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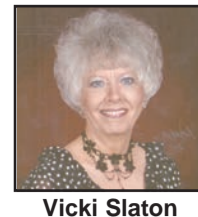
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## Big Spring ISD eyes possible tax hike

### Need for increase tied to Alon USA property valuations dispute

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

Is there a tax increase in Big Spring ISD's future?

School trustees discussed the very real possibility of a tax hike

when they held their monthly meeting in the high school board room Tuesday evening.

District administrators say the tax increase may be possible to help offset decreased debt-

service payments from the state.

Chief Financial Officer Sandra Waggoner said the state's annual debt service aid has been dropping as the district's tax valuations increase.

"When (the Texas Education Agency) computes their debt allotment, it is on the assumption that we will collect so much in taxes."



Waggoner

collecting

However, district collections have dropped as a result of the dispute between the Alon USA Refinery and the Howard County Tax Appraisal District. Simply put, the district is less than the state believes it should be, which has

led to the decreased debt service payments.

That state aid will decrease from \$260,000 in 2007 to \$89,000 this year, leaving administrators to plug a \$171,000 hole in their new budget, Waggoner said.

"We'll probably have to raise

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## Bush to Congress: Embrace exploration

WASHINGTON (AP) — With gasoline topping \$4 a gallon, President Bush urged Congress on Wednesday to lift its long-standing ban on offshore oil and gas drilling, saying the United States needs to increase its energy production.

"There is no excuse for delay," the president said in a statement in the Rose Garden. With the presidential election on the horizon, Bush blamed Democratic lawmakers for opposing his energy policies and for high gasoline costs.

"Families across the country are looking to Washington for a response," Bush said.

He said that offshore drilling could yield up to 18 billion barrels of oil over time, although it would take years for production to start. Bush also said offshore drilling would take pressure off prices over time.

There are two prohibitions on offshore drilling, one imposed by Congress and another by executive

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HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

David Schofield fills his plate with catfish at the Heritage Museum's Legends & Legacies dinner and auction Tuesday night held at the Gerald Marie Wallace Pavilion. The fund-raiser garnered an estimated \$9,000 and drew about 100 people. The money will be used to help support the daily operations and special event programming for the museum.

## On the air

### KBST, KBYG will continue to broadcast BSHS games

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

Big Spring High School sports will continue to have two potential sources of radio coverage.

A proposal to provide radio station KBST with exclusive broadcast rights to BSHS sports was tabled during Tuesday evening's Big Spring ISD school board meeting.

Instead, KBST was renamed the "flagship" station for high school sports, which gives the station priority to pressbox space during home and road games, while still allowing for game coverage from station KBYG.

John Weeks, general manager at KBYG, objected strenuously to the exclusivity proposal in an address to the board.

"This is not a good choice for Big Spring ISD or for Big Spring High School," he said. "Why limit the coverage? ... These kids deserve all the coverage they can get."

Weeks also leveled conflict-of-interest charges at BSISD Superintendent Michael Downes, who has

"A competitive situation is something that's good for everybody. Businesses have a right to choose who they want to advertise with."



Kennedy

assisted in KBST game broadcasts for the past few years.

Downes responded later in the meeting, denying any conflict of interest.

"I don't get paid (by the station), I don't help prepare (the advertising) package and I will not be broadcasting games in the future," Downes said.

He added the district has been giving exclusive broadcast rights for years — for instance, KBYG had been given that designation for Spanish language

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## Levee breaches force small town's evacuation

By MARIA SUDEKUM FISHER

Associated Press Writer

GULFPORT, Ill. — Floodwaters breached two levees in western Illinois on Wednesday and threatened more Mississippi River towns in Missouri after inundating much of Iowa for the past week.

The breaches 45 miles south of Gulfport flooded farmland near the hamlet of Meyer and south of there in the Indian Graves levee district, Adams County Emergency Management Agency spokeswoman Julie Shepard said.

Meyer, a town of 40 to 50 people, had to be evacuated, and authorities patrolled the town Wednesday morning to make sure no one was left behind, she said.

Officials monitored levees in other Mississippi River towns in Illinois and Missouri in hopes that they would hold.

Flooding that began in eastern Iowa caused more than \$1.5 billion in damage as it crept south toward the Mississippi. About 25,000 people in Cedar Rapids were forced from their homes, 19 buildings at the University

of Iowa were flooded and water treatment plants in several cities were knocked out.

Now the floodwaters are a problem for communities such as Gulfport and Clarksville, Mo.

Authorities rescued people by helicopter, boat and four-wheeler on Tuesday after the river broke through a levee in Gulfport.

Lois Russell was among those who watched her house get inundated with water.

"What else am I going to do? Where else am I going to go?" said the 83-year-old Russell, who had lived in the white farmhouse

for 57 years.

Later in the week, the Mississippi is expected to threaten a host of others communities, leading officials to consider evacuation plans and begin sandbagging.

In Clarksville — a historic artists' town of 500 between St. Louis and Hannibal, Mo. — National Guard members, inmates and students were sandbagging. Five blocks were already swamped, but volunteers were doing their best to save buildings housing the shops of

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### IN BRIEF

#### 75th Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo schedule

**Thursday**  
5:30 p.m. - Parade starts at 11th and Main, heads north to the courthouse square before turning and going back south up Scurry.  
8 p.m. - 75th Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo kicks off at the Big Spring Rodeo Bowl.  
9:30 p.m. - Jody Nix plays free concert at the fair barn for anyone who bought a ticket to the rodeo courtesy of sponsorship by Click Ranch.

**Friday**  
8 a.m. - Golf tournament benefitting Justin Crisis Fund and Everett Blackburn Scholarship Fund at the Big Spring Country Club. Four-man scramble format with a cost of \$50 a player.  
8 p.m. - Second night of rodeo performances.  
9:30 p.m. - Clearwater plays at the fair barn. Tickets are \$10.

**Saturday**  
9 a.m. - Howard-Glasscock Old Settlers Reunion at the fair barn.  
8 p.m. - Final night of rodeo performances.  
9:30 p.m. - Cory Morrow performs at the fair barn. Tickets are \$20.

#### BSGSA holding 5th Annual Co-ed Ragball Tourney

The Big Spring Girls Softball Association is having its 5th Annual Co-ed Ragball Tournament Friday through Sunday at the Roy Anderson Complex.  
Cost is \$110 per team with an eight-game guarantee.  
Register at the complex between 5:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Friday. Games start at 7 p.m. on the same date.  
For more information contact Rodney Jones at 213-3750.

#### Sandlot boys softball team raising funds

The Big Spring Sandlot boys softball team is on a quest to reach the Youth Slow Pitch World Series in Fayetteville, Ark., and is asking for the assistance of the community.  
The team will be holding two carwashes over the next two weeks, hoping to raise funds for their trip.  
The first carwash is set for 8 a.m. Saturday at Wal-Mart. The second is at 8 a.m. June 28 at Advance Auto Parts.  
Advance will also be donating a hydraulic jack and battery charger to be raffled for \$1 a ticket.

If you want to just give a donation, call Ben Flores at 816-1262 or Diane at 264-0353.

#### C. G. A. sets scholarship tournament

The Chicano Golf Association is holding their 18th annual scholarship tournament June 28-29 at the Big Spring Country Club.

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# Rice eliminated from CWS by LSU

By **WAYNE ORTMAN**

Associated Press Writer

OMAHA, Neb. — Wayne Graham thought he made the right decision.

The Rice coach kept reliever Cole St. Clair on the mound, even after LSU began scattering hits before forging yet another comeback in a 6-5 win that eliminated the Owls from the College World Series on Tuesday.

"We went with our best guys,

and give credit to LSU for coming back," Graham said. "They did a good job of fighting hard and coming back, which is what they've been doing for quite some time."

St. Clair came in with two outs in the sixth inning with Rice leading 4-0.

In the final three innings, LSU took advantage of two Rice errors, a balk, a hit batter and had two singles and two doubles to score six runs. The three-run double

came from Blake Dean with one out in the bottom of the ninth.

Graham said he opted to keep St. Clair, a left-hander, against right-hander Michael Hollander, who had grounded out in the seventh. But Hollander drove a ball up the middle this time, cutting Rice's lead to 5-3.

"Cole had been effective against Hollander and they had nothing but left-handed hitters coming up, and Cole is a left-hander," Graham

said. "I chose, and honestly I'll probably be second-guessing myself until next spring — or least until next fall — but I chose to go with Cole with the idea that the guys we needed to get out were primarily left-handers."

Following Hollander's RBI single, left-handed hitter Jared Mitchell reached on Rice shortstop Rick Hague's error to load

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## Rangers: Regular season champs



Courtesy photo/Bruce Schooler

The Rangers finished the regular season with the best record in the Major League at 13-1 and finished second in the city tournament. Bottom row (left to right): Caige Miller, Alex Byrd, Richard Gie, Gary Watkins, Daniel Keeney and Blake Letcher. Back row (left to right): Coach Jonathan Miller, Adam Franco, Devin Spivey, Brandon Warner, Coach Robert Smith, Clayton Galloway, Austin Mize, Jesse Cantu and Coach Ron Letcher.

## T.O. missing from camp

By **STEPHEN HAWKINS**

AP Sports Writer

IRVING — Terrell Owens has been excused from the Dallas Cowboys' mandatory offseason minicamp this week while dealing with a personal family matter.

Owens was at the Valley Ranch facility Tuesday morning. But he left to catch a flight before the first of five scheduled practices during the three-day minicamp.

"He didn't want to go into it, and I really don't want to either," Phillips said. "It's a family matter and just leave it at that. It's not anything more than that."

The only players other than Owens not on the field Tuesday were free safety Ken Hamlin and receiver Terry Glenn, both absent because

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# Celtics claim 17th NBA title

*Boston dominates the Lakers, 131-92, in Game 6 blowout*

By **TOM WITHERS**

AP Sports Writer

BOSTON — A blizzard of green-and-white confetti was in the forecast, a shiny trophy was being readied for its trip to the center of the parquet floor and T-shirts and caps were hurriedly handed out to the rest of the new NBA champions.

First, though, a final, fitting bow.

The clock said 4:01 left, and the scoreboard read: Boston 116, Los Angeles 81.

It was time for Paul Pierce, Kevin Garnett and Ray Allen to come out — together.

"I thought, they came in as a group, and I thought we should take them out as a group," Celtics coach Doc Rivers said.

The Big Three walked off

as one, and into history.

With Bill Russell and John Havlicek sitting courtside, and Red Auerbach surely lighting up a victory cigar somewhere, these Celtics returned to glory like the great Boston teams before them, dominating the Los Angeles Lakers 131-92 in Game 6 on Tuesday night.

For Pierce, Garnett and Allen, this was moment they had waited for, the one they used to wonder would ever arrive. But they sacrificed individual acclaim for team success, and with Rivers as their guide, the trio brought Boston back to the top with title No. 17.

"I'll be forever linked to this city," said Garnett, who toiled for years in

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AP photo/Winslow Townson

Boston Celtics forward Kevin Garnett, left, Ray Allen, center, and Paul Pierce celebrate in the locker room after winning the NBA basketball championship with a 131-92 win over the Los Angeles Lakers Tuesday in Boston.



AP photo/Tony Gutierrez

Texas Rangers outfielder Marlon Byrd (22) dives for the ball on Atlanta Braves hitter Omar Infante in the seventh inning of an MLB game Tuesday in Arlington.

## Bradley, Hamilton pace Rangers' 7-5 victory

By **STEPHEN HAWKINS**

AP Sports Writer

ARLINGTON — Milton Bradley wanted to stay in the game. Still, he had already done enough to help the Texas Rangers and remain the American League batting leader even while getting hurt.

Bradley had a two-run single on the same play he sustained a slight left quadriceps strain running the bases, and the Rangers went on for a 7-5 victory Tuesday night over the Atlanta Braves.

After hitting the ball into the right-center field gap in the third inning, Bradley reached down toward his leg even before getting

to first. Manager Ron Washington went to check on him, and after Bradley ran a sprint down the right-field line, the manager took him out of the game.

"He was actively trying to stay in the game," Washington said. "I told him it wasn't worth it."

While he didn't stop to answer questions after the game, Bradley seemed to be walking OK as he exited the clubhouse. The Rangers said he would be re-evaluated Wednesday.

Josh Hamilton put the Rangers ahead to stay in the first when he hit his AL-best 19th homer.

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# 75 years strong

## Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo celebrates diamond anniversary

By JONATHAN HULL  
Sports Editor

Old traditions die hard.

The signs of life are apparent for the Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo, which begins the celebration of its diamond anniversary Thursday at the Big Spring Rodeo Bowl.

It's been a long road traveled, but according to Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo Board of Directors president Skipper Driver, there are no signs of decline.

"We could be doing this for another 75 years after this one," Driver said. "We've done a good job bringing in younger members to the rodeo board and believe that it'll be in good hands for many years to come."

"This year is obviously a historical one for us," he continued. "We're very proud of the tradition we're able to carry on in Big Spring. Rodeo is a good family sport and is a part of the Western traditions."

The first rodeo in Big Spring was held in the Cold Strayhorn Addition, southeast of town, in 1934. It was moved to 11th Place, west of where the Howard College campus is located today, for a few years.

In 1950, the association purchased land and constructed what was at the time, and still is today, one of the most interesting rodeo complexes anywhere. Taking advantage of a natural canyon, the association built the concrete and steel Rodeo Bowl, where the event has been held ever since.

This year's festivities kick off with the traditional rodeo parade at 5:30 p.m. Thursday. The parade will start at 11th and Main Streets, travel north to Third and Main and then come back down south on Scurry Street to the starting point.

Driver mentions that anyone who wants to ride in the parade

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Courtesy photos  
The 75th Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo provides a variety of Western entertainment and traditions for the surrounding communities. Clockwise from top: A female rider storms around the Big Spring Rodeo Bowl at the 2007 edition of the Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo; Cory Morrow performs in Dallas Oct. 27, 2007 and will take the stage at the fair barn adjacent to the Rodeo Bowl at 9:30 p.m. Saturday; Mike Mathis will be announcing the diamond anniversary event atop his horse like he has close to a dozen times before.

# Rodeo ain't short on talent

## From barrel racers to bull riders, Big Spring is drawing the best



HERALD file photo/Jonathan Hull  
Jerod Johnston of Stephenville rides in the bareback bronc competition at the 2007 Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo. Johnston is one of the many highly-ranked competitors taking part in this year's version of the Reunion and Rodeo.

By JONATHAN HULL  
Sports Editor

Who better to ask about rodeo talent than a man who attends dozens upon dozens of rodeos every year?

Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo announcer Mike Mathis shared plenty of information about several participants in the 2008 version of the annual event at the Rodeo Bowl and after hearing what Mathis had to say, it's easy to say that there shouldn't be a shortage of outstanding performances Thursday through Saturday.

"There's a ton of really good talent coming here. It doesn't matter which night you want to go," Mathis said.

Bareback is the first

event each night and it's quite possibly got the most loaded field as well.

"Come early," Mathis said. "You want to get to this rodeo on time. Bareback riding has some of the best young talent we've seen in some time here."

Every cowboy at the Reunion and Rodeo has a story, but none may be more interesting than Evan Jayne's. Jayne is from Marseille, France, and grew up with his parents being a part of wild West shows and worked for EuroDisney for a time.

Eventually, Jayne moved to Huntsville and attended Sam Houston State University, joining the rodeo team. Over the next couple years, he got pretty good at what he did and won the Fort Worth

Rodeo twice.

Last season, he was ranked 12th in the world, but a broken jaw ended his year before he could advance to the finals. However, Jayne is back from injury and currently sits 14th upon the leaderboards, making the National Finals appear within reach.

Joining Jayne in the field as other top performers will be Jake Halverson of Amarillo, who also participates in the saddle bronc competition. Lee Pedone II of Detroit moved to Texas to go to school for rodeo and ended up sticking around. Pedone has won two rodeos in the past three weeks.

Jerod Johnston of Stephenville is a top

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### Obituaries

#### L.A. Palmer



L.A. Palmer, 73, of Midland, died Sunday, June 15, 2008, in Midland. Memorial services will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, June 19, 2008, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel in Big Spring.

L.A. was born Aug. 19, 1934, to Gladys and E.J. Palmer in Big Spring, where he was also raised. He worked as a cook for Herman's Restaurant for more than 20 years. He moved to Midland in 2000.

L.A. always gave of himself.

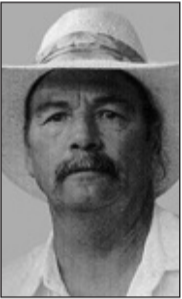
Survivors include a daughter, Shirley Swearingin and her husband Lueroy Sr. of Midland; two brothers, Bobby Palmer and his wife Wanda of Midland, and Bernard Hastings and his wife Minnie of Los Angeles.; a granddaughter, Shenitha Swearingin and her husband Robbie of Midland; a grandson, Lueroy Swearingin Jr. of Midland; an aunt, Lillie Mae Shaw of Midland; an uncle, Roger Williams of Midland; and three great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his father, E.J. Palmer; mother, Gladys Fuller; brother, Alfred Hastings; and sister, JoAnn Palmer.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Midland. Online condolences can be made at: [www.npwelch.com](http://www.npwelch.com)

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#### Clayton Merle Coffman



Clayton Merle Coffman, 57, of Big Spring, died Saturday, June 14, 2008, in Martin County. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, June 19, 2008, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with the Rev. Elwin Collom, pastor of Hillcrest Baptist Church, officiating.

The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.

He was born Feb. 26, 1951, in Big Spring and married Joyce Robertson Oct. 20, 1989, in Big Spring.

He had worked as a driller in the oil field and then in construction. He enjoyed taking trips on his motorcycle, playing the guitar, going fishing and spending time with family and friends. He was a member of First Baptist Church in Coahoma and had served in the U.S. Navy.

Survivors include his wife, Joyce Coffman of Big Spring; two sons, Christopher Clayton Coffman and wife, Courtney of Abilene and Dalton Shane Coffman of Big Spring; two daughters, Tammy Kay Lockhart and Dana Rachelle Lockhart both of Big Spring; his mother, Juanita Coffman of Big Spring; four brothers, Jacky Don Coffman, Michael Dalton Coffman and Leslie Wade Coffman, all of Big Spring, and James Henry Coffman of Hurst; two sisters, Rebecca Marie Norris of Alvin and Regina Colleen Swafford of Big Spring; and eight grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his father, Jack Dalton Coffman; two brothers, his twin, Clifton Earl Coffman and Wesley Carl Coffman.

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences [www.npwelch.com](http://www.npwelch.com)

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#### Natividad 'Nate' Chavez



Natividad "Nate" Chavez, 80, of Big Spring died Monday, June 16, 2008, at Hospice House in Odessa. Vigil Services will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday at Myers & Smith Chapel, led by Teresa Rocha. Funeral mass will be at 2 p.m. Thursday at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church with the Rev. Frank Chavez of Midland officiating. Burial will be at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

He was born Dec. 8, 1927, in Martindale to Tomasa and Rafael Chavez. He was a lifetime resident of Big Spring and was a member of Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church. He had worked at Hemphill-Wells, TG&Y, Furr's Cafeteria, Newsom's, Coahoma ISD., and Forsan ISD. where he retired in 1992.

He is survived by his wife: Diane Chavez of Big Spring; one son, David Chavez and his wife Heather of Okinawa; three daughters, Nicolasa Chavez and her husband Paul Stevenson, and Vicky Chavez, all of Big Spring, and Jo Ann Chavez of Mustang, Okla.; three brothers, Camilo Chavez and his wife Macaria of Midland, and Elias Chavez and his wife Grace and Chon Chavez, both of Big Spring; two sisters, Mary Chavez of Big Spring and Antonia Podhirny and her husband Ted of Burkburnett; and eight grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one sister, Gavina Chavez Nunez; and one brother, Juan Chavez.

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### Police blotter

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

- WILLIAM KILLCREASE, 42, of 1322 Harding, was arrested Tuesday on a local warrant.
- CHAD WARREN, 29, of 1005 Stadium, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of possession of marijuana – more than four ounces less than five pounds in a drug free zone.
- VICTORIA LOZANO, 23, of 1005 Stadium, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of possession of marijuana – more than four ounces less than five pounds in a drug free zone.
- THEFT was reported in the 200 block of FM 700.
- POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA – MORE THAN FOUR OUNCES LESS THAN FIVE POUNDS IN A DRUG FREE ZONE was reported in the 400 block of Fourth.
- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 2600 block of Wasson.
- ASSAULT CLASS C/FAMILY VIOLENCE was reported:
  - in the 4100 block of Highway 80.
  - in the 400 block of Fourth Street.

### Sheriff's report

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

- Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 74 inmates at the time of this report.
- HARVEY D. HARMON JR., 26, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a judgment/sentence for an unnamed charge.
- CHARLIE RENE LANDRY, 17, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on charges of unlawfully carrying a weapon and evading arrest/detention.
- CHRISTIAN DAVON GORDON, 25, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a motion to revoke probation for possession of marijuana – two ounces or less and charges of evading arrest/detention and unlawfully carrying a weapon.
- PIERRE JE'AN GORDON, 18, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on charges of possession of a controlled substance, evading arrest/detention and unlawfully carrying a weapon.
- JACOB STRAIN, 28, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a motion to revoke probation for possession of marijuana – more than four ounces less than five pounds.
- DIJUAN EDWARD AUSBIE, 19, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on charges of unlawfully carrying a weapon and evading arrest/detention.

### Fire/EMS

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

- TRAUMA was reported in the 1800 block of E. 19<sup>th</sup> Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1600 block of E. 11<sup>th</sup> Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1000 block of Stadium. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 700 block of W. Interstate Highway 20. One person was transported to SMMC.
- GRASS FIRE was reported in the 1600 block of Lexington.

### Support Groups

- WEDNESDAY**
- RSD (Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy, a chronic pain disease), a new support and informative group meets at 213 Circle. Call Lucy at (432) 517-9207 for more information.
- THURSDAY**
- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; women's meeting; 6:30 until 7:30 p.m. Non-smoking closed discussion meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

- FRIDAY**
- 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 615 Settles 8 p.m. until 9 p.m. Open birthday night, no smoking meeting the last Saturday of each month at 8 p.m.

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**Bulletin Board**

**If you have items for the Bulletin board, contact the Herald news room at 263-7331 or email editor@bigspringherald.com**

**TODAY**

- Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie meets at 7 p.m. in the Eagles Lodge, 703 W. Third St.

**THURSDAY**

- Gideon International Big Spring Camp U42060 meets at 7 a.m. in Herman's Restaurant.
- Kiwanis Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.
- Citizen's Police Academy Alumni Association meets at 5:30 p.m. in the RSVP office at 501 Runnels.
- League of United Latin American Citizens LULAC Chapter 4791 meets at 5:30 p.m. at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce. For more information, contact John Ybarra at 264-1628. The public is invited.
- American Legion Post 506 meets at 6 p.m. Call 263-2084 for more information.
- Rackley-Swords 379, Vietnam Veterans of America meets at 7 p.m. in the Sparenburg Building, 309 S. Main St.
- Big Spring Masonic Lodge No. 1340 meets at 7:30 p.m. at 2101 Lancaster.

**Lottery**

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Tuesday night:  
 Winning numbers drawn: 3-11-13-15-19.  
 Number matching five of five: 1.  
 Prize per winner: \$22,260.  
 Winning tickets sold in: Fort Worth.

The winning Daily 4 numbers drawn Tuesday night by the Texas Lottery:  
 0-3-4-8. Sum It Up: 15

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Tuesday night by the Texas Lottery, in order:  
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# Orioles' rally spoils Tejada's return

By DAVID GINSBURG

AP Sports Writer

BALTIMORE — Down by two runs in the seventh inning? Hardly a challenge anymore for the Baltimore Orioles.

Melvin Mora hit a two-run double in the eighth to cap yet another improbable rally by Baltimore and doom the sinking Houston Astros to their sixth straight defeat, 6-5 Tuesday night.

After coming from behind by five runs to beat Pittsburgh on Friday — the second time this season they've rebounded from such a deficit — the Orioles were surprising casual after their rally against Houston.

"We weren't down that much tonight. It's just two runs," leadoff hitter Brian Roberts said. "You get a couple guys on and you never know what can happen. That's just kind of the attitude we take."

The guy has a point, given that it was the major-league leading 16th time

this season that Baltimore rallied from a two-run deficit to win.

Nick Markakis started the comeback with a home run that got the Orioles to 5-4 in the seventh.

"When Nick hit the home run," manager Dave Trembley said, "that told me we were going to do it again."

In the eighth, Adam Jones hit a leadoff single off Doug Brocail (2-2) and Roberts drew a one-out walk. Jose Valverde struck out Markakis before Mora hit a 3-2 pitch into the gap in right-center.

"You got to tip your hat to him, he had a terrific at-bat and fouled off some tough pitches," Astros manager Cecil Cooper said. "You have to give him a little credit. That's one of the best closers in the game right there and (Mora) fought him tooth and nail."

Jim Johnson (2-2) worked a scoreless eighth and George Sherrill got three straight outs for his 23rd save. Sherrill complained



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**Houston Astros third baseman Ty Wigginton (21) scores on a single by Michael Bourn ahead of the tag by Baltimore Orioles catcher Ramon Hernandez, left, during the fifth inning of an MLB game Tuesday in Baltimore. The Orioles won 6-5.**

about a tired arm after giving up a 10th-inning run in a loss to Pittsburgh on

Sunday, but the left-hander rebounded smartly following a much-needed day

off.

"I think George turned it up a notch tonight," Trembley said.

Carlos Lee homered and Kazuo Matsui drove in three runs for the Astros, who have been outscored 48-22 during their six-game skid. It's been a tough run for a team that figured to be a contender in the NL Central.

"It's been that way for a while," said starter Brandon Backe, who allowed three runs in 5 2-3 innings. "We're wondering why we're not winning. If there was an answer to it, then it'd be pretty easy to solve. But there is no simple equation or answer to us losing ball games right now. It's one of those things where bad stuff is happening and we just can't find any luck, breaks. It's just not happening right now."

Cooper said, "As long as we keep playing hard, that stuff will change. ... Tonight was an example of how we need to play. We played hard tonight."

Miguel Tejada went 0-for-3 with a walk for Houston in his return to Baltimore. Tejada played four years with the Orioles before being traded to the Astros for five players in December.

Although he never batted below .296, hit 102 home runs and averaged 107 RBIs with the Orioles, Tejada was greeted by a mixture of jeers and applause before each at-bat.

Aubrey Huff also homered for the Orioles, who improved to 16-10 in one-run games compared to 13-31 last year.

Two of the five players obtained in the trade for Tejada made contributions for Baltimore — left fielder Luke Scott went 1-for-3 with a walk and Matt Albers allowed one run and one hit in 2 1-3 innings of relief.

Houston trailed 3-1 before taking the lead with a three-run fifth inning against starter Garrett

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## FINALS

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Minnesota. "And I'm more than grateful for that."

Almost an hour afterward, Pierce, the finals MVP who a year ago thought his days in Boston were over, strolled back onto the court.

"I didn't want a championship," he yelled to no one in particular. "I needed a championship. I ain't going nowhere. I'm spending the night."

In the closing minutes, Boston fans sang as if they were in a nearby pub, celebrating the first NBA championship won in the city since 1986. They serenaded the newest champs with "Seven-teen" and taunted Kobe Bryant and his Lakers, who were buried by a green-and-white avalanche.

Garnett scored 26 points with 14 rebounds, Allen scored 26 and Pierce, who shook off a sprained right knee sustained in Game 1, added 17 for the Celtics, a 24-win team a year ago. Rajon Rondo had 21 points, eight assists, seven rebounds and six steals.

Boston built a 23-point halftime lead and obliterated the Lakers, who were trying to become the first team to overcome a 3-1 deficit in the finals. The 39-point win surpassed the NBA record for the biggest margin of victory in a championship clincher; the Celtics beat the Lakers 129-96 in Game 5 of the 1965 NBA finals.

As the clock ticked down, Pierce doused Rivers with

red Gatorade. Owner Wyc Grousbeck, who named his group Banner 17 to leave no doubt about his goal, put an unlit cigar in his mouth — a tribute to Auerbach, the patriarch who had a hand in the franchise's first 16 titles.

Garnett dropped to the parquet and kissed the leprechaun at center court and then found Russell, the Hall of Famer who taught him the Celtic way, for a long embrace.

"You know you're a Celtic when other players come up and congratulate you to be here," said Garnett, the centerpiece of a 7-for-1 trade pulled off last summer by Boston general manager Danny Ainge, a former Celtics guard. "They explain the tradition. It's like coming into a frat."

It was Boston's first title since the passing of Auerbach, and following the game TD Banknorth Garden, the "new" Garden, smelled of one of his stogies. He must have been smiling as the Celtics denied Lakers coach Phil Jackson from overtaking him with a 10th championship.

The Boston-Los Angeles rivalry, nothing more than black-and-white footage from the 60s and TV highlights of players wearing short shorts in the 80s to young hoops fans, remains tilted toward the Atlantic Ocean.

The Celtics are 9-2 against the Lakers in the finals.

Boston missed its first crack at closing out the series in Game 5, but the Celtics didn't miss on their

second swing, running the Lakers out of the gym.

"Beat L.A.?" More like "Beaten L.A."

Bryant, the regular-season MVP, finished with 22 points on 7-of-22 shooting.

He started 4-of-5 from the field and seemed intent on forcing a Game 7. But he missed seven shots in a row and everywhere he went, L.A.'s No. 24 ran smack into a wall of Boston defense as high as the Green Monster.

"They were definitely the best defense I've seen the entire playoffs," Bryant said. "I've seen some pretty stiff ones and this was right up there with them. The goal was to win a championship, it wasn't to win MVP or anything like that, it was to win a championship."

With Garnett scoring 17 points and Pierce adding 10, Boston built a 58-35 halftime lead, and unlike Game 2 when they let the Lakers trim a 24-point lead to two in the fourth quarter before recovering, the Celtics never stopped.

They pushed their lead to 31 in the third and a mind-blowing 43 at one point.

No team had to work harder for a championship than these Celtics, who were playing in their record 26th postseason game after being pushed to seven by Atlanta and Cleveland before beating Detroit in six to win the Eastern Conference title.

They entered Game 6 slowed by injuries as Pierce, Kendrick Perkins (shoulder) and Rondo (ankle) were less than 100 percent. There was also

uncertainty surrounding Allen, who stayed behind in Los Angeles following Game 5 after his youngest son became ill and was diagnosed with diabetes. The Celtics needed three planes to get back from L.A. and didn't get home until late Monday night.

But there were no excuses, and just as they had while winning 66 games during the regular season, the Celtics got a record seven 3-pointers from Allen and plenty of help from their bench as P.J. Brown, James Posey, Leon Powe and rookie Glen "Big Baby" Davis came in and contributed.

It was a group effort by this gang in green, which bonded behind Rivers, who borrowed an African

word ubuntu (pronounced Ooh-BOON-too) and roughly means "I am, because we are" in English, as the Celtics' unifying team motto.

Rivers, who never won a title during 13 seasons as a player, was nearly run out of town last season as the proud Celtics dropped off the league's radar screen. But he remained confident, boosted by encouragement from his father, Grady, a former police lieutenant who told him to hang tough.

Grady Rivers died in the season's first week, and never got to see his son fulfill his dream.

As the final seconds ticked off, Rivers recalled his father.

"My first thought was

what would my dad say," Rivers said, "and honestly I started laughing because I thought he would probably say, if you knew my dad, 'It's about time. What have you been waiting for?'"

Notes: The Celtics set a finals record with 18 steals. ... Allen was poked in the left eye in the second quarter by Lamar Odom and spent much of the second quarter getting treatment in the locker room. ... The Celtics joined Golden State (1974-75) and Portland (1976-77) as the only teams to win a championship after missing the playoffs the previous year. ... Boston went 48-7 at home, including 13-1 in the postseason. ... Jackson is 193-84 in the postseason.

## BRIEFS

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The format is a two-person scramble and cost is \$75 per player. Mulligans can be bought for \$5 a piece.

Bob Brock Ford is sponsoring Hole No. 3 Saturday with any participant that hits a hole-in-one receiving a 2008 vehicle.

There are closest-to-pin prizes awarded on holes 3, 7, 13 and 16.

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# Rodeo for dummies: Vol. 2

Here we go again.

After attending my first rodeo in more than 10 years last year, I discovered that the crash course I gave myself the night before the Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo just wasn't enough. My schooling must continue.



JONATHAN HULL

I hope I'm not alone in this town, when I say that the extent of my rodeo knowledge is limited to movies "8 Seconds" and "My Heroes Have Always Been Cowboys."

Outside of what actors Stephen Baldwin, Luke Perry and Scott Glenn tell me in those movie, I have no understanding of rodeo at all.

Yet, here I am back in Big Spring, the town I grew up in, where the Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo is one of the biggest events to come to town every year and I'm failing to comprehend most of what's going on around me.

I don't exactly know why rodeo has passed me by. It's not that I dislike the sport. I actually admire the courage and ability it takes to do what these cowboys do and I do enjoy watching bull riding on television from time to time.

Maybe it's because I cringe at the thought of myself in cowboy boots, Wranglers and a cowboy hat. The style just doesn't seem to suit me. Fortunately, I've been told that my normal dress will be OK while I cover the Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo this week. Although, I have had more than one offer from others to take me down to Ward's Western Wear to get the proper rodeo attire.

The truth is, I practically pulled another all-nighter, much like I did last year, so that I can truly be prepared to report what I witness Thursday through Saturday.

Here's what I've learned over my study sessions the last two years...

**Lesson 1:** It turns out that there are several more events other than bull riding, despite it being the only rodeo event that is usually broadcast on television.

This is probably important to know, considering there will be nine events taking place each night at the Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo. Now that I think of it, I do remember Lane Frost marrying a barrel racer in 8 Seconds. Maybe I should trust movies less to provide accurate information.

**Lesson 2:** Bareback-riding cowboys and bull riders are not holding one arm up in the air for style. The flailing arm is supposed to show the rider is

using only one hand because they are disqualified if they touch the body of the animal with their free hand. The goal of the rider is to stay upon their beast for eight seconds. Hence, the name of the great movie I keep referring to.

After they stay on for the entire eight seconds, the riders are given a score with a 100 being a perfect score. Anything over 70 is considered decent. The point system leads us to our next lesson.

**Lesson 3:** Scoring. I've always seen scores awarded for an eight-second ride on television, but I've never quite understood how the judges came up with that score. Why does one rider score more than another? My untrained rodeo eye doesn't see a difference between the two rides.

Two judges give 1-25 points for the cowboy's performance and 1-25 points for the animal's performance.

The four scores are then combined and that's how a score is produced.

The judges award points based on several key aspects of the ride.

They look for constant control and rhythm in the rider matching his movements with the animal's. Extra style points are awarded when a rider shows the ability to control the animal. Often times this is accomplished by spurring the horse

or bull.

The animal is judged by its overall agility, power and speed. Simply put, if the rider has a hard time, then a good number of points will be awarded.

**Lesson 4:** Vocabulary. Cowboys have their own language that surrounds rodeo. Some of their lingo can make you feel as if you're in a foreign country. Here's a quick study guide with a few commonly used terms in the rodeo arena.

**Arm jerker:** A horse or bull that is really stout and bucks with the power to cause a great amount of pull on the contestant's arm.

**Bufford:** An animal that is easy to ride, rope or throw down.

**Chasing the cans:** The rodeo nickname for barrel racing.

**Cowboy Up:** A term used to indicate the need to increase an individual's effort. The phrase was made famous in 8 Seconds, when Stephen Baldwin, playing Tuff Hedeman, used it to inspire Lane Frost to get back on the bull.

**Crow hopper:** An animal that does NOT extend their hind legs out as they jump up during a ride, but kind of just hops around the arena like a crow.

**Dink:** An animal with very little bucking ability that jumps and kicks or just runs around the arena.

**Freight trained:** A contestant

or clown that gets run over by a bull traveling at top speed.

**Hazer:** The cowboy who rides on the opposite side of the steer and keeps the steer running straight down the arena to assist the contestant during the steer wrestling event.

**Header:** The cowboy who ropes the steer around the horns, head, or neck in team roping.

**Heeler:** The cowboy who ropes the hind legs of the steer in team roping.

**Honker:** A really rank and hard animal to ride.

**Hooky:** A bull that is really handy with its horns.

**Over the dashboard:** When the rider is thrown over the front end of an animal.

**Piggin' string:** A small soft rope about six feet long used by calf ropers to tie the animal's feet together.

**Seeing daylight:** The term used when a cowboy separates from a bucking animal far enough for the spectators to see daylight between the cowboy and the animal.

**Snorty:** A bull that blows air at a clown or downed cowboy.

OK. Now that we're all educated, there is no longer an excuse for not attending the 75th annual Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo starting Thursday. How else will you try out your new language and knowledge if you don't put it into practice in the atmosphere where it belongs?

## TALENT

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returnee from last year's Reunion and Rodeo and is having a strong season. Even the Aussies are joining in on the festivities with Dave Worsfold of Queensland, Australia taking part. Worsfold won several rodeos in the spring, including Huntsville and Lufkin.

The saddle-bronc riding brings in top 20 cowboy Jermiah Diffe of Smackover, Ark., who is the half-brother of Cody Wright — the world's current No. 2 saddle-bronc rider.

Mike Outhier of Utopia has been to the national finals around five times and will also participate in the tie-down roping.

Native American Todd Rangel of Gladewater won the Texas Circuit a year ago. Brody Bolton of Odessa is an up-and-comer, according to Mathis, who posted an 84 in Crockett two weeks ago.

Isaac Diaz is originally from Florida, but went to Vernon College and is currently ranked No. 16 in the world.

Bull riding is where the glory of rodeo and it concludes each night's performance.

"There are some really talented bull riders in this field," said Mathis, "and matched up with Pete Carr's bulls, we're almost guaranteed to see some great rides."

Cody Whitney of Asher, Okla., is one of the top riders leading the field. Whitney has advanced to the Professional Bull Riding Finals on several occasions.

Nick Price of Russellville,

Ark., had a great start to his season, scoring 91 points on a ride in Lafayette, La., and currently sits 47th in the world.

Casey Baize of San Angelo is 49th in the world and is a Texas Circuit champion. Baize just won a rodeo in San Francisco, taking home a purse of around \$8,000.

Layne McCasland of Elk City, Okla., has been to the Prairie Circuit Finals and has been in the top 20 before. Danny McDowell of Jena, La., is another one-time top 20 finisher and currently sits 36th.

The roping events feature Cody Ohl of Hico, who is a former world champ and has been to the world finals nine times and has five gold buckles. Stran Smith of Childress, is a reserve champion of the world and has been to the finals 11 times.

Tommy Guy of Abilene, and Jim Locke of Miami, Texas, have also been the national finals. Tuf Cooper of Decatur is the youngest son of Roy Cooper, who is an eight-time world champion. Mathis says that the younger Cooper is the real deal and has the ability to become a superstar.

"There are really some high-powered ropers all the way through the field," Mathis said.

In steer wrestling, Mickey Gee of Wichita Falls has been to the world finals twice and won the average both times, meaning he won the rodeo overall in both appearances.

Mathis says he can't think of another cowboy who can claim that feat. Gee is currently ranked 10th.

Dustin Duhon of Sonora is the son of Steve Duhon, who is a three-time world champion.

career.

Mathis has handled announcing duties at the Rodeo Bowl for more than 10 years and says it's an event he looks forward to.

"This is one of the last great stands of the Western rodeo traditions," Mathis said. "It's got a great facility with the Rodeo Bowl. There's a great community here that packs the Bowl and keeps this rodeo going strong. The people here work really hard."

"It's been 75 years. There's a lot of great tradition here," he continued. "It incorporates great livestock, great cowboys and great entertainment. Rodeos are known for great events and great dances and this rodeo has that still going. It's a great event and one I still enjoy going to. I know so many people here that it's like coming home when I come back to Big Spring."

Carr Pro Rodeo, established in 2005 by Pete Carr of Dallas and Malakoff, will again be producing this year's rodeo stock. The



HERALD file photo/Jonathan Hull

**Tommy Heck of Alpine rides a bull in the 2007 Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo. According to announcer Mike Mathis, the 2008 version of the Reunion and Rodeo will have as good as talent as Big Spring has ever seen in all events.**

As for team ropers, Mathis says it's only natural for Big Spring to draw some of the world's best.

"We're in team roping country here," Mathis said. "When you take New Mexico's ropers and put them with Texas', you get some of the best there is."

And the talent doesn't stop with the cowboys.

Several cowgirls will make their presence felt in the barrel racing.

Kay Blandford of Sutherland Springs is a 12-time finalist and the 2007 world champion. Kelly Maben of Spur is 16th in the current standings and has made appearances at the national finals.

Even the president of the Clearwater takes the stage Friday night and have a bit of a connection to Big Spring as well. Leon Langley is a native of Big Spring and plays steel guitar for the band.

Clearwater is a participatory seven-member band from San Angelo with few solos, lots of dancing and granted requests. The group plays a large variety of music, but put their best foot forward with dance hall Texas honky-tonk. Tickets are \$10.

Finally, the rodeo's festivities finish off with a bang from popular country music artist Cory Morrow. Morrow has found a strong following over the past decade and just released a new album called *Vagrants and Kings*. Tickets are \$20 for his show.

Tickets to the rodeo will be \$10 for adults and \$6 for children under 12 at the gate. However, advance sale prices are \$8 for adults and \$4 for children. They can be purchased at the Big Spring Area Chamber of

Commerce, Ward's Boot and Saddle, First Bank of West Texas, First Big Spring Banking Center, Wells Fargo, Citizens Federal Credit Union, State National Bank and H-E-B. Ward's is also selling advance tickets for the Clearwater and Morrow shows.

Box seats are available for the three-day rodeo run. To make reservations, call Dr. Rip Patterson at 267-2435.

Also in conjunction with the rodeo, the four-man Cowboy Scramble Golf Tournament benefiting the Justin Cowboy Crisis Fund will begin at 8 a.m. Friday with a shotgun start at the Big Spring Country Club.

Dr. Patterson is heading up the golf tournament and said participants may either make up a team or join the cowboys by calling the club at 267-5354.

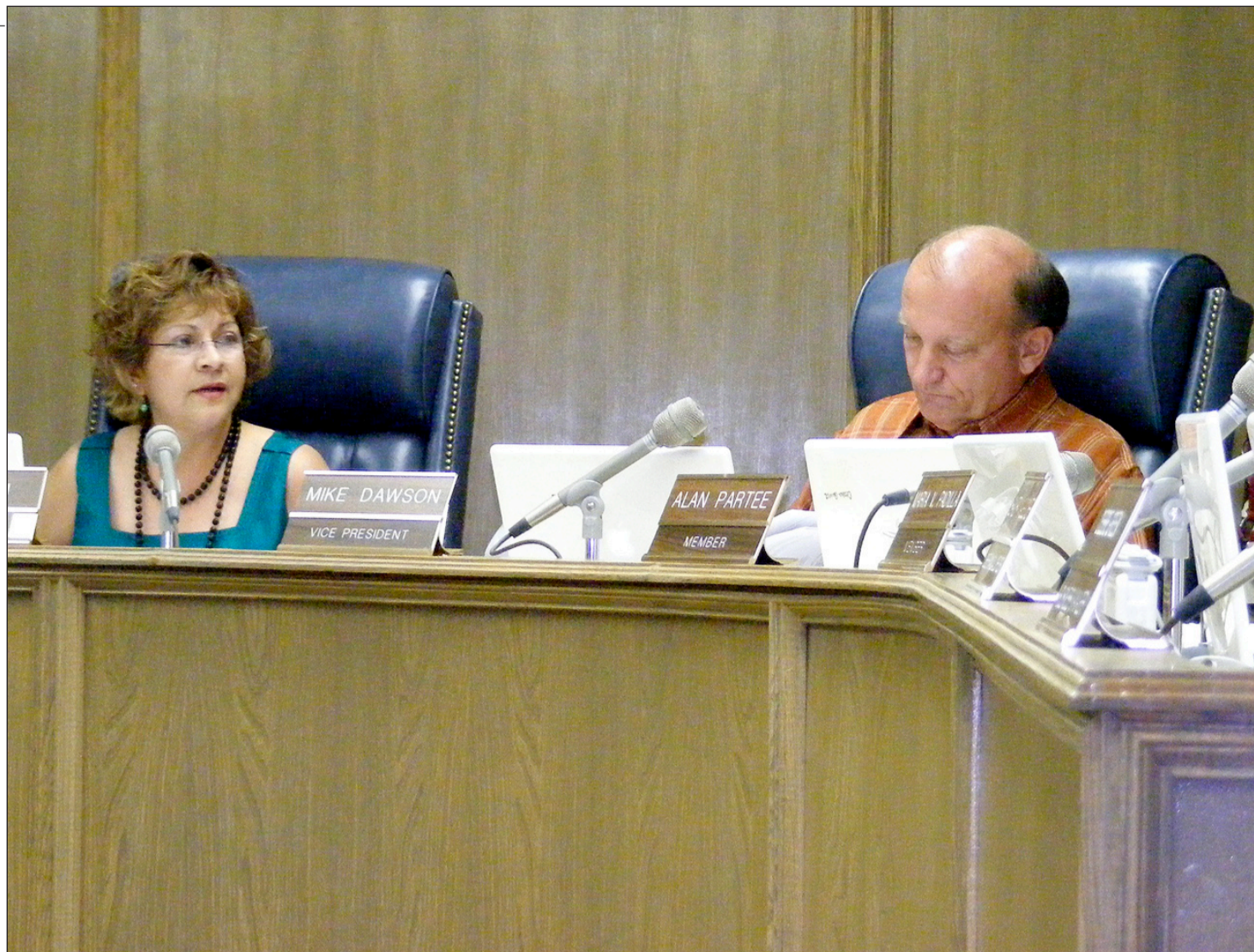
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Tommy Lucia returns to the Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo with his capuchin monkey Whiplash as the specialty act. Lucia is from Weatherford and has trained Whiplash to ride a border collie and do a variety of tricks, including shepherding.

Veteran rodeo announcer Mike Mathis, who works atop his horse inside the arena, will again return to give his special flavor to the rodeo. He is a local favorite and participates in activities throughout Big Spring during rodeo week. He has called some of the sport's most prestigious events. He was nominated for PRCA Announcer of the Year in 2002 and has announced the Texas Circuit Finals Rodeo a total of 16 times. Last year, he was selected to work the National Finals Steer Roping in Hobbs, N.M., for the third time in his



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**Big Spring Independent School District Board of Trustees President Irene Galan, left, makes a point while board vice president Mike Dawson listens during the trustees' monthly meeting Tuesday evening.**

**RADIO**

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coverage of BSHS sports. Another reason KBST was preferred over its competitor, Downes said, was its ability to cover more BSHS sports. KBYG will limit its coverage

because of staffing issues, officials said.

But trustees quickly reached consensus to allow both stations to cover high school events.

"A competitive situation is something that's good for everybody," trustee Tony Kennedy said. "Businesses have a right to choose who they want to

advertise with."

"I think we're too small a district to be giving out exclusive rights," trustee Maria Padilla added.

A modified motion — designating KBST as the district's flagship station but allowing both stations to continue broadcasting events — passed unanimously.

"We're very satisfied (with the result)," Weeks said. "The board saw that exclusivity was not a good situation for Big Spring ISD or Big Spring."

Weeks' counterpart at KBST, Tim Knox, said the decision would do nothing to alter his station's coverage of BSHS sports.

"We've very honored to

**BSISD**

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taxes by a penny," Waggoner said. "That won't make up the entire difference, but it will make up most of it ... the remainder will come from our reserve funds."

Trustees are prohibited from increasing the tax rate for maintenance and operation purposes (unless they call for a rollback election), but this increase would be for debt service purposes, Waggoner said.

Although the budget shortfall could be made up entirely by dipping into reserves, Waggoner was hesitant to recommend that option.

"For one thing, we try to keep maintenance and operation and debt service (budget functions) separate from each other," she said. "For another thing, it would just be postponing the inevitable ... you can only dip into reserves so much."

In other business, trustees approved:

- Budget amendments.
- Bids for athletic

supplies, bread and milk.

The following resignations: Sheila Abusaab, Kristi Couch, Jacob Hines, Ashley King, Peter Lara, Jennifer Morgan, Fraddy Olivas, Mandy Guess and Edie Tunstall.

The following hirings: Karen Reagan, Mique Yarbar, John Wright and Mechelle Wright.

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**BUSH**

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order. Bush is not lifting the executive order, saying he wants Congress to take the first step. He said he will lift the executive ban once Congress lifts its moratorium.

**MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL**

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Danny Rodriguez, 33, died Friday. Funeral Service will be at 10:00 AM Wednesday at Sacred Heart Catholic Church with burial at Coahoma Cemetery.

Nate Chavez, 80, died Monday. Vigil Services will be at 7:00 PM Wednesday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral Mass will be at 2:00 PM Thursday at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church with burial at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

**FLOODS**

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artisans and craftsmen. "We fix one thing and it breaks," Mayor Jo Anne Smiley said. "Sewers are plugged up. We have leaks in walls and people who need things. We're boating in food to people."

But even as the water jeopardized scores of additional homes and businesses, officials said the damage could have been worse if the federal government had not purchased low-lying land after historic floods in 1993 that caused \$12 billion in damage.

Sincethen, the government bought out more than 9,000 homeowners, turning much of the land into parks and undeveloped areas that can be allowed to flood with less risk. The Federal Emergency Management Agency has moved or flood-proofed about 30,000 properties. The effort required whole communities to be moved, such as Rhineland, Mo., and Valmeyer, Ill.

In Iowa, FEMA spent \$1.6 million to buy out residents of Elkport, population 80, and then knock down the village's remaining buildings. Some residents moved to Garber, Elkport's twin city across the Turkey River, but others abandoned the area.

"There's nothing there in

Elkport anymore," said Helen Jennings of Garber. "They built new houses in different places."

Some of those who stayed are paying a price.

The federal government bought about a quarter of the homes in Chelsea, Iowa, after the 1993 floods, but most of the 300 residents stayed. At least 10 homes are now inundated by the Iowa River to their first floors.

Residents take it in stride, said Mayor Roger Ochs.

"For the most part, it's another flood," he said. "For Chelsea, it's more of an inconvenience."

On Tuesday, people were urged to evacuate an area near Gulfport as floodwaters threatened about 12 square miles of farmland. Henderson County Deputy Sheriff Donald Seitz said a major highway could be under 10 feet of water by midday Wednesday.

On the low side of the river, a sandbagging operation was moved south to the outskirts of Burlington after floodwaters streamed across state Highway 99. Oakville Apostolic Church "is now an island," said Carly Wagenbach, who was taking food to levee workers.

Officials were also concerned about the integrity of a levee that protects a drainage area south of Oakville.

"It's outrageous," said Steve Poggemiller. "We're

hanging on by a thread — or a sandbag."

Jeff Campbell, a farmer carrying sandbags on his four-wheeler, said he spotted pigs swimming away from a flooded hog farm near Oakville. They were climbing a levee, poking holes in the plastic that covered it, he said.

One tired pig was lying at the bottom of the levee "like a pink sandbag," Campbell said.

Reports of raw sewage and farm runoff in floodwaters raised concerns about public health. But experts said most people are smart enough to avoid the tainted water. "Typically we don't see the outbreaks of diseases that people fear," said Mike Allred of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

The rising water forced the closure of the Mississippi bridge in Burlington and stopped car traffic on the bridge in Fort Madison. The bridge's railroad tracks remained open. A bridge downriver in Keokuk also remained open.

To the north in Cedar

Rapids, floodwaters had dropped enough that officials let hundreds of people return to their damaged homes and businesses.

"It's obviously much more shocking when you walk in the door for the first time and see what happened," said Amy Wyss, watching sullenly as a giant blower was used to dry out her upscale wine bar, Zins. "I don't think you can be prepared for this, even if you think you are."

The National Weather Service expects crests this week along some Mississippi River communities near St. Louis to come close to those of 1993. The river at Canton, Mo., could reach 27.5 feet on Thursday, just shy of the 27.88 mark of 1993 and more than 13 feet above flood stage.

Crests at Quincy, Ill., and Hannibal, Mo., are expected to climb to about 15 feet above flood stage, narrowly short of the high water from 15 years ago. In St. Louis, the Mississippi is projected to crest Saturday at 39.8 feet,

about 10 feet above flood stage but still a foot lower than in 1993.

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RANGERS

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It was only the fourth game since interleague play began in 1997 matching the leading hitters from each league. NL leader Chipper Jones was the DH for Atlanta, going 0-for-2 with two walks. His average dropped three points to .400.

Bradley upped his AL-best mark to .330 by going 1-for-2. His big hit came with the bases loaded during a four-run outburst that put the Rangers ahead 5-0.

"He's been huge," Washington said. "I said he was going to be my cleanup guy even before we knew if he could get on the field."

Braves cleanup hitter Mark Teixeira also hit in a bases-loaded situation, and managed only a sacrifice fly in the sixth against Vicente Padilla (9-3).

Teixeira, sent from Texas to Atlanta in a trade

deadline deal last July, was 0-for-2 with a walk in his first game against the team which drafted him fifth overall in 2001. Teixeira made his major league debut with the Rangers in 2003.

Each time he batted, Teixeira was greeted by a chorus of boos.

"I was expecting some boos," Teixeira said. "I get worse than that in New York and Philadelphia. I think it was mostly the fans that boo everything."

Hamilton hit a towering 412-foot solo shot into the second deck of right-field seats off Tim Hudson (7-5) in the first. Hudson is winless his last five starts.

"He hit a pretty good pitch. I tried to throw a cutter in on his hands but he got to it and hit it good," Hudson said.

"Huddy was fine," manager Bobby Cox said. "In the third inning they got a little bouncer up the middle and then a hit and run that found the right hole. ... It was a crazy first few innings. All of a sudden

they've got five runs." Hudson, 0-2 since his last victory May 22, threw 17 of his 21 pitches for strikes in the first two innings. One of those was the homer by Hamilton, but he then got three outs in the second on only nine pitches.

But Gerald Laird hit the first pitch of the third for a single, and Ramon Vazquez followed with another single on a 1-0 pitch before Kinsler walked.

Michael Young hit what appeared to be a double-play grounder to second base, but Kinsler made a strong slide to prevent shortstop Yunel Escobar from making a good relay throw while Laird scored. Hudson, Teixeira and Cox all argued that it was interference, to no avail.

Hamilton drew a walk to reload the bases before Bradley's big hit. David Murphy's added a sac fly.

Kinsler had a leadoff double in the fifth, moved to third on a groundout by Young and raced home on a wild pitch, the last thrown by Hudson.

Padilla allowed two hits over six innings with four strikeouts. C.J. Wilson worked the ninth for his 14th save in 16 chances.

Texas led 6-0 before Omar Infante led off the Atlanta sixth with his first homer since last July. No. 9 hitter Gregor Blanco then walked, went to third when Hamilton dropped a flyball in right field and scored on Teixeira's sac fly to center.

Marlon Byrd's homer in the bottom of the inning put the Rangers up 7-2.

After Jones and Teixeira drew consecutive walks off reliever Eddie Guardado with two outs in the eighth, Brian McCann hit his 13th homer.

Notes: Hamilton's 19 homers matches his total in 90 games last season for Cincinnati. ... The Rangers (36-36) reached the .500 mark for the 11th time in a month. Only twice in that stretch have the Rangers won the next game, and have not reached two games over .500 all season.

ASTROS

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Olson. Successive two-out singles by Ty Wigginton, Humberto Quintero and Michael Bourn produced a run before Matsui hit a two-run double. Tejada then walked, ending Olson's night, before Albers got Lance Berkman to ground out.

Lee led off the sixth with his 15th home run, setting

the stage for Baltimore's latest comeback.

"If it doesn't happen, it doesn't happen," Roberts said. "There are going to be nights when you don't get them in, but there have been a lot of nights when we have. That's kind of the feeling we have."

The Astros got a first-inning run when Bourn beat out a grounder deep in the hole at shortstop, advanced to third on two wild pitches and scored on a groundout by Matsui.

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the bases. The left-handed Dean then hit one to the wall in left for the decisive hit.

"Cole has been our best guy for three years and we used him exactly in the role he had today several times," Graham said. "This is the first time it didn't work out. So we'll just live with it."

St. Clair gave up seven hits and six runs — four earned — in 2 2/3 innings.

"I felt strong," St. Clair said. "I felt like I was mak-

ing my pitches. They were able to put the ball in places where our defenders couldn't get to it."

"He's the guy we want out there," Rice catcher Adam Zornes said. "It's unfortunate. That's baseball. It's just a heartbreaker. You can second-guess yourself your entire life, but I don't think anybody disagrees with having Cole out there. I don't."

Zornes blocked the plate and tagged out Micah Gibbs on a throw from right fielder Chad Mizingo to end the eighth after the Tigers had scored another run to pull within 5-2.

Zornes said the play was

important.

"That run scores and I think it definitely changes the game and momentum builds," he said.

But Rice committed three errors to none for LSU, which won for the

26th time in 28 games.

"Sometimes I think we're trying to do too much," Graham said. "Sometimes we should be getting an out and we're trying to do too much. That's just something to work on."



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By Steve Becker

Minor Deviation Pays Off

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The bidding: East South West North 3♦ Dble Pass 4♥ Pass 5♣ Pass 6♣ Opening lead — King of diamonds.

A falsecard need not be flagrant to be successful. Sometimes, the play of a seemingly insignificant spot-card can be enough to lead the opposition astray.

Consider this deal from a French tournament. North-South did well to reach the good club slam after East's opening pre-empt, and West led the diamond king. East overtook the king with the ace and returned the diamond queen, South ruffing high.

Declarer's only problem was

what to do with his J-10 of spades. Many options were open to him, but the simplest and best approach appeared to be to try to establish dummy's hearts by cashing the K-A and ruffing a heart. If the outstanding hearts divided 3-3, as in the actual deal, or if the queen fell doubleton, his problems would immediately be over. Even if the hearts divided 4-2 and the queen did not fall, other chances would remain.

So at trick three, South cashed the ace of trumps, planning next to draw a second round before tackling the heart suit. But this was where East found the subtle play that diverted South from the winning course. Instead of routinely following low on the ace of clubs, East dropped the eight!

This falsecard had a telling effect on declarer, who reasoned that East would not have dropped the eight unless it was his only club. Surely, South thought, East would have retained the eight if he could, hoping for a possible overruff of dummy.

Declarer therefore abandoned his plan to establish hearts in favor of ruffing two spades in dummy with the 9-7 of clubs. But when South led a spade to the king and returned a spade toward his hand, East produced the six of clubs to sink the seemingly unsinkable slam.

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## OTHER VIEWS

# Improved background checks needed

The FBI uses old technology and inadequately trained workers to perform security checks on people applying for citizenship and other immigration benefits, a government audit found.

Yawn. How about telling the American people something they haven't heard before?

The stories of the bureau's problematic technology and training are reruns of what Americans heard in the fretful days following the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks.

But it appears that the double-time march toward technological sophistication that Congress demanded and FBI Director Robert Mueller promised to deliver has slowed to a mosey.

The old system has resulted in large backlogs for the security checks on names of immigrants working their way through legal channels to become naturalized citizens or legal residents, and it's affecting U.S. businesses that rely on foreign workers.

In defense of the agency, some of the backlog, according to FBI Assistant Director John Miller, came as a result of a request from what was then the Immigration and Naturalization Service to re-screen 2.7 million names through a more in-depth process following the terrorist attacks of 9-11.

But that was nearly seven years ago. Although 86 percent of the name-check requests are completed within 60 days, the rest can take anywhere from several months to more than a year.

Glenn Fine, the inspector general for the Justice Department, did include some positives about the bureau in his 123-page audit report. The system to verify fingerprints is working as it should "in a generally accurate and timely manner."

Fine criticized the bureau for letting 17 years pass since it raised the fee to perform its identification services, thereby missing an opportunity to generate revenue needed to improve its outdated system.

The bureau charges for database searches for non-criminal justice, non-law enforcement and licensing purposes.

Of course, the biggest customer for name and fingerprint checks doesn't reimburse the bureau. Of the 4 million name-check requests submitted in 2007, more than 2 million were from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Citizenship and Immigration Services.

Congress continues to echo the calls it constantly hears from Americans for enhanced security measures to assure that the people who enter this country from beyond its borders are no threat to those who are already here.

An effective and efficient name-check system is crucial to making that happen, and Congress controls the purse strings for allocating the funds needed for the personnel, training and technology upgrades.

To find the Office of the Inspector General report on the FBI's security check procedures for immigrant applications and petitions, go to [www.usdoj.gov/oig/reports/FBI/a0824/final.pdf](http://www.usdoj.gov/oig/reports/FBI/a0824/final.pdf)

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## A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

May we not fly by the seat of our pants, Lord,  
but put our trust in You.

Amen

# Ravi Zacharias: 'Beyond Opinion'

As a former skeptic, I have a particular interest in Christian apologetics: the defense of the Christian faith. I've read and recommended many excellent books on the subject but want to call your special attention to one I've most recently read because of the uniqueness of its approach and content.

"Beyond Opinion: Living the Faith We Defend" is a compilation of essays by renowned Christian apologists compiled and edited by my friend and Christian philosopher and apologist, Ravi Zacharias, that together "suggest a new vision for Christian apologetics in this century."

I love apologetics because it helped me overcome certain intellectual hurdles that I believed, rightly or wrongly, were obstructing my faith. As I delved into the subject, I was immensely gratified to learn that most of my doubts and questions had been asked and answered by biblical scholars who embraced, rather than dismissed, such challenges.

If, for example, you can't reconcile the notion that an omnipotent, omnibenevolent God could permit evil and suffering in the world, you might be surprised to discover that your concerns are hardly new. Such questions have troubled people for millennia. Brilliant and scholarly works exist addressing such questions, as well as seemingly problematic scriptural passages.

Many mistakenly believe that Christian belief, because it involves faith, is unsupported by reason and evidence and that becoming a Christian requires checking your intellect at the door and accepting Christian truth claims unquestioningly. But anyone who

has truly studied Christian theology and apologetics — I hadn't during my skeptical days — understands that Christianity rests on a powerful body of evidence and that reason and intellect are its allies, not its enemies.

Before you cavalierly assume that there are unanswerable contradictions or unfathomable paradoxes, before you reject Christian theology out of hand because you witness Christian hypocrisy, before you dismiss the Bible as merely a wonderful piece of literature with some instructive moral stories, do yourself the favor of reading it for yourself. And read what other believing, conservative scholars and theologians have written on the subject.

You will come away enriched beyond your greatest expectations and no longer able to say that Christianity is for dummies — or ducks the tough questions. Debunking the stereotype of the Christian as a nonthinker and that Christianity discourages intellectual examination, Ravi says, "We are fashioned by God to be thinking and emotional creatures. The emotions should follow reason, and not the other way around."

Ravi also reminds us, at the outset, that while even in the area of apologetics, "There is nothing new under the sun," (Ecclesiastes 1:9) and that "all that has happened before so often happens again," we must not forget that "the people to whom it is happening are new, and the answers, however old, must never sound stale." Indeed, he notes, "Two of the chief defenders of the faith in the Old Testament and in the New — Moses and Paul — were both well-versed in the language, the thinking, and the philosophy of their cultures."

I found "Beyond Opinion's" approach to be different from most other apologetics books, which are written to and for the skeptic or to the believer who wants ammunition

to reinforce his faith. "Beyond Opinion" is written more for the apologist himself — as a veritable handbook on how to approach the nonbeliever, wherever and however you may find him.

In his introduction, Ravi Zacharias tells us that he has learned over the years in his apologetics and evangelistic ministry that reaching people sometimes requires more than just answering all of their questions with "logic, Scriptures, personal stories, poetry" and the like. To be an effective apologist, you have to understand "how to relate to the questioner and how to make sure that the answers are couched in a relevant context."

The Bible, of course, gives us our lead in this area, where the apostle Paul taught and demonstrated that you have to approach people where they are in life, trying to understand and relate to their culture, customs and belief systems as you minister to them. That is, says Ravi, "You start with where the audience is. If there is an intellectual barrier, you start there. If there is a sensory barrier, you start there." This is because "sometimes the very presence of God is barred by our presuppositions and our intense and constant desire for triumph."

Applying that principle, Ravi has included separate chapters from various respected apologists on how to approach atheists, youth, Muslims, New Agers, practitioners of Eastern religions, and challenges from science — all of this in just the first of the book's three sections.

I wish I had the space to share just a snippet from each chapter, but I don't, so please read it yourself, whether you are a doubter or a believer, and enjoy. It is amazing.

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# The Russert weekend RIP

If folks in the news business wonder why the public hates us, they should look to the orgy of coverage over the untimely death of NBC TV's Tim Russert.

It's not as if Russert wasn't an extraordinary journalist. On "Meet the Press," Russert gave the best-prepared interviews in Washington. He asked tough questions without the sort of ego-filled posturing that made the questions about him, when they should be about the answers. Most important, Russert cared deeply about policy, not just the horserace and latest polls.

To top it off, Russert was a giant of a man who left a strong, positive impression on just about everyone.

So it made sense for Sunday's "Meet the Press" to devote the hour to the man who sat in the anchor chair for nearly 17 years.

Overall, however, the hours and hours of tributes across the cable spectrum show the news media at their worst. For me, the Russert Weekend only served to confirm my suspicion that in 2008, cable TV stations can only do one story at a time — and then they overdo it and beat it silly. You now know more about Tim Russert than Vladimir Putin.

To wit: His father, Big Russ, was a sanitation

worker. He still loved his hometown, Buffalo. Russert told his son, Luke — named after St. Luke the Evangelist, who wrote, "To whom much is given, much is expected" — that he loved him every day.

Do you get the feeling that some talking heads think that if you're on TV, then you're too big to have come from a working-class family or love your hometown? I do.

You now know more about Russert than you know about Paul R. Smith, Jason L. Dunham, Michael P. Murphy, Michael A. Monsoor and Ross A. McGinnis. Who are they? Men who received the Medal of Honor for their service in Iraq or Afghanistan.

But they weren't on TV.

Here's a question that seems not to have occurred to the network suits: How are viewers supposed to see NBC — or other networks — as impartial when they air segments with numerous politicians calling Russert their "friend"? Democratic presidential candidate Sen. Barack Obama issued a statement in which he said he was "grief-stricken" over the loss of his "friend."

"I was proud to call him a friend," said the statement by Republican presidential candidate Sen. John McCain. Obama guru David Axelrod talked on CNN Friday and MSNBC Monday.

He was a Friend of Russert, too. The rap all shared about Russert was that he was "tough but fair."

But the cozy schmoozing made the bond between politicians and journalists

appear downright incestuous.

Where's the news? It's not as if anyone is going to say anything critical about Russert. The guy just died.

There's a mournful brass horn playing with his photo between segments. You get on TV by fawning about how much Russert loved his son, and no politician or regular guest is going to depart from the script. It's a bit like watching "Larry King Live" after an octogenarian Hollywood star dies, and fellow hoofers rush to reminisce about their tales with the deceased. Even in death, everyone wants in on the act.

The Republican National Committee sent out a statement. Ditto California Democratic Party Chairman Art Torres. California first lady Maria Shriver's statement said that Russert "was one of a kind to me and I was lucky enough to have had him as a best friend."

In this game, crass opportunism is rewarded. Shriver appeared via satellite from Sun Valley, Idaho, on Sunday's special edition of "Meet the Press" — on which she started or repeated the thread about Russert being the product of nuns, Jesuits and parochial education.

Part of the Russert Weekend phenomenon can be credited to a profession's prerogative. Figure that doctors receive the best medical attention, bartenders pour generous drinks for each other and mortuary owners rate posh funerals.

Likewise, one of the

perks of journalism is that when we kick the bucket, we get a nice sendoff story.

An outstanding journalist of Russert's stripe rated more than a nice sendoff story.

But there is another tenet of the profession that Washington TV news bureaus seem to have forgotten in the shock of Russert's passing:

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### Early years

**Born** 1950, Buffalo, N.Y.

**Education** Bachelor's degree, John Carroll University; law degree, Cleveland-Marshall College of Law; has received 43 honorary degrees from U.S. universities

**Family** Wife, Maureen Orth; one son, Luke

### Career

**1977-1982** Special counsel in U.S. Senate

**1983-1984** Counselor in N.Y. Governor's office

**1984** Joins NBC News as vice president, assistant to president

**1988** Senior vice president, Washington, D.C., bureau chief for NBC

**1991** Takes helm of NBC's "Meet the Press"

**2004** Writes biography "Big Russ and Me"

**2005** Awarded an Emmy for coverage of President Reagan's funeral

**2006** Writes "Wisdom of our Fathers"

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# Former LSU star returns to Louisiana hometown

By PAUL J. LETLOW

The News-Star

WEST MONROE, La. — Strong, loving parents helped NFL star Bradie James become a man of convictions.

His ascension from Wossman and West Monroe, to Louisiana State University and into professional football coincided with his desire to help others.

The Dallas Cowboys linebacker lost both his parents months apart when he was still in college. Knowing how important they were in his own development drives James to give back whenever he can.

Within the last year, James launched his own nonprofit

organization, Foundation 56. The foundation's signature program, Soul Survivors, raises awareness about breast cancer.

James said he wants to fight back against the disease that took his mother — Etta James — too soon.

"I had to do something I was passionate about," James said. "After losing my mom, naturally I'm passionate about that."

The foundation is already contributing to such organizations as the YWCA. James said a bigger goal is to form mobile units, to help screen underserved areas.

"It's about prevention and early screening," said James,

who wears a pink Foundation 56 bracelet on his wrist. "The quicker you can get diagnosed or you can find the lump on your breast, that's the best thing for them."

James said men have a role in helping women through the process.

"The thing is, nobody wants to be diagnosed with any kind of sickness," James said. "Nobody wants to do that. But we're encouraging the women to go do that. And breast cancer doesn't just affect women. It affects the whole family. We have to be the backbone, the supporting cast and the nurturer."

James is also a willing mentor

to youngsters, especially back home in the community where he grew up. "The James Gang," an arm of Foundation 56, is an organized youth initiative that continues something the athlete has done for years.

"It's not about shaping NFL football players," James said. "It's about shaping good, quality people, people who will serve and be pillars of the community."

On a recent Saturday, James conducted a free football camp at West Monroe for boys age 10-16 to teach the young athletes how to compete on the field, in the classroom and in life.

"I'm not trying to reinvent the

wheel," James said. "I'm just doing some things that taught me to get to where I am today."

In another gesture, James planned to take a group of young athletes to Grambling State, Louisiana Tech and the University of Louisiana at Monroe. James, who leased a bus for the daylong college tour, planned to spend the day talking to the students about the role academics plays in their success in sports.

"The only way I know how to do it is to be hands-on," James said. "To help them as much as possible, by talking to them. Without education, you can't do anything."

## T.O.

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of unresolved contract issues that have kept them from taking part in offseason drills.

Owens participated in optional workouts the past four weeks. Heading into the final year of his contract, the 34-year-old receiver two weeks ago signed a three-year extension worth around \$27 million through the 2011 season.

"Him missing time certainly is not a big deal," Phillips said. "Especially a veteran player that knows how to play and do the things and has worked as he has this offseason."

Phillips said Owens talked to him Monday, but the coach wouldn't elaborate on that conversation or where T.O. was going. Cowboys owner Jerry Jones also refused to go into detail.

"It was a family matter and certainly with all the hard work he has put in out here during the offseason it is not an issue with me," Jones said.

"It wasn't anything that you guys would go crazy about," quarterback Tony Romo said. "He's worked

his butt off. I don't know that (being absent all week) would be a big deal."

Messages left for Owens' agent, Drew Rosenhaus, weren't returned.

While Owens was excused, Glenn has refused to agree to a \$500,000 injury waiver, the amount the Cowboys want to give him instead of his scheduled \$1.74 million base salary this season if he reinjures his right knee and is unable to play again.

"I haven't talked to Terry at all," Jones said. "We'll just see what happens between now and training camp."

Glenn made \$5 million last season, when he missed the first 15 games after two operations on his right knee. He didn't have a catch in the regular season finale, then caught two passes for 30 yards in the Cowboys' playoff loss to the New York Giants.

Jones said he had an agreement with Glenn before the receiver fired his agent.

Jones said they haven't spoken since.

"I'm not talking about it because I don't have an answer for it at all, and I'm certainly not going to sit here and negotiate," Jones said. "He has had an agent

before and we worked things out, and then it didn't work out, so we will see where we go."

Hamlin hasn't signed a \$4.4 million tender since the Cowboys designated him as their franchise player in February. Hamlin made his first Pro Bowl last season after he had 62 tackles and five interceptions.

Jones said he wasn't worried about Hamlin, who is locked up through the 2008 season.

"I'm not at all," Jones said. "That's a lot of money. And he'll play."

The absence of Owens and Glenn is providing an opportunity for Sam Hurd, Miles Austin and other young receivers to get extra snaps and more time working with Romo in practice. Phillips said Owens wouldn't have gotten "as many reps anyway in the minicamp" in an effort to take care of T.O.

Owens led the NFL with 13 touchdown catches in 2006 and had an NFC-best 15 more last year for a two-year total that is tops in the league. He has 166 catches for 2,535 yards in his two seasons with the Cowboys.

T.O. is ninth on the career receptions list with 882, 10th in receiving yards

with 13,070 and third in touchdowns with 129 — the most among active players, and trailing only Jerry Rice (197) and Cris Carter (130).

Notes: The team's first practice Tuesday was cut short by 45 minutes because of heavy winds

and an approaching thunderstorm. The afternoon session was held in the team's practice bubble and went later than scheduled to make up for some of the missed earlier time. ... Jay Ratliff, a former seventh-round pick who became a starter at nose guard last

season and then got a \$20.5 million, five-year contract extension, is again taking snaps at defensive end. "I don't think full-time right now, just because he's played so well at nose guard," coach Wade Phillips said. "We don't want to lose that."

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### Elder Abuse

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- **Physical Abuse** - Inflicting, or threatening to inflict, physical pain or injury on a vulnerable elder, or depriving them of a basic need.
- **Emotional Abuse** - Inflicting mental pain, anguish, or distress on an elder person through verbal or nonverbal acts.
- **Sexual Abuse** - Non-consensual sexual contact of any kind.
- **Exploitation** - Illegal taking, misuse, or concealment of funds, property, or assets of a vulnerable elder.
- **Neglect** - Refusal or failure by those responsible to provide food, shelter, health care or protection for a vulnerable elder.
- **Abandonment** - The desertion of a vulnerable elder by anyone who has assumed the responsibility for care or custody of that person.

Although there are variations across the country, in most states there are several laws that address criminal penalties for various types of elder abuse. Laws vary state to state. Some states have increased penalties for those who victimize older adults. Increasingly, across the country, law enforcement officers and prosecutors are trained on elder abuse and ways to use criminal and civil laws to bring abusers to justice.

Each one of us has a responsibility to keep vulnerable elders safe from harm. The laws in most states require helping professions in the front lines -- such as doctors and home health providers -- to report suspected abuse or neglect. These professionals are called mandated reporters. Under the laws of eight states, "any person" is required to report a suspicion of mistreatment

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Abuse of a senior who is not in a health care facility can be reported to Adult Protective Services at (800) 252-5400.

If the victim is in a nursing home or assisted living facility, or is in his or her home and relies on a home health provider, call the Texas Department of State Health Services at (800) 458-9858.

If the victim is a resident of a long-term care facility that receives Medicaid funding, report the criminal abuse, neglect or exploitation to the Attorney General's Medicaid Fraud Control Unit at (512) 463-2011 (Austin), toll-free at (800) 252-8011 or by e-mail at [mfcu@oag.state.tx.us](mailto:mfcu@oag.state.tx.us).

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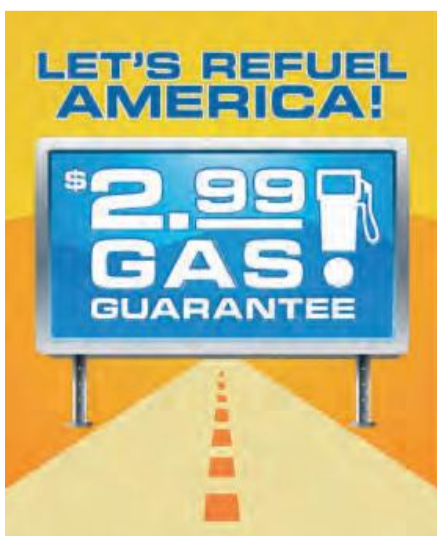
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Shhh! Did you hear that?  
It is the sound of Mrs. Boyd, my English teacher in junior high crying.

I have forgotten most of the English grammar that was pounded into me through many years of schooling but I've found a book that helps.

**Grammar**  
• **"Teach Terrific Grammar"** (428.2 MUS G) by Gary Robert Muschla.



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While it is geared for teachers, students can also utilize the activities and puzzles that Gary has included in this simple and easy to understand grammar book.

**Animals/Pets**

• **"The Howell Book of Dogs"** (636.7 PAL L) by Liz Palika Do you know what a Chart Polski, Bouvier des Flandres or Kai Ken are? They are breeds of dogs. It is the definitive book on more than 300 different breeds of dogs. Palika also writes about the why and how of owning a dog. It is not enough just to choose

a dog, you must also be willing to love and take care of it. She also advises you on the proper dog for your lifestyle. This is one of a number of excellent dog books that we have in the library. While I read through the descriptions of each dog, I "hear" the announcer at the Westminster Kennel Dog Show held in New York each year! It is a great show and it will be on television, Feb. 9-10, 2009. Go to [www.westminsterkennelclub.org](http://www.westminsterkennelclub.org) for more information. I think it comes on Animal Planet channel.

**History**

• **"The Real History of the American Revolution"** (973.3 AXE A) by Alan Axelrod tackles the American Revolution. This is a non-academic treatment of the revolution and is straightforward, if not traditional. The conclusions are familiar. The sprightly narrative is lavishly illustrated, and intriguing sidebars, such as *Forgotten Faces*, *Reality Check* and *Alternate Take*, are interspersed throughout the text. If the narrative is largely traditional, these features introduce some unfamiliar figures and surprising facts.

Even with few notes and a scant bibliography, this lively narrative with its informative supplementary material makes for an excellent introduction to the revolution for general readers. — Review from Publishers Weekly.

**Current Events/Religion**

• **"Daughter of the Saints"** (B SOL D) by Dorothy Solomon is another book on polygamy and the FLDS. Dorothy was a daughter of her father's fourth plural wife and 28 of 48 children. Her childhood was beset by secrecy and lies, poverty and imprisonment. She broke with her family over her inability to reconcile the polygamist doctrine with her own desire for equality and the laws of the state. The library also has her first book, **"Predators, Prey, and Other Kinfolk: Growing Up in Polygamy"** (289.3092 SOL D).

**New Fiction**

Just in: Jeff Shaara's **"The Glorious Cause,"** a novel of the American Revolution; **"Devil May Care"** by Sebastian Faulks — this is a new James Bond book authorized by the estate of Ian Fleming; **"Wedding**

**Ring"** by Emilie Richards (this is a paperback); and **"The Reading Group"** by Elizabeth Noble, who spoke at a luncheon that I attended at the library conference in Dallas. The book is told not only from the point of view of the reading groups members, but others in their lives. There are some real surprises here and everything isn't as it seems originally. Dealing with such domestic issues as infertility, teenage pregnancy, caring for an elderly parent, adult sibling issues, adultery, boredom and caring for young children, the women in the book deal with many of the same things we do everyday.

**Mystery**

Two favorite authors of mine are Lilian Jackson Braun (The Cat Who books) and Dick Francis. While **"The Cat Who Wasn't There"** is not new, it is still a great addition. Jim Qwilleran is persuaded to take a trip to Scotland with his friend, Polly Duncan. Well, murder is not far behind and Ko-Ko and Yum-Yum help solve the mystery. In **"Under Orders"** by Dick Francis, the return of Sid Halley heralds a superb horse racing mystery. Lord Enstone's horses

are not running and Sid is asked to investigate online gambling. Another great book from Francis.

**Summer Reading Program**

Summer Reading Program continues! The popcorn is popping and the lemonade is ready for Thursday morning movies downstairs in the cool basement. This week's movie is about a dog who likes basketball. The movie begins at 10:15 a.m.

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*Hollis McCright is director of the Howard County Library.*

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## Report: Exams prove abuse, torture in Iraq, Guantanamo

By PAMELA HESS

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Medical examinations of former terrorism suspects held by the U.S. military at Abu Ghraib prison in Iraq and Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, found evidence of torture and other abuse that resulted in serious injuries and mental disorders, according to a human rights group.

For the most extensive medical study of former U.S. detainees published so far, Physicians for Human Rights had doctors and mental health professionals examine 11 former prisoners. The group alleges finding evidence of U.S. torture and war crimes and accuses U.S. military health professionals of allowing the abuse of detainees, denying them medical care and providing confidential medical information to interrogators that they then exploited.

"Some of these men really are, several years later, very severely scarred," said Barry Rosenfeld, a psychology professor at Fordham University who conducted psychological tests on six of the 11 detain-

ees covered by the study. "It's a testimony to how bad those conditions were and how personal the abuse was."

One Iraqi prisoner, identified only as Yasser, reported being subjected to electric shocks three times and being sodomized with a stick. His thumbs bore round scars consistent with shocking, according to the report obtained by The Associated Press. He would not allow a full rectal exam.

Another Iraqi, identified only as Rahman, reported he was humiliated by being forced to wear women's underwear, stripped naked and paraded in front of female guards, and was shown pictures of other naked detainees. The psychological exam found that Rahman suffered from post-traumatic stress disorder and had sexual problems related to his humiliation, the report said.

The report came as the Senate Armed Services Committee revealed documents showing military lawyers warned the Pentagon that methods it was using post-9/11 violated military, U.S. and international law. Those objec-

tions were overruled by the top Pentagon lawyer.

President Bush said in 2004, when the prison abuse was revealed, that it was the work of "a few American troops who dishonored our country and disregarded our values." Bush and other U.S. officials have consistently denied that the U.S. tortures its detainees.

Physicians for Human Rights, an advocacy group based in Cambridge, Mass., that investigates abuse around the world and advocates for global health and human rights, did not identify the 11 former prisoners to protect their privacy. Seven were held in Abu Ghraib between late 2003 and summer of 2004, a period that coincides with the known abuse of prisoners at the hands of some of their American jailers. Four of the prisoners were held at Guantanamo beginning in 2002 for one to almost five years. All 11 were released without criminal charges.

Those examined alleged that they were tortured or abused, including sexually, and described being shocked with electrodes and beaten.



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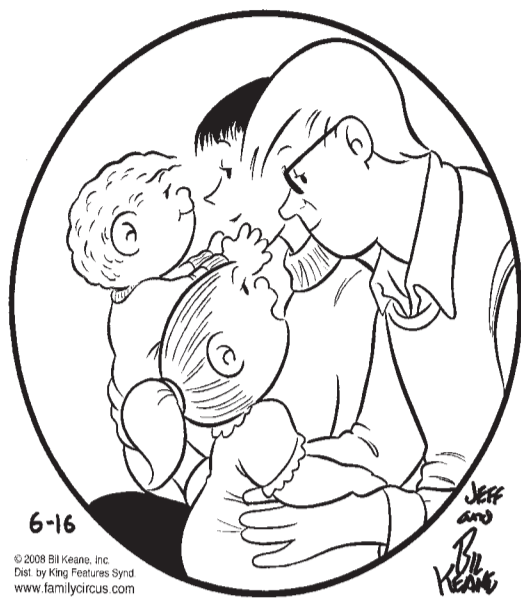
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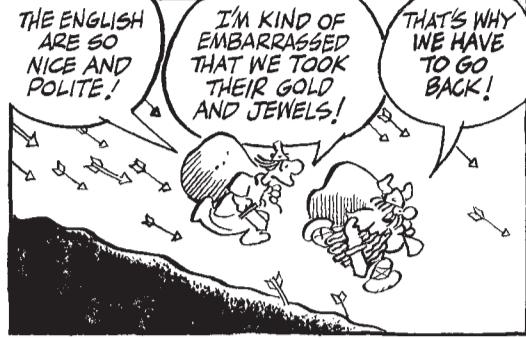
"If it's not an earth worm, what planet is it from?"

THE FAMILY CIRCUS



"I'm glad we picked a Daddy and Mommy who don't use tobacco."

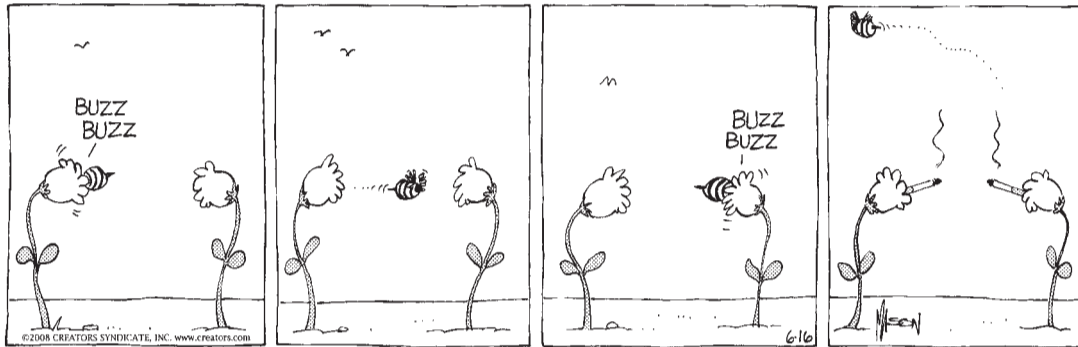
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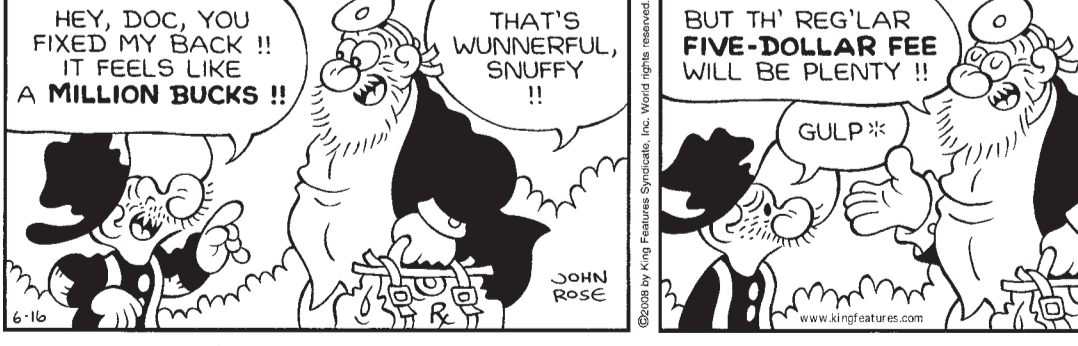
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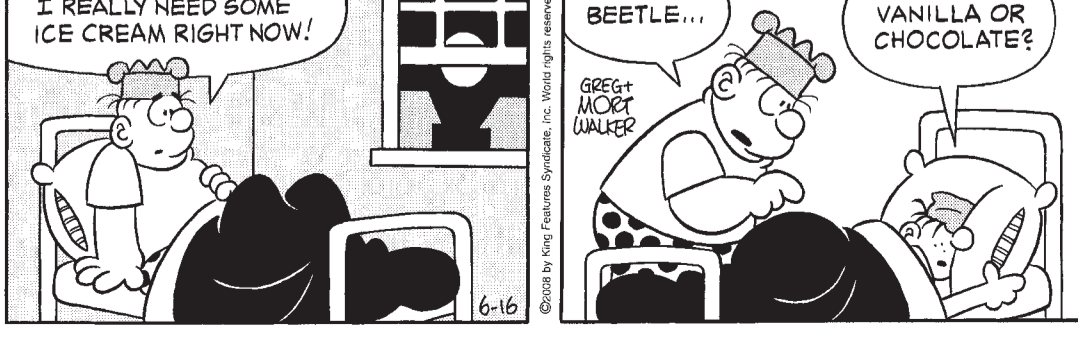
THE OTHER COAST



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BEETLE BAILEY



This Date In History

Today is Monday, June 16, the 168th day of 2008. There are 198 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On June 16, 1858, as he accepted the Illinois Republican Party's nomination for U.S. Senate, Abraham Lincoln said the slavery issue had to be resolved, declaring, "A house divided against itself cannot stand."

On this date:

In 1883, baseball's first "Ladies' Day" took place as the New York Gothams offered women free admission to a game against the Cleveland Spiders. (New York won, 5-2.)

In 1897, the government signed a treaty of annexation with Hawaii.

In 1903, Ford Motor Co. was incorporated.

In 1932, President Hoover and Vice President Charles Curtis were renominated at the Republican national convention in Chicago.

In 1933, the National Industrial Recovery Act became law. (It was later struck down by the Supreme

Court.)

In 1955, Pope Pius XII excommunicated Argentine President Juan Domingo Peron for expelling two priests from his country. (However, the ban was effectively lifted in 1963 when the Catholic Church declared that Peron had merely been threatened with excommunication.)

In 1958, the Supreme Court, in Kent v. Dulles, ruled that artist Rockwell Kent could not be denied a passport because of his communist affiliations.

In 1963, the world's first female space traveler, Valentina Tereshkova, was launched into orbit by the Soviet Union aboard Vostok 6.

In 1976, riots broke out in the black South African township of Soweto.

In 1978, President Carter and Panamanian leader Omar Torrijos exchanged the instruments of ratification for the Panama Canal treaties.

One year ago: Six people were killed, 22 injured, when a car driven by Australian-born professional drag racer Troy Critchley plowed into a parade crowd in Selmer, Tenn.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Bill Cobbs is 73. Author Erich Segal is 71. Author Joyce Carol Oates is 70.

Country singer Billy "Crash" Craddock is 69. Songwriter Lamont Dozier is 67. Rhythm-and-blues singer Eddie Levert is 66. Actress Joan Van Ark is 65. Rhythm-and-blues singer James Smith (The Stylistics) is 58. Boxer Roberto Duran is 57. Pop singer Gino Vanelli is 56. Actress Laurie Metcalf is 53. Model-actress Jenny Shimizu is 41. Actor James Patrick Stuart is 40. Actor Eddie Cibrian is 35. Actress China Shavers is 31. Actress Missy Peregryn is 26. Actress Olivia Hack is 25. Singer Diana DeGarmo ("American Idol") is 21.

Thought for Today: "We fear something before we hate it. A child who fears noises becomes a man who hates noise." — Cyril Connolly, British critic (1903-1974).

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Answer to previous puzzle

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Newsday Crossword THREE LITTLE WORDS by Sally R. Stein Edited by Stanley Newman

- www.stanxwords.com
- ACROSS**
- 1 Mixed-breed dog
  - 5 Restaurant listing
  - 9 Pocketbooks
  - 13 Concerning
  - 14 Scent
  - 15 \_\_\_ Island (immigrants' landing place)
  - 17 Flabbergast
  - 18 Perform in an opera
  - 19 San Antonio attraction
  - 20 Three-in-a-row game
  - 22 Razor sharpener
  - 23 Takes care of
  - 24 Capital of Greece
  - 25 A pair of
  - 27 Workshop clamp
  - 28 Like new pennies
  - 32 In the center of
  - 34 Stinging insect
  - 38 Money in Spain
  - 39 Gown
  - 40 Healing plant
  - 41 Left, on a map
  - 42 Tenant's payment
  - 43 Being deceitful
  - 44 Frog relative
  - 46 Smart \_\_\_ whip
  - 48 Classify
  - 51 Bends out of shape
  - 56 Japanese-style mattress
  - 57 Both sides of an issue
- DOWN**
- 1 Fine sprays
  - 2 Open, as shoelaces
  - 3 Cease-fire
  - 4 Campout quarters
  - 5 Kremlin locale
  - 6 Prepare for publication
  - 7 Something prohibited
  - 8 Press for
  - 9 Barbarians
  - 10 Completely
  - 11 Harsh light
  - 12 \_\_\_ says (kids' game)
  - 16 Soaks (up)
  - 21 Lawyer: Abbr.
  - 24 Helps out
  - 26 Propelled a rowboat
  - 27 Grand view
  - 28 Assemble a sweater
  - 29 Tint
  - 30 Tax agcy.
  - 31 So-so
  - 33 Guys
  - 35 \_\_\_ Baba
  - 36 Junior, to Mom or Dad
  - 37 Wooden pin
  - 39 "Darn it!"
  - 43 Grassy area
  - 45 Elaborately adorned
  - 47 Amounts being bet
  - 48 Miles away
  - 49 "Poison" shrub
  - 50 Shorthand expert
  - 52 Luggage attachment
  - 53 Frighten
  - 54 Poisonous substance
  - 55 Mean and nasty
  - 57 Verse
  - 58 Ready to harvest
  - 59 Change for a \$5 bill

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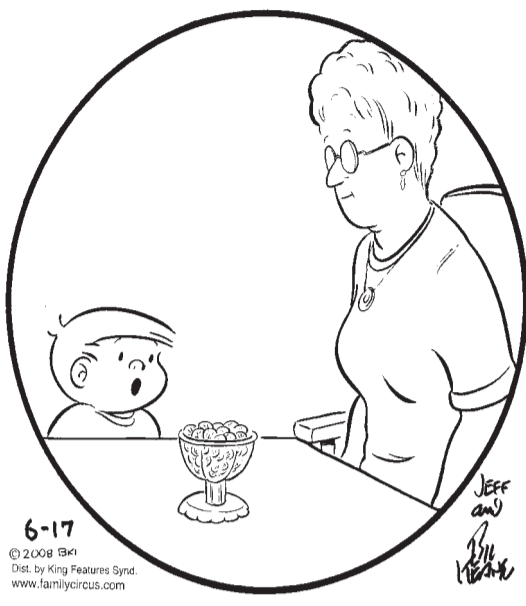
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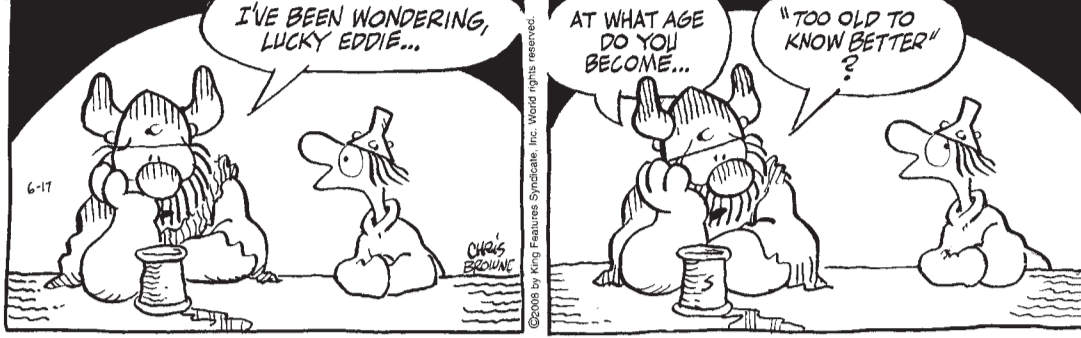
"I'll never understand grown-ups if I live to be ten!"

THE FAMILY CIRCUS



"That looks like too much candy for you to eat yourself, Grandma."

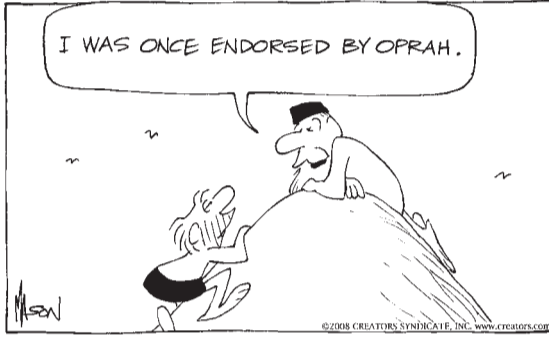
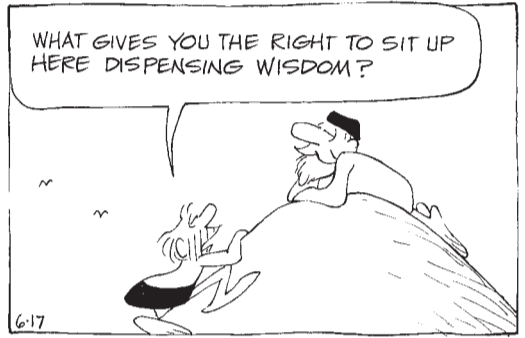
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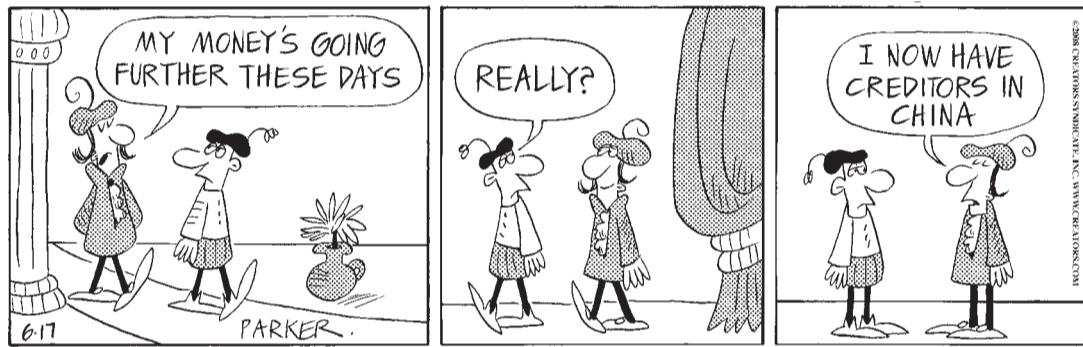
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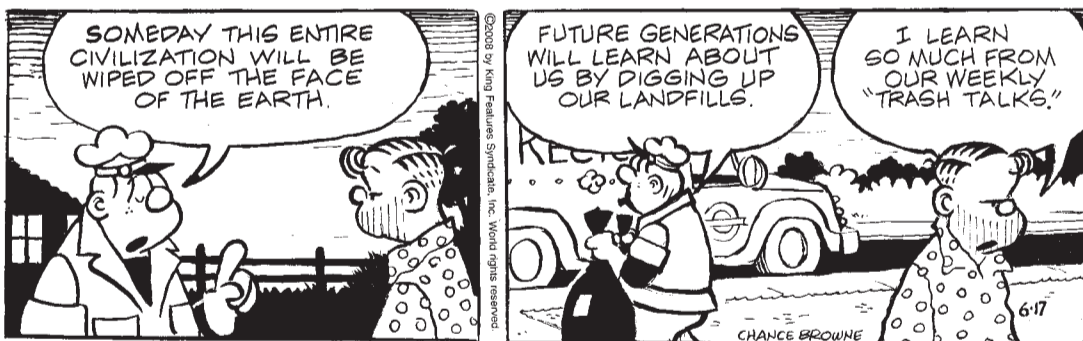
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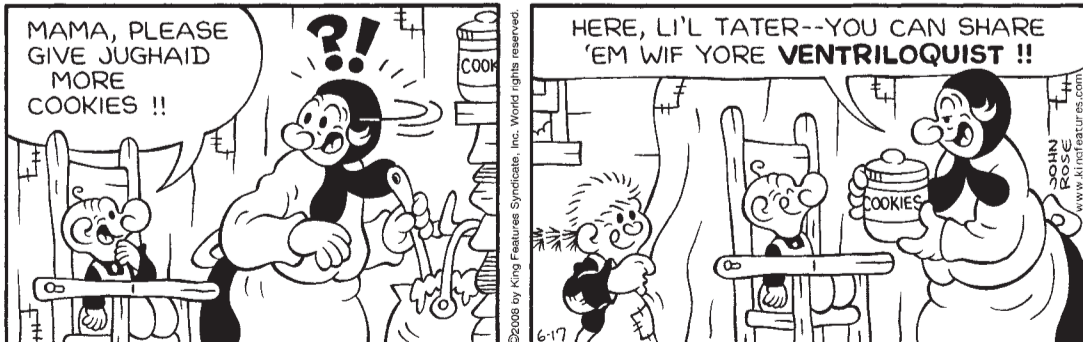
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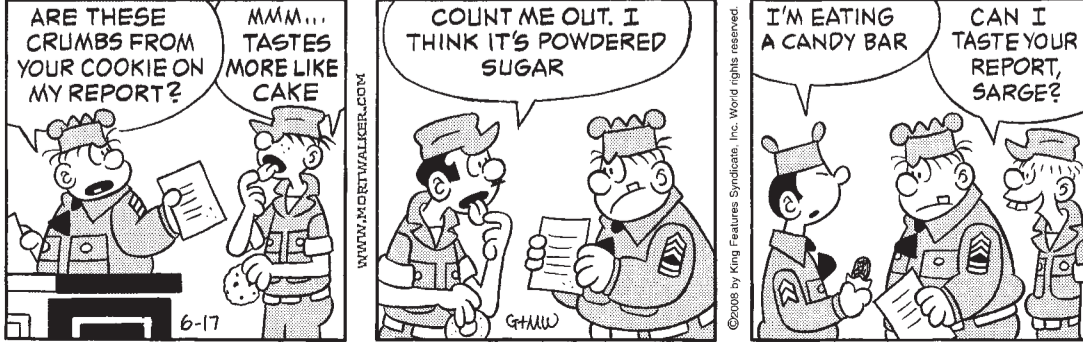
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This Date In History

Today is Tuesday, June 17, the 169th day of 2008. There are 197 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On June 17, 1775, the Revolutionary War Battle of Bunker Hill took place near Boston. The battle, which actually occurred on Breed's Hill, was a costly victory for the British, who suffered heavy losses while dislodging the rebels.

In 1948, a United Air Lines DC-6 crashed near Mount Carmel, Pa., killing all 43 people on board. In 1957, mob underboss Frank Scalise was shot to death at a produce market in New York. In 1961, Soviet ballet dancer Rudolf Nureyev defected to the West while his troupe was in Paris.

(gryz) is 51. Movie producer-director-writer Bobby Farrelly is 50. Actor Thomas Haden Church is 47. Actor Greg Kinnear is 45. Actress Kami Cotler (TV: "The Waltons") is 43. Olympic gold-medal speed skater Dan Jansen is 43. Actor Jason Patric is 42. Actor-comedian Will Forte is 38. Latin pop singer Paulina Rubio is 37. Tennis player Venus Williams is 28. Actor-rapper Herculeez (Herculeez and Big Tyme) is 25. Actor Damani Roberts is 12.

Thought for Today: "During my 87 years I have witnessed a whole succession of technological revolutions. But none of them has done away with the need for character in the individual or the ability to think." - Bernard M. Baruch, American businessman and statesman (1870-1965).

Answer to previous puzzle grid with words like MUTT, MENU, BAGS, INRE, ODOR, ELLIS, STUN, SING, ALAMO, TICTACTOE, STROP, SEESTO, ATHENS, TWO, VISE, SHINY, AMID, WASP, EURO, DRESS, ALOE, WEST, RENT, LYING, ASSORT, TWISTS, FUTON, PRO, ANDCON, AMAN, OINK, TAXI, RANAT, EPEE, ARID, CODE, MESS, GENE.

Newsday Crossword

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- ACROSS: 1 College military unit: Abbr. 5 Star Trek genre 10 Cookie holder 13 Region 14 Prepared, as apples 15 First-class 16 Clutter-free 17 Forgets to mention 18 Minstrel's instrument 19 Top Gun star 21 Eager to sleep 22 Concoct, as a plan 23 High-fiber cereal 24 Crocs' cousins 27 Near 30 By oneself 31 Self-satisfied 33 Strong craving 34 Debtor's letters 35 Marching-band instrument 36 Bride's new title, often 37 Paving material 38 Most Jordanians 39 Demean 41 Kids' outdoor winter creations 43 Small piano 44 Starlet's goal 45 Film excerpts 47 Video's counterpart 49 Conscience-stricken feeling 53 Close tightly 54 Rich dessert 55 Take the bus 56 Soup vessels 57 Black bird 58 Ready for customers 59 Bashful 60 Warn 61 Bering and Baltic DOWN: 1 \_\_\_ and rave 2 Black-and-white cookie 3 Group of athletes 4 Understand finally 5 Merit-badge earners 6 Funny performer 7 Dublin-born 8 Lavish celebration 9 Proof-of-age items, for short 10 Experienced tradesperson 11 Poker-hand starter 12 Marsh growth 15 False name 20 Steak preference 21 Stepped heavily 23 Jeans color 24 Horses' paces 25 Float (provide financing) 26 Stint in the military 27 Army beds 28 Not worthy 29 Beginning stage 31 Architect's design 32 Massage 35 At no cost 38 Bullets, briefly 39 Date with an MD 40 Stylish eateries 42 Stands in line 43 Making no sound 45 Bend in a road 46 Soda-bottle size 47 Poisonous snakes 48 "Now we're in trouble!" 49 Soccer score 50 Ready for picking 51 Creative thought 52 Farm enclosures 54 Singing syllable

Crossword grid with numbered squares and some filled-in letters.

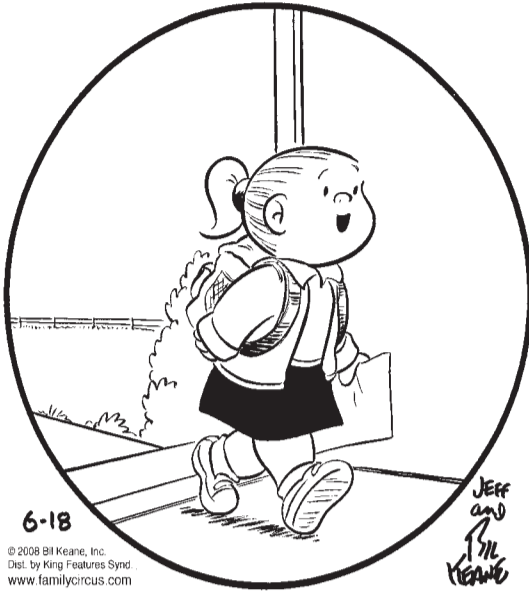
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8:PM	Supernanny	Supernanny	Fuego en la Sangre	Two Men	Criminal Minds	Victoria		Celebrity Circus	Fam. Guy	Scott	Another Day in Paradise	MythBusters	UFC Unleashed	Movie: Glory Road, Patrick Blanchard	To Be Announced	Montana Suite Life	Wizards of Waverly	Boxing: Wednesday Night Fights.
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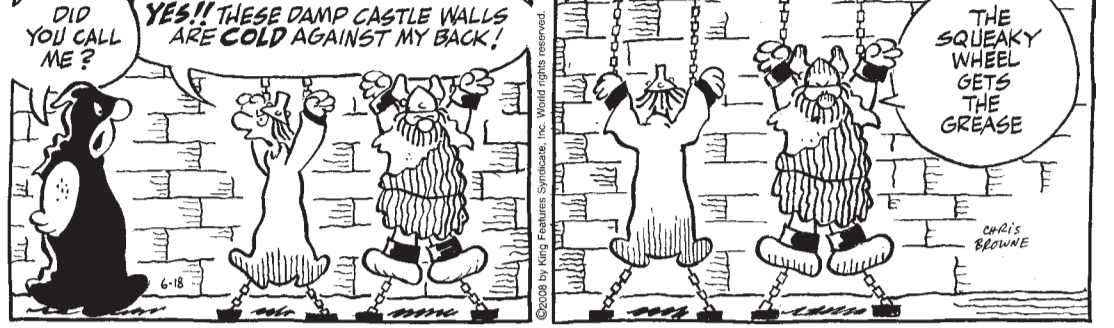
"CAN YOU BELIEVE THAT, RUFF? THAT COWBOY'S TALKIN' TO HIS HORSE."

THE FAMILY CIRCUS



"Today we learned all about the Decoration of Independence."

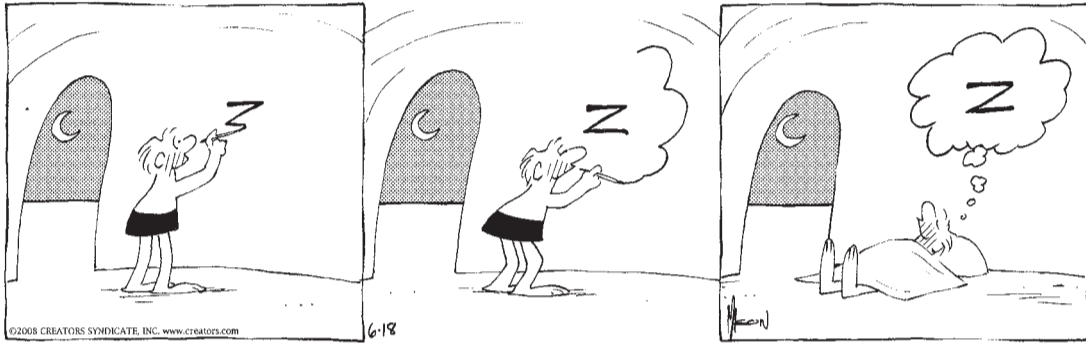
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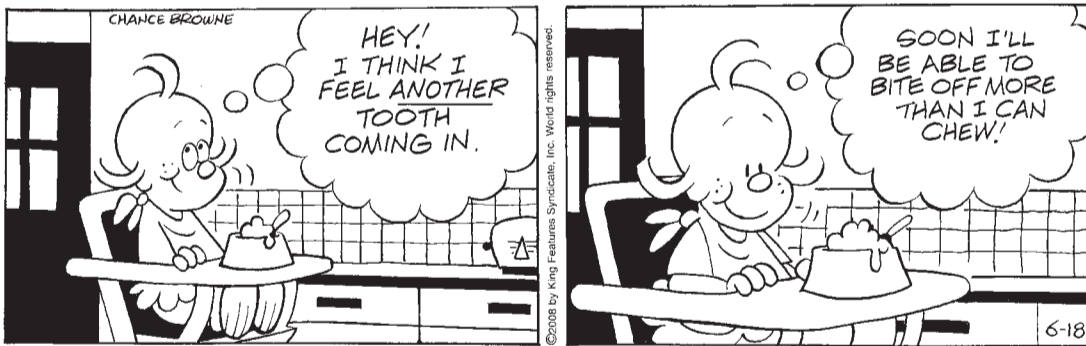
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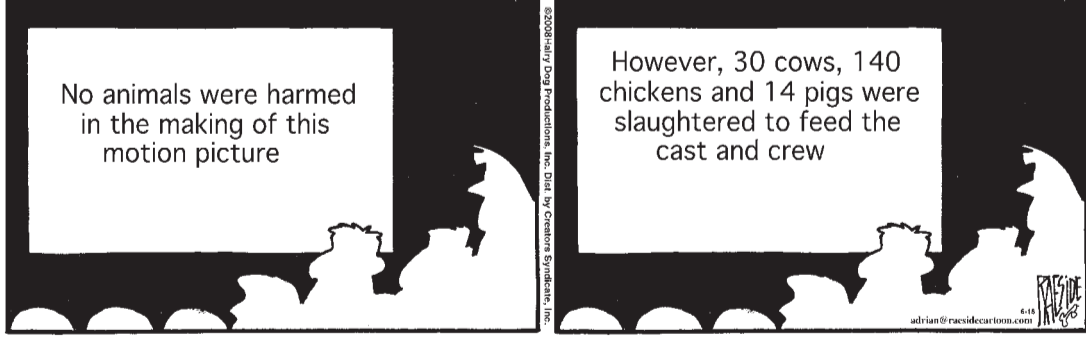
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THE OTHER COAST



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BEETLE BAILEY



This Date In History

Today is Wednesday, June 18, the 170th day of 2008. There are 196 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On June 18, 1983, astronaut Sally K. Ride became America's first woman in space as she and four colleagues blasted off aboard the space shuttle Challenger.

On this date: In 1778, American forces entered Philadelphia as the British withdrew during the Revolutionary War.

In 1812, the United States declared war against Britain.

In 1815, Napoleon Bonaparte met his Waterloo as British and Prussian troops defeated the French in Belgium.

In 1858, the United States and China signed a treaty promoting "peace, amity and commerce."

In 1908, William Howard Taft was nominated for president by the Republican national convention in Chicago.

In 1928, Amelia Earhart became the first woman to fly across the Atlantic Ocean as she completed a

journey with pilots Wilmer Stultz and Louis Gordon from Newfoundland to Wales in about 21 hours.

In 1940, during World War II, British Prime Minister Winston Churchill urged his countrymen to conduct themselves in a manner that would prompt future generations to say, "This was their finest hour."

In 1948, a United Nations commission finished drafting what would become the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

In 1958, President Eisenhower expressed support for his chief of staff, Sherman Adams, who was accused of improperly accepting gifts from a businessman. (Adams resigned in September 1958.)

In 1979, President Carter and Soviet President Leonid I. Brezhnev signed the SALT II strategic arms limitation treaty in Vienna.

One year ago: Nine firefighters died in a fire at a furniture store and warehouse in Charleston, S.C. Yahoo Inc. Chairman Terry Semel ended his six-year tenure as chief executive officer, handing over the reins to co-founder Jerry Yang. Vilma Espin Guillois, wife of acting President Raul Castro and a former rebel fighter, died in Havana, Cuba, at age 77.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Ian Carmichael is 88. Columnist Tom Wicker is 82. Rock singer-composer-musician Sir Paul McCartney is 66. Actress Constance McCashin is 61. Actress Isabella Rossellini is 56. Actress Carol Kane is 56. Rock singer Alison Moyet is 47. Country singer-musician Tim Hunt is 41. Rock singer-musician Sice (The Boo Radleys) is 39. Rhythm-and-blues singer Nathan Morris (Boyz II Men) is 37. Actress Mara Hobel is 37. Rapper Silkk the Shocker is 33. Actress Alana de la Garza is 32. Country singer Blake Shelton is 32. Actress Renee Olstead is 19.

Thought for Today: "Women must try to do things as men have tried. When they fail, their failure must be but a challenge to others." — Amelia Earhart, American aviator (1897-1937?).

Answer to previous puzzle

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Newsday Crossword

SPICE RACK by Daniel R. Stark  
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Discreet summons
- 5 In a frenzy
- 9 Ex-UN member
- 13 Shout from the bridge
- 14 Add brandy to
- 15 California wine region
- 16 Ooze out
- 17 Unknown auth.
- 18 Go-between
- 20 Earn lots of money
- 22 Dugout seat
- 23 Chestnut horse
- 24 Workshop machine
- 25 Concentrated
- 29 Struck hard
- 32 Big lizard
- 34 Director Howard
- 35 Jazz accompaniment
- 39 Some tires
- 41 Party's chosen candidate
- 43 First garden
- 44 Pop
- 46 Chicken take-out order
- 47 Oxford's river
- 50 Tours de force
- 51 It divides to multiply
- 54 Like the universe
- 56 Sofa
- 57 Architectural feature
- 62 Pile up
- 63 British essayist
- 64 New Haven school
- 65 Actress Falco
- 66 Family reunion attendee
- 67 Concludes
- 68 Wooded hollow
- 69 Frat-party supplies
- 70 Try
- DOWN**
- 1 Oasis tree
- 2 Big Apple baseball stadium
- 3 Enjoy a hot tub
- 4 Youngster
- 5 San Antonio attraction
- 6 Crazes
- 7 Novelist Flannery
- 8 Superman's alter ego
- 9 Powerless
- 10 Word from the wise
- 11 Exhausted
- 12 Horse farm
- 19 Definite article
- 21 Basketball venue
- 25 Very serious
- 26 Old-time exclamation
- 27 Hosiery shade
- 28 A Moscow church is named for him
- 30 Arroz \_\_ pollo
- 31 Control device
- 33 Swit costar
- 36 "Puppy Love" singer
- 37 Keep an appointment with
- 38 Household members
- 40 Maltese Falcon character
- 42 Civilian dress
- 45 Reduce in worth
- 48 Fairy-tale brother
- 49 Voicing
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- 53 Keep away from
- 55 Hits, as flies
- 57 Bird's bill
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- 60 Early automaker
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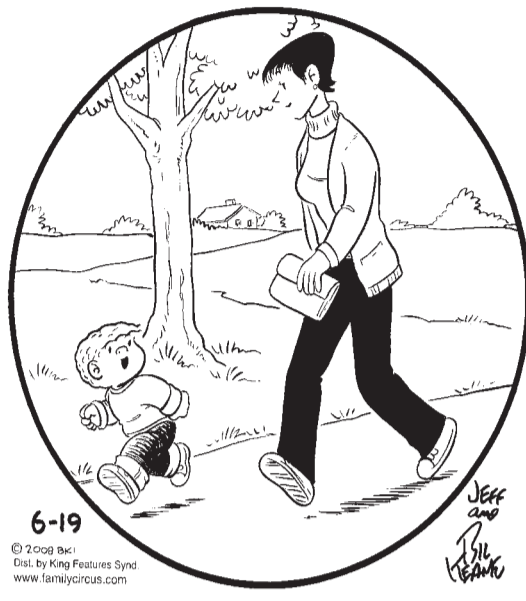
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8 :PM	NBA	NBA	Fuego en la Sangre	You Can Dance	CSI: Crime Scn	Victoria	Last Comic Standing	Fam. Guy	Israel	Texas	Made	Movie: Troy, Orlando Bloom	TNA iM-PACT!	Black Gold	Nora's Hair Salon 2: A Cut Above	Suite Life	Euro	
9 :PM	NBA	NBA	Amas de Casa	TMZ	Swingtown	Sin Senos	Fear Itself	Movie: Enough, Juliette Lewis	Israel	Antiques Roadshow	Made			The Ultimate Fighter	Movie: Soldier, Connie Nielsen	The Boot	Montana	
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DENNIS THE MENACE



"IF WE ARE WHAT WE EAT... WE SHOULD ALL BE NEW AND IMPROVED BY NOW!"

THE FAMILY CIRCUS



"Are we going someplace, Mommy, or is this just going for a walk?"

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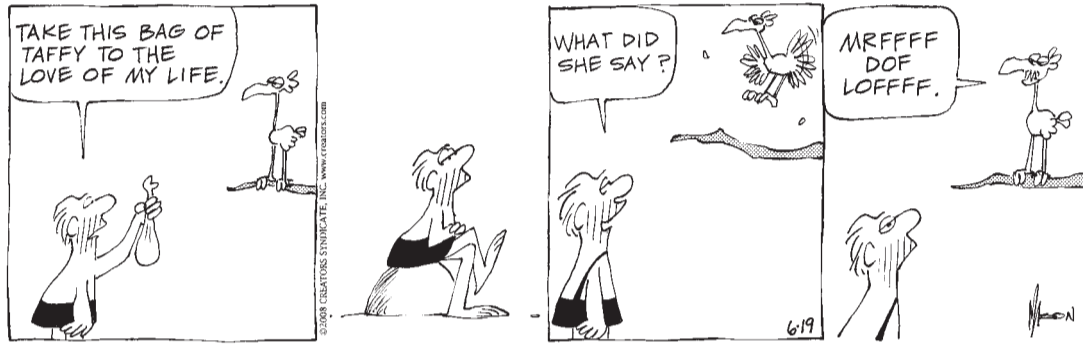
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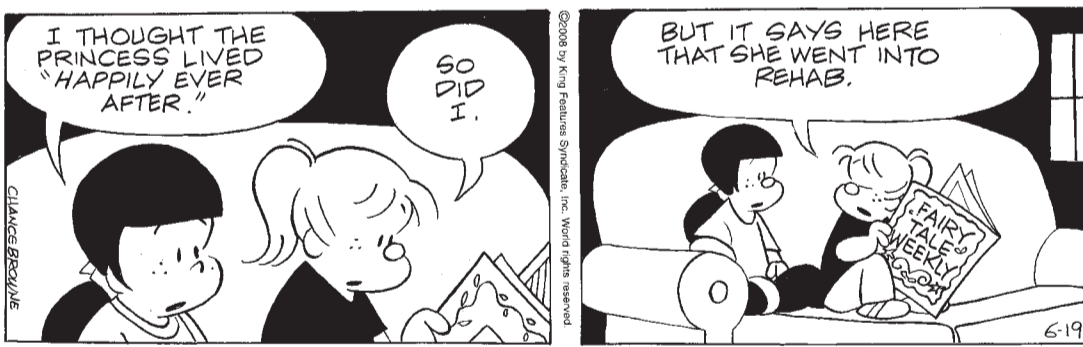
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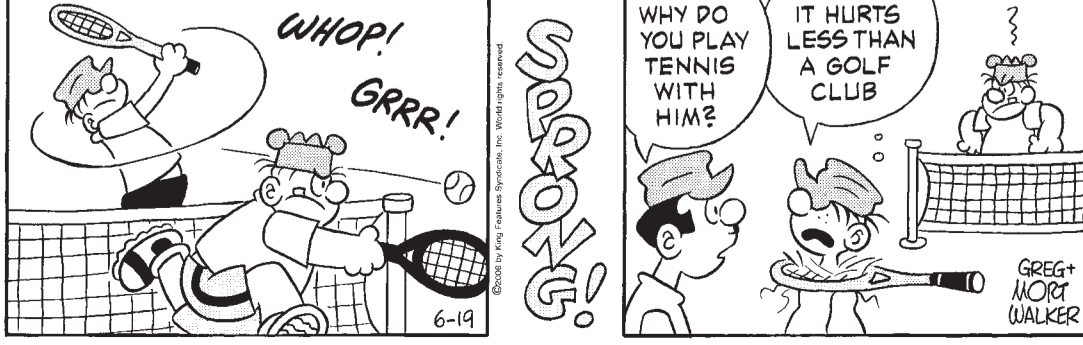
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BEETLE BAILEY



This Date In History

Today is Thursday, June 19, the 171st day of 2008. There are 195 days left in the year.  
Today's Highlight in History:  
On June 19, 1865, Union troops commanded by Maj. Gen. Gordon Granger arrived in Galveston, Texas, with news that the Civil War was over, and that all remaining slaves in Texas were free. (This event is celebrated as "Juneteenth.")  
On this date:  
In 1862, slavery was outlawed in U.S. territories.  
In 1910, Father's Day was celebrated for the first time, in Spokane, Wash.  
In 1917, during World War I, King George V ordered the British royal family to dispense with German titles and surnames; the family took the name "Windsor."  
In 1934, the Federal Communications Commission was created; it replaced the Federal Radio Commission.  
In 1938, four dozen people were killed when a railroad bridge in Montana collapsed, sending a

train known as the "Olympian" hurtling into Custer Creek.  
In 1952, the celebrity-panel game show "I've Got A Secret" made its debut on CBS-TV with Garry Moore as host.  
In 1953, Julius Rosenberg, 35, and his wife, Ethel, 37, convicted of conspiring to pass U.S. atomic secrets to the Soviet Union, were executed at Sing Sing Prison in Ossining, N.Y.  
In 1964, the Civil Rights Act of 1964 was approved by the Senate, 73-27, after surviving a lengthy filibuster.  
In 1977, Pope Paul VI proclaimed a 19th-century Philadelphia bishop, John Neumann, the first male U.S. saint.  
In 1986, University of Maryland basketball star Len Bias, the first draft pick of the Boston Celtics, suffered a fatal cocaine-induced seizure.  
One year ago: A truck bomb struck a Shiite mosque in central Baghdad, killing at least 87 people. President Bush and visiting Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Olmert sided emphatically with Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas in his standoff with the militant group Hamas.  
Today's Birthdays: Actress Gena Rowlands is 78. Singer Spanky McFarlane (Spanky and Our Gang)

is 66. Nobel peace laureate Aung San Suu Kyi is 63. Actress Phylicia Rashad is 60. Rock singer Ann Wilson (Heart) is 58. Musician Larry Dunn is 55. Actress Kathleen Turner is 54. Country singer Doug Stone is 52. Singer Mark DeBarge is 49. Singer-dancer "American Idol" judge Paula Abdul is 46. Actor Andy Lauer is 45. Rock singer-musician Brian Vander Ark (Verve Pipe) is 44. Rock musician Brian "Head" Welch is 38. Actress Robin Tunney is 36. Actor Bumper Robinson is 34. Actress Poppy Montgomery is 33. Actress Zoe Saldana is 30. Actor Paul Dano is 24.  
Thought for Today: "One has two duties -- to be worried and not to be worried." -- E.M. Forster, British author (1879-1970).  
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Answer to previous puzzle

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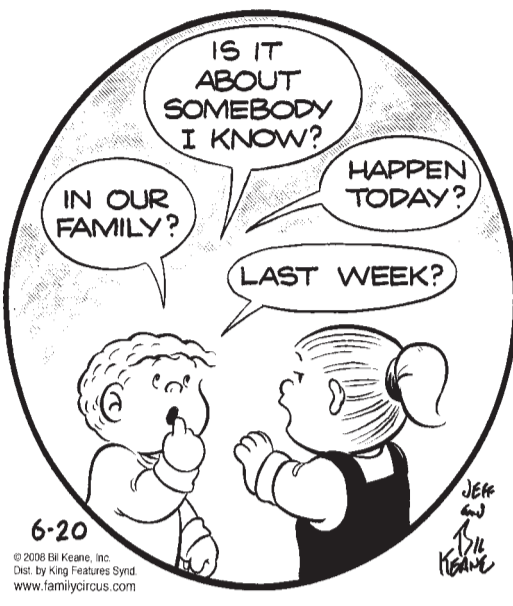
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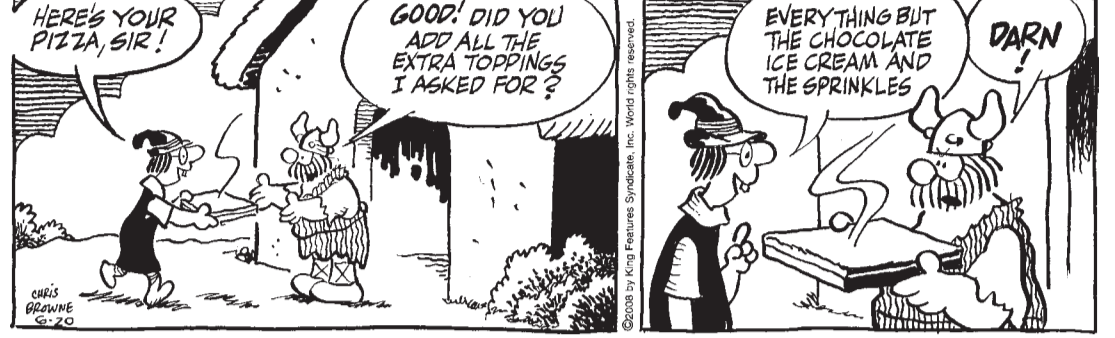
"I DON'T CARE IF RUFF DID HAVE A BAD DREAM... HE CAN'T SLEEP WITH US."

THE FAMILY CIRCUS



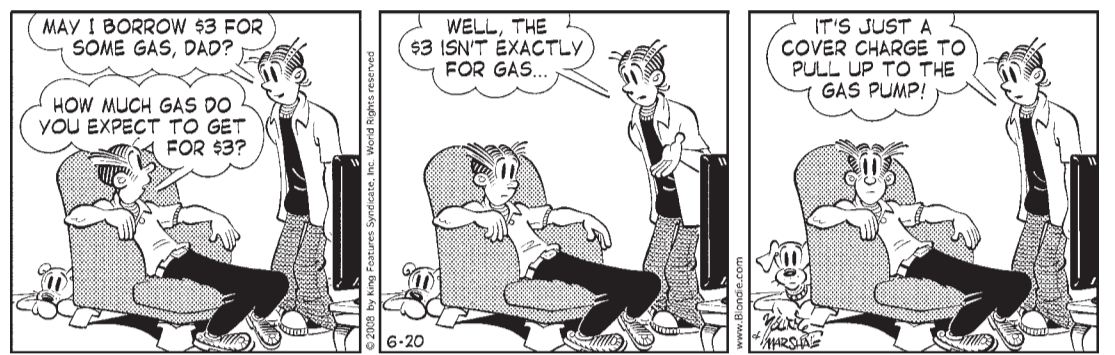
"When I say 'Guess what,' I don't want you to guess what!"

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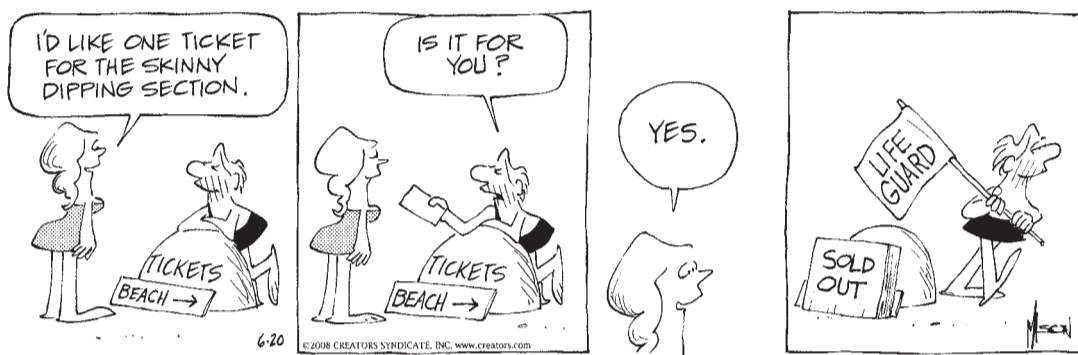
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IT'S JUST A COVER CHARGE TO PULL UP TO THE GAS PUMP!

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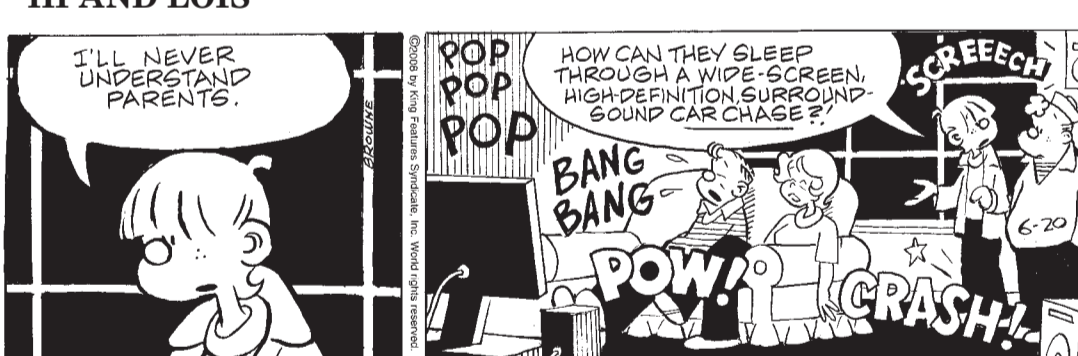
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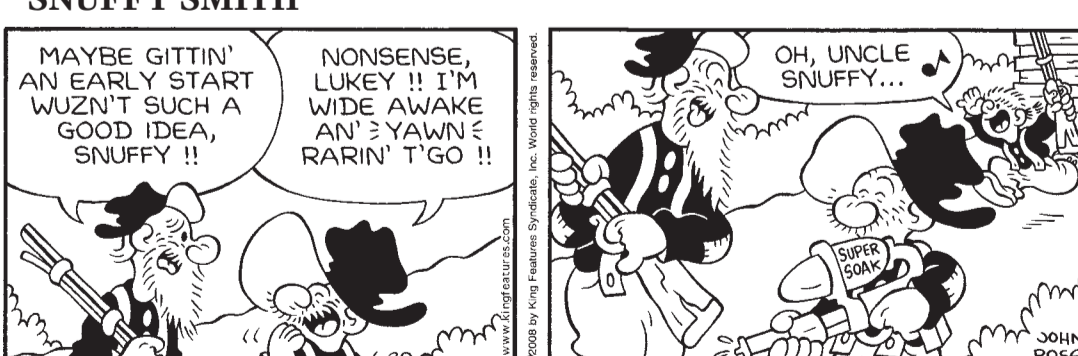
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THE OTHER COAST



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BEETLE BAILEY



This Date In History

Today is Friday, June 20, the 172nd day of 2008. There are 194 days left in the year. Summer arrives at 7:59 p.m. Eastern time.

Today's Highlight in History: On June 20, 1893, a jury in New Bedford, Mass., found Lizzie Borden innocent of the ax murders of her father and stepmother.

On this date: In 1756, in India, a group of British soldiers was imprisoned in a cell that gained notoriety as the "Black Hole of Calcutta." However, the exact circumstances — such as the number of prisoners, originally put at 146, and how many of them died — are disputed.

In 1782, Congress approved the Great Seal of the United States.

In 1837, Queen Victoria acceded to the British throne following the death of her uncle, King William IV.

In 1863, West Virginia became the 35th state.

In 1943, race rioting erupted in Detroit; federal troops were sent

in two days later to quell the violence that resulted in more than 30 deaths.

In 1947, Benjamin "Bugsy" Siegel was shot dead at the Beverly Hills, Calif., mansion of his girlfriend, Virginia Hill, apparently at the order of mob associates.

In 1948, the television variety series "Toast of the Town," hosted by Ed Sullivan, debuted on CBS.

In 1963, the United States and Soviet Union signed an agreement to set up a "hot line" between the two superpowers.

In 1967, boxer Muhammad Ali was convicted in Houston of violating Selective Service laws by refusing to be drafted. Ali's conviction was ultimately overturned by the Supreme Court.

In 2001, Houston resident Andrea Yates drowned her five children in the family bathtub, then called police. Yates was later convicted of murder, but had her conviction overturned; she was acquitted in a retrial.

Singer Anne Murray is 63. TV personality Bob Vila is 62. Actress Candy Clark is 61. Producer Tina Sinatra is 60. Rhythm-and-blues singer Lionel Richie is 59. Rock musician Michael Anthony is 54. Musician John Taylor is 48. Rock musician Mark DeGlanioni is 46. Rock musician Murphy Karges (Sugar Ray) is 41. Actress Nicole Kidman is 41. Movie director Robert Rodriguez is 40. Actor Peter Paige is 39. Actor Josh Lucas is 37. Country-folk singer-songwriter Amos Lee is 31. Country singer Chuck Wicks is 29. Actor Chris Mintz-Plasse is 19. Actress Maria Lark (TV: "Medium") is 11.

Thought for Today: "Even the merest gesture is holy if it is filled with faith." — Franz Kafka, Austrian author and poet (1883-1924).

Answer to previous puzzle

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SERF	YELL	RESET

Newsday Crossword

WINNING LINE by David W. Cromer  
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- ACROSS
  - 1 Early times
  - 4 Meir of Israel
  - 9 Terrible Twos, for one
  - 14 Take blades to blades
  - 15 Inventor Howe
  - 16 Foolish
  - 17 Start of a quote
  - 20 Main Street sight
  - 21 Diamond play
  - 22 Kemo
  - 23 Author Arendt
  - 25 Fly off the handle
  - 27 Ostentatious neckwear
  - 29 Make errors
  - 34 Middle of quote
  - 39 "Gee whiz!"
  - 40 Contents of some bags
  - 41 Athos et Porthos
  - 42 End of quote
  - 47 Baggage carrier
  - 48 Galoot
  - 49 Festive affair
  - 52 What dentists call "calculus"
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  - 72 Psyche components
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  - 1 Hex-sign group
  - 2 Coffee flavor
  - 3 Faint
  - 4 Become more solid
  - 5 Something familiar
  - 6 Dryer build-up
  - 7 Performs an archaeologist's job
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