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Election season has arrived

Early voting starts Monday, Election Day is Nov. 5

By **ROGER CLINE**
Staff Writer



Jodi Duck

An election will be held Nov. 5 – and early voting starts Monday – but if you haven’t seen any candidates signs or heard any debates, don’t worry. There aren’t any candidates.

This election is purely focused on 10 proposed amendments to the Texas State Constitution.

Howard County Elections Administrator Jodi Duck said early voting will be conducted at the Howard County Courthouse, 300 S. Main St.; while Election Day voting will be conducted at the county’s four Voting Centers.

“We are still using Poll Center program for Election Day. But we do have

a change at one of the centers, so we need to alert people about that,” Duck said. “We used Coahoma Community Center. Once we got ‘Successful Status,’ I called out there to get on the books for this election. It has been demolished and they are building a new one. So temporarily, until the new Community Center can be built, we are voting at Coahoma City Hall. It’s at 122 N. First Street.”

Other Voting Centers are all located in Big Spring: at Ryan Hall/St. Thomas Church, 600 N. Main St.; First Baptist Church, 705 W. FM 700; and Dorothy Garrett Coliseum, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

With the Voting Center program, voters registered in Howard County can vote at any of the four Voting Centers on Election Day. Hours on Election Day

are 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Duck said the Voting Centers were very successful during their inaugural election in May.

“In the May election – the first round we had – 39 percent of voters voted outside their home district, where they would normally have to vote,” Duck said. “In the runoff election, 51 percent of the voters voted outside their home district. So it’s really catching on.”

Early voting will start Monday, Oct. 21, and run through Friday, Nov. 1. Hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., except for the final two days – Oct. 31 and Nov. 1 – when voting hours will extend from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

“(Early voting is) pure convenience. Purely convenience for the voter, to allow them to come in when it best fits their needs,” she said. “We’ll be here

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Proposed Constitutional Amendments

Proposition No. 8: Flood Infrastructure Fund?

By **ROGER CLINE**
Staff Writer

Editor’s note: This is the eighth in a series of stories about the 10 proposed amendments to the Texas Constitution which will be voted on by Texans Nov. 5.

Flooding is a major concern for many Texans, most prominently along the Gulf Coast during hurricane season, but heavy rains can also cause rivers and streams to overrun their banks and flood inland areas of the state as well.

Proposition No. 8 on the ballot this November seeks to address some of the financial insecurity that flooding brings by creating a “Flood Infrastructure Fund.” According to the proposition, the amendment would create a new state fund for projects related to flood drainage, mitigation and control.

The amendment would add Section 49-d-14 to Article 3 of the Texas Constitution, the text of which reads as follows:
“Sec. 49-d-14

“(a) The flood infrastructure fund is created as a special fund in the state treasury outside the general revenue fund.

“(b) As provided by general law, money in the flood infrastructure fund may be administered and used, without further appropriation, by the Texas Water Development Board or that board’s successor in function to provide financing for a drainage, flood mitigation, or flood control project, including:

- (1) planning and design activities;
- (2) work to obtain regulatory approval to provide non-structural and structural flood mitigation and drainage; or
- (3) construction of structural flood mitigation and drainage infrastructure.

“(c) Separate accounts may be established in the flood infrastructure fund as necessary to administer the fund or authorized projects.”

The measure received unanimous support from both the Texas House of Representatives and Senate. The State House passed the bill 140-0, with 10 members not voting; and the

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KBSB taking part in Fall Sweep on FM 700

By **AMANDA DUFORAT**
Managing Editor

Spring might be over, but the opportunity to clean is not. Keep Big Spring Beautiful is hosting the third annual Fall Sweep. The community is invited to join the clean up efforts Oct. 19 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. on FM 700.

“The goal for this event is to clean as much of FM 700 and the access road as possible. This is a very busy area and everyone in town shares this area,” Peggy Skiles, KBSB President, said. “Most residents travel this road several times a week and visitors often travel this way as well. We need this to be a good impression.”

Each year, the Fall Sweep focuses on a different area of town. In 2017, clean up efforts focused on Main Street from First Street to Eighth Street; 2018 covered the West end of Third Street.

“It’s important that we take pride in our community. We can first do that by not littering in the first place. We should not be throwing stuff out of our cars,” Skiles said. “The view here makes an impression on everyone. We need this to be a good impression.”

The primary clean up for Keep Big



HERALD file photo
The Keep Big Spring Beautiful crew has been hosting Toasty Tuesday Trash Offs since the warmer weather arrived. With the Toasty Tuesday’s wrapping up, KBSB encourages the community to come join in the Fall Sweep, before the colder weather arrives.

Spring Beautiful is held in the spring in conjunction with Don’t Mess With Texas campaign, coordinated by Keep Texas Beautiful. In addition to the spring clean up, KBSB has been hosting Toasty Tuesday since the warmer temperatures arrived; the final clean up is scheduled for Oct. 29.

“We all know litter is a problem that never goes away so we have scheduled

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Obituaries

Joel Rendal Hamby

Joel Rendal Hamby, 81, died Oct. 3, 2019. Mr. Hamby was the first baby born in Howard County in 1938 on January 3 to Christine and Joe Hamby. He received a degree in journalism from Texas Tech and worked for various newspapers in Texas and Oklahoma before publishing his own newspaper in Surfside, Texas, known as "The Dixie Free Press." He was known for his colorful editorials and was the originator of "Fake News" back when it was fun.

He married Diana Dawson on Nov. 1, 1960, and between Texas and Oklahoma, the two managed to raise two daughters. He dabbled in the oil business, and, when that got old, he married a lady named Belva of Tahlequah, Oklahoma, and then

a lady named Kelly from Montana, who preceded him in death in 2012. He is survived by his first wife, Diana; their two daughters, Dedra Leaf and Jodi Burns, four grandchildren, Kyrie Post, Cappy Leaf, Rikki Minkler and Betsy Minkler; and has three great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his two brothers, Lanny and Rick Hamby, and their spouses and children.

Other accomplishments include cofounding the Oklahoma Territorial Newspaper Museum, in Guthrie Oklahoma, being a hero to his brothers, delighting in his family, instilling humor and contentment in his daughters, and just about always getting his way. He will be greatly missed.

An informal memorial service will be held on Saturday, Oct. 19 at 4 p.m. at the home of his brother, Rick Hamby, 13 Village Rd., in his home town of Big Spring, TX.

Paid Obituary

Ycidro "MIJO" Villareal, III

Ycidro "MIJO" Villareal, III, 51, of San Angelo, formerly of Big Spring, passed away Wednesday, Oct. 16, 2019. Vigil service will be at 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 18, 2019, at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral Mass will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church. Burial will be at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Ycidro was born Feb. 27, 1968, in

Big Spring, Texas to Juanita Vidales Villareal and Ycidro Villareal, Jr. He is survived by one daughter, Jossie Villareal; and one son, Cristian Villareal, both of Big Spring; his mother, Juanita Villareal of San Angelo; three brothers, Sammy Villareal and wife, Maria of San Angelo, John Villareal and wife, Cyndi of Odessa, and Gilbert Villareal of San Angelo; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father, Ycidro Villareal, Jr.

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

Eugene "Bo" Bennett

Eugene "Bo" Bennett, 76, of Big Spring, died Wednesday, Oct. 16, 2019, in an Odessa hospital. Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 22, 2019, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel, with Rev. Jim Binnix officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday at

the funeral home.

Survivors include his wife, Tina Bennett; three grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and one brother, Gerald Bennett.

He was also preceded in death by his parents; one daughter; one son; seven brothers; and seven sisters.

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

Police Blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **MERCEDES GABRIELA CASTILLO**, 20, of 1104 S. Austin St., was arrested on a charge of criminal trespass of a property, building, aircraft or vehicle.
- **SAM JESSE CHARLES JOHNSON**, 33, of 1404 E. 14th St., was arrested on charges of driving with invalid license, failure to maintain financial responsibility, and an outstanding warrant from another agency.
- **ZAKKERY WAYNE TURNER**, 30, of 3811 Old Colorado City Hwy, was arrested on charges of possession of a controlled substance penalty group 1 (one to four grams), possession of a con-

trolled substance penalty group 1 (less than one gram), and possession of marijuana (less than two ounces).

- **TINA MARIE ANDERSON**, 52, of 2002 S. Monticello St., was arrested on a warrant for illegal window tint.
- **DONALD GENE KORBER III**, 32, of 2901 Clanton, was arrested on an outstanding warrant from another agency.
- **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported in the 1100 block of W. 7th St.
- **ACCIDENT MINOR** was reported in the 300 block of E. 4th St.
- **THEFT** was reported in the 500 block of Westover Rd., and the 800 block of W. 5th St.

• **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported in the 400 block of S. Johnson St., and the 1000 block of S. Birdwell Ln.

- **DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 1500 block of Wood St., and the 500 block of S. Birdwell Ln.
- **UNATTENDED DEATH** was reported in the 3900 block of Hamilton St., and in the 3300 block of Auburn Ave.
- **ASSAULT** was reported in the 2900 block of W. 13th St.
- **ACCIDENT MAJOR** was reported in the 2000 block of S. Lancaster St.
- **STOLEN VEHICLE** was reported in the 1200 block of Madison St., and the 3600 block of W. Hwy 80.

Sheriff

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

- Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 90 inmates at the time of this report.
- **TINA MARIE ANDERSON**, 52, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant for a window tinting violation.
- **MERCEDES GABRIELA CASTILLO**, 20, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of criminal

trespass.

- **SAM JESSIE CHARLES JOHNSON**, 33, was arrested by BSPD on warrants for driving with invalid license, failure to maintain financial responsibility, and a parole violation.
- **DAVID EDMONTON JONES**, 39, was arrested by DPS on a warrant for theft of property (\$150,000 to \$300,000).
- **DONALD GENE KOERBER III**, 32, was arrested by HCSO on a warrant for stalking.

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1200 block of Barnes. No transport was required.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1900 block of Wasson Rd.. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1300 block of Mesquite. No transport was required.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1300 block of Baylor. One

person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 900 block of E. I-20. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 800 block of W. I-20. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3300 block of S. Service Rd. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported

in the 1300 block of E. Hwy 350. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported at Hilltop Rd. and Hwy 350. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported in the 2000 block of Lancaster. No transport was required.
- **STRUCTURE FIRE** was reported in the 1200 block of Barnes. Fire was contained.

Support Groups

FRIDAY

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

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

SATURDAY

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

SUNDAY

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

MONDAY

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

TUESDAY

• Big Spring and Snyder Parkinson's Support Group meeting at the Big Spring Senior Center at 10:30 a.m. the second Tuesday of the month. This is a group for all Parkinson's Disease patients, spouses and caregivers. For more information about the support group or about Parkinson's Disease, contact Jo Bidwell at the Lubbock APDA office at 806-785-0942.

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; newcomers meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

• A six-week course in Wellness and Quality of Life with Chronic Pain will be held at Spring Creek Fellowship at the Spring Town Plaza, 1801 E. FM 700. There is no charge for the course, and a workbook will be provided. Contact Steve Purdy at 432-517-4840 for more information.

• Caregivers Support Group, sponsored by the Area Agency on Aging, meets the second Tuesday of every month at 10:30 a.m. The meetings are held at the Senior Citizens Center located at 100 Whipkey Drive. These meetings are open for any caregiver, whether medical professional or family member. For more information, please call Becky Letz at 267-1628.

• Al-anon family group meets at 8 p.m. at 615 Settles.

• DivorceCare is a biblical support group for those facing divorce or separation. Each DVD session features nationally respected experts, such as Christian Counselors and Pastors. Small group discussions and workbook exercises help participants apply the information to their own situations. We cover pertinent issues like: • Will I survive? • How to get out of debt. • How do you know when you are ready for a new relationship? • How to lessen the impact of divorce on your children. • Is reconciliation possible?

There is no charge for attendance. 13-week seminars are held two times per year on Tuesday evenings from 6 to 8 p.m. at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. The next session begins Sept. 3, 2019. Visit the DivorceCare Ministry of TBC Facebook page for information. You can also call Donna Burcham at 267-6344 for information on seminar dates and how you can register to attend.

WEDNESDAY

• RSD (Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy) a chronic pain disease, a support and informative group, meets at 213 Circle. Call Lucy at 432-517-9207 for more information.

• Celebrate Recovery meets at First United Methodist Church Youth Hall, 400 Scurry, from 6-8 p.m. Hurts, habits and hang-ups. Leave message for Joyce Webb at 325-212-8600.

THURSDAY

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

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Saturday: Sunny, with a high near 81. Northeast wind 5 to 15 mph.

Saturday Night: Clear, with a low around 54. Calm wind becoming southeast around 5 mph after midnight.

Sunday: Sunny, with a high near 89. Southwest wind 5 to 15 mph.

Sunday Night: Clear, with a low around 43.

Monday: Sunny, with a high near 75.

Monday Night: Clear, with a low around 47.

Tuesday: Sunny, with a high near 78.

Tuesday Night: Clear, with a low around 53.

Wednesday: Sunny, with a high near 83.

Wednesday Night: Clear, with a low around 56.

Thursday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 72.

(Weather courtesy National Weather Service via forecast.weather.gov)

VOTE

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during lunch, and 8-5, and it takes two minutes. Purely for convenience for the voter.”

Mail-in ballots and curbside voting for voters with limited mobility will be available as well, Duck said.

“We’ll still have curbside voting here at the courthouse. They just need to call our main office,” she said. “Mail-in ballots are still an option. Our deadline is the 25th. We must have that application in by the 25th. Not mailed by the 25th, but in our office by the 25th. That will be not this Friday, but next Friday. If they need one mailed to them, an application, call our office and we can get that out there to them.”

Duck warns people not to rely on their personal electronics in the voting booth.

“The one thing we want to be certain of this time is, be-

cause it’s so wordy, that people might put the information on their phones or plan to look it up on their phone,” she said. “We need to remind everybody that cell phones, laptops, that kind of thing, are not allowed at the polling place. They’re more than welcome to come by and get a sample ballot, or write their answers down on a piece of paper and bring those, but cell phones and laptops are not allowed. No electronic devices.”

Proposed State Constitutional Amendments on the ballot include:

Proposition 1: Allows persons to serve as more than one appointed or elected municipal judge.

Proposition 2: Allows the Texas Water Development Board to issue up to \$200 million in bonds.

Proposition 3: Authorizes temporary property tax exemption for disaster areas.

Proposition 4: Prohibits the state from levying an income tax on individuals.

Proposition 5: Dedicates Rev-

enue from the sales tax on sporting goods to parks, wildlife and historical agencies.

Proposition 6: Authorizes the legislature to increase bonds for the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute.

Proposition 7: Increases distributions to the state school fund.

Proposition 8: Creates a Flood Infrastructure Fund.

Proposition 9: Authorizes property tax exemption for precious metals held in depositories.

Proposition 10: Allows for transfer of law enforcement animals to handlers or others if an animal’s best interest.

The Herald has been running a weekly series exploring each proposed amendment. You can find a story regarding Proposition 8 in today’s edition.

For more information contact the Howard County Elections office at 432-264-2273.

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State Senate approved the bill 31-0, with all senators voting. Sen. Kel Seliger explained its popularity with the Legislature.

“I think it’s important. It’s going to help provide the infrastructure to take care of things like floods,” he said. “We have hundreds of dams in rural areas that are just on the verge of going away. It creates some terrible hazards. What we’ve seen down in South Texas with Hurricane Harvey, the terrible things we can have with these floods, and we have to have measures that allow us to respond to that.”

The legislature has already created implementing legislation for the proposed amendment which will take effect if approved by the voters in November. According to the legislation, use of the newly created fund will allow the TWDB in several ways, including:

to make a loan at or below market interest rates to a local government for a flood project;

to make a loan at or below market interest rates for the planning and design costs, permitting costs,

and other costs associated with state or federal regulatory activities related to a flood project;

to make a grant to a local government for a flood project so that the local government can receive matching funds from the federal government;

to make a grant to a local government for a flood project if the board determines that the local government does not have the ability to repay a loan;

to pay the principal or interest on bonds issued by the board if the bond’s proceeds will be deposited in the Flood Infrastructure Fund;

to pay expenses considered necessary and reasonable for administering the Flood Infrastructure Fund; and

to make transfers to the research and planning fund.

Next week, we’ll examine Proposition No. 9, which would authorize property tax exemptions for precious metals held in depositories.

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this one about six months later, in the fall,” Skiles said. “With the final Toasty Tuesday upon us, this is a good time to have as many people out as possible to come out for a big effort as winter comes on.”

Skiles offered a few tips to keep Big Spring clean; don’t litter, take care of your personal yard and the area surrounding, keep dumpster lids closed - this keeps trash from being blown out by the wind and it keeps animals out and keeps them from tearing up the trash.

“We shouldn’t be throwing stuff out of our cars while driving down the road. We should be responsible when it comes to throwing our trash and doing our part to keep our community clean,” she said. “Residents can show their pride by going a little out of their way to pick up trash they say around town. Every piece picked up makes a difference.”

Skiles continued, “KBSB welcomes everyone - individuals and groups - to join us in cleaning this very noticeable area.” KBSB will be handing out trash bags and other needed supplies for those who attend and want to

help out.

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Reflections: What's In It For Me?

October baseball is here. Major league teams have played 162 games over six months for this moment. Stadiums are packed with hopeful fans. As I write, the Yankees and Astros are battling it out for the American League pennant and the right to meet either Washington or St. Louis in the World Series. There is nothing quite like baseball.

BILL TINSLEY

The 1989 movie, *Field of Dreams* is rated number five among the favorite baseball movies of all time. In the story, Ray Kinsella responds to a "voice" that urges him to build a baseball diamond, complete with lights, in the middle of his Iowa corn field. After doing everything the "voice" commands him to do, Ray is stunned to see Shoeless Joe Jackson and some of the greats of the game emerge from his cornfield to play the game as they did in their youth.

The story climaxes with an invitation from Shoeless Joe to join them in the cornfield, a dimension beyond the edges of this world. But Ray, who has risked everything to build the field, is not invited. Instead, Jackson invites the cynical 1960s writer, Terrence Mann. Ray explodes in a fit of frustration demanding, "What's in it for me?" To which Shoeless Joe asks, "Is that why you did this Ray, for what's in it for you?"

It is a good question. According to experts in marketing, it is the question we all ask when we consider purchasing any product or joining any

organization. In our age of seeker-sensitive churches, it seems to be the dominant question asked by anyone considering a church. "What's in it for me?" But, is it the right question?

When Jesus invited Peter, James and John to leave their home, their families and their boats, I wonder how He would have responded if they had asked, "What's in it for me?" Perhaps He would have responded as He did when the young man with great possessions refused to give up his wealth. How much do we miss of what God has for us because we are so focused on "What's in it for me?"

Jesus' invitation to join Him on life's eternal journey sounds strangely different than our 21st century marketing plans. Jesus said, "If anyone wishes to come after Me, he must deny himself, and take up his cross and follow Me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it; but whoever loses his life for My sake will find it." (Matthew 16:24-25).

Perhaps what is "in it" for us is the same thing that was "in it" for Jesus: the pleasure that comes from obedience to the Father. "My food," Jesus said, "is to do the will of Him who sent Me" (John 4:34). When the Apostle Paul reached the end of his journey, he measured it in this way, "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the course, I have kept the faith;" (2 Timothy 4:7). "I did not prove disobedient to the Heavenly vision." (Acts 26:19).

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

Something to think about...

"And they were calling to one another:
'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord Almighty;
the whole earth is full of his glory.'"

~ Isaiah 6:3



RICHARD SCHNEBERGER

When we lived in Oklahoma City, I had the privilege of being an adjunct professor for several years at Southern Nazarene University. One beautiful spring day, I remember sitting near a fountain on campus preparing for an evening class. The sun was shining, the birds were singing, the flowers were blooming; it was one of those awe inspiring moments, as the glory of God was evident all around me.

While I marveled at the beauty of His masterpiece, I noticed a young college student walking across campus with her eyes glued to her phone. I was fascinated by the fact that she could type and walk without falling. I can barely talk and walk at the same time these days. I watched in wonder as she somehow navigated her way several hundred yards away and into another building without ever once taking her eyes off that phone. I was both impressed and saddened at the same time, because she completely missed the beauty of that moment. The present is a gift we can never get back once it is past.

Pay attention! If you are a teacher or parent, then you have probably found yourself using that phrase more than once. We are easily distracted. It is not uncommon to drift into our own little world and become completely oblivious to what is going on all around us. Our phones have only heightened that tendency. One primary purpose of prayer is to help us pay attention to the presence of God in the present moment.

I love what Robert Benson says: "We are not here to show something to God. We are here because God - the One who wants to be completely known - has something to show us... We do not always see that we should be moving about our days and lives and places with awe and reverence and wonder, with the same soft steps with which we enter the room of a sleeping child or the mysterious silence of a cathedral. There is no ground that is not holy ground. All of the places of our lives are sanctuaries; some of them just happen to have steeples. And all of the people in our lives are saints; it is just that some of them have day jobs and most will never have feast days named for them."

The world is full of God's glory and grace. We don't have to be at a worship service or Bible study or Christian concert to encounter God's presence, but, if we are paying attention through prayer, our ordinary, everyday life will be filled with those holy moments. As God's presence saturates something so ordinary, like dirt, it becomes sacred, holy ground. May we carry on the work of recognizing God's glory and inviting others into His presence in the present. Pay attention!

"Earth is crammed with heaven,
And every common bush afire with God;
But only he who sees, takes off his shoes -
The rest sit round it and pluck blackberries."
~ Elizabeth Browning

Placing Value

Three of the Gospel accounts tell of Jesus' saying that a prophet has no honor in his own country (Matt. 13:57; Mark 6:4; John 4:41). But even in saying this and knowing that did not keep Him from carrying out His Father's plan and message among a people who knew Him and closely pursued His activities.



RALPH ANDERSON

His principle for His followers was also to tell those closest to them just what the Lord had done for them. For example, the sending out of the seventy and other incidents.

It is still Christ's way. We are to be His witnesses in this order: "In Jerusalem (our immediate locale), and in all Judea (our home state, province, or region), and in Samaria (adjoining territory), and to the uttermost parts of the earth." (Acts 1:8). Possibly this would make this instruction more meaningful to us if understood in this way. All nations must hear the Gospel messaged of Truth, (Matt, 24:14).

Special mention was made of Andrew as he followed this procedure, "He first found his own brother, Simon, and...brought him to Jesus." (John 1:41-42). Our closest relatives are the hardest to win for the Lord we love, but Andrew did it and provided us an example. Approval is placed on his actions.

Of course, Andrew was not looking for any honor for winning Peter, and soon we see Peter having prominence. Most Christians and Bible readers are better acquainted with Peter, his blunders and blessings, than Andrew, who always seemed to be in the background, but Andrew obeyed the Lord, and used the opportunity at hand. (John 12:21-22).

It was Conrad Hilton that said, "Did you ever think what can happen to a plain bar of iron worth about \$5? The same iron bar can be made into horseshoes worth \$10.50. If made into needles, it is now worth \$3,250.85, and if turned into balance

springs for watches, its value jumps to \$250,000.00. The same is true of another kind of material-YOU."

Think of the valuable person the Lord made Peter. Here is this rough fisherman who became God's preacher to win many to Christ. This worker wrote of precious promises for Christians (2 Peter 1:4). He wrote of how earth and heaven would pass away (3:10) and urged Christians on to holy living and to grow toward maturity. (3:17-18).

But think again. This was partly due to Andrew's concern for Peter, and the proof of this is that he went and sought Peter out. He placed true value in the words of truth spoken by Jesus, and He understood the value of the life, energies, soul of another person, in this case, Peter. May we never be so bigoted that we fail to see the value of anyone who comes to the Lord or who we may have opportunity to lead to the Savior.

How are you being used for the Lord? Have you started yet in your immediate area, using the various opportunities to teach others the gracious truth that you have submitted to? It is not enough to simply hold these truths; we must use them in the proper way.

I simply write this for the same reason Peter said that he wrote (2 Peter 3:1) in order that your sincere mind might be stirred up and to put you in remembrance of these things.

Sure would like to see you Sunday, Ralph

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"For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost." Luke 19:10



TOM SLOAN

Hello. My name is Tom, and I am a "recovering" approval addict. I can't tell you when it all started or how or when I got my first taste of this toxic drug.

Without thinking, I seek approval.

It is easier for me to seek it than not. You know what this addiction is like, the euphoria of a pat on the back, an "at-a-boy" or "good job Tom". Or maybe that feeling of superiority. All I can say is that this addiction has proven to be harmful to me and everyone around me.

Maybe this life-long approval addiction prepared and conditioned my heart to accept God's scandalous grace.

Man's approval and acceptance is always deficient and deceptive, and it never fails to leave a bitter aftertaste

in my mouth.

But God's approval of me was designed to satisfy me, every minute of every day – no hang-over or harmful side effects.

God's approval gives me life, whereas man's approval leaves me hanging in the balance of public opinion. Where man's approval leaves me empty, groping in the dark and depressed, God's approval is life-giving, invigorating and independent, regardless of what I may think about myself tomorrow. In my approval addiction, I find that I am constantly seeking new sources of human approval.

But God pursues me, loving me, approving of me, accepting me.

Will I ever conquer this approval addiction?

Only God knows. But I do know that God's grace is so amazingly powerful, that He even takes approval addicts and uses us to bless others.

So, if like me, you suffer from this debilitating addiction, I invite you to join the crowd, and take up residence in the grace of God with those of us who know that we are messed up but never rejected by Him.

As it was...

We have all heard of Noah's Ark and God's flood of judgment. They even had a supposed replica recently built for people to visit and view.

I hear it's pretty realistic.



LILLIAN BOHANNAN

When I was a child, that's one of the first stories I heard in Sunday school. From God's word, the Bible, it tells that Noah, his wife, his sons, and their wives were the only people who survived the flood. They entered the ark of safety and spent a lot of time caring for the animals during the confinement on that ark.

The ark was big enough to accommodate two of every creature of unclean and seven of clean animals.

Now that's a lot of animals.

But, the main thing I remembered from studying this account was the righteousness of Noah. He found grace in the eyes of the Lord. Then, in the New Testament account, God reminds us that in the latter days of the earth, things will be as it was in the days of Noah.

Wow!

Can we see a parallel in our day?

It seems like the days of Noah are here. Are we readying our ark of safety? And just how do we do that?

I personally believe Jesus, God's only begotten Son, is giving us Himself for our ark of safety. He gets us ready for heaven by giving us a new heart. The other one is desperately wicked according to His word.

His word says, "As it was in the days of Noah, so shall it be...", when Jesus comes again.

Go find a good church and ask them how to find grace in the eyes of the Lord. By the way the word GRACE is an acronym for "God's Riches At Christ's Expense."

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Church News

First Presbyterian Church

The Wednesday Lectionary Bible Study meets at 5 p.m. in the library. The Chancel Choir rehearses at 6 p.m. on Wednesday.

Ushers last Sunday were Vicki and Mark McLean, Louise Hitch, and Buddy Cochrane.

The Thursday Lunch Bunch meets at Cowboy's Steakhouse and Restaurant for lunch at 11:30 this week.

Approved by the Session, new pew cushions for the sanctuary have been ordered and should be in place in late November. Anyone wishing to help defray the \$285 cost of each cushion may "adopt" a cushion and claim naming rights to that cushion.

The Service Committee has announced that the Annual Food Drive will begin this month. They ask that the sacks be filled and returned on Sundays, Oct. 20 and 27.

Presbyterian Women will meet in the library at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 22, for a monthly business meeting and Bible study of Lesson 2 from Eugenia Gamble's study, Love Carved in Stone-A Fresh Look at the Ten Commandments. The annual Thank Offering will be collected.

The Session meets Thursday, Oct. 24, at 6 p.m. in the church library.

The lectionary passages for the Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost (or 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time) are Jeremiah 31:27-34; Psalm 119:97-104; 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5; Luke 18:1-8. Bernadette Coffee, Commissioned Lay Pastor from San Angelo, will deliver the sermon. The Choral Introit will be "There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit," by Doris Akers. The choir will present "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing," arranged by Robert W. Thygeson, as the offertory. Gabe Martinez is the organist and choir director.

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

If you cannot attend worship, you may listen in on KBST 1490 AM, beginning at 11 a.m. If you wish to have a printed bulletin for Sunday services, please call the church office at 263-4211. You may also see what's happening at the church by visiting our website www.fpcbs.org. We would be pleased for you to like us on Facebook.

First United Methodist Church

First United Methodist Church is located just off Gregg Street at the corner of Fourth and Scurry in downtown Big Spring. The usual Sunday morning schedule includes the 9 a.m. Traditions Service featuring the pipe organ, choir, trumpet, and hymns, followed by Sunday school, and then The Bridge service at 11 a.m., which features contemporary music led by a wonderful praise team.

On Sunday, Oct. 20, Pastor Derrell Patterson continues the sermon series, "Our Identity In Christ." John 8:1-11 is the basis for the sermon, "We Are Not Condemned". Worship services are broadcast live each Sunday at 11 a.m. on radio station KXCS-105.5 FM. You can also find the service live streamed on our Facebook page at First United Methodist Church Big Spring. You can watch previous worship service videos on that Facebook page including recordings of our Christmas program, "Our Savior".

The Wednesday noon Bible study meets in Garrett Hall. The meal is served at 11:50 for \$5, followed by a Bible study of the Book of John.

Real Life Wednesdays include Celebrate Recovery, choir rehearsal, Women's bible study, children's choir, and youth meetings, which all meet at 6 p.m. The Praise Team Rehearsal is at 7 p.m. The College Ministry, Wesley Foundation, meets on Wednesdays for worship at 8 p.m. in the sanctuary, followed by a study.

"Celebrate Recovery" sessions are offered every Wednesday in Youth Hall for anyone in the community seeking freedom and healing from hurts, habits, and hang-ups. Worship and helpful Bible-based discussions begin at 6 p.m. The public is invited to drop by the north entrance of the building on Scurry Street any Wednesday.

Other events on the church calendar include:

- "Our Savior" Choir Rehearsals on Mondays, 6:30 p.m.
- Women's Walk to Emmaus Weekend Retreat, October 17-20.
- Administrative Council Meeting, 5:30 p.m.
- Trunk or Treat, October 31, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Scurry Street.
- November 3, All Saints Sunday.
- December 7 and 8, "Our Savior" Presentations.

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

First Christian Church

ARE YOU THE ONE? Read Luke 17:11-19. There were 10 who were healed of the worst possible disease of leprosy. The 10 came to Jesus and begged for mercy. All 10 obeyed when Jesus told them to go to the priests to show they were cured, but only one came back to thank Jesus. Here are some of the most scathing and tragic words Jesus ever uttered, "Were not 10 cleansed? Where are the nine?" The grateful one was a Samaritan, a half-breed despised by the Jews. It is still the ratio of grateful people: one out of 10? Are you the one?

The guest speaker this coming Sunday, Oct. 20, 2019, will be Pastor Carrol Kohl. Worship service starts at 10:50 a.m. You don't want to miss this coming Sunday with Pastor Kohl and a scrumptious fellowship luncheon catered by Double L BBQ.

If you don't have a church home, come give us a chance to be your church family. We are located at 911 Goliad; phone number is 432-517-4821.

College Baptist Church

College Baptist Church is located at the southeast corner of 11th Place and Birdwell Lane. We invite you to come join us on Sundays for Sunday school Sunday morning at 9:15 for all ages, followed by worship at 10:45 in the auditorium. RA's is for grades first through fifth boys in mission studies and activities. GA's is for grades first through fifth girls' missions, and have a craft time, King's Kids, and prayer and Bible study for youth and adults all beginning at 7 p.m.

Come worship with us as we celebrate the God of ministry. This Sunday, Jamie Scott and our praise team will lead us in presenting our hymns of praise to our heavenly Father! Our pastor, Bro. Ken McMeans, helps us as we delve into God's word which inspires us to live as Jesus lives through us.

Join in the joyful activities with us in exciting worship as we praise the mighty God we serve. Please call 432-267-7429, for more information about this exciting, loving church.

Blessed Hands Deaf Church

Come enjoy a tasty lunch, (no charge-it's on us!) and some terrific fellowship following the morning worship service. Everyone's welcome to this special time honoring college students, especially those involved in the deaf ministry (SWCD), and Howard College; lunch will be served in the First Baptist Family Life Center Gym.

The congregation of Blessed Hands Deaf Church invites you to worship with them Sunday at 10:50 a.m. Currently, they are joining with the First Baptist Church family in the main sanctuary with interpreters provided. First Baptist Church is located at 705 W. FM 700. For information about additional activities or to learn more about Blessed Hands Deaf Church, contact Pastor Jim Waltherhouse at jwaltherhouse@gmail.com.

First Baptist Church

"My mouth will speak the praise of the LORD, and all flesh will bless His holy name forever and ever." Psalm 145:21

You're invited to become part of the family of First Baptist Church Sunday at 10:50 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Music Minister Alan Schantz will lead worshippers in a mix of both contemporary praise music and classic hymns of the faith. Pastor Mark Lindsey will bring the message from scripture, and listeners will be encouraged to follow God wholeheartedly in every area of their life, as He proves His promise, "I will never leave you or forsake you."

FBC offers deaf interpretation in the morning worship service. If you need assistance accessing the sanctuary due to mobility issues, use the west circle drive, and someone will be glad to assist you inside and park your vehicle. If unable to attend, you may join the service through the live stream on the church website at: fcbigspring.org. (Click on 'MORE' tab, then 'SERMONS').

At 9 a.m., The Gathering Place, FBC coffee shop, is open, and you're invited to have some coffee and a sweet treat while enjoying a time of fellowship. Greeters are happy to direct you to The Gathering Place which is located in the former library space.

At 9:30, Sunday school groups meet throughout the building with children gathering in the Good News Garage on the first floor, and teens, college students, and adults meeting in second floor classrooms. Greeters are available to help you find your class.

At 5 p.m., everyone's encouraged to come together for a time of corporate prayer in the church parlor, across from the chapel.

Evening worship service begins at 5:30 in the chapel, and offers the opportunity to come before the Lord in preparation for the upcoming week. Pastor Mark will break open the Bread of Life, the Bible, in a message of encouragement in the Living Hope, Jesus Christ. Don't miss the blessing.

Wednesday night meals are served from 5-6 p.m. in the Family Life Center. Reservations are required by Monday noon to assist with planning; call 267-8223, or go to fcbigspring.org to save your place and learn more.

Wednesday evening schedule includes: 5:45 pm children's activities; 6:00 pm adult Bible study, and worship choir practice. 6:15 p.m. Youth activities, contact Youth Pastor Jonathan Raffini at 432-270-8332 for details about teen events, or just come to the second floor Youth room at 6:15, and join the fun. At 7:30 p.m., the worship band rehearses, and there's room for you if you play an instrument. Contact Music Minister Alan Schantz at 267-8223, or just stop by Wednesday evening if you're interested in being part of praising God through participation in the worship band.

Mother's Day Out is open each Tuesday and Thursday from 9-3. Contact Tracy Boeker at 267-8223 to find out about available openings for your little ones.

To learn more about what's happening at FBC, go to the website fcbigspring.org, or call 267-8223.

FBC is located at 705 W. FM 700. There is always a place for you at First Baptist Church. "...may the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, ...guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus." Philippians 4:7

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Bible study and Sunday school begin at 9:30 a.m., and our Sunday service begins at 10:30 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.

Our Wednesday Evening Bible Study has begun. We are studying Proverbs. A meal will be provided at 5:30 p.m., and class begins at 6 p.m. Please come and join us as we begin this new study.

Dolline Budke will present the scripture readings this week.

Tune in to KBYG every morning for a devotional sponsored in part by the Lutheran Hour. Tune in to 106.3 FM or 1400 AM between 6:45 and 6:50 each morning for these wonderful devotions: "Morning Meditation Thoughts". Also tune in every Sunday morning at 8:30 to listen to the Lutheran Hour.

St. Mary's Episcopal Church

St. Mary's Episcopal Church welcomes all to participate in our services. We are located at 1001 S. Goliad, north of the high school, and would love to have you visit. Sunday services begin at 10:30 a.m., followed by brunch in the Parish Hall. On Wednesdays, we have Bible study and coffee in the morning at 10:30 a.m., and evening we have evening prayer, dinner, and book study starting at 5:30 p.m. What a great opportunity to have meaningful fellowship and develop relationships with people who have a common interest, following the steps of Christ.

Please come and join us for a time of worship and fellowship in a place that welcomes all in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Cornerstone Covenant Church

We at Cornerstone Covenant Church would love the opportunity to Connect with you. Please join us this week at one of the following events:

• Sunday, Oct. 20: Join us this Sunday at our 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. worship service. Come on out as you can expect biblical teaching and preaching, genuine loving fellowship and live spirit filled praise and worship. We would love the opportunity this Sunday to share what God has for you and get to know you better.

• Saturday, Oct. 26: We are excited to announce our 12th Annual Member's Appreciation Banquet coming up this October. To honor this momentous occasion, we have planned a special Appreciation Weekend. We will have our Member's Appreciation Banquet Saturday, Pct. 26 at 6 p.m. in the East Room at Howard College Coliseum. Our keynote speaker is Comedian Jason Earls of Dallas. This night will be filled with fun, food, awards and great entertainment.

Then Sunday, Oct. 27, join us for our 12th Church Anniversary Celebration worship service at 9 and 11 a.m. Pastor Eugene McCrea of Anchorage, Alaska will be bringing the message.

• Thursday, Oct. 31: Come out and join us for our Fall Festival held on Thursday, Oct. 31 from 6 to 8 p.m. We will have a terrific night of fellowship, games and a special Trunk-or-Treat event that the entire family can enjoy.

Van transportation: We have an active Van Ministry that picks-up on Sundays for our 11 a.m. worship service. If you are needing a ride, please contact the church office.

Cornerstone Covenant Church (CCC) is a unified, spirit-led, purpose-driven church, which cultivates an atmosphere of faith so that lives can be transformed by Jesus Christ. Please join us every Sunday at 9 a.m., 11 a.m. and Wednesday at 7 a.m. for worship services.

CCC is located at 706 E. 12th St. For office hours or other questions, please contact our administrative office at 432-264-0015, or email us at info@cccbigspring.org. You can also find us at facebook.com/CCCBigSpring, or visit us at www.cccbigspring.org if you would like more information.

Spring Creek Fellowship

Our annual "Harvest Festival" will be at the mall on Oct. 31. Lots of food, games and fun. All free. We do need LOTS of candy and 2 liter sodas. Bring them to the church if you can help.

"Our Daily Bread" will be giving 150 turkeys to those in need for the holidays. Each one costs \$10, and you can make donations at the information desk. They also need cash donations to help keep the Food Pantry open. Please donate often.

"Our Daily Bread" Food Pantry will be open the second and fourth Saturday of each month from 9 to 11 a.m. to help anyone who needs food. We are in the mall. Go in the door where the movie theater is located and we are in the first spot on the left. Volunteers are needed to unload trucks on Wednesdays before they are open on the weekend. If you are interested in volunteering with the "Our Daily Bread Food Pantry" ministry, please contact Kay Elder.

All men are invited to the weekly Men's Prayer Breakfast on Saturdays at 7:30 a.m. at Evita's Restaurant in the mall. Please join us.

Children's Church is a great place for your child to learn and play while you enjoy worship. This ministry is for children ages kindergarten through fourth grade. We will be building on our Kid Connect lessons. Please bring your children for the fun and learning.

"PUP", which stands for "Picking Up Pieces", is a new sisterhood for widows in our community. All widows in Big Spring and the surrounding areas

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are welcome. Meetings will be held the second and fourth Mondays of each month at 6 p.m., and dinner will be served. We would love to see you there. For address or more info, please contact the church office.

Volunteer Opportunities:

- Funeral Meal Team
- Nursery
- Children's Church
- Van Ministry
- "People Helping People" Ministry
- "Our Daily Bread" Food Pantry

The Signal Mountain Quilters Group meets on the second Friday of each month. This group is open to all in the community who are interested. The proceeds from the quilt they are making this year will be donated to The Life Center. You may see the quilt in the foyer.

The Pain Management Class meets Tuesdays at 6 p.m. If you have chronic pain and would like to learn how to manage it, please attend this class. It meets in Room 4 of the Adult Connections Classrooms in the mall.

The Taylor School of Ministry is now in session. This session will address "How to Study the Bible". If you are interested, please contact the church office.

"People Caring for People" is a ministry serving widows in our area with small projects and "honey do" kinds of things. This ministry operates through donations. If you would like to be a part of this ministry, either in a "hands on" way or by donation, please contact the church office.

We have an "App" for your convenience. It is easy to work with and has many applications. Go to your App Store, search for "The Church App" and download. Then search for "Spring Creek Fellowship Texas". That should take you to our Home Page.

Weekly Happenings:

- Sunday
9:15-10:15 a.m.-Sunday School/Connection Groups
10:15 a.m.-10:45 a.m.- "Holy Grounds Café" is open with coffee, drinks and fellowship.
10:45 a.m.-12 p.m.-Worship Service
11 a.m.-12 p.m.-Children's Church
5 p.m. Prayer Meeting
- Tuesday
6 p.m.- Pain Management Class-Room 4
7 p.m.-Women's Bible Study
- Wednesday-
Community Groups-various times and places
- Thursday
7 p.m.-Men's Bible Study-Kingdom Disciples
- Saturday
7:30 a.m.-Men's Prayer Breakfast. Breakfast at Evita's Restaurant in the mall.

If you would like any further information regarding any of our ministries or events, please contact the church office or visit our website at springcreekfellowship.org.

Spring Creek Fellowship meets at the Spring Town Plaza at 1801 E. FM 700 in Big Spring, Texas. Contact us at 432-714-4584 or visit our website at www.springcreekfellowship.org.

"Every Member a Minister"-1 Peter 4:10 NKJV

Crestview Baptist Church

We at Crestview Baptist Church want to extend a warm invitation for you and your family to come and join us for worship, discipleship, evangelism, and fellowship. At Crestview, we are all about the gospel of Jesus Christ and serving Him as we learn His Word together.

Sunday School begins at 10 a.m., and Sunday worship is at 11 a.m. Pastor Tom Lassiter will be preaching through the book of 1 Timothy section by section every Sunday morning. On Sunday and Wednesday nights, at 6:30 p.m., the pastor is teaching through the Book of Acts, verse by verse.

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As followers of Jesus, prayer should be our first impulse, rather than our last resort. At NazFamily Church, just as breathing is essential for our physical life, we believe that prayer is critical for our spiritual life. Join us this Sunday as we begin a intentional emphasis that will take us through the month of October. There will be several opportunities to experience the powerful practice of praying together. You won't want to miss our daily NazFamily Noon Prayer Times, or our Wednesday evening and Sunday morning services this week!

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At NazFamily Church, we want to pray for our law enforcement officers by name. Crystal McGuire and Scott Jimenez are starting the "Adopt a Cop" program. If you want to participate, contact Crystal or Scott, and they will give you the name of an officer so that you can pray daily for that officer and his/her family.

- Fall Fest

It's fall, y'all! We will be hosting a Fall Festival on Friday, Oct. 25, at our New Hope Christian School. There will be hay rides, games, goodies, and fun for the whole family. Invite your friends, family, and neighbors to come out and be blessed.

- Trunk or Treat

On Thursday, Oct. 31, the NazFamily will be hosting a community Trunk or Treat. All the kids are invited to come get some sweets in a fun and safe place.

Southern Baptists of Texas gathering scheduled for Odessa

By BOB CAMPBELL

Odessa American

ODESSA, Texas (AP) — For the first time, the annual meeting of the Grapevine-based Southern Baptists of Texas Convention will be held in Odessa Oct. 28-29 with a total of attendance of more than 1,000 people from around the state expected.

The Odessa American reports First Baptist Church at 709 N. Lee Ave. will be the host church and the new Marriott Hotel & Conference Center at 305 E. Fifth St. the meeting's official hotel.

First Baptist Senior Pastor Byron McWilliams said the event requires "a ton of planning to make sure everything is ready for such a large number messengers (delegates) and church staff to descend upon Odessa and have a great place to gather.

"Our choir and orchestra will provide music on Monday night," McWilliams said. "We're only able to do this because of the new building we built five years ago. We couldn't have done it in our old sanctuary. Our new facilities are what makes this happen.

"We are very thankful that we can be the host church and we're looking forward to a great time, not only for business meetings but also a time to celebrate what God is doing across the State of Texas and be a part of that."

Among the business to be transacted is the election of 2019-20 officers with a successor to SBTC President Juan Sanchez to be chosen.

The Rev. Sanchez, pastor of High Pointe Baptist Church in Austin, said in a telephone interview that the meeting's theme is Second Corinthians 4:5, which says, "For what we preach is not ourselves but Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake."

"Every single person can reach out to at least one person," Sanchez said. "Unlike denominations that are structured from the top down, we Southern Baptists are grassroots with the messengers coming together to give directions on doctrine and practices for the purpose of advancing the mission of the Gospel."

Noting that the SBCT has only been in existence since 1998, he said over 2,700 Texas churches have affiliated with it.

Last year's annual meeting was attended by more than 1,300 people, including 1,027 messengers, at the Kingwood campus of the Second Baptist Church of Houston, the convention reported.

Sanchez said most Texas Southern Baptist congregations are aligned with either the SBTC or the Dallas-based Baptist General Convention of Texas, or "Texas Baptists," which dates its origin to 1853 and reports the cooperation of 5,700 churches.

"We are a confessional fellowship and we hold the Bible to be God's word without error," he said.

The event will start here with discussions from noon to 4 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 28, by the Revs. Gary Smith and Jason Paredes of Arlington and Randal Lyle of Fort Worth about building bridges, removing barriers and making a church "look more like Heaven" by reflecting the demographics of the community it is in, according to the agenda.

The president's message at 6:30 p.m. Oct. 28 by the Rev. Sanchez will precede a sermon by the Rev. Paul Chitwood, president of the Richmond, Virginia-based International Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Beginning at 9 a.m. Oct. 29, the convention sermon by the Rev. Andrew Herbert of Amarillo will be followed by a guest sermon by Adam Greenway, who at 41 became the youngest president in the history of the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth with his February appointment.

The Oct. 29 afternoon session will feature Biblical expositions by the Revs. Charles Lee of Austin and Caleb Turner of Mesquite and Southern Baptists of Texas Convention Executive Director Jim Richards, who has guided the organization since its beginning.

Removal of Notre Dame's melted scaffold to begin 'in weeks'

By CLAIRE PARKER

Associated Press

PARIS (AP) — Melted scaffolding atop fire-ravaged Notre Dame Cathedral will be removed "in the coming weeks" to allow restoration work to begin next year, France's culture minister said Tuesday.

It's been six months since an April 15 fire gutted the medieval Paris structure, which was under renovation at the time and crisscrossed with scaffolding where its spire once stood.

The twisted metal remained in place after the fire as engineers tried to determine whether removing it would exacerbate structural weaknesses from the blaze.

French Culture Minister Franck Riester said that before rebuilding can begin, several more months of conservation work done in parallel with an evaluation of the cathedral's soundness need to be completed.

"Our Notre Dame de Paris is not yet totally saved," Riester told reporters.

President Emmanuel Macron promised in April that France's beloved landmark would be restored within five years. Critics say his timeline is overly ambitious.

The culture minister offered few hard deadlines. He told reporters Tuesday that the French government prioritizes quality over speed, though he said the 5-year timeframe represents the state's "ambition to mobilize."

"For us, the top priority is to do a quality restoration that captures the height of what our history represents for our country, for Paris, for the Catholic religion, for Notre Dame," Riester said.

The government has not settled on a particular path for reconstruction. Riester promised wide consultation and debate. As head of state, Macron has the final word because the French government owns Notre Dame.

"We are determined to do things in a totally transparent manner," Riester said.

The budget for the project also remains undecided. Some 350,000 donors have given or pledged a total of 922 million euros (\$1.02 billion), according to Riester.

The Notre Dame Foundation has received 104 million euros (\$114 million) to date.

Riester also addressed public criticism that French officials were slow to recognize the potential harmful effects of melted lead from the cathedral's roof that drifted into the air and onto surfaces below.

He said health officials take regular samples from areas around Notre Dame to check for lead, and that workers on the site take appropriate precautions.

Authorities ran 877 lead tests on people in surrounding neighborhoods at risk of exposure to lead pollution from the fire and only 10 showed dangerously elevated levels, Riester said.

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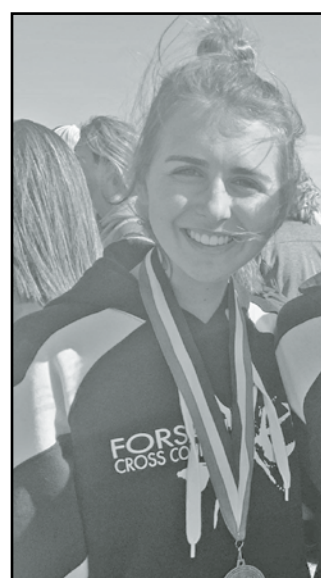
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Forsan XC competes in 7AA XC Meet



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Pictured above left: The boys cross country runners are pictured as they prepare for the races. Pictured above center: The cross country girls team display their medals after a race. Pictured directly right: Rylie Evans, Forsan Junior, finished second and will advance to the regional meet. Pictured far right: Coach Vedder is pictured with two of the junior high winners.

Special to the Herald

Last week, on Oct. 16, Forsan Cross Country team competed in the 7AA Cross Country Meet, held at San Angelo State Park.

The results are as follows:

Cellie Melendez finished 4th and Kalie Rosenbaum 6th in the 7th grade girl's division.

The 8th grade competed well as Lilly Hoff came

in 13th, Carsyn Brown 26th, Addie Beall 29th and Morgan Miller 33rd.

Rylie Evans, Jr. finished 2nd with a time of 12:38 and will advance to the Regional Meet. She shaved off 36 seconds from her time at the Wall Invitational Meet Sept 14 on the same course. Ella Hoff placed 18th and knocked off 28 seconds from her previous time. Hailey Beall placed 24th and reduced her time from the Wall meet by 1 minute 18 seconds.

Kristen Schafer and Mercedes Rodriguez placed 34th and 37th for the Lady Buffs.

The Varsity Boys placed 3rd as a team and will advance to the Regional Meet as well. Jason Bagwell was 4th, followed by Carter Scott 9th, Jared Gaswell 12th, Blake Barclay 26, Gavin McKelvain 28th, Malaki Rodgers 29th, and David Tidwell 31st.

The Region 1 Cross Country meet will be at Mae Simmons Park in Lubbock on Oct. 28.

Seniors beat sophomores in Powderpuff



Courtesy photos/
Tony Claxton
(claxtonphotography.com)

The Sophomore class and the Senior class went head to head last night in the annual Powderpuff game. The Seniors came out with the win for 2019. The event was another success for BSISD. Parents, friends and families filled the stands in show of support.

Vrabel: Titans switch to Tannehill at QB looking for spark

By TERESA M. WALKER

AP Pro Football Writer

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — The Tennessee Titans want to jump-start an offense that has just one touchdown over the past 10 quarters, so they're turning to veteran quarterback Ryan Tannehill and benching Marcus Mariota.

At least for Sunday.

"We're trying to get a little spark, trying to evaluate what we're doing and how we're functioning as an offense," coach Mike Vrabel said Wednesday.

Tannehill, the eight-year veteran with 88 career starts for Miami, will make his first Tennessee start against the Chargers (2-4).

"I just felt like now was the time," Vrabel said.

Not that Mariota, the No. 2 pick overall in 2015 and 2014 Heisman Trophy winner, is benched for the final 10 games left on his \$20.9 million contract.

"This is a decision that we made for this week. We're going to need Marcus in some form or fashion throughout the season, but I think the most important thing is this week."

Chargers coach Anthony Lynn said they will be preparing for both quarterbacks. He coached against Tannehill when he was in the AFC East and noted that Tannehill played against the Chargers a couple years ago too.

"He's a good player," Lynch said of Tannehill. "He can move around, create, throw the ball."

Vrabel didn't make the move to bench Mariota in a vacuum.

The second-year head coach said controlling owner Amy Adams Strunk, general manager Jon Robinson and other coaches were part of the decision. The Titans (2-4) have scored just 98 points through six games — and the defense, the NFL's No. 5 scoring unit, contributed an interception return for a touchdown to that total.

Now Tannehill is getting his shot after being acquired from Miami in March via trade, a move originally made to upgrade the backup QB position. The eight-year veteran has a career quarterback rating of 87 and has 20,578 yards passing with 123 touchdowns and 76 interceptions. The eighth overall pick out of Texas A&M in 2012, Tannehill is being paid \$1.75 million under a one-year deal.

"It's been a little while since I was a starter right? Almost half a year?" Tannehill said. "But it's nothing new for me to go out and play football. It's what I love to do. I love competing ... and being on the field. So nothing new, just different colors."

Tannehill was 13 of 16 for 144 yards with one interception on 30 snaps coming off the bench in the 16-0 loss in Denver. He also was sacked four times and

now has been sacked 252 times in his career.

The Titans have allowed an NFL-worst 29 sacks despite an offensive line they have heavily invested in.

Taylor Lewan became the league's highest-paid left tackle last year, left guard Rodger Saffold was the fourth-highest paid lineman signed in March, center Ben Jones got an extension Aug. 30 and the team used draft picks on rookie right guard Nate Davis (third-round pick) and right tackle Jack Conklin (No. 8 pick overall in 2016).

"This isn't a fail by Marcus," Saffold said. "This is a fail by this offense, and we just have to understand that."

Vrabel benched Mariota in the third quarter after 40 snaps, the first time he had been pulled because of poor play and not injury. Mariota was 7 of 18 for 63 yards and two interceptions. Mariota said he was disappointed at not taking advantage of his opportunity.

"I can learn and grow from this situation," Mariota said. "This isn't going to bring me down. This isn't going to end my career. This is an opportunity for me to grow, and I'm going to make the most of it."

In his career, Tannehill is 42-46 as a starter with one winning season at 10-6 with Miami in 2016 while never playing in a postseason game. Mariota is 29-32 as a starter, though he is 1-1 in the playoffs.

Notes: DT Jeffery Simmons, the No. 19 pick overall, practiced for the first time Wednesday. Vrabel said he expects the rookie to be glad to shove someone other than the coach around. ... Conklin (ankle) did not practice Wednesday along with LB Jayon Brown (groin), LB Sharif Finch (shoulder), LB Cameron Wake (hamstring). DT Jurrell Casey (shoulder), S Kenny Vaccaro (quad) and TE Delanie Walker (ankle) were limited.

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(There)
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(There)
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(Home)
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(There)
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(Home)

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Today - vs. Abernathy
(Away)

Oct. 25 -

Gold Out game vs Stanton
(Home)

Nov. 1

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City (Home)

Nov. 8 - vs. Lubbock Roos-
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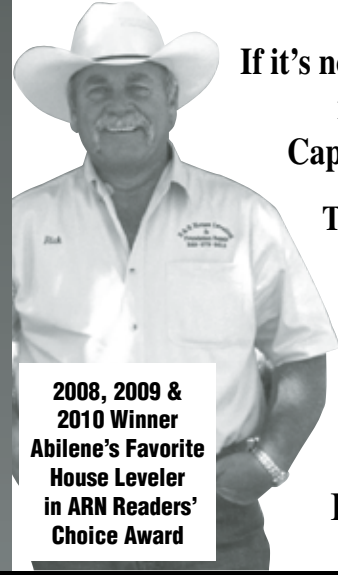
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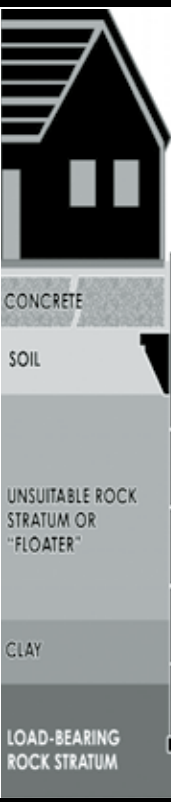
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Annie's Mailbox

Is This Real Love?

Dear Annie: I read your column almost every morning, and I'd love to hear your advice on my situation. I am 20 years old. I'll be turning 21 this December. (Yippeee!) My first real boyfriend and I have been off and on the last six years. Even at our young age, we used drugs, but both have succeeded in our battle against the addiction.

I love my boyfriend very much but sometimes he can be off-putting. He can often get loud and yell and get mad very quickly. Though it's been many years since it happened, he often brings up the time I cheated on him not long after we first got together. I have admitted my wrongs, but he never just understands how much I just want to move past that and be happy together.

I feel like now we are just together to be together. We're used to each other's presence no matter how bad things are between us.

I get along great with his family. They're like the family I've never had. His mother is just like me, and they include me in everything; they love me and tell me it all the time.

I sometimes feel like my boyfriend and I were meant to be -- but then I also think about whether I might be happier alone. I'm so con-

fused. Please help ASAP!
-- Stuck and Confused

Dear Stuck and Confused: Let's try a thought experiment: Close your eyes and imagine yourself 10 years from now still with the same man -- what your life is like together, and, most importantly, how it makes you feel. Then imagine your life 10 years from now having started a new life without him today. Which scenario leaves you feeling lighter and more excited? From your letter, I have a hunch it's the latter. You are ready for the next chapter of your life, but it can be scary turning the page. However, I am so excited for you to find out what your story holds once you do.

Be prepared. The break-up will likely be painful and messy. I recommend reading "Codependent No More" by Melody Beattie for some further guidance on setting boundaries that will help you stay healthy.

Keep in mind that it's normal to mourn a relationship after it ends: It doesn't mean that you're wrong to end it.

Remember just how strong you are: You overcame drug addiction at an incredibly young age, and you will overcome this, too.

Dear Annie: This is an open letter to a woman

who commented as I left a designated handicapped bathroom stall: Thank you for your snarky comment that I certainly don't "look disabled." Due to orthopedic impairments that are not visible to your discerning eye (two sort of successful hip replacements and a blown Achilles tendon), I am unable to rise from a sitting position without a grab bar or other support -- and a toilet paper holder does NOT do it. I owe you no explanation, nor do I merit special attention from other women in that restroom. Please remember that not everyone who has a disabled driver hang tag/plate or uses a designated stall has an obvious impairment, and it is not your place to question that need. I wish you a long healthy life unchallenged by age, arthritis or other impairments. In the meantime, I wish you a bit of common courtesy. -- Florida Woman

Dear Florida Woman: Hear, hear. I appreciate this reminder that not all disabilities are obvious. Thanks for writing.

Send your questions for Annie Lane to dearannie@creators.com.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS

And when you succumb to negativity, you'll find reasons to be there, too.



LI-BRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Get in the mix however you can -- as a volunteer, an intern or just as an unqualified person doing a job for free. Even if you mess up a lot, you'll be better off than you would be paying for a class or experience.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Focus your attention on the one area of your life that, if changed, would favorably touch every other area of your life. Tonight will be a particularly fantastic time for introspection and planning.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You know what you want, and you've already committed, but when it's time to actually put this in motion, your brain will object with the most interesting excuses. Don't give it the chance. Act first; think later.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). A sentimental mood makes the passage of time a little blurry. And, if so inclined, you'll find that you can move fluidly to a feeling you had in the distant past.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Though you feel it's not as important to air your feelings as it is to reconcile them within yourself, much will depend on your company. Only your nearest and dearest will get the full picture and even then, only in small doses.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Repairs will be necessary. Don't waste time with amateurs including yourself. Likely, this is beyond your scope of expertise, and you probably don't have the tools to do it the right way. Use the best professional you can afford.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Oct. 18). Twice this solar year, you'll be on the receiving end of an expansive gesture from the universe -- a prize, or money in the mailbox. Even so, it's small treats along the way that make you happiest. Highlights include delightful social plans, a game you stumble into and time in gorgeous scenery. Aries and Sagittarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 4, 15, 9, 37 and 11.

WEEKEND LOVE

FORECAST: ARIES: Romance and friendship are not so far apart from each other. They enact many of the same activities, just in a different tone. **TAURUS:** The unlikely love interest actually makes a lot more sense when you consider your deep history. **GEMINI:** Building your attractive qualities is never a waste of time. Everything else about the relationship is easier when you're working from strong attraction. **CANCER:** Eat together. Food is a meaningful bonding experience. **LEO:** You feel pretty solid in your footing as a person and will exude a comfort level for who you are as well as a caring attitude toward others. **VIRGO:** You have no obligation to share. Don't allow yourself to be persuaded to open up past the level you want to. **LIBRA:** Trust is the basis for relationships. Once it's broken, it's irreparable, so proceed carefully. **SCORPIO:** People are always more vulnerable in transition, and you'll help to see someone through. **SAGITTARIUS:** In the name of high character, you'll cut the moody people some slack and hope they do the same for you someday. **CAPRICORN:** Does knowing your romantic principles will set the standard for others affect your choices? **AQUARIUS:** You're not sure how much you want to know about a person, but you're about to find out a little more. **PISCES:** Intelligent discussion will be a treat, especially on matters philosophical or artistic.

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker
Test your play

1. You are declarer with the West hand at Three Notrump. North leads the seven of hearts, on which South plays the ten. How would you play the hand?

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| West | East |
| ♠ Q 8 2 | ♠ A K 3 |
| ♥ K J 8 | ♥ 6 2 |
| ♦ Q J 10 | ♦ A 9 5 |
| ♣ A 10 6 3 | ♣ K J 9 7 4 |

2. This is a double-dummy problem. South is declarer, clubs are trump, and West leads the king of hearts. How can declarer win six of the seven remaining tricks, assuming best defense by East-West?

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

1. There is no way to be certain of the location of the missing queen

Tomorrow: Choosing the right line of play.
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1	3	8	6	4	2	5	9	7	8
3	1	4	8	5	7	6	2	9	5
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ANSWER:

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Emotional Sky Roller-coaster

ARIES (March 21-April 19). If it's difficult to find things to appreciate in those around you, then you might be in the wrong crowd. There is no good reason you shouldn't be around people whose qualities you admire.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Get some altitude; you'll learn a lot when you go where the view is. Once you see a problem from the top, you'll know how to solve it. But you can't do it from there. You have to go back down and solve it on the ground.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Life is messy. So when you embrace life, don't be surprised when you come away with a few stains on your shirt. This is just evidence that life embraced you back.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Those who act the most confident may be the most insecure. The truly secure don't usually see the point in drawing attention to themselves, as they're too busy just doing what comes naturally.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). A secret is a powerful thing that, like all powerful things, has an impact. Keep it to yourself with a sparkle in your eye and its impact is charismatic. Keep it to yourself with shame and its impact is a gravitational pull on your spirit.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Instead of trying to force yourself to be nicer, find more reasons to be cheerful.

Sands XC teams bring home hardware



Herald Staff Report

The four Sands Cross Country teams – JV Girls and Boys, and Varsity Girls and Boys – competed at the District Cross Country Meet at Forrest Park in Lamesa on Oct. 15.

According to Dustin Wall with Sands CISD, “This was one of the best ever district performances by the Sands Mustang’s and Lady Stang’s cross country teams. We had the first-place runner in every race.”

He continued, “The Varsity girls, JV Girls, and Junior High boys were district champions and the Varsity boys and Junior High girls were district runner-up. Both varsities will run at regionals in Lubbock on Monday, Oct. 28.”

Varsity Girls finished 1st of four teams and earned the District Champs – Regional Team qualifier. Individual times and rankings were:

- Landry Morrow – District Champ - 1st place, 13:17
- Me-A Gonzalez - 2nd place, 13:30
- Bianca Plata - 3rd place, 13:33
- Lili Porras - 11th place, 15:00
- Elysa Martinez – 14th place, 15:36
- Maria Gonzalez - 15th place, 15:47
- Mayra Diaz - 18th place, 16:17

- Varsity Boys - 2nd place – District Runner Up, Regional Team Qualifier
- Riley Webb – District Champ, 1st place, 19:02
- Rodolfo Juarez - 3rd place, 19:41
- Trandon Edmonson - 10th place, 20:58
- Jaden Flentge - 21st place, 22:02
- Cash Walker - 23rd place, 22:11
- Jesus “Chuy” Porras - 27th place, 25:25

- JV Girls - 1st place – District Champs
- Charli Snell - 1st place – District Champ, 15:53
- Yesenia Reyna - 3rd place, 17:15
- Alexa Plata - 5th place, 17:47
- Kaylee French, 7th place, 18:25
- Lakyn Sandlin - 14th place, 22:10



JV Boys

- AJ Tomlinson – District Champ, 1st place, 21:27
- Trayven Archuleta - 5th place, 25:50
- Kaleb King - 7th place, 26:47

- JH Girls - 2nd place, District Runner Up
- Hayley Connell – District Champ, 1st place – 13:26

- Madison Segundo - 6th place, 15:17
- Jumalay Mena - 7th place, 15:22
- Taylor Wall - 11th place, 15:37
- Myah Heald - 18th place, 16:05
- Kasey Hogue - 19th place, 16:07
- Aubree Blissard - 22nd place, 16:59
- Virginia Jerotich - 23rd place, 17:02
- Madison Hataway - 25th place, 17:12
- Chloe Gillespie - 28th place, 17:36
- Savannah Barnes - 49th place, 23:12

- JH Boys – District Champs, 1st Place
- Austin Archuleta – District Champ - 1st place
- Michael Diaz - 2nd place
- Wiley Gaskins - 3rd place
- Wyatt Herm - 16th place
- Jaiden Gonzales - 19th place
- Henry Wolf - 27th place
- Kirby Huffman - 28th place
- Nate Ybarra – 33rd place


Courtesy photos
Pictured above left: All four Sands High School teams – JV Girls, JB Boys, Varsity Girls and Boys. Pictured above right: Varsity boy’s District Champion Riley Webb, a Junior.
Pictured left: Top three individual finishers in varsity girl’s race: (left to right) District champion Landry Morrow, a Sophomore 2nd place, Me-A Gonzalez, a Junior; 3rd place, Bianca Plata, a Freshman.

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NFL owners agree to invest in Hall of Fame project

CANTON, Ohio (AP) — The NFL says team owners have given the OK to invest up to \$10 million in the Pro Football Hall of Fame Village in Canton.

A spokesman for the league says the decision came at the NFL owners' meetings this week in Florida.

Hall of Fame officials are planning a multi-year development at the Canton site. It includes a hotel with an indoor water park, retail stores and an entertainment complex.

Already finished is a renovation of the Tom Benson Hall of Fame Stadium.

The Repository newspaper in Canton reports that this would be the NFL's first investment in the new development, but there's timeline for the donation or a specific amount.

Construction on the next phase is expected this year or in early 2020.

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