecclesiastes as he brings the message. Sunday services are held inside First Baptist Church, 705 W FM 700.

We’re excited to announce our summer fellowship event “Friendly Fridays at Froyo’s” beginning June 5 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. The deaf community of Big Spring is invited to join us at Froyo’s at 1506 E FM 700, and be our guest as we treat each deaf visitor and their family to a medium frozen yogurt. There is no obligation; we just want to bless, serve, and get to know our deaf friends in the community.

While Southwest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf classes are not in session for the summer, we will not meet Wednesday evenings. For more information about BHDC, contact Pastor Jim at: jwalterhouse@gmail.com.

Spring Creek Fellowship

The youth mission trip is scheduled for June 8 through the 13. A female sponsor is needed. For more information, contact Clint or Lauren Bratcher.

VBS time is almost here. We will be hosting a one day vacation bible school event on June 13 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Old Settlers Pavilion at Comanche Trail Park. We will be learning about “Joshua and Jericho.”

Paint is going on the walls of our new building. If you would like to help paint, please contact Dorothy Nichols. Our next project is carpet squares. Each 2-foot-by-2-foot square will cost \$10 installed. Donations are being taken now.

Our children will be going to Circle 6 for camp July 20-25. A male sponsor is needed for boys third through fifth grade. If you are interested, contact Donna Wennik.

“Connection Groups” are meeting now on Sunday mornings at 9:15 am. “Community Groups” meet Wednesday nights at various locations. Go to our website or call the church office for more information.

“Sowing Seeds of Hope,” a fiber crafts and prayer shawl ministry meets at the church Saturdays at 10 a.m. If you are interested in learning a fiber craft (crochet, knitting, weaving, felting, etc.) or have projects you would like to share or just to have some fellowship while crafting, come join us.

Weekly Happenings:

Sunday

9:15 a.m. to 10:15 am — Sunday School/Connection Groups

10:15 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. — “Holy Grounds Café” is open with snacks and fellowship.

10:45 a.m. to noon p.m. — worship service

4 p.m. — Grief Share meets at SCF.

Tuesday

Noon to 2 p.m. — Prayer team meets at Spring



Blessed: the choice is yours and mine

We all want to be blessed in some way. As we conclude our series on being blessed, we will look at a few more scriptures that tell us who is truly blessed by God.

Ultimately, it is a matter of choice: my choice and your choice. God did not create humans to be machines. There is no autopilot switch. There is no override button that God presses so that we are no longer in control of ourselves. God created humans with free will. Dictionary.com defines will as: the faculty of conscious and especially of deliberate action; the power of control the



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mind has over its own actions. Your actions are controlled by you. Your thoughts are controlled by you. We may feel as if we have no control sometimes (usually because of the consequences of choices we have made). I am reminded of the lyrics to a song by Rush: "If you choose not to decide, you still have made a choice." So, what are we going to choose? Are we seeking to be blessed by God or the world? It is our choice (yours and mine). Psalm 1:1-2, *Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor stands in the path of sinners, nor sits in the seat of the scornful; but his delight is in the law of the Lord, and in his law he meditates day and night.* Our choices are motivated by what we trust in. If I only trust in myself, then I will choose to do whatever feels good to me with no (or very little) consideration of others. If I trust

in my job as my provider, then I will choose it over everything else in my life no matter what the cost is. Many people commit totally to their job at the expense of everything else and receive the raises and promotions and praise of their superiors and coworkers. They may tell themselves that they are doing it to support and provide for their family but the truth may be that they are robbing their family. Psalm 84:12, *O Lord of hosts, blessed is the one who trusts in you!* Jeremiah 17:7, *Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord, whose trust is the Lord. Is the Lord the center, the foundation, of your life upon which all else is built?* Finally, to be blessed we must be faithful to God. We must trust in Him, and that faith will motivate us to choose to obey Him. Each one of us must choose to surrender our own will to the will of God as He has revealed it in the Bible. Then, and only then, will we truly

be blessed. Nothing in this life can bless us like God can. Psalm 84:4, Blessed are those who dwell in your house, ever singing your praise! James 1:12, *Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God had promised to those who love him.* Jesus said in John 14:15, *If you love me, you will keep my commandments.* Do you want to be blessed by God? Do you love God? Do you trust in God enough to know for sure that He will do what He says He will do? If you are not sure about that, then you will put your trust in other things: money, job, family, or friends. I want to be blessed by God. I want you to be blessed by God. May we listen to Him and not what the people around us are saying. *Greg Surles is the preacher at Birdwell Lane church of Christ.*

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Town Plaza
Noon — Narcotics Anonymous meets at Spring Town Plaza
6:00 p.m. — Pain Management Group meets at church.
Friday
7 p.m. to 8 p.m. — Narcotics Anonymous meets at SCF.
Saturday
7:30 a.m. — Weekly Men's Prayer Breakfast & Fellowship
10 a.m. — "Sowing Seeds of Hope" Crafting fellowship
If you would like any further information regarding any of our ministries or events, please contact the church office or visit our website.
Spring Creek Fellowship meets at the College Park Shopping Center at 501 Birdwell Lane in Big Spring (Across from Denny's). Contact us at 432-714-4584 or visit our website at www.springcreek-fellowship.org.

First Presbyterian Church — Big Spring

The regular Wednesday church activities are the following: 5:17 p.m., the Lectionary bible study, led by Craig Holstedt and Tom Koger; 6 p.m., Chancel Choir rehearsal.

Our high school graduates, Charlie Boling from Big Spring and Kelli Schaedel from Coahoma, were recognized for their accomplishments and presented with gifts of appreciation during the service last Sunday.
The congregation wished a belated birthday to Jean Ann Farley on the celebration of her 92nd year.
The lector for June is John Farquhar. Ushers for the month will be John Yater, Danny Kennemur, Louise Hitch, and Jim Little.
Ellen Austin is in charge of Take Ten for this Sunday. Our two graduates served as lectors for last Sunday.
The lectionary for Trinity Sunday is Isaiah 6:1-8; Psalm 29; Romans 8:12-17; John 3:1-17. Our preacher last Sunday was the Rev. Bruce Kreutzer, interim pastor of FPC Uvalde, Texas. The Rev. Craig Holstedt will deliver the sermon this Sunday. The Chancel Choir will present "Arise, My Soul, Arise!" by Dale Wood as the offertory anthem.
Please note that our worship service begins at 10:50 a.m. for announcements and parish concerns before

our radio broadcast starts at 11 a.m.
If you cannot attend worship, you may listen in on KBST 1490 AM., beginning at 11 a.m. If you wish to have a printed bulletin for Sunday services, please call the church office at 263-4211. You may also see what's happening at the church by visiting our website: www.fpcbs.org. On our website, you can find a link that will enable you to listen to several recent sermons by the Rev. Craig Holstedt. We would be pleased for you to Like us on Facebook.

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Reflections: The witness of the word

I don't go to garage sales very often, but once in a while my wife and I will get up early and search for treasures that have gathered dust in attics and closets. We have even hosted a few garage sales ourselves, trying to pare down our collection of "stuff." I like to breeze in and breeze out. A quick survey usually does it and I am ready to hop back in the car. She likes to finger the merchandise and visit with the people. On one of those recent excursions, I spied the usual stack of books. A few of them frayed from use, some of them crisp as new, never opened. I picked out a 50-cent



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paperback, found two quarters in my pocket, and I was done for the day. I felt compelled to read the book to get my money's worth. I guess I am too cheap to waste two quarters. The book was more used than I realized. For some reason it had been stabbed with a knife and had a hole punched through the first two chapters. But I ignored the paperback wound and started reading Daniel Defoe's classic, Robinson Crusoe. About two-thirds of the way through the book, I came across this quote: "How infinite and inexpressible a blessing it is that the knowledge of God and of the doctrine of salvation by Christ Jesus is so plainly laid down in the Word of God, so easy to be received and understood ... As to all disputes, wranglings, strife and contention which has hap-

pened in the world about religion, whether niceties in doctrines, or schemes of church government, they were all perfectly useless to us, as, for aught I can see, they have been to all the rest of the world." It sounded like a critique of contemporary Christianity. But the book was first published in 1719, almost 300 years ago. I had always dismissed it as juvenile literature without having read it. Daniel Defoe's story of Robinson Crusoe is considered by many to be the first novel written in the English language. I was surprised by its powerful Christian content. Writing more than a decade before the Great Awakening, Defoe captured the essence of a journey to faith in Christ with no other than the Bible. Unlike the modern "Castaway," played by Tom Hanks, who spends

years of isolation on an island talking to a volleyball, Defoe's character finds a bible in the ship's wreckage and begins a conversation with God. Through scripture alone, Robinson Crusoe is led to profound repentance and faith. In Isaiah, God says, "For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return there without watering the earth and making it bear and sprout, and furnishing seed to the sower and bread to the eater; so will My word be which goes forth from My mouth; it will not return to Me empty, without accomplishing what I desire, and without succeeding in the matter for which I sent it." (Isaiah 55:10-11) *Bill Tinsley reflects on current events and life experience from a faith perspective. Visit www.tinsleycenter.com. Email bill@tinsleycenter.com.*

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Family Faith Center

FFC is celebrating the return of their pastor, Sam Segundo, from a journey to the Holy Land with a group of fellow pastors. They spent a week exploring the land where Jesus spent His life showing forth the love of God and changing the world forever. The trip included baptism in the Jordan River, praying at the wall in Jerusalem, and visiting the pool at Bethesda and many other sites the bible tells us about. Pastor Sam encourages everyone, especially pastors, to visit the Holy Land. Being in the places where Jesus walked and taught brings the stories of Jesus to life and changes one's perception of them forever. This Sunday, immediately following the 10:30 a.m. service, the youth outreach of FFC will host a burrito sale fundraiser in the dining hall of the Annex Building. In addition to mouth-watering burritos there will be other items for sale. Funds will be used to support the Elevate Youth Ministry. FFC's 15th Annual Sweet Ladies Retreat will be held on the campus of FFC, 810 East 11th Place (across from Big Spring High School) on June 12 and 13. The theme this year is "Celebrating Me." Special guest speaker is Kimberly Poither. She and her husband Mark pastor in Fayetteville, Ga. The conference opens with registration at 6 p.m. on Friday, June 12. Saturday sessions begin with registration and fellowship at 9 a.m. on Saturday morning. The retreat will be filled with fitness, fun, fellowship, training, and most important of all, the word of God. Tickets are \$15 and seating is limited. Call 432-267-6001 or come by the FFC offices at 810 East 11th. Place to get your ticket and don't miss this life-changing conference. Reign Summer Program will resume this summer on June 15. This program, taught by Daniel Segundo, meets three days each week for six weeks and is designed to immerse young men in a Godly environment and train them in Christian morals,

ethics, and lifestyles. The cost per student is \$200 for the entire program. Only 50 students will be accepted. Contact the church offices at 432-267-6001 for information.

Midway Baptist Church

On Sunday, Midway Baptist will have church at Berea Baptist Church at 6 p.m. They will be involved in a 5th Sunday Singing and fellowship. Please feel free to join us for a great time of singing and worship. The youth are participating in World Hunger's 30-Hour Famine this year. The famine will begin Friday, June 5 at noon. For more information go to 30hourfamine.org. If you would like to support or be involved with the famine please call Ali Shamshear, our youth minister for more information. The church is located at 6200 S. Service Rd., Big Spring and can be contacted at 432-263-6274. Sunday service is at 11 a.m. with bible study at 9:45 a.m. Youth meet at 5 p.m. and adult choir practice is also at 5 p.m. in the sanctuary. Evening service begins at 6 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Wednesday night meal begins at 5:15 p.m. with children and youth meeting at 6 p.m. Adult bible study/prayer meeting is held at 6:30 p.m. Vans do run and if you need a ride. Please call the church by 4:00 p.m. at 432-263-6274. If we can ever be of any assistance to you please do not hesitate to call, e-mail, or visit our website. e-mail: midwaybaptist@gmail.com; web-site: midwaybcbig-spring.com.

St. Mary's Episcopal Church

St. Mary's Church

holds worship service at 10:30 a.m. Sundays and is located at 10th and Goliad Streets. On Wednesdays, coffee hour is at 10:30 a.m. in the Parish Hall. This is a bible study/coffee social group open to the public. Evening prayer service is held at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Chapel.

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John C. Gibson will be in Big Spring to launch his newest book published by **AuthorHouse**.

TALL TEXAS TEEN TALES is a bunch of short stories about some redneck kids growing up in Big Spring.

The 60's was a very unique time in history, and Big Spring had some magic in the air with the Drag, The Big M, The Jet Drive-In, Webb Air Base, Cosden, and the Steers played all of the big towns in football and other sports.

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Friday, May 29th.	10:00-11:00 AM.....	Big Spring Heritage Museum
Friday, May 29th.	4:00- 5:00 PM.....	Big Spring Chamber of Commerce main office
Saturday May 30th.	2:00- 4:00 PM.....	Settles Hotel main Lobby

Books will also be on sale at the Big Spring Visitors center, 113 East 3rd. Ref. **Barnes and Noble, Amazon, Hastings, or Google Bookstore, etc.**

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First Church of the Nazarene

This Sunday we will have a bake sale benefiting the Rejuvenation Fund. Come hungry and bring your sweet tooth. The sale will start at 8:45 a.m. before small groups and continue until after service is over.

Looking to flock someone's yard with flamingos? Contact Josh or Melissa or visit our website or Facebook page for forms. Let the flocking begin.

You can also listen to any of our previous Sunday services by going to our webpage at nazfamily.org. We also invite you to come check out all the remodeling that has taken place.

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 is at 10 a.m. Sunday in the Fellowship Hall Sunday evening youth activities are Sunday evening at 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday nights we have weekly prayer starting at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary while children and youth classes are in other classrooms.

You can also listen each Sunday to KBST 95.7 at 10 a.m. for a live broadcast of our service. We are located at 1400 Lancaster. Contact the church office at 432-267-7015.

Birdwell Lane church of Christ

The church is located at the southwest corner of 11th Place and Birdwell Lane. Bible Study is at 9 a.m. Sunday with worship following at 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. On Wednesdays, Bible study and devotional begins at 7 p.m. Ladies class resumes in September.

Alive in Christ Lutheran Church LCMS

We are located at 2805 Lynn Drive in the Kentwood neighborhood in Big Spring. To connect with us call 432- 264-7818, or e-mail us at aliveinchrist-

tx@gmail.com.

Sunday Service begins at 9 a.m. with bible study and Sunday school at 10:15 a.m. If you are new to the area or haven't been to church before or in a while, please accept this as an invitation to join us this Sunday. The youth are studying "120 Bible Stories."

Bobby Roever will present the scripture readings this week.

Pastor Bartholomew's sermon is titled "Only, only, only" and is based on John 3:1-17.

Our Wednesday night classes have ended for the summer. We will start back with our Wednesday night activities once school begins again in the fall. The Board of Evangelism is sponsoring a "New" Community Speaker series that will be held here at the church and is open to the public.

The first community speaker will be Mr. Terry Wegman, executive director of the Big Spring Economic Development at 7 p.m. Thursday July 9.

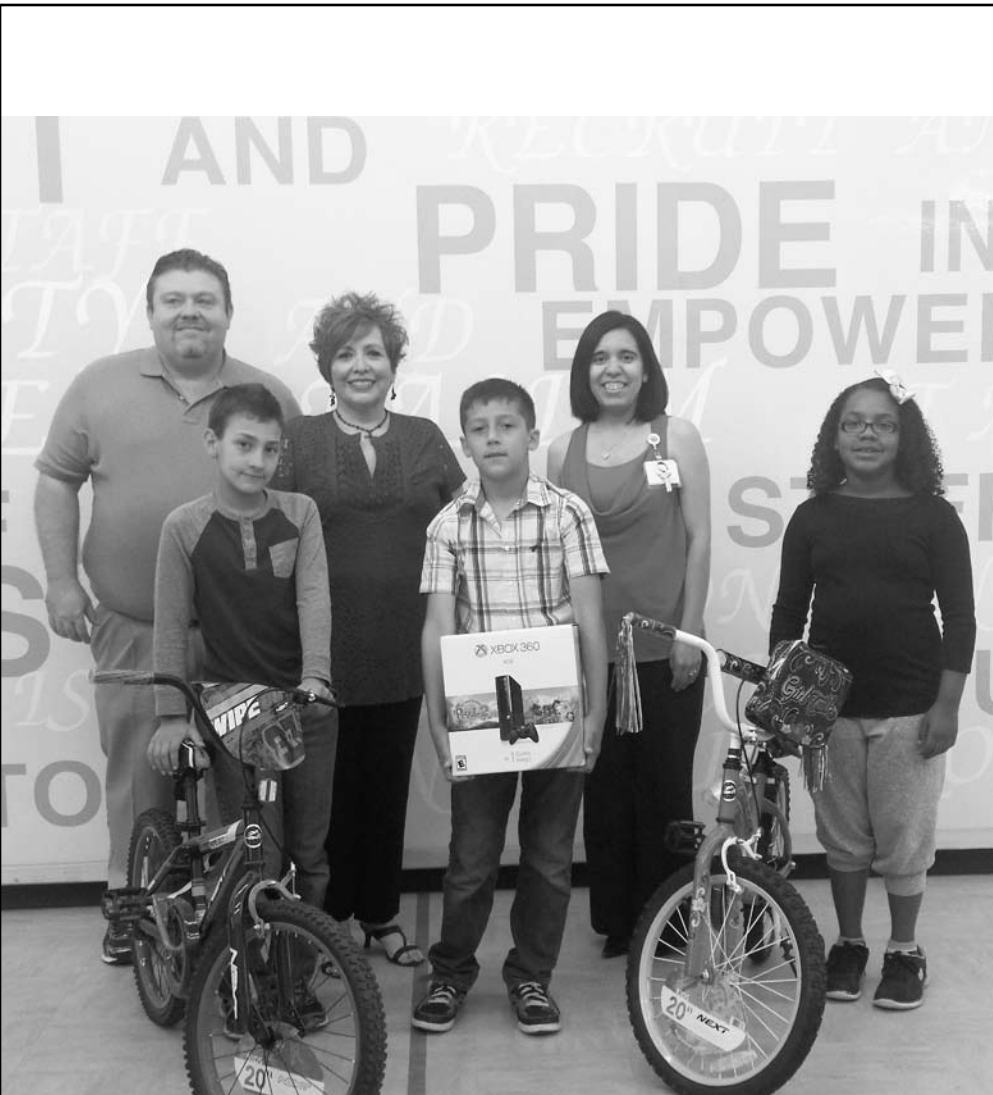
Tune in to KBYG every morning for a devotional sponsored in part by the Lutheran Hour. Tune in to 106.3 FM or 1400 AM between 6:45 a.m. and 6:50 a.m. each morning for "Morning Meditation Thoughts."

Club news



Courtesy Photo

The Greater Big Spring Rotary recognized Brycen Kiker, Big Spring High School as the student of the month.



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Greater Big Spring Rotary club members Debbye ValVerde and Amanda Duforat were on hand to present the perfect attendance bicycles to Adrial Williams, pictured left front and Aracely Vanderbilt, right front. Jayden Overton, middle, received an Xbox as well from the school district in recognition of perfect attendance.



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Greater Big Spring Rotary Club members Justin Stevens, George Bancroft and Amanda Duforat presented bicycles to Michael Martinez and Hailey Harrington in recognition of their perfect attendance at Goliad Elementary school last week.

Submit church, club news to life@bigspringherald.com

All submissions are due by noon Wednesday for the following Friday.

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Mr. President, Stop the Iran Deal Now!

Iran is the world's leading exporter of Islamic terror and our greatest enemy. Your deal fails to keep Iran from acquiring nuclear weapons. It's time for a reset.

Iran's constitution commands it to conquer the world through Islamic jihad, and Iran increases its bloody Middle East conquests daily. Supreme Leader Ayatollah Khamenei regularly leads chants of "Death to America" and "Death to Israel." Can we afford an agreement that actually paves the way for a nuclear-armed Iran?

What are the facts?

Iran's terrorist aggression makes it the greatest threat to world peace—and America's greatest enemy. The Islamic Republic has sown seeds of global jihad for decades, killing thousands of Americans, Europeans, South Americans, Arabs and Israelis worldwide since 1982, including the deaths of 241 U.S. Marines and 58 French peacekeepers in the 1983 Beirut barracks bombings. Today, Iran sponsors terrorist proxies, such as Hezbollah, which controls Lebanon and militarily backs Iran's control of the Syrian government. Iran has also achieved dominance in Iraq by helping the Iraqis battle the Islamic State, and most recently it has seized control of Yemen through its Houthi agents. Suddenly Iran has graduated from being the largest state sponsor of Islamic terrorism to the major Islamist colonial power in the Middle East. Most distressingly, Iran proudly trumpets its intention to "annihilate" Israel, a goal it asserts is "non-negotiable."

Despite Iran's record of terror attacks against the U.S. and our allies worldwide, and its open hostility to American values and objectives, the White House now proposes a nuclear arms agreement with Iran that falls shockingly short of Mr. Obama's 2012 promise to "prevent them from acquiring a nuclear weapon."

Not only does the proposed "Iran Deal" fail to stop Iran from acquiring nuclear armaments, it permits Iran to continue developing nuclear weapons technology over the next ten years. Even more frightening, Iran denies agreeing to many key provisions that Secretary of State John Kerry claims are essential to it.

What's wrong with the "Iran Deal"? Iran has a long history of lying about its nuclear activities and cheating on agreements. Iran ratified the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty in 1970, yet has been developing nuclear weapons—and lying about it—for decades. Iran also has ignored a U.N. Security Council demand that it suspend nuclear enrichment activities. In short, Iran is a bad actor on the world stage and can't be trusted. President Obama promised in 2012 that "The deal we'll accept is that they end their nuclear program," which is the deal most

Americans want. Here's what that deal must look like:

1. End Iran's nuclear program. This means shutting down Iran's Fordow and Arak nuclear facilities and ceasing all centrifuge-enabled nuclear R&D. Iran refuses. Why?

2. Export Iran's nuclear stockpiles. Iran has no peaceful need of its extensive nuclear stockpiles and should ship them away. It refuses this. Why?

3. Abandon development of Intercontinental Ballistic Missiles. ICBMs have only one purpose—to deliver nuclear bombs long distances, as far as to the U.S. Yet Iran refuses even to admit development of such missiles. Why?

4. Permit "anytime, anywhere" inspections. Iran must agree that nuclear inspectors can visit any suspicious site without warning. Iran refuses to allow this. Why?

5. Slow easing of sanctions. Any softening of economic sanctions must be spread over years, only as benchmarks are met. Iran insists on instant sanctions relief.

6. Abandon terrorism and colonialism. Iran must cease its global terror campaigns and its sponsorship of violent colonial aggression.

7. Severe punishment for any violation. Any agreement must facilitate true instant "snapback" of economic sanctions in case Iran violates this agreement.

What's our alternative? President Obama and Secretary Kerry seem desperate to make the Iran Deal—a weak negotiating posture that has led to weak terms. If we are to make a good deal, we must insist on the conditions above and be ready to walk away. No deal is better than the current proposed deal, which does not fulfill Mr. Obama's promise to the American people. This deal, in allowing Iran to keep its nuclear infrastructure and continue nuclear weapons research, is sure to start a nuclear arms race in the Middle East, starting with Saudi Arabia, Egypt and Turkey. What's more, when Iran begins to cheat on this agreement—which is likely—it may force Israel to take unilateral military action, since a nuclear-weaponized Iran is an existential threat to the Jewish state. Those who criticize the proposed "Iran Deal" are often accused of wanting war with Iran. In fact, it is Iran's current nuclear weapons development that is provocative and bellicose.

If we want to avoid military action against Iran—which most Americans do—we must negotiate an agreement that truly prevents war. It's time to set aside the current deal—which Iran has not even agreed to—and start again. We must continue a harsh sanctions regime until Iran realizes we are serious about preventing their acquisition of nuclear weapons.

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Sports
in brief**Lady Steers hoops
camp June 22-25**

The Big Spring High School Lady Steers Basketball Camp will be held June 22-25 at the junior high school gymnasium.

The camp is open to girls in grades 3 through 5, and 7 through 9. Cost is \$25 per camper.

Registration must be received by 8:30 a.m. the first day of camp.

For more information, e-mail coach Smalley at ssmally@bsisd.esc18.net

**Volleyball skills
camps scheduled**

Two volleyball skills camps will be held July 27-30 at the junior high school gymnasiums.

The first camp, open to players in grades 3 through 9, will be held between 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Cost is \$25; campers may purchase a T-shirt for \$10.

The second camp, supervised by former BSHS players Cerbi Ritchey, Taylor Seaton and Kinsey Wash, will be held from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. and is open for players in grades 9-12. Cost is \$35; campers may purchase a T-shirt for \$10.

For more information on either camp, contact Lynn Osborne at (254) 246-2148.

**Rodeo box seat
reservations accepted**

Box seat reservations for the upcoming Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo are now being accepted.

The rodeo will be held June 18-20 in the ENCANA Rodeo Bowl.

Six tickets and chairs will be furnished for each night's performance and selection is limited.

For more information, contact Ace and Linda Berry at (432) 394-4802.

**Crossroads Classic
set for country club**

Registrations are now being accepted for the Crossroads of West Texas Golf Classic.

The two-man team scramble, which will be held June 20-21 at Big Spring Country Club, is sponsored by the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, Atmos Energy and Culligan Water.

Registration is \$200 per team and includes lunch on Saturday and Sunday, free beverages and a shootout event June 19. Cart fees are extra, and private carts are welcome.

Registration is limited to the first 100 teams.

The format will be a two-man scramble, with pre-flighting done by the tournament committee and local golf pro. Prizes in cash and/or merchandise are offered.

For more information, contact the Chamber of Commerce at 432-263-7641 or the country club at 432-267-5354.



Courtesy photo

Amardo Rios holds a 15-pound, 4-ounce bass caught by his cousin, Epifanio Hinojosa, at Comanche Trail Lake recently. Hinojosa used homemade bait to hook the fish.

Forsan
headlines
all-district
baseball

Pearson 6-2A MVP

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

The Forsan Buffaloes capped a successful baseball season by landing several players on the all-district team.

Leading the way for the Buffs on the all-star squad were Ryan Pearson, who was named District Most Valuable Player, and Braden East, named pitcher of the year.

Forsan finished District 6-2A play with a perfect 10-0 league mark and was ranked as high as ninth in the state Class 2A polls this baseball season.

First-team all-district selections for Forsan included pitcher Blaze Yeater, infielders Garrett Kligora and Trevor Williams, outfielders Jesse Cervantes and Ethan Rocha and utility player Caleb Stanley.

Members of the All-District 6-2A baseball team are:

District MVP — **Ryan Pearson, Forsan**

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Boston rookie shines in debut

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP)—Eduardo Rodriguez went to bed and dreamed about his major league debut after the Boston Red Sox arrived in Texas.

The real thing Thursday night was even better for the 22-year-old left-hander.

Rodriguez threw 7 2/3 scoreless innings to become the youngest Red Sox starter to win in his major league debut on the road since the Rangers 5-1 to spoil Josh Hamilton's first home game back in Texas on Thursday night.

"I wasn't nervous after the first couple of pitches," Rodriguez said. "I went out and saw the lights and saw the stadium, and said, 'This is what it's like.'"

Already the youngest Red Sox pitcher to make his MLB debut on the road since 21-year-old Roger Clemens in 1985, Rodriguez became the youngest since Billy Rohr was 21 when winning his debut at the New York Yankees on April 14, 1967.

"He was outstanding. Very impressive, he was poised," said Red Sox manager John Farrell, whose team snapped a three-game losing streak.

Rodriguez said he never thought about who he was pitching to while facing a Rangers lineup with sluggers like Prince Fielder, Adrian Beltre and Hamilton in his homecoming.

Hamilton was 2-for-4, lining a double into the right-field corner on the first

pitch he saw from Rodriguez in the second inning. He added an RBI single in the ninth, on another sharply hit ball to right, to end Boston's shutout bid.

Back in Texas a month and a day after being reacquired from the Los Angeles Angels, the 2010 AL MVP had gone 1-for-11 in his first three games after reuniting with the team Monday in Cleveland.

"It'll be a game I'll remember forever," said Hamilton, who got a loud ovation when he came to bat for the first time. "It just makes you feel good, I hope the fans know that I'm giving them everything I've got being back, just like I did when I was here before."

Rodriguez (1-0) struck

out seven and walked two, leaving the game with two runners on base in the eighth before Tommy Layne got Shin-Soo Choo on a called third strike.

Boston went ahead to stay when Mookie Betts had an RBI single in the fifth off Nick Martinez (4-1). Hanley Ramirez, who was the designated hitter with slumping slugger David Ortiz getting a night off, led off the sixth with his 11th homer of the season to make it 2-0.

Martinez struck out five and walked two while scattering nine hits over seven innings. The righty allowed two runs.

Boston added three runs in the eighth, including

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Blatter: Vote for Russia, Qatar root of FIFA crisis

ZURICH (AP) — The worst corruption crisis in soccer history stems from the governing body's decision to award Russia and Qatar the next two World Cup tournaments, FIFA President Sepp Blatter said Friday.

Blatter spoke at the FIFA congress hours before the presidential election in which he is seeking a fifth term. He has refused calls to resign after FIFA was targeted by U.S. and Swiss authorities in separate corruption investigations.

In 2010, Russia was chosen to host the 2018 World Cup and Qatar was awarded the 2022 tournament amid widespread allegations of wrongdoing.

"If two other countries had emerged from the envelope, I think we would not have these problems today," Blatter said. "But we can't go back in time. We are not prophets. We can't say what would have happened."

The United States was one of the losing bidders for the 2022 World Cup. On Wednesday, U.S. authorities indicted 14 people on bribery, racketeering, fraud and money-laundering charges going back to the

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Sepp Blatter
FIFA president

1990s.

Seven of the officials — including two serving FIFA vice presidents — were arrested in Zurich on Wednesday ahead of the congress.

"I am not going to use the word coincidence but I do have a small question mark," Blatter said about the timing of the raid.

When the congress broke for a lunch a few hours later, a bomb threat was made at the venue hosting the meetings, according to Swiss police.

"An anonymous threat against the FIFA congress was received," FIFA secretary-general Jerome Valcke said when the proceedings resumed.

The two criminal investigations have cast a new shadow

on Blatter's 17-year reign as president of FIFA. The 209 FIFA member nations will decide later Friday whether to stick with the 79-year-old Blatter or vote for Prince Ali bin al-Hussein of Jordan.

Amid the dramatic build up to the election, UEFA president Michel Platini appealed to Blatter to immediately step down.

"I am willing to accept the president of FIFA is responsible for everything but I would at least like to share that responsibility with everyone," Blatter said in a presidential address on Friday morning. "We cannot constantly supervise everyone in football ... you cannot ask everyone to behave ethically."

Blatter also cautioned that "it will take some time" to rebuild FIFA's reputation.

"The events of Wednesday have unleashed a storm and there was even questioned whether this congress would be organized or change the agenda," Blatter said. "Today I am appealing to unity and team spirit so we can move forward together. That may not always be easy but it is for this reason that we are here together today."

A two-thirds majority would be enough for Blatter or Prince Ali to win the secret presidential vote, or a simple majority in a second round of voting. Just forcing the ballot to a second round could represent a victory of sorts for Blatter's critics, denying the incumbent president an emphatic mandate in his next term.

Blatter's opening address to the congress was briefly disrupted by a pro-Palestinian activist, who held up a red card and shouted "Red card to racism." The protest was to draw attention to a campaign that aims to stop Palestinian players from being detained by Israeli security forces.

Bowditch
shoots 62
to take lead
at Nelson

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Steven Bowditch considers the AT&T Byron Nelson his home tournament — just maybe not to the extent Jordan Spieth does.

The Australian matched his low round on the PGA Tour with an 8-under 62 on Thursday to take a two-shot lead over another Texan, Jimmy Walker. Spieth was seven shots back in his first round as Masters champion in the event that gave the Dallas player his start as a 16-year-old amateur in 2010.

Bowditch, who moved to the Dallas area 10 years ago, has made the cut just once at the Nelson — in his

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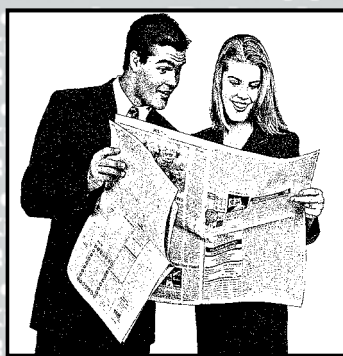
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difficult square of
the week features
Mercury in Gem-
ini and Neptune
in Pisces. People
have a way of
saying the exact
thing that could
most trigger deep unrest
in another. They don't even
have to try. Countering this
aspect is the peaceful Libra
moon. When you feel your fist
clenching, tap into the Libra
moon and let it go.
ARIES (March
21-April 19). Maybe you feel
like you've let yourself down
recently, but the cause of un-
derperformance may well be
a lack of self-love. How could
you better appreciate yourself?
Give yourself attention be-
cause you need it to thrive.
TAURUS (April 20-May
20). You know that area you're
weak in? Well, guess what.
You're not really weak in that
area at all -- you're just inex-
perienced. Get more practice,
and you'll grow rapidly.
GEMINI (May 21-June
21). Your entire being cannot
be captured in one snapshot.
For this reason, you don't have
to worry about how you're
viewed by others. Most people
only see a very small part of
you anyhow.
CANCER (June 22-July
22). Befriend time. Settle into
the belief that everything is
happening in the moment that
it should. Rushing or pushing,
even if you are running late,
will not get you where you're
supposed to be any faster.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22).
You may feel like you're being
punished, and probably the
disciplinarian is a voice inside

your head. Try not to think of
things in terms of bad or good.
So you made a choice that
didn't work. Choose again.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept.
22). You are drawn to objects
that help you appreciate time's
natural process. Such objects
are records of the sun, wind,
rain, temperature and human
wear. They remind you of
the fragility and the strength
inside you.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct.
23). You have a honed aesthet-
ic. You don't follow the con-
ventions of good taste, even
though you know what those
conventions are. The irregu-
larity that happens by chance
or accident will be especially
beautiful to you.
SCORPIO (Oct. 24-
Nov. 21). You influence the
people you believe in, perhaps
without even trying to. You
know they can accomplish
great things, and your belief in
them helps to make this come
true.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov.
22-Dec. 21). Your acts of car-
ing do not only affect the peo-
ple and animals close to you.
They are part of what brings
your whole community closer.
You'll never know how you've
contributed to the world by
making one person happy.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-
Jan. 19). Follow through in full
confidence. You are capable,
efficient and effective. Believe
and act on what you believe.
You'll be on sure footing every
step of the way. You've got this
one.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-
Feb. 18). The work at hand
will help you to develop your
identity. So dive in, even if you
suspect the job is not a perfect
fit for you. You'll learn about
yourself in the process, and

that's what's important.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March
20). Is it love or not? To deter-
mine this, it might help you
to think of love as an action,
not a feeling. When you do, it
suddenly will be obvious who
loves whom.
TODAY'S BIRTHDAY
(May 29). Your world will
grow, but don't worry -- your
influence will, too. New proj-
ects beckon you in June. Apply
what you learned (to prove
that you learned it), and you'll
have a round of beginner's
luck. Making money inspires
you to make more in July.
September brings sparkling
new relationships and peace to
those who were ailing. Aries
and Libra people adore you.
Your lucky numbers are: 2, 49,
3, 21 and 15.
WEEKEND LOVE
FORECAST: ARIES: It's more
attractive to talk and move
slowly than quickly. TAU-
RUS: Your honesty is not only
refreshing to those around
you; it is also a powerful force
that guides and simplifies your
life. GEMINI: All signs point
to you taking a chance. CAN-
CER: Those who play among
the stars risk the longest
freefall. LEO: You can't force
yourself to feel. When the
inner conditions are right, the
emotions flow freely. VIRGO:
You go with your whole heart
or nothing at all. Half-hearted-
ness can't touch the splendor.
LIBRA: Despite your resolu-
tion, someone keeps drawing
you back. SCORPIO: Do you
like the feeling of infatuation
or hate having a crush? You'll
find out this weekend. SAG-
ITTARIUS: Don't stay with
someone whose selfishness is
undeniable and bottomless.
CAPRICORN: You'll wonder
whether you really do fit with

someone and will get answers
in the way you come together
this weekend. AQUARIUS:
You'll brilliantly balance the
responsibilities you have to
yourself and those you have
to the people you care about.
PISCES: Limbo is a place ev-
eryone has to visit at one time
or another, but it's no place to
stay.
COUPLE OF THE
WEEKEND: The ruling Gemi-
ni sun and the Scorpio moon
magnify the attraction be-
tween these two signs that,
at first, may not seem to have
much in common. Gemini
tends to be lighthearted and
outgoing, full of easy conversa-
tion and new ideas. Whereas,
Scorpio gravitates toward the
more serious issues and likes
to go deep. They learn more
from each other precisely be-
cause they are so different.
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You are South, both sides vulner-
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North East South West
1♥ Pass 2♣ Pass
2♥ Pass 2♠ Pass
3♥ Pass ?
What would you bid now with
each of the following four hands?
1. ♠AQJ5♥53♦Q2♣AQ984
2. ♠KJ93♥5♦Q85♣KQJ72
3. ♠AJ874♥8♦10♣AQJ963
4. ♠AQ92♥—♦K7♣KQJ9843

1. Four hearts. Naturally, you are
reluctant to raise partner with only
two trumps, but there are times when
you have to. It is certainly reasonable
to assume partner has at least six
hearts after he has bid the suit three
times, so any two trumps constitute
sufficient support.
Since you have a sound opening
bid facing an opening bid by partner,
a game contract is clearly indicated.
With partner unable to support clubs
or spades, and apparently unwilling
to play notrump, there is no other
choice but to undertake the game in
hearts.
2. Pass. By bidding in minimum
terms twice after opening with a
heart, partner has unquestionably
indicated a weak opening bid. Both
his rebids show a willingness to play
at less than a game contract. So the

question to be resolved is whether
your hand is good enough to justify
bidding a game.
All signs point to a pass. Promising
as your hand might have been when
partner opened the bidding, his sub-
sequent bids have substantially
reduced your values. Partner lacks a
fit in clubs or spades, and you have
no fit for hearts. Game is therefore
very unlikely.
3. Three spades. This depicts your
6-5 distribution and should make it
easier for partner to choose the best
contract. Since you would not have
bid spades twice with only a four-
card suit, partner now knows you
have five spades. At the same time,
he has learned that you must have
at least six clubs, since you would have
bid spades first had the two suits
been of equal length.
4. Five clubs. Given partner's
weak bidding to this point, all
thoughts of a slam must now be
abandoned. However, to play at less
than game is also out of the question,
despite partner's obvious lack of
enthusiasm.
You can play with clubs as trump
even if partner has a singleton or
void, so, since the hand is too unbal-
anced for notrump play, a leap to
game in clubs appears to offer the
best chance.

Tomorrow: A delectable concoction.
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9	3	4	1	7	2	8	5	6
2	6	8	5	3	9	7	4	1
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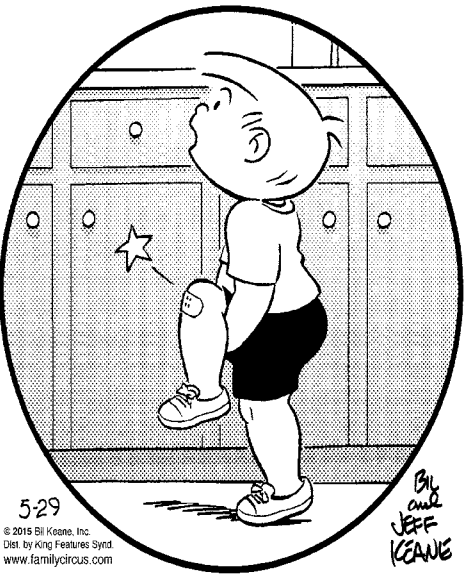
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“GEE, IT WAS AN HONEST MISTAKE THINKIN’ MR. WILSON’S FIRST CAR WAS A HORSE!”

THE FAMILY CIRCUS

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“Don’t you think a popsicle would help my knee feel better?”

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I MIGHT BE INTERESTED!

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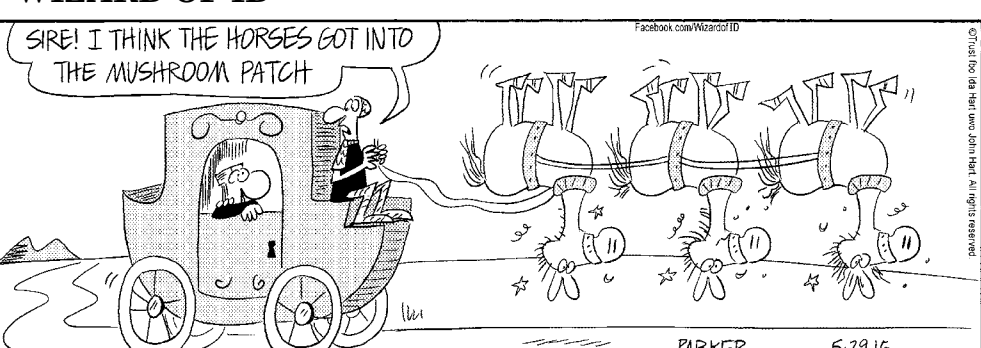
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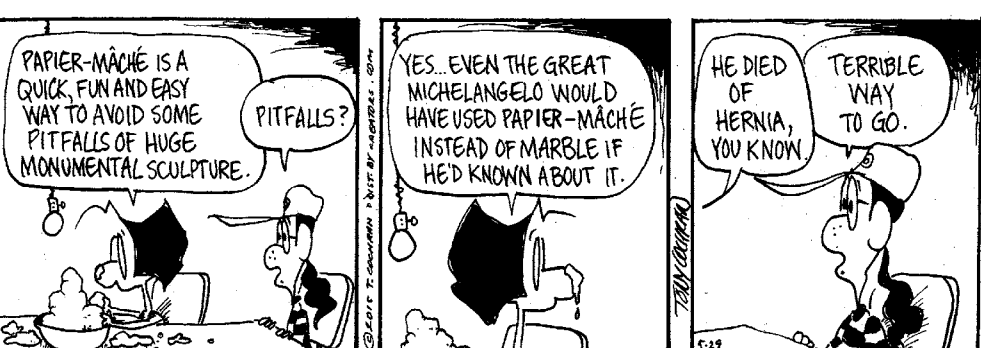
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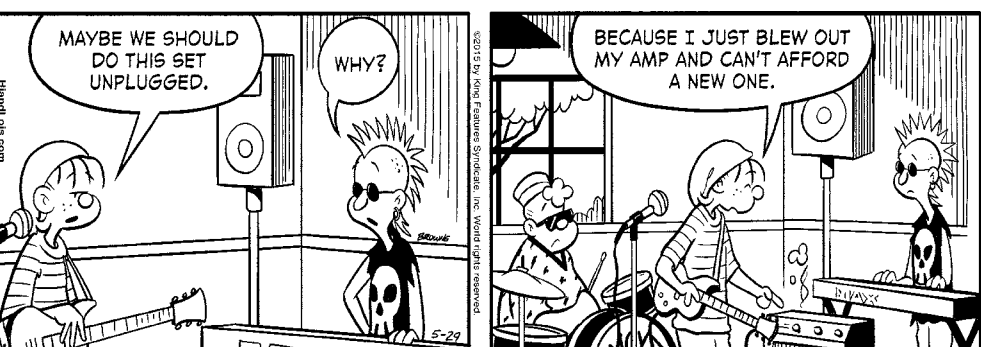
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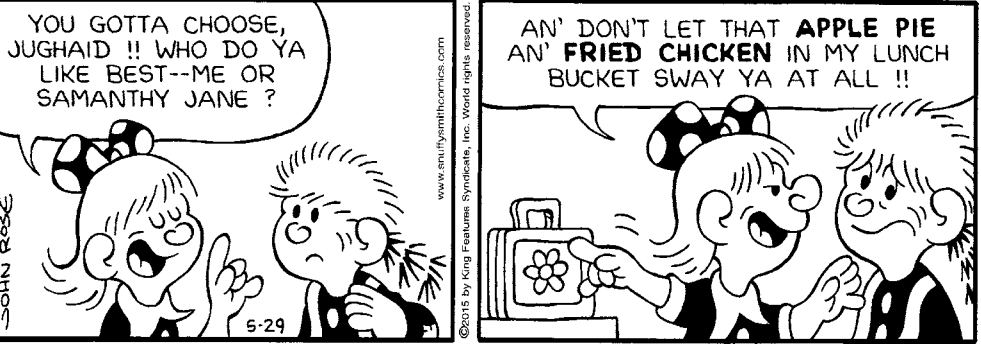
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This Date In History

Today is Friday, May 29, the 149th day of 2015. There are 216 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On May 29, 1765, Patrick Henry denounced the Stamp Act before Virginia's House of Burgesses.

On this date:

In 1790, Rhode Island became the 13th original colony to ratify the United States Constitution.

In 1848, Wisconsin became the 30th state of the union.

In 1912, the ballet "L'Après-midi d'un Faune" (The Afternoon of a Faun), with music by Claude Debussy, premiered in Paris with Vaslav Nijinsky dancing the title role.

In 1913, the ballet "Le Sacre du printemps" (The Rite of Spring), with music by Igor Stravinsky and choreography by Vaslav Nijinsky, had its chaotic world premiere in Paris. The D.H. Lawrence novel "Sons and Lovers" was first published by Duckworth & Co. of London, albeit in an expurgated version.

In 1917, the 35th president of the United States, John F. Kennedy, was born in Brookline, Massachusetts.

In 1932, World War I veterans began arriving in Washington to demand cash bonuses they weren't scheduled to receive until 1945.

In 1943, Norman Rockwell's portrait of "Rosie the Riveter" appeared on the cover of The Saturday Evening Post. (The model for Rockwell's Rosie, Mary Doyle Keefe, died in April 2015 at age 92.)

In 1953, Mount Everest was conquered as Edmund Hillary of New Zealand and Tensing Norgay of Nepal became the first climbers to reach the summit.

In 1961, a couple in Paynesville, West Virginia, became the first recipients of food stamps under a pilot program created by President John F. Kennedy.

In 1973, Tom Bradley was elected the first black mayor of Los Angeles, defeating incumbent Sam Yorty.

In 1985, 39 people were killed at the European Cup Final in Brussels, Belgium, when rioting broke out and a wall separating British and Italian soccer fans collapsed.

In 1995, Margaret Chase Smith, the first woman to serve in both the House and the Senate, died in Skowhegan, Maine, at age 97.

Ten years ago: French voters soundly rejected the European Union's proposed constitution, which was also defeated by the Dutch days later. In a deadly rampage at two farmhouses in Bellefontaine, Ohio, 18-year-old Scott Moody shot his grandparents, his mother and two friends before turning the gun on himself. Dan Wheldon won the Indianapolis 500 as Danica Patrick's electrifying run fell short (she finished fourth).

Thought for Today:

"When we recall the past, we usually find that it is the simplest things. Ai not the great occasions. Ai that in retrospect give off the greatest glow of happiness." Ai British-born American comedian Bob Hope (born this date in 1903, died 2003).

Newsday Crossword

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6 Car favored by Swedish royalty

10 A third of ML

14 Commencement official

15 Jackie Robinson went there

16 Charismatic quality

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46 Can't keep a secret

49 In lockstep

51 Time with a name

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53 Green-egg layer

55 Nick Jr. programming

57 London West End playhouse

61 "Too bad"

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63 Natural sweetener

66 "Interesting . . ."

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70 Displays for early Apples

71 Fictional folklore purveyor

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4 Edit for DVD

5 Beethoven's third

6 Bound to fail

7 S&L customer

8 Luau exchanges

9 Sherlock, in '40s films

10 Poe title container

11 Title of the puzzle

12 Show fright

13 Slow movements

21 Doesn't play fair

22 Meade, to Circe

23 Half of dix

24 Stead

29 ABC show since '75

30 Frat letters

32 Cliques

34 Generous portion

36 Daughter of The Donald

38 The Master Builder playwright

39 Terse affirmation

40 Checkout time, at times

41 Bollywood garb

42 Commercial

46 Grilling locale

47 Name on the cover of Jo's Boys

48 When boys join the Vienna Boys Choir

49 Distinctive director

50 Noncommittal answer

54 Peacock-logo channel

56 Took for a spin

58 Surveys

59 Merest suggestion

60 Some lodge members

64 End of MIT's URL

65 "Sure thing"

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Baffert grows into racing's elder statesman

ARCADIA, Calif. (AP) — Bob Baffert came blasting into thoroughbred racing in Southern California talking smack. Wearing a cowboy hat and boots, he had already conquered the quarter horse world and was ready to take aim at the bigger money and prestige offered by training regally-bred thoroughbreds.

It wasn't long before he piled up 11 wins in Triple Crown races — two behind leader D. Wayne Lukas — and ditched his big hat but kept the boots.

Baffert's quick success rubbed rival trainers the wrong way in a business rife with jealousy.

But after a heart attack and the death of close family members, the 62-year-old Baffert has finally grown into the premature cap of white hair that has been his trademark for years.

"When you start out, you're hungry and you're ambitious. Ambitious can give you an edge that people don't like," said Baffert, who will try for the first Triple Crown since 1978 when American Pharoah runs in the Belmont Stakes next Saturday. "Now I'm still hungry, but not ambitious to the way where I'm easier to deal with."

In the beginning, Baffert thrived in the spot-

light. He was quick with a quip and flip with his attitude. Winning back-to-back Kentucky Derbies with horses that had shots at winning the Triple Crown in 1997 and 1998 will turn someone's head. He won a third Derby in 2002 before War Emblem stumbled out of the starting gate at the Belmont and lost his Triple try.

"I thought I was so smart," he said.

Then life kicked Baffert in the behind. His mother died in 2011, and he survived a heart attack in Dubai and the death of his father within a six-month span the following year. Then, seven horses in his barn

at now-closed Hollywood Park died for inconclusive reasons.

The heart attack prompted diet and lifestyle changes (cheeseburgers were out and chicken was in), but losing his parents was life-changing. During TV interviews, he would play to them watching back home in Nogales, Arizona, pulling son Bode into the shot so Ellie could see her young grandson.

"Now there's nobody out there," he said, sitting trackside on a recent quiet morning at Santa Anita.

Bill Sr. loved horses and racing, but with seven kids he was du-

ty-bound to his ranch. Nicknamed "The Chief," he got Bob interested in the sport, and his son took it from there, starting out as a jockey in the braggadocious world of quarter horses, where pickups and those big cowboy hats were the signature style.

"Everything starts out, 'I'll tell you what, I'm going to kick your (rear).' We're going to the OK corral with guns blazing," Baffert said, mimicking a drawl. "The thoroughbred world isn't that way. It's more of a gentleman's skill; we're going to take 10 paces and turn around and shoot each other."

Baffert has trained for Ahmed Zayat, who owns American Pharoah, since 2007. They've built trust and a bond that makes it easy for their families to spend time together away from the track. Zayat noticed a change in Baffert's hard-charging ways after his heart attack and surgery to insert three stents.

"He's more content. He doesn't have to get everything done perfect," the Egyptian-born businessman said. "His demeanor is telling me that 'I'm happy to have a second chance and now I'm going to try to enjoy it and try not to stress myself.'"

The sudden deaths of his horses a couple years ago and the slamming he took online chased Baffert off Twitter. He and wife Jill keep 10-year-old Bode off social media and don't let him have a cellphone.

"Before, people's opinions were kept in a bar. Now they disrespect the president of the United States," he said. "Social media has changed the world."

Baffert has had gut-wrenching failures, losing all three of his previous Triple tries at the Belmont Stakes, most memorably in 1998, when Real Quiet was beaten by a nose. He'll take another shot with Kentucky Derby and Preakness winner American Pharoah.

GOLF

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debut in 2011, when he tied for 60th after a third-round 80. He didn't make it to the weekend each of the past three years at TPC Four Seasons.

The 31-year-old missed the cut last week at Colonial in Fort Worth, which is a little farther from his home in the suburb of Flower Mound and he says doesn't have quite the "hometown" draw as the Nelson for Bowditch's family and friends.

"It's starting to feel that way, to be honest. Starting to get a lot more ticket requests," said Bowditch, whose only PGA Tour win was the 2014 Texas Open in San Antonio. "You always want to play well, but I guess it is a little more special when you have everyone around that only get to see you play golf once a year."

The Nelson had the hometown feel for Spieth the moment he stepped to the 10th tee as a high school junior five years ago, when he tied for 16th as the sixth-

youngest player to make the cut in a PGA Tour event. He returned as a rising star after his win at Augusta, frequently tipping his cap to large galleries that even cheered as he walked onto greens.

"It feels different when I tee off now versus when I was out there then," said Spieth, who has finished second at all three Texas events this year, including Colonial. "Obviously, off the course I prepare hard for this and would like to play well and get in contention. But when I'm inside the ropes, it's just another week. Back then, it was the biggest tournament I've ever played in."

James Hahn and Dallas resident Ryan Palmer shared third at 65, and 2011 Nelson champion Keegan Bradley was in the group 66. Danny Lee aced the par-3 17th with a 5-iron from 190 yards and was tied for ninth at 67.

Defending champion Brendon Todd, playing a group ahead of Spieth, had just one birdie and shot 72.

Despite an opening birdie, the 21-year-old

Spieth couldn't get the warm greetings to escalate on a mostly sunny but soggy course that has absorbed about a foot of rain in less than three weeks. Players were allowed to lift, clean and place their golf balls in the fairways.

Spieth didn't give himself many good chances for birdie, and let a couple get away in the last three holes by missing short putts while playing with Justin Thomas, his friend and opponent in the 2012 NCAA team final when Spieth led Texas over Alabama. Thomas opened with an even-par 70.

A grim-faced Spieth tossed his putter toward his bag after not even catching the lip from 8 feet on 16, but was generally upbeat after the round.

"I just didn't give myself enough looks inside of 15 feet today," said Spieth, who won the Valspar Championship about a month before the Masters. "That's the only reason I'm at 1 (under) and not better. I felt comfortable driving the ball and striking it."

Bowditch made three putts of 24 feet or longer

while shooting a 30 on the front nine and had the last of eight birdies in a bogey-free round with a 6-foot putt after a long bunker shot at the par-5 16th. His previous best round at the Nelson was a second-round 65 that helped him make his only cut four years ago.

"Probably my best putting in the way of longer putts made," said Bowditch, whose other 62 was in the final round of the 2011 Viking Classic in Mississippi. "I typically don't make a lot of longer putts."

Walker, who picked up his second win of the year in March not far from home at the Texas Open, birdied four of his last five holes. All of the putts were inside 10 feet.

"I'm a Texas guy and lived here a long time, so yeah, winning in Texas is cool," said Walker, a five-time winner who is second to Spieth in FedEx Cup points. "It was a nice finish. Good iron shots."

Hahn, also starting on No. 10, was 6 under with six holes to play but had a pair of bogeys before a finishing birdie.

BOSTON

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Blake Swihart's two-run single after two walks and a hit batsman the previous three batters.

Farrell indicated before the game that Ortiz could get several days off, giving him a chance to work on some things. Ortiz had one hit in 20 at-bats his previous five games, and is hitting .216 with six home runs and 18 RBIs in 43 games

this season.

FAMILIAR BATTERY For his major league debut, Rodriguez was throwing to catcher Swihart, who also caught him in the minor leagues. "That helped a lot," Rodriguez said. "He knows what I throw, and when I want to throw it." The double by Hamilton was the only Rangers hit in the first five innings.

TRAINER'S ROOM Red Sox: SS Xander Bogaerts sustained a bruised left forearm af-

ter being hit by a pitch near his wrist in the second inning. The pitch ricocheted off his forearm and high into the screen behind home plate.

Rangers: LHP Derek Holland threw for the first time since April 10, the home opener when he threw just one inning before leaving with strained left shoulder. Holland said he made 20 throws from 60 feet and "felt good."

LHP Matt Harrison (spinal fusion surgery)

is scheduled to throw a bullpen session Sunday in Texas. Harrison struck out nine with no walks in five innings of an extended spring training game Thursday in Arizona.

UP NEXT Red Sox: Boston RHP Steven Wright (2-1, 3.68 ERA) faces Texas for the first time in his career.

Rangers: Texas righty Yovani Gallardo (4-6, 4.13) has allowed three earned runs or less in eight of his last nine starts.

FORSAN

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Offensive MVP — Zach Goodwin, Ira Pitcher of the Year — **Braden East, Forsan** Newcomer of the Year — Trace Richey, Borden Co.

First Team Pitchers — **Blaze Yeater, Forsan**, Logan Morris, Ira, and Hunter Jones, Borden Co. Catchers — Kale Yarbro, Borden Co., and Christian Martinez, Rotan Infielders — **Garrett Kligora and Trevor Williams, Forsan**, Austin Cullifer and Hunter Cotton, Ira, Mason Coor and Hurricane Rictor, Borden Co., and James Gruben, Rotan. Outfielders — **Jesse Cervantes and Ethan Rocha, Forsan**, Tanner Shifflett, Ira, Korbin Martinez, Borden Co., and Bryan Harris, Roby. Designated hitters — Kevin Sanders, Ira, and

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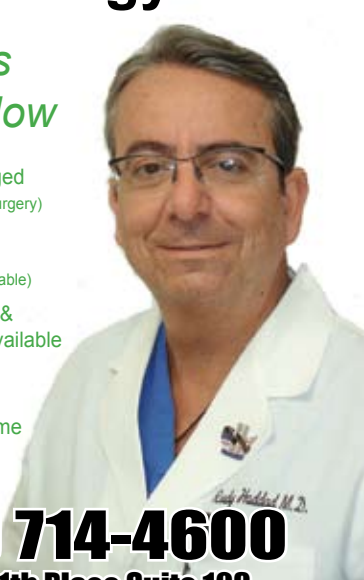
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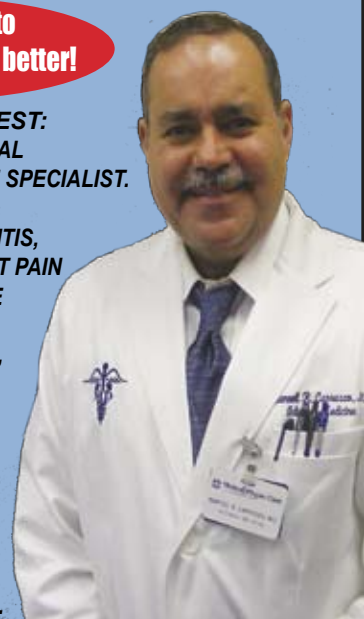
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