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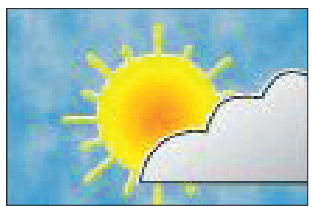
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## 3 jailed in rash of burglaries

*More arrests could be forthcoming, PD spokesperson says*

**By THOMAS JENKINS**  
Staff Writer

Local law enforcement officials say they are close to solving a recent rash of burglaries in Howard County and Big Spring, with at least three arrests already made and more to come.

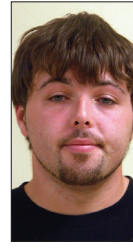
Orlando Sanchez, 24, and Dean Camden, 19, both of Big Spring, along with a 15-year-old Hispanic male

suspect, also from Big Spring, were recently arrested and charged with burglary of a habitation.

According to Sgt. Tony Everett, public information officer with the Big Spring Police Department, Sanchez is charged with three counts, Camden is charged



Sanchez



Damden

with two counts and the juvenile is facing one count of burglary of a habitation.

"During the past several months there have been numerous residential burglaries in the city and in Howard County," said Everett. "Investigators with the police

department joined investigators with the Howard County Sheriff's Office to investigate these offenses.

"As of this date, three arrests have been made and at least 13 burglaries have been cleared some property has been recovered and the owners have been notified."

And while local law enforcement officials' investigation has nabbed three alleged bur-

glars, Everett said the matter is far from finished.

"The investigation is ongoing and more arrests are expected," said Everett. "Investigators feel like the suspects could be involved in as many as 30 residential burglaries. We're still conducting interviews at this time."

In the meantime, however,

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### FOUNDATION SPEAKER SERIES

## Acclaimed mom, author here Thursday

**Linda Armstrong Kelly to discuss overcoming odds at public event**

Special to the Herald

Linda Armstrong Kelly, author and mother of champion cyclist Lance Armstrong, will be the guest speaker at the Howard College Foundation Speaker Series to be held at 7 p.m. Thursday at the Hall Center for the Arts on the Howard College campus.

As the mother of one of the world's best known sports figures, Kelly is a passionate activist and speaker capturing audiences on the causes closest to her heart and sharing her own personal secrets in battling adversity and overcoming odds much greater than the mountains she lived to climb.

Also, she has authored the book, "No Mountain High Enough — Raising Lance, Raising Me," published by Broadway Books.

Kelly has made appearances on "The Dr. Phil Show," CNN and ESPN. She has been featured in national magazines such as People, The New Yorker, USA Today, Ladies Home Journal and Texas Monthly.

Most recently, she received the "Outstand-



Kelly

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HERALD photo/Steve Reagan

Howard County Judge Mark Barr, right, talks to visitors at the new County Jail during an open house at the facility Saturday afternoon.

## Pre-trial bonding cut back

*New jail eliminates full-time need for overcrowding measure*

**By THOMAS JENKINS**  
Staff Writer

It served its purpose.

That's the message Howard County commissioners delivered Monday concerning its pre-trial

bonding program, voting to shift the full-time director's position to the sheriff's office due to what officials consider a change in needs.

"This program, which was implemented before I came into office, was designed to alleviate

overcrowding in the jail," said County Judge Mark Barr. "With the completion of our new 96-bed jail, the need for a full-time position in that office just isn't there

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## WTO to showcase commuter service to local residents Sunday afternoon

**By THOMAS JENKINS**  
Staff Writer

Need a lift?

That's the question West Texas Opportunities is posing to area employees and students forced to commute to the Midland-Odessa area, as the agency's JARC (Job Access Re-

verse Commute) program gets ready to offer free rides.

"This is the first rural transportation service of its kind in this region," said Deedra Cope, JARC coordinator for West Texas Opportunities. "We're partnering with E-Z Rider

and Midessa Transportation in an effort to connect riders to education and employment opportunities.

The Permian Basin Workforce Development Board has been a strong partner of this project, and thanks to their support bus fare has been free

since the unveiling of the project."

Free?

"Yes, we've been providing this at no cost," said Cope. "And we'll continue to do so until June 1, when a very low fare will be im-

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## Obituaries

### Kevin Haulotte



Kevin L. Haulotte, 42, of Big Spring, died Sunday, April 26, 2009, in a local hospital. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, April 30, 2009, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel in Big Spring with Charlie Atkerson officiating. Graveside services will be held at 3 p.m. Thursday at Littlefield Memorial Park in Littlefield.

The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.

He was born March 20, 1967, in Littlefield and married Brenda Jett July 9, 2001, in Lubbock.

He was a manager for Denny's Restaurant and had worked in Lubbock, Sedalia, Mo., Amarillo and Odessa before moving to Big Spring in 2007 to manage the Big Spring location.

Survivors include his wife, Brenda Haulotte of Big Spring; a son, Eric McIntosh of Big Spring; four daughters, Kandra Watson, Amber Jones, Veronica McIntosh and Ashley Jones, all of Big Spring; his parents, Keith and Janie Haulotte of Sedalia, Mo.; a sister, Tasha Haulotte of San Angelo; two brothers, Jeremy Haulotte of Troy, Mo., and Nickolas Haulotte of Sedalia, Mo.; his grandparents, John and Carol Ann Haulotte of Florida; and six grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Clifton Jones Haulotte, and his father, Gene "Red" Jones.

The family suggests memorials be made to Home Hospice, 111 E. 7th St., Suite A, Big Spring 79720.

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

### Cora Berry



Cora Berry, 80, of Big Spring, died Saturday, April 25, 2009, in a local hospital. Funeral services will be held at 3 p.m. Wednesday, April 29, 2009, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with the Rev. Ariel Lagunilla, pastor of Holy Trinity Catholic Parish, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home.

She was born Dec. 14, 1928, in Middle Frisco, N.M. and married Edward Berry Feb. 14, 1955, in Catron County, N.M. He preceded her in death Nov. 9, 1995.

Cora came to Big Spring in 1970 from Alamogordo, N.M., and was a hairstylist for many years, retiring in 1990.

She was a member of Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church.

Survivors include two daughters, Donna Berry Richardson and husband Don Williams, and Dawn Pappajohn and husband, David Pappajohn; all of Big Spring; two sons, Melvin Berry and Billy Berry, both of Big Spring; nine grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; four sisters, Julia McNutt of Ruidoso, N.M., and Lilly Sandoval, Lesa Tressler and Clorinda Rael, all of Silver City, N.M.; and one brother, Melco Naranjo of Silver City, N.M.

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### 'Eadie' Falkner

"Eadie" Neta Edelle Falkner, 92, of Big Spring, died Monday, April 27, 2009, in a local nursing home. Her services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

### William Killcrease

William B. Killcrease, 43, of Big Spring, died Monday, April 27, 2009, in a local hospital. His services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

## 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.

## Police

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

- KATHY ANN MORRISON, 47, of 707 Wyoming, was arrested Monday on a charge of public intoxication.
- NATHANIEL FEDD, 64, of 707 Wyoming, was arrested Monday on a charge of public intoxication.
- ABEL TORRES, 20, of 1408 S. Johnson, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of public intoxication.
- UNATTENDED DEATH was reported in the 1600 block of Martin Luther King Blvd.
- THEFT was reported:
  - in the 100 block of Cottonwood.
  - in the 2300 block of Wasson.
  - in the 300 block of Owens.
  - in the 1800 block of Gregg Street.

## Sheriff

An arrest log was not available in time for press due to computer problems, according to HCSO officials.

## Fire/EMS

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

- MEDICAL was reported in the 3200 block of Parkway. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 100 block of Jonesboro Road. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAUMA was reported in the 600 block of S. Nolan. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1300 block of Harding. One person was transported to SMMC.

## Take Note

• Kids for Life, an American Cancer Society Relay for Life fund-raising team, will be at the Sonic Drive Ins on Gregg Street and FM 700 from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. car hopping for donations. The team will also hold a garage sale Saturday, May 2, beginning at 8 a.m. at 2514 Cindy in Kentwood. For more information, Amanda Gillespie at 213-5455, Michelle Fryar at 935-4006 or Lori Kirby at 935-6431.

• A benefit account has been established at Woodforest National Bank (Account 1652331339) for John Allison and Jacoby Rivera, who lost their belongings in a residential fire on Runnels. Donations can also be made by calling (431) 213-4091.

• The Salvation Army has funding for Texas military personnel who have served or are currently serving in Iraq or Afghanistan and their families. Apply at the Salvation Army, 511 W. Fifth St. These funds were granted by the TRIAD Fund of Permian Basin Area Foundation.

• We are currently seeking Class of 1999 classmates from Big Spring High School. Our 10-year reunion will be Sept. 18-19. Please send your mailing information to bshs1999@gmail.com to receive information on the reunion or contact Jennifer Davidson at (432) 213-0257.

• The Big Spring High School Class of 1989 is looking for members to attend a 20-year reunion in September. Contact Christy Alexander Brown at (972) 567-8037 with your updated information.

• Mobile Meals needs volunteers. If you can donate one hour per week to our organization delivering meals between 9 a.m. and 10 a.m., you will be helping the senior citizens of Big Spring. Contact Macaria Cantu at 263-4016

• The Family History Center (genealogy library) of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints will be open from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesdays. If you need assistance in searching out your ancestors, bring all the information you have about your family and we will be happy to assist you. For more information, contact R.A. McKay at (432) 553-8127.

## Your Local Weather

Wed 4/29	Thu 4/30	Fri 5/1
 <b>84/62</b>	 <b>90/62</b>	 <b>87/54</b>
Partly cloudy with isolated thunderstorms possible.	Mix of sun and clouds. Highs in the low 90s and lows in the low 60s.	Mix of sun and clouds. Highs in the upper 80s and lows in the mid 50s.

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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

• The Powwow Committee of Big Spring meets at 7 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church annex, 809 Scurry, or the fellowship hall at 810 Scurry. Call Robert Downing at 263-3255 for information.

#### WEDNESDAY

• Optimist Club meets at 7 a.m. in the Howard College Cactus Room.  
• Free blood pressure screenings from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Salvation Army, 811 W. Fifth St., provided by InHome Care.  
• Downtown Lions Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room.  
• Duplicate Bridge Club meets at 1 p.m. in the Big Spring Country Club.

#### 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.  
• League of United Latin American Citizens LULAC Chapter 4791 meets at 5:30 p.m. at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce.

#### FRIDAY

• Signal Mountain Quilting Guild meets from 9 a.m. until about 3 p.m. at St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Call 267-1037 or 267-7281 for more information.  
• AMBUCS meet at noon in La Posada Restaurant.  
• Greater Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon at the Howard College Cactus Room.  
• Dance at the Senior Center, 1901 Simler, from 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.

#### MONDAY

• Keep Big Spring Beautiful meets at noon in the Cactus Room at Howard College.  
• District Committee Lone Star of Big Spring meets at noon at 610 Scurry.

## Lottery

Results of the Texas Two Step drawing Monday night:  
Winning numbers drawn: 17-22-26-33. Bonus Ball: 25.  
Number matching four of four, plus Bonus Ball: 1. Prize: \$425,000.  
Winning ticket purchased in: Forney.

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Monday night:  
Winning numbers drawn: 26-28-29-31-36.  
Number matching five of five: 0.

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Monday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 9-4-6. Sum It Up: 19.

The winning Daily 4 numbers drawn Monday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 2-8-2-3. Sum It Up: 15

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# News in brief

## New Zealand, Israel confirm 12 cases of swine flu, the first in Asia region and Middle East

WELLINGTON, New Zealand (AP) — New Zealand's health minister and an Israeli hospital are reporting the first confirmed cases of swine flu to hit the Middle East and the Asia-Pacific regions.

New Zealand Health Minister Tony Ryall reports 11 cases. Those infected are members of group of students and teachers who returned recently from a trip to Mexico, where the virus is suspected in more than 150 deaths.

The other case is in Netanya, an Israeli city north of Tel Aviv. Laniado Hospital's medical director says Health Ministry laboratory tests confirm swine flu in a 26-year-old patient who recently returned from Mexico.

Dr. Avinoam Skolnik says he doesn't know whether the strain is the same as the Mexican variety. Skolnik said Tuesday that the patient has fully recovered and is in "excellent condition."

## Obama administration faces first domestic test by urging calm, dispatching officials

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Barack Obama responded to the first domestic emergency of his presidency by urging calm — and then dispatching officials to the cameras to again urge Americans to be calm.

Obama said the emerging swine flu outbreak was "not a cause for alarm," even as the government began urgent steps to respond to the small but rising number of cases. The calming words belied an intense reaction across departments and agencies.

The administration planned daily briefings to assure the public that officials are taking action. On Monday, the White House sent top health and homeland security officials out for televised briefings — and promised they'd return Tuesday and keep at it until the situation settles. And Obama inserted his own assurances in a previously scheduled speech, knowing the TV networks were waiting for his comments.

Obama's aides were determined not to botch their first test.

Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano said the government was preparing as if the outbreak would become the pandemic many fear, dispatching people and equipment to affected areas and stepping up information-sharing at all levels of government and with other nations. And checking people at the borders and airports, though not

stopping them.

## Recriminations after lower Manhattan jet flyover sets off panic, memories of 9/11

NEW YORK (AP) — It was supposed to be a photo op that captured images of an Air Force One plane with a majestic Statue of Liberty in the background. Instead, it turned into a public relations nightmare that led to recriminations from the president and mayor and prompted thousands other to ask, "What were they thinking?"

Just before the workday began on Monday, an airliner and supersonic fighter jet zoomed past the lower Manhattan skyline. Within minutes, startled financial workers streamed out of their offices, fearing a nightmarish replay of Sept. 11.

For a half-hour, the Boeing 747 and F-16 jet circled the Statue of Liberty and the Financial District near the World Trade Center site. Offices evacuated. Dispatchers were inundated with calls. Witnesses thought the planes were flying dangerously low.

But the flyover was nothing but a photo op, apparently one of a series of flights to get pictures of the plane in front of national landmarks.

It was carried out by the Defense Department with little warning, infuriating New York officials and putting the White House on the defense. Even Mayor Michael Bloomberg didn't know about it, and he later called it "insensitive" to fly so near the site of the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks.

## Lawmakers advance Obama's budget agenda, but delay decisions on health, climate change, taxes

WASHINGTON (AP) — A budget pact reached on Capitol Hill would give an endorsement to President Barack Obama's agenda by his 100th day in office while putting off a series of difficult decisions on health care, global warming and taxes.

House-Senate negotiators on Monday night announced the agreement on a \$3.5 trillion budget outline for 2010, with votes expected in the full House and Senate by Wednesday.

The budget plan, although nonbinding, would give Democrats a stronger hand in advancing Obama's health care initiative this fall by allowing it to go forward without threat of GOP stalling tactics in the Senate.

But the budget pact also predicts dispiriting deficits that never get below \$500 billion, even after the economy recovers and billions of dollars in financial rescue money are largely repaid.

## ARRESTS

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Everett encouraged area residents who have been pilfered by the alleged burglars to be patient.

"As we recover the

property, we'll be contacting the owners and victims," said Everett.

Anyone with information regarding these or other crimes is encouraged to contact Big Spring Area Crimestoppers at 263-TIPS (8477) or the BSPD at 264-2550.

## SERIES

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ing Mother of the Year" award from the National Mother's Day Committee.

Thursday's event, hosted by the Howard College Foundation

and sponsored by Wells Fargo Bank, is free to the public. Officials said the event offers area residents a chance enjoy an evening being inspired by Kelly as she shares her life experiences as a young, single mom faced with many challenges while rais-

ing her unstoppable baby boy.

A reception and book signing will follow the lecture and Kelly's book will be available for purchase as well.

Although the event is free, a ticket is required for admittance. The event will begin at

7 pm in the Granville T. Hall Auditorium in the Hall Center. A reception will follow.

To obtain free tickets, call 264-5161.

## COUNTY

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any more. So the commissioners and I voted to shift that position over to the sheriff's office.

"Mike Welling, who has headed up that office since it was created, will have his position shifted over so he can take care of the pre-trial bonding, but he can also serve papers for the HCSO."

Howard County developed and implemented

the pre-trial bonding program in June 2006, shortly after the county came under fire by the Texas Jail Commission for overcrowding and failure to meet state requirements. The program was lauded as a success by some county officials.

"It did what we needed it to do, and that keep the head count in the jail as low as possible," said Barr. "So I feel like it was certainly a success."

Barr said the change in the position doesn't

mean he and the commissioner's court plan to nix the program altogether.

"We'll continue to handle pre-trial bonding in-house, so it's not like we're getting rid of the program," said Barr. "We haven't abandoned the program. However, now that we're working within the guidelines of the state jail commission and we have the room, the need for the position to be full-time just isn't there."

Also during Monday's meeting, the court de-

ecided to accept bids for mechanical work on county buildings.

"We're in a position where we need to add the new jail to our mechanical services, which is currently handled by Anthony Mechanical out of Lubbock and Midland," said Barr. "And since our current contract is up in June, we felt it was best to go ahead and go out for bids on the work."

Barr said the contract would cover work on systems such as heating and cooling on county

buildings, including the county courthouse, library and new county jail, with a major emphasis placed on the utility costs of the 96-bed facility.

"We're really going to have to watch the utility costs at the jail until we have a better idea what to expect," said Barr.

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## WTO

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plemented. Right now the plan is to charge \$4.25 for a round trip. The Big Spring JARC route runs five days a week, Monday through Friday, departing at 7 a.m. and returning at 5 p.m., with the possibility of stopping in Stanton for other commuters."

Cope said the JARC program is on the "cutting edge" of urbanizing rural transport.

"Ultimately, this route provides

new opportunities for those who currently commute by personal vehicle to use a more cost effective means of transportation, provides the unemployed with a broader range of employment opportunities and assists students with their transportation needs to access training," said Cope. "This campaign is meant to encourage employees and students to experience the benefits of public transportation."

To keep things off, Cope said WTO plans to have the program's staff at the Wal-Mart Supercenter

in Big Spring Sunday from 1 p.m. until 4 p.m.

"This will give people a chance to see the bus we'll be using and meet the staff," said Cope. "There will be cookies and brownies for everyone who stops by, along with promotional giveaways."

Cope said there is more information about the program online at www.gowto.org.

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## OTHER VIEWS

# Legislature puts some pressure on healthcare

The Texas Legislature is attempting to nudge the state's medical establishment into the 21st century by encouraging the adoption of electronic prescriptions.

The situation really requires more of a push, maybe even a discourteous shove. Healthcare has long resisted abandoning its pen-on-paper ways because of inertia and the prohibitive cost of computer hardware and software.

The numbers involved are big. U.S. prescriptions are expected to eclipse 4 billion next year. While the required technology costs a physician's office \$20,000 to \$40,000, estimated savings per prescription range from \$4 to \$25. A Florida e-prescription pilot project documented a savings of \$40 per patient per month.

Separate bills filed in the state House by Reps. John Davis, R-Houston, and Donna Howard, D-Austin, seek to require the Texas Health and Human Services Commission to conduct a study to identify barriers and create a timetable for widespread use, especially for government insurance programs.

Leaving a physician's office with an indecipherable prescription is an American tradition. But it also is inefficient and potentially dangerous. A 2006 Institute of Medicine report estimated that medication errors harm 1.5 million people annually and kill 7,000, and cost \$3.5 billion. The report said hospital patients should expect to be the victims, on average, of one drug error for every day they are hospitalized although error rates vary by hospital and do not always lead to harm.

What often goes unseen by patients is the endless back-and-forth between physicians' offices and pharmacies regarding unreadable prescriptions. Annual estimates of these calls range from 150 million to 900 million annually. An electronic prescription system creates clarity of orders, minimizes pharmacy data-entry errors, and gives prescribers critical information about other medications the patient is taking and access to the insurance company's list of preferred drugs and generic alternatives.

The U.S. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services will require electronic transmission of all Medicare prescriptions by 2012, with an expected savings of \$156 million over five years. The state has a long way to go to meet that requirement.

E-prescription technology was available at 57 percent of Texas pharmacies but only used by 4 percent of Texas prescribers in 2007, making the state 30th in the nation on usage. Nationwide, 97 percent of the chain pharmacies and 27 percent of independents have the required technology.

Texas lawmakers are going in the right direction to create a sense of urgency on e-prescribing. Change is difficult, but patient safety and cost efficiency are at stake. Adaptation to technology is likely to hasten the industry's acceptance of long-overdue electronic medical record-keeping.

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## A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

With You, Lord, we can plow through anything.

Amen

# Time for corporate accountability

Ever since news broke of AIG's bonus payout, lawmakers have been clamoring to assert their authority to stop the buck here. But as shareholders' meeting season approaches with the cherry blossoms, it's important to remind ourselves that the halls of Congress are not the only places the buck stops.

While the Senate deliberates on a bonus tax it should never have had to consider (had those responsible for allowing the payout to be a condition of the bailout not been asleep at the wheel) the corporations at the heart of the global financial crisis are girding for renewed public scrutiny...that is, if the media can divert some of its attention from Capitol Hill.

Though the Lehman Brothers and Bear Stearns of Wall Street have since collapsed under the weight of their own recklessness, other giants behind the financial crisis remain: buttressed by our taxpayer dollars.

And as we continue to prop them up, we should take our rightful seats at annual shareholders' meetings. It is the opportunity for every shareholder who has been wronged, and every taxpayer who has seen his or her retirement go up in smoke, to demand greater direct accountability.

Shareholder action need not wait for Washington to devise its own comprehensive plan for

financial reform. In many cases the abuses by financial leaders are already quite plain and have been exposed to the light of day. They necessitate government action, of course, but comprehensive reform demands that accountability come from both the ground up and the top down.

For instance, Goldman Sachs, which meets May 8, received \$10 billion in bailout money and promptly paid out \$6.5 million in bonuses. Shareholders can demand at Goldman's meeting that these dollars be returned and such payouts be prohibited when stock values are plummeting and public dollars are on the line.

Just last year, Bank of America, which has received \$45 billion in federal bailout money, agreed to pay out more than \$8 billion in what is likely to become the largest "predatory lending" settlement in history. The Bank of America shareholder meeting takes place April 29 in Charlotte.

Citigroup is another bank that is grappling with multi-million dollar settlements for engaging in predatory lending, a practice that many consider to be a primary cause of the financial crisis.

"Too big" to let fail, the U.S. government guaranteed \$306 billion of Citigroup's high-risk assets and injected around \$55 billion in capital in a deal that was roundly criticized by leading economists as bad for taxpayers.

The government didn't require Citigroup to make changes to its executive ranks or its board in return for government assis-

tance.

At Citi's shareholders' meeting on April 21 in New York City, a coup to remove several board members seemed inevitable.

Shareholder resolutions that could limit executive pay have been introduced for the Citigroup, Goldman Sachs and AIG annual meetings. Shareholders have introduced similar resolutions at a number of other financial institutions as well.

In the build-up to these meetings, each corporation is devising a risk management strategy aimed at minimizing the impact of shareholder and taxpayer concern.

So, the greater the outpouring, the more explicit the demands, and the broader the media reach, the more effective we will be in securing our financial future.

When President Obama speaks of personal responsibility and channeling our anger to constructive ends, he is empowering us to take our grievances to the source of our financial woes, not just to our legislators.

He is also hinting that comprehensive reform demands structural change from within these institutions even as our government examines how it can better regulate them from without.

Take action today by petitioning AIG, Goldman Sachs, Bank of America and Citigroup to change their practices.

And if you own stock in one of these corporations, exercise your rights as a shareholder and make your voice heard.

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# Green revolution failure in Africa

The global food crisis and how to stop hunger from escalating in the midst of the current economic crisis will be the subject of a G8 meeting of Agricultural ministers in Treviso, Italy.

For now, the G8 and the United States continue to advocate the same disastrous policies that got us into the current mess where 1 billion people lack access to adequate food. U.S. agriculture secretary Tom Vilsack has said that biotechnology is necessary to address hunger while the U.S. Senate Foreign Relations Committee recently approved without much public debate the "Global Hunger Security Act" sponsored by Sens. Bob Casey and Richard Lugar that for the first time would mandate the U.S. to fund genetic engineering projects in foreign agriculture research. Meanwhile, the Gates Foundation has billions invested in the "Alliance for a Green Revolution in Africa."

As an African-American farmer from Mississippi who has visited and traveled to Africa many times, I am stunned that the real solutions continue to be ignored. We face multiple crises — financial, climate, energy, and water. Business as usual will not solve our global hunger crisis. More expensive genetically modified seeds, pesticides and chemical-intensive practices won't help the hungry and will only allow more profits and control for seed companies like Monsanto and Syngenta.

While the G8 calls for more "free trade" in agriculture and more biotechnology, ground-

breaking scientific reports and actions at the United Nations are actively calling for a different vision of agriculture. This would be based on agroecological methods that respects our planet's resources and provide a decent living for family farmers.

In 2008, the International Assessment of Agricultural Knowledge, Science and Technology for Development (IAASTD), backed by United Nations agencies, the World Bank and over 400 contributing scientists from 80 countries found that the most promising solutions to the world's food crisis include investing in agroecological research, extension and farming.

The Congress and Obama Administration need to take a serious look at the IAASTD report before funneling scarce resources into another Green Revolution in Africa.

Past public-private partnerships in Africa have proven to be failures, such as the 14-year project between Monsanto, USAID and the Kenyan Agricultural Research Institute to engineer a virus-resistant sweet potato.

The GM sweet potato failed to show any resistance to the virus while local varieties actually outperformed the GM variety in field trials. The U.S. approach to helping Africa should not be a top-down process that excludes the voices of African farmers who have the knowledge of their land and what food to grow.

The UN is helping to move the discussion towards "food sovereignty" by appointing a special rapporteur on the "Right to Food," and convening a Panel on the Right to Food.

I was privileged to hear General Coordinator of La Via Campesina Henry Saragih of Indonesia and Professor Olivier De Schutter before the United Nations General Assembly. De Schutter said, "the right to

food is not simply about more production, but about distribution and access. While high food prices are bad for consumers, so too are depressed prices for farmers who can't make a living. De Schutter pointed out that 60 percent of hungry people in the world are small farmers, pastoralists, fisherfolk and others who make a living off the land. An additional 20 percent are landless agriculture workers."

A "right to food" framework therefore goes deeper than simply the misguided obsession with yields and productivity, and more fundamentally towards questions regarding democracy and access to resources, including land, water and credit.

A recent report by Union of Concerned Scientists titled "Failure to Yield: Evaluating the Performance of Genetically Engineered Crops," showed that despite 20 years of research and 13 years of commercialization, genetic engineering has failed to significantly increase U.S. crop yields while only driving up costs for farmers. In comparison, traditional breeding continues to deliver better results.

The scientific research and renewed focus on the "right to food" exposes why we must move away from Green Revolution monoculture practices and instead embrace ecologically sound practices, more equitable trade rules and local food distribution systems to empower family farmers.

Now the governments of the world and the Gates Foundation need to finally get the message as well.

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**KELLE LOUAILLIER**



**BEN BURKETT**

# The curlew and the cotton farmer

In April, we often scour the wind-swept growth along the fences surrounding the runways at the airport. Hoping to see in the spring some of the birds that graced the area in the fall, we know our chances of seeing certain ones again are growing scarce.



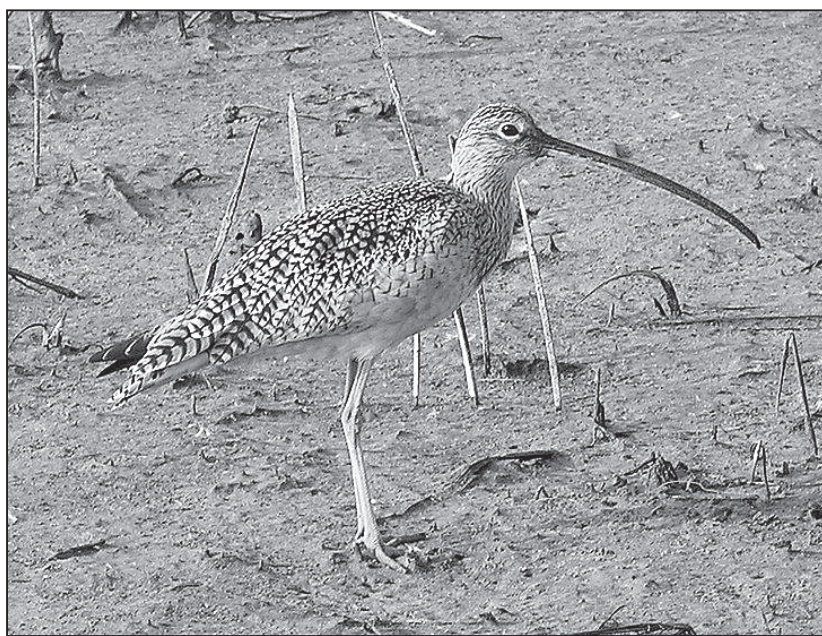
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Only a few years ago, we had come across eight elegant members of the sandpiper family. Slowly walking and feeding from an abundance of insects, they were a blend of pleasant colors: buff, cinnamon, orange, and brown. Calls from neighborhoods in the western part of the city confirmed the graceful shore birds were not hesitant to wander in their search for food. Since we, too, had seen the birds, we enjoyed the reports from excited residents. "In our front yard," one man had related. So long a time had passed since we had held one in hand, we checked our records. Unbelievably, we found 20 years had passed so quickly. At that time, in trying

to pinpoint a caller's location from a rural post office, I had told a man I knew where Andrews was. Because he was equidistance between that city and yet lived in our town, he continued, "I farm between here and there."

Owning and leasing acreage, the farmer had turned prairie into cotton fields. His battle with Johnson grass and sand burs had been worse than the sporadic rainfall and storms that sometimes determined his crop. As he had ripped the earth once more, his tractor neared an area left as a windbreak. Over the years, he had seen varmints scatter into the brush, scrubby trees, and dry weeds as he approached. Unattended, this haven was slowly encroaching upon one corner of his field.

Where the dry crust of last year's furrow met tender shoots of greenery was a large bird with a long, downward curving bill. Frightened, it tried to fly. As it gained only a few feet in elevation, he noticed the orangish,



Courtesy photo

**During migration, long-billed curlews often stop to feed from open land surrounding airports. As they migrate to the Gulf States and Mexico in wedge-shaped flocks, the birds roost near the edge of a lake or on the ground.**

brown hue on the top of its wings. Banking to avoid a careless weed, the bird tilted enough to show the cinnamon coloration on the underside of its wings. With long legs outward and placing its feet on the ground, it slowed its forward movement by spreading its wings. Turning the tractor off, the farmer decided he had to get that bird or the coyotes would. Since it couldn't clear the tallest weeds, he tried to force it toward this impenetrable growth. He was surprised how fast it could walk. Obviously, it didn't want to fly.

After several attempts, the man had grabbed the bird as its

wing became tangled in a vine that had intertwined among the stalks. Exhausted from the chase, both man and bird gasped for air.

Kneeling, then holding the bird between his knees, the farmer removed his jacket and wrapped the tattered garment around the bird. Only its bill extended beyond the fabric.

Knowing the quickest way back to his truck was on the tractor, he hesitated. Although it would be subjected to noise and vibration, he hoped the bird would get used to the bumpy ride since it couldn't see.

After the farmer unwrapped his deliv-

ery, he was as excited as we were at this prairie migrant.

Other than a slight scruff mark on one wing, the long-billed curlew had no evidence of injury.

With wings closed, the upper part of the bird was a buff mottled with brown and black. Underneath, a lighter buff was streaked with a pale brown on its neck and the sides of its breast. As we extended the wings, Art estimated their length to be slightly over three feet. The orange and cinnamon the man had described were evident.

The three of us marveled at the length of the thin beak.

Although it probes mud and damp sand at the edge of inland lakes for aquatic life, the curlew adapts during migration by also foraging for insects found on open prairies and rangeland.

As the man started his drive back to Tarzan, I offered one final question. "Anything going on out there?" "Nope, just farming."

A few days later the news from the Midland

wildlife sanctuary was disturbing. In a gradual decline, the curlew had been examined by a veterinarian. Judging from its waste and blood samples, the consensus was exposure to an herbicide.

Since the farmer had asked to be kept aware of the bird's progress, I called to let him know of its demise and the possible cause. "Damn," cursed the man. He had wondered why I had asked him such a strange question as he was leaving. "You suspected something," he added. Telling me entire sections were being treated with herbicide, he wasn't surprised that the bird had been involved.

Twenty years later long-billed curlews have decreased in numbers due to loss of habitat. Displaced by development and agriculture, the species continues to move west. Whether we, and other people in town, will have the privilege of seeing them again during migration is questionable. However, as long as large, open grazing lands exist for cattle, there is hope for their future.

*Bebe McCasland is federally and state licensed to rehabilitate wild birds.*

## These cuts are cruel, creative

When I was in college I had a friend named Wayne Russell who I thought was a master at insults. He would toss an insult when a compliment would be so much better.

I used to think he was just terrible and had no concern for others until I started reading about insults that well-known people have made; then it appeared that Wayne was in famous company. Allow me to share a few with you.

Winston Churchill once said: He has all the virtues I dislike and none of the vices I admire. On another occasion he said: He's a modest little person, with much to be modest about.

Once George Bernard Shaw said to Churchill: I am sending you two tickets to my new play, bring a friend if you have one! Churchill replied: I cannot possibly attend first night but I will attend second, if there is one.

William Faulkner is known to have said to Ernest Hemingway: He has never been known to use a word that might send a reader to the dictionary, to which Hemingway replied: Poor Faulkner. Does he really think big emo-

tions come from big words?

Jack E. Leonard said: There's nothing wrong with you that reincarnation won't cure.

And my friend Wayne Russell said when asked, "Are you talking to yourself" replied, "I most certainly am, there's no one around here with enough intelligence to talk to!" He followed that with a Thomas Brackett Reed expression: They never open their mouths without subtracting from the sum of human knowledge.

Now correct me if I am wrong but these remarks just sound cruel!

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## Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

### Reading Between the Lines

East dealer. North-South vulnerable.

**NORTH**  
♠ 19 6 2  
♥ Q 10 5  
♦ A 9 4  
♣ K Q J

**WEST**  
♠ K  
♥ 7 6 4 3  
♦ 8  
♣ 10 9 7 6 5 4 2

**EAST**  
♠ 7 5 4  
♥ —  
♦ K Q J 10 7 5 3 2  
♣ A 3

**SOUTH**  
♠ A Q 10 8 3  
♥ A K J 9 8 2  
♦ 6  
♣ 8

The bidding:

East	South	West	North
4♦	4♥	Pass	5♦
Pass	6♥		

Opening lead — eight of diamonds.

Some of the plays made by an expert declarer may give rise to the suspicion that perhaps an opponent didn't hold his cards close enough to his vest. As evidence, consider this deal from a rubber-bridge game.

North-South bid aggressively to reach six hearts after East opened with a pre-emptive four-diamond bid. North's five-diamond cuebid promised the ace or a void in the suit and invited slam, and South decided to accept on the basis of his strong

two-suiter.

Declarer won the opening diamond lead with dummy's ace and immediately ruffed a diamond with the eight, confirming that East started with eight diamonds. South then conceded a club to East's ace and ruffed the diamond return with the nine.

Declarer crossed to dummy with a trump, cashed the K-Q of clubs and led the jack of spades. When East followed low, declarer put up the ace, caught West's king and so made the slam!

Playing for the king to be singleton with four cards missing in the suit is not the way to get rich, but South knew exactly what he was doing. Prior to leading spades, he had discovered that East started with eight diamonds headed by the K-Q-J, the doubleton ace of clubs (East had shown out on the third club) and no hearts. East therefore held three spades.

If the three spades included the king, East would surely have opened the bidding with one diamond rather than four diamonds, a defensive bid that normally shows no more than 10 points in high cards. West therefore had to hold precisely the singleton king of spades, so South put up the ace, and the slam came rolling home.

Tomorrow: A dazzling accomplishment.

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## Jerry, Cowboys fall a step behind

**G**uess what, Jerry Jones? You just got owned on draft weekend. Talk about the wrong time to not even come close to bringing your A-game.

While the Cowboys stocked up on 10 special teams players, a potential quarterback, and a project of an offensive lineman, their division rivals found players who make them better immediately.

The New York Giants answered their top three needs, the Philadelphia Eagles now possess one of the fastest

offenses in the NFL and the Washington Redskins picked up an elite pass rusher — something they've been without for four seasons.



JONATHAN HULL

In other words, Dallas pretty much stood pat on what it had already on the team. Apparently, Jones believes the Cowboys are going to get better by subtraction.

OK. It's not like the Cowboys are a bad team. They were 9-7 and barely missed the playoffs. A lot of teams in the NFL would have taken that.

Of course, the expectations for last season were about contending for the Super Bowl. That didn't work out.

Obviously, changes had to be made. So the change was to get rid of the distraction of Terrell Owens and Adam "Pacman" Jones.

In other words, Jerry is starting to buy into this chemistry thing

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## Young homers, Rangers rally past Orioles

By **DAVID GINSBURG**  
AP Sports Writer

**BALTIMORE** — The Texas Rangers hadn't overcome a deficit of more than two runs this season, so when they fell behind by four in the second inning against Baltimore, two things had to happen: Matt Harrison needed to pitch better, and the potent Texas lineup had to start producing.

Check, and check. Michael Young homered, David Murphy broke a tie with a two-run single in the sixth inning and the Rangers rallied to beat the Orioles 6-4 Monday night.

Harrison (1-2) gave up four runs before getting four outs, then retired 16 straight batters before Robert Andino hit a two-out single in the seventh. The left-hander allowed seven hits in seven innings to earn his first win in four starts.

"The night definitely belongs to Matt Harrison," Rangers manager Ron Washington said.

Harrison looked like a different pitcher after the second inning, quite by design.

"I was trying to change the tempo of my delivery and attack a little bit more," he said. "I was able to keep the ball down and I just kind of got in a groove."

Texas scored all its runs off Jeremy Guthrie and Matt Albers (0-1). The Rangers took three of four from the Orioles to hand Baltimore its first home series loss.

Texas closed to 4-1 in the double and scored on a single by Marlon Byrd. Young hit his sixth homer in the fifth after Murphy hit a two-out single.

Orioles manager Dave Trembley then asked Albers to preserve the lead in the sixth.

"At that point in time, it was critical to put a zero up right then and there to change the momentum back on our side," Trembley said. "It didn't happen."

Albers allowed five of the seven batters he faced to reach base. Blalock singled and Chris Davis walked before Taylor Teagarden hit an RBI single. Ian Kinsler drew a two-out walk before Murphy lined a single to center.

"It's definitely a situation I wanted to be in right there," Murphy said. "All you need is a single in that situation' that's all I tried to do."

Frank Francisco worked the ninth to earn his fifth save and third in the series. Francisco got two straight outs, then hit Lou Montanez with a pitch and gave up a single to Gregg Zaun before striking out Andino on a 3-2 pitch.

Guthrie allowed three runs, six hits and a walk in five innings. He threw 101 pitches, including 37 in the first.

"It definitely wore on me a little bit," Guthrie said of the long first inning.

## On the brink

*Spurs try to stave off elimination vs. Mavs tonight*

By **PAUL J. WEBER**

Associated Press Writer

**SAN ANTONIO** — Spurs coach Gregg Popovich's usual ballcap at practice is stitched with four Larry O'Brien championship trophies, like jewels on some crown of NBA titles.

But the way things are headed for the San Antonio Spurs, there's no need to rush to make room for a fifth.

Tim Duncan has never lost a first-round playoff series, and only once since the Spurs won their first championship in 1999 has San Antonio not advanced in the postseason. But down 3-1 to the Dallas Mavericks, the third-seeded Spurs must win at home Tuesday night in Game 5 or their season is done.

"We haven't been in that position very often," Popovich said Monday. "It is what it is. You just play the games and deal with it."

It was a typical, non-alarmist Popovich response. But it's been anything but a typical postseason for the Spurs, who are saddled with trying to become just the ninth team in NBA history to storm back from a 3-1 deficit and win a series.

Unmoved by the daunting task facing San Antonio are the Mavericks, who want to seal their first playoff series victory in three years and not be lulled into a Game 6 back in



AP photo/Tony Gutierrez

**Dallas Mavericks forward Dirk Nowitzki (41) attempts a layup over San Antonio Spurs forward Michael Finley, center bottom, and Drew Gooden, right bottom, in the first half of Game 3 of a first-round Western Conference NBA playoff series in Dallas Thursday. The Mavs can eliminate the Spurs with a win at 8:30 p.m. tonight.**

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## Harrell agrees to deal with Browns

**CLEVELAND (AP)** — After going undrafted, Texas Tech quarterback Graham Harrell has agreed to attend the Cleveland Browns' rookie minicamp this weekend.

The record-setting passer does not have a contract with the team.

"Yes, he will participate in the minicamp," agent Chad Speck said in an

e-mail. The Browns would not confirm inviting Harrell to the minicamp, which runs from Friday through Sunday.

Harrell threw an NCAA-record 134 touchdown passes.

More impressive was his completion percentage — above 70 in two 5,000-yard seasons.

He also was one of 15 finalists for the Draddy Trophy, which goes to the nation's top scholar-athlete and was won by the Browns first-round pick, center Alex Mack.

Cleveland already has Brady Quinn, Derek Anderson and Brett Ratliff on the roster at quarterback, but trade rumors have circulated about Quinn.

## Sports in brief

### Crossroads high school baseball and softball postseason schedule

All six baseball and softball teams in Howard County have qualified for the postseason.

Here's a schedule of games for each school:

#### Big Spring

- Lady Steers softball vs. Canyon Randall in Class 4A bi-district best-of-three playoff series. Game 1 is at 6:30 p.m. Friday at Monterey High School in Lubbock. Game 2 is at noon Saturday at Monterey with a third game, if necessary, taking place 30 minutes after the completion of the second.
- Steers baseball faces San Angelo Lake View to determine which team receives the third seed out of District 4-4A at 7:30 p.m. Thursday in Snyder.

#### Coahoma

- Bulldogettes softball has received a first-round bye in the postseason and will play the winner of Clyde and Henrietta in the area round sometime next week.

- Bulldogs baseball faces Grape Creek in a seeding game to determine the No. 1 seed out of District 7-2A at 7 p.m. Thursday in Abilene.

#### Forsan

- Lady Buffs softball received a bye in the first round and play in the area round sometime next week.
- Buffs baseball begins its playoff run in two weeks against a team to be named.

### Forsan High School Sports Banquet scheduled for Monday, May 11

Forsan High School will hold its annual sports banquet at 7 p.m. Monday, May 11, at the Dora Roberts Community Center.

Tickets for parents and guests at \$10 apiece and must be purchased at the high school office by May 8.

### BSHS Spring Sports Banquet set for Monday

The Big Spring High School Spring Sports banquet is set for 6 p.m. Monday in the high school's cafeteria.

Tickets are \$12 and can be purchased at the door or from Kay Cook at the Athletic Training Center.

### Free adult tennis league starting at Figure 7

Ted Oleson, City of Big Spring tennis pro, is beginning and free adult tennis league on Sundays from 3-5 p.m.

To be eligible, players must be at least 18 years old and out of high school.

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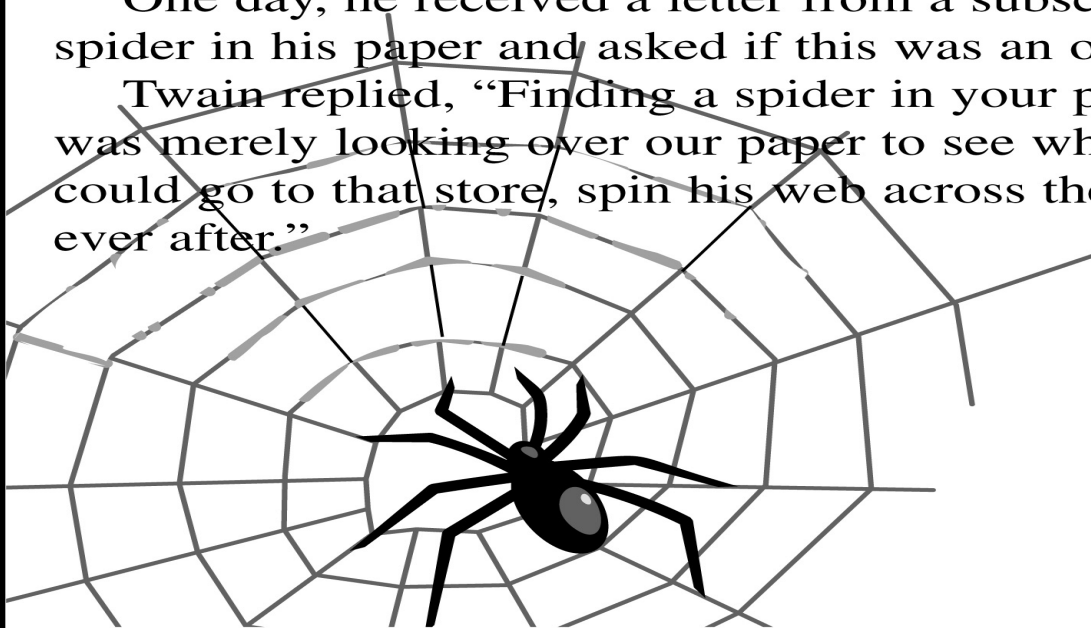
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I told everyone the marks were rug burn. I don't want them to feel bad for me. Every day, I just want to die. I can't figure out what to do because I feel like I don't belong in this body. It's hard to explain, but nothing feels right.

I'm not a spoiled brat. I don't have a cell phone and sit around texting all day. I get yelled at for everything I do.

I try so hard not to cause problems for my parents, but they think I'm the most horrible kid there is. I know I shouldn't be so dramatic, but it's not a joke. I'm hurting. Please help me. — *Unloved and Misplaced*

**Dear Unloved:** It's difficult to be the eldest because your parents expect more of you than your siblings. We're sure they love you, but apparently they aren't expressing it sufficiently.

At 13, it also isn't uncommon to feel displaced in your own body. Cutting yourself may temporarily relieve the stress or emotional pain, but it is not a healthy solution and can

become habit-forming. Please talk to someone today — your school counselor, your parents, a favorite teacher or other trusted adult.

You are smart to recognize that you have a problem, but you need to work on less damaging ways to deal with your emotions.

**Dear Annie:** My husband of almost 40 years is a very private person, while I am outgoing and social. "Ralph" gets upset if I tell our friends what movie we saw, what restaurant

ask harmless questions like, "How is Ralph?" or "What did you guys do this weekend?" — *Stressed in Sarasota, Fla.*

**Dear Sarasota:** Has Ralph always been like this? Some early-stage dementia manifests itself as mild paranoia.

Suggest that he get a complete physical, and alert his doctor to the problem in advance. If, however, this has always been part of his personality, there's not much you can do after 40 years.

We'd ignore a lot of his objections, although we wouldn't go out of our way to annoy him.

**Dear Annie:** "Not Burly About Kimberly" didn't like it when the relatives called her "Kim." Here's how I solved a similar problem. My name is William, and the first time anyone calls me "Bill" or "Will," I say in the nicest possible tone, "My name is William, with two syllables."

If it happens again, I say with a smile, "Who's that?" It usually gets a laugh, plus there has never been a third incident. — *William With Two Syllables*

*Annie's Mailbox is written by Kathy Mitchell and Marcy Sugar, longtime editors of the Ann Landers column. Please e-mail your questions to anniesmailbox@comcast.net, or write to: Annie's Mailbox, P.O. Box 118190, Chicago, IL 60611. To find out more about Annie's Mailbox, and read features by other Creators Syndicate writers and cartoonists, visit the Creators Syndicate Web page at www.creators.com.*

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we ate at or when we are going on vacation.

We live in a nice community and have lots of friends who love to get together. If Ralph is not with me and someone asks where he is, he gets furious if he finds out I answered them. I am only permitted to reply, "I don't know," which is both embarrassing and untrue.

He is allowed to share this information, but I cannot tell people even the most trivial things about him.

Seeking professional help is out of the question. He's made it clear there is nothing wrong with him. What should I say when people

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AMENDED NOTICE OF ELECTION

STATE OF TEXAS § COUNTY OF GLASSCOCK § TO THE REGISTERED VOTERS OF THE GLASSCOCK COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT an election will be held within Glasscock County Independent School District, on Saturday, May 9, 2009, as provided in the Order Calling Bond Election passed by the Board of Trustees of Glasscock County Independent School District, a substantial copy of which Order is printed below.

ORDER OF GLASSCOCK COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT CALLING A SPECIAL BOND ELECTION AND PROVIDING FOR THE CONDUCT OF THE ELECTION AND OTHER MATTERS INCIDENT THERETO

STATE OF TEXAS § COUNTY OF GLASSCOCK § GLASSCOCK COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT §

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Glasscock County Independent School District (the "District") held a regular meeting on March 2, 2009, and that said meeting was open to the public, and public notice of the time, place and purpose of said meeting was given, all as required by the Texas Government Code, Chapter 551; and,

WHEREAS, the District deems it advisable to call the Special Bond Election (the "Election") hereinafter ordered; and,

WHEREAS, it is hereby officially found and determined at said meeting that it is in the public's interest for the District to hold the hereinafter called Election on May 9, 2009, a uniform election date established by section 41.001(a) of the Texas Election Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE DISTRICT:

The statements contained in the preamble of this Order are true and correct and adopted as findings of fact and operative provisions hereof. The District shall hold a special bond election ("Election") between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on May 9, 2009. Said Election shall occur at the designated polling place(s), and be conducted by the election officers hereby appointed to hold said Election, as set out in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made a part hereof for all intents and purposes.

The Presiding Judge shall appoint not less than two (2) but no more than five (5) qualified election clerks to serve and assist in conducting the Election; provided that if the Presiding Judge actually serves as expected, the Alternate Presiding Judge shall be one of such clerks.

Early voting shall be conducted by personal appearance at the Main Early Voting Place at: Glasscock County Court House 117 East Currie Garden City, TX 79739

Early voting shall be conducted during the period early voting is required or permitted by law, being April 27, 2009 through May 5, 2009, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on each day, excluding Saturdays, Sundays or legal state holidays, when there shall be no early voting by personal appearance. The Main Early Voting Polling Place shall at all times remain open during such hours for early voting by personal appearance.

The Early Voting Clerk for the Election shall be Susie Hillger. The Deputy Early Voting Clerk shall be Rebecca Batla.

Applications for early voting by mail shall be sent to Susie Hillger, Glasscock County Clerk's Office, P.O. Box 190, Garden City, TX 79739. Application for ballot by mail must be received no later than the close of business on May 1 2009.

An Early Voting Ballot Board shall be created to process early voting results of the Election. Susie Hillger shall be the Presiding Judge, who shall appoint at least two (2) other members to serve on the board.

All qualified electors of and residing in the District shall be entitled to vote at the Election.

At the Election, the following PROPOSITION shall be submitted in accordance with law:

PROPOSITION

Shall the Board of Trustees of Glasscock County Independent School District be authorized to issue the bonds of the District, in one or more series, in the aggregate principal amount of \$12,000,000 for the construction and equipment of school buildings in the District, the purchase of necessary sites for school buildings, the renovation of existing school buildings and the purchase of new school buses, with the bonds to mature, bear interest, and be issued and sold in accordance with the law at the time of issuance; and shall the Board of Trustees be authorized to levy and pledge, and cause to be assessed and collected, annual ad valorem taxes, on all taxable property in the District, sufficient, without limit as to rate or amount, to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds?

The official ballots for the Election shall be prepared in accordance with the Texas Election Code so as to permit the electors to vote "FOR" or "AGAINST" the aforesaid PROPOSITION with the ballots to contain such provisions, markings and language as required by law, and with such PROPOSITION to be expressed SUBSTANTIALLY as follows:

PROPOSITION

-----FOR

) THE ISSUANCE OF \$12,000,000 OF BONDS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPMENT

OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS, THE PURCHASE OF NECESSARY SITES FOR SCHOOL BUILDINGS, RENOVATION OF EXISTING SCHOOL BUILDINGS AND THE PURCHASE OF NEW SCHOOL BUSES IN AND FOR THE GLASSCOCK COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE LEVYING OF THE TAX IN PAYMENT THEREOF

AGAINST )

A substantial copy of this Order, in both English and Spanish, shall serve as proper Notice of the Election (the "Notice"), and the President of the Board of Trustees shall cause the Notice to be published at least one time, not earlier than the 30th day or later than the 10th day prior to the date set for the Election, in a newspaper published in the District or, if none is published in the District, in a newspaper of general circulation in the District. In addition, not later than the 21st day prior to the date set for the Election, or not later than the next business day if the 21st day falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal state holiday, the President of the Board of Trustees shall cause the Notice, in both English and Spanish, to be posted on the bulletin board used for posting notices of meetings of the Board of Trustees, and at any other location(s) and by any other method as the District deems fit or may be required by law.

A substantial copy of this order delivered to the Election Judges and Alternate Election Judges within the time required by law shall be proper notice as required under Texas Election Code, and the President of the Board of Trustees shall cause this order and all other necessary notices to be posted and delivered to the Election Judges and any Alternates stated herein, as may be required by law.

12. In all respects the Election shall be conducted in accordance with the Texas Election Code and any other applicable state or federal law. Voting shall be by paper ballots in accordance with Texas Education Code §61.013(1).

EXHIBIT A  
GLASSCOCK COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT SPECIAL BOND ELECTION MAY 9, 2009 ELECTION DAY POLLING PLACES

Voting for the Glasscock County Independent School District Special Bond Election shall be between 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on May 9, 2009, at the following designated polling places that are within the boundaries of Glasscock County ISD, and with the following election officers, who are appointed to hold said election:

- Polling Place 1: Saint Lawrence Hall 2400 FM 2401 Garden City, TX 79739 Shall consist of Glasscock County Voting Precinct 1 Presiding Judge: Shirley Braden Alternate Judge: Barbara Fuch
- Polling Place 2: Garden City Church of Christ 200 S. Main St. Garden City, TX 79739 Shall consist of Glasscock County Voting Precinct 2 Presiding Judge: JoAnn Turner Alternate Judge: Doris Schwartz
- Polling Place 3: Drumright Community Center 2200 Drumright Road Garden City, TX 79739 Shall consist of Glasscock County Voting Precinct 3 Presiding Judge: Helen Glass Alternate Judge: Sandy Allen
- Polling Place 4: Garden City Senior Citizen Center 600 N. Main Garden City, TX 79739 Shall consist of Glasscock County Voting Precinct 4 Presiding Judge: Maritha Blalock Alternate Judge: Christy Long

EXHIBIT A  
AVISO DE ELECCIONES ENMENDADO

ESTADO DE TEXAS § CONDADO DE GLASSCOCK § A LOS ELECTORES REGISTRADOS DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DEL CONDADO DE GLASSCOCK: MEDIANTE ESTE DOCUMENTO SE COMUNICA QUE se celebrarán elecciones en el Distrito escolar independiente del Condado de Glasscock, el sábado 9 de mayo de 2009, según está previsto en la Orden de convocatoria de elecciones para la emisión de bonos aprobada por el Consejo de administración del Distrito escolar independiente del Condado de Glasscock, cuya copia fiel se incluye a continuación:

ORDEN DE CONVOCATORIA DE ELECCIONES ESPECIALES EN EL DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DEL CONDADO DE GLASSCOCK PARA LA EMISIÓN DE BONOS Y ESTABLECER LAS NORMAS PARA PROCEDER EN LAS ELECCIONES Y DEMÁS ASUNTOS INHERENTES A LAS MISMAS

ESTADO DE TEXAS § CONDADO DE GLASSCOCK § DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DEL CONDADO DE GLASSCOCK § POR CUANTO, el Consejo de administración del Distrito escolar independiente del Condado de Glasscock (el "Distrito") se reunió el día 2 de marzo de 2009, estando dicha reunión abierta al público, y

habiéndose dado aviso público de la hora, lugar y propósito de dicha reunión, según lo exige el Capítulo 551 del Código gubernamental de Texas; y

POR CUANTO, el Distrito considerara aconsejable convocar las elecciones especiales para la emisión de bonos (las "Elecciones") que más adelante se ordenan, y,

POR CUANTO, en dicha reunión se declaró y determinó oficialmente que es en interés público que el Distrito celebre las elecciones que más adelante se ordenan el día 9 de mayo de 2009, fecha para la celebración de elecciones uniformes establecida por la sección 41.001(a) del Código electoral de Texas; y,

AHORÁ, POR LO TANTO, EL CONSEJO DE ADMINISTRACIÓN DEL DISTRITO ORDENA:

Las declaraciones contenidas en el preámbulo de esta Orden son fieles y correctas y han sido adoptadas como decisiones sobre cuestión de hecho y disposiciones operativas del presente documento. Se celebrarán Elecciones especiales para la emisión de bonos (las "Elecciones") en el Distrito entre las horas de las 7:00 de la mañana y las 7:00 de la tarde, el día 9 de mayo de 2009. Dichas Elecciones se llevarán a cabo en los centros electorales designados y las llevarán a cabo los oficiales electorales como se establece en el Anexo "A" adjunto a este documento y que forma parte del mismo para todos fines y propósitos.

El Juez presidente nombrará no menos de dos (2) ni más de cinco (5) secretarios electorales cualificados para servir y ayudar en la celebración de las elecciones, siempre que el Juez presidente ejerza sus funciones como tal, el Juez suplente será uno de dichos secretarios.

La votación adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo en el Centro electoral principal para la votación adelantada situado en:

Juzgado del Condado de Glasscock (County Court House) 117 East Currie Garden City, TX 79739

La votación adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo durante el período requerido o permitido por la ley para la votación adelantada, que comenzará el 27 de abril de 2009 y terminará el 5 de mayo de 2009, diariamente desde las 8:30 de la mañana a las 4:00 de la tarde, excepto sábados y domingos o días feriados estatales, en los que no se celebrará la votación adelantada en persona. El Centro electoral principal para la votación adelantada permanecerá abierto durante el horario establecido para la votación adelantada en persona. La Secretaria para la votación adelantada en las elecciones será Susie Hillger, y la Secretaria delegada para la votación adelantada será Rebecca Batla.

Las solicitudes para la votación anticipada por correo se enviarán a Susie Hillger, Glasscock County Clerk's Office, P.O. Box 190, Garden City, TX 79739. Las solicitudes de boleta para votar por correo deberán recibirse antes del cierre del horario comercial del día 1 de mayo de 2009

Se creará un Consejo de boleta para procesar los resultados de la votación adelantada. Susie Hillger será Juez presidente, quien a su vez nombrará al menos dos (2) miembros más para servir en el Consejo.

Todos los electores cualificados que residen en el Distrito, tendrán derecho a votar en las elecciones.

En las elecciones, se presentará la siguiente PROPOSICIÓN de acuerdo con la ley:

PROPOSICIÓN

¿Se autorizará al Consejo de administración del Distrito escolar independiente del Condado de Glasscock emitir bonos del Distrito, en una o más series, por un importe total de capital de \$12,000,000, para la construcción y equipamiento de edificios escolares en el Distrito, la compra de terrenos necesarios para edificios escolares, la reforma de edificios escolares existentes y la compra de autobuses escolares nuevos, y cuyos bonos tendrán fecha de vencimiento, devengarán intereses, y serán emitidos y vendidos de acuerdo con la ley en el momento de su emisión y se autorizará al Consejo de administración a gravar y avalar, y hacer que se calculen y recauden impuestos anuales ad valorem, sobre todas las propiedades sujetas a impuestos en el Distrito, suficientes, sin límite en cuanto a la tasa o cantidad, para pagar el capital e intereses de los bonos?

Las boletas oficiales para las Elecciones se prepararán de acuerdo con el Código electoral de Texas, a fin de permitir a los electores votar "A FAVOR" o "EN CONTRA" de la PROPOSICIÓN anterior, y dichas boletas incluirán las disposiciones, anotaciones y lenguaje que la ley exige, y cuya PROPOSICIÓN quedará expresada esencialmente de la manera siguiente:

PROPOSICIÓN A FAVOR)

) LA EMISIÓN DE BONOS POR VALOR DE \$12,000,000 PARA LA CONSTRUCCIÓN, Y EQUIPAMIENTO DE EDIFICIOS ESCOLARES, LA COMPRA DE TERRENOS NECESARIOS PARA EDIFICIOS ESCOLARES, LA REFORMA DE EDIFICIOS ESCOLARES EXISTENTES Y LA COMPRA DE AUTOBUSES ESCOLARES NUEVOS EN Y PARA EL DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DEL CONDADO DE GLASSCOCK Y EL GRAVAMEN DE IMPUESTOS PARA EL PAGO CORRESPONDIENTE EN CONTRA )

) Una copia fiel de esta Orden, en inglés y en español, servirá como Aviso apropiado de las elecciones (el "Aviso") y el Presidente del Consejo de administración hará que dicho Aviso se publique en un periódico del Distrito o, si no se publicara periódico alguno en el Distrito, en un periódico de circulación general en el Distrito, al menos una vez, en fecha no anterior a 30 días ni posterior a 10 días antes del día fijado para las Elecciones. Además, en fecha no posterior a 21 días antes del día fijado para las Elecciones, ni posterior al día laboral siguiente al día 21 si éste fuera sábado o domingo, o día feriado estatal legal, el Presidente del Consejo de administración hará que se coloque el Aviso, en inglés y en español, en el tablero de anuncios utilizado para la colocación de avisos de las reuniones del Consejo de administración y en cualquier otro lugar o lugares y de la manera que el Distrito considere apropiado según lo exija la ley.

Se entregará una copia fiel de esta Orden a los jueces electorales y a los jueces electorales suplentes en el plazo establecido por la ley, y dicha copia servirá de aviso apropiado según lo exige el Código electoral de Texas, y el Presidente del Consejo de administración hará que esta orden y todos los demás avisos necesarios se anuncien y entreguen según lo exija la ley.

En todos los respectos, las elecciones se celebrarán de acuerdo con el Código electoral de Texas y cualquier ley estatal o federal aplicable. La votación se hará con boletas de papel, de acuerdo con la sección 61.013(1) del Código Educativo de Texas.

ANEXO A  
DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DEL CONDADO DE GLASSCOCK ELECCIONES ESPECIALES PARA LA EMISIÓN DE BONOS 9 DE MAYO DE 2009

CENTROS ELECTORALES EL DÍA DE LAS ELECCIONES La votación en las elecciones especiales para la emisión de bonos en el Distrito escolar independiente del Condado de Glasscock tendrá lugar entre las 7:00 de la mañana y las 7:00 de la tarde, el 9 de mayo de 2009, en los siguientes centros electorales designados que se encuentran dentro de los límites del Distrito escolar independiente del Condado de Glasscock, y con los siguientes oficiales electorales, que han sido nombrados para celebrar dichas elecciones:

- Centro electoral 1: Salón Saint Lawrence (Saint Lawrence Hall) 2400 FM 2401 Garden City, TX 79739 Compuesto por la Circunscripción electoral 1 del Condado de Glasscock Juez presidente: Shirley Braden Juez suplente: Barbara Fuch
- Centro electoral 2: Iglesia de Cristo de Garden City (Church of Christ) 200 S. Main St. Garden City, TX 79739 Compuesto por la Circunscripción electoral 2 del Condado de Glasscock Juez presidente: JoAnn Turner Juez suplente: Doris Schwartz
- Centro electoral 3: Centro Comunitario Drumright (Community Center) 2200 Drumright Road Garden City, TX 79739 Compuesto por la Circunscripción electoral 3 del Condado de Glasscock Juez presidente: Helen Glass Juez suplente: Sandy Allen
- Centro electoral 4: Centro para la Tercera Edad de Garden City (Senior Citizen Center) 600 N. Main Garden City, TX 79739 Compuesto por la Circunscripción electoral 4 del Condado de Glasscock Juez presidente: Maritha Blalock Juez suplente: Christy Long

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

The cosmic tiff between Mars and Pluto is still affecting us. Even those who are in the best of springtime moods may, in certain moments, feel unduly responsible for the world's disharmony. Try not to focus on negativity. Look for what's going right and build on that. Or join a solution that is already underway. Do what you can and that's enough.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You may experience a fleeting but acute pang of jealousy. It's not a green-eyed



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monster in the depths of your soul. This is your higher mind letting you know what you really, really want.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You can tell what people want. You read subtle signals that other people miss. Using this skill, you are exceedingly adept at rallying a team, selling an idea and making financial deals.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You won't have your usual ease in relating to people from different walks of life — instead, you'll find it even easier than usual. You are so in sync with nearly everyone you meet and will spread positive energy wherever you go.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). The older you get, the less you trust people who obviously want something from you. Demand reciprocity from the world. Put up a mental guard against anyone who cannot offer you a balanced deal.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You are getting more established among a certain group of people. Remember when you were a person on the outside trying to get in? Pat yourself on the back and enjoy the feeling of belonging that you have now.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). People may not call when they say they will. You'll have much better luck when you get too busy to care. Fill your time with pleasurable activities. With every fun thing you do, you become more attractive.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Guard your relationship with destiny. Do not ask anyone what will happen to you. Honor your power by affirming that you are the one who will declare what the future will bring you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). No one succeeds alone, it is true. It may feel as though you are putting in all of the hard work right now, but don't forget about those whose sacrifices made it possible for you to embrace this position.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Stop worrying about whether or not a project is going to take off. You will learn what you need to learn to

make your dreams come true. Keep at it. Time is on your side.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You deserve to be comfortable. Don't put yourself out in order to appease an intimidating person. There are many ways to solve a problem. Keep investigating until you find one that suits you.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You and a loved one may disagree on what is the best way to spend your time together. This is an opportunity to demonstrate your affection. Try to find value in your loved one's ideas, even the half-baked ones.

ASTROLOGY 101: WHAT IS VIRGO LIKE?: Virgos are problem solvers of the world. This sign has the patience, analytical ability and mental tenacity to sort out the obstacles that would stop other people.

Virgos take the necessary time to find the solutions. When most people would be throwing up their hands in defeat, Virgo is just getting started. They are the great improvers of the zodiac, always thinking of ways to make things better.

Some would say that Virgo is critical, though the criticisms they offer are usually intended to be constructive. In an effort to be helpful, they point out the details that others don't see.

This sign has a reputation for being freakishly neat and tidy. Indeed, many an organization gives credit to a Virgo for keeping the group on point, moving forward in a logical and efficient way.

They are often leaders who demonstrate their leadership by leading themselves with integrity and discipline. The area of health, fitness and nutrition is one where Virgos shine. They have a natural affinity for living things and find it easy to nurture growth in others. Many Virgos have a green thumb, as well!

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Academy Award-winner Penelope Cruz is a Venus-ruled beauty who has the tenacity of her Taurus roots. She didn't let a language barrier keep her from attaining and mastering film roles — she once learned Italian in order to play a role in a film and subsequently earned the Italian equivalent to the Oscar for her portrayal. Cruz speaks Spanish, French, English and Italian.

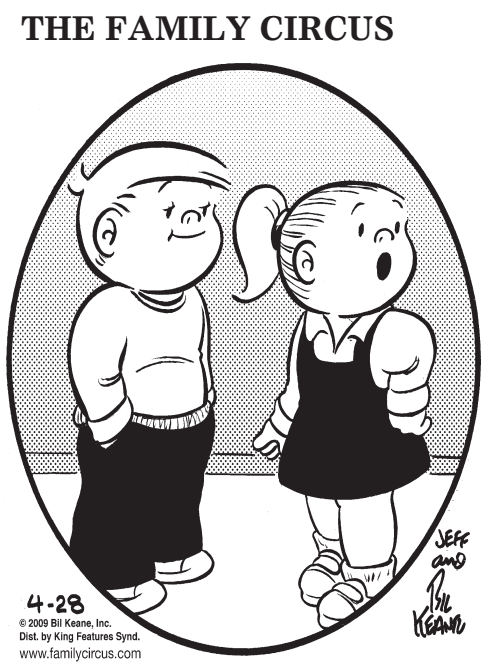
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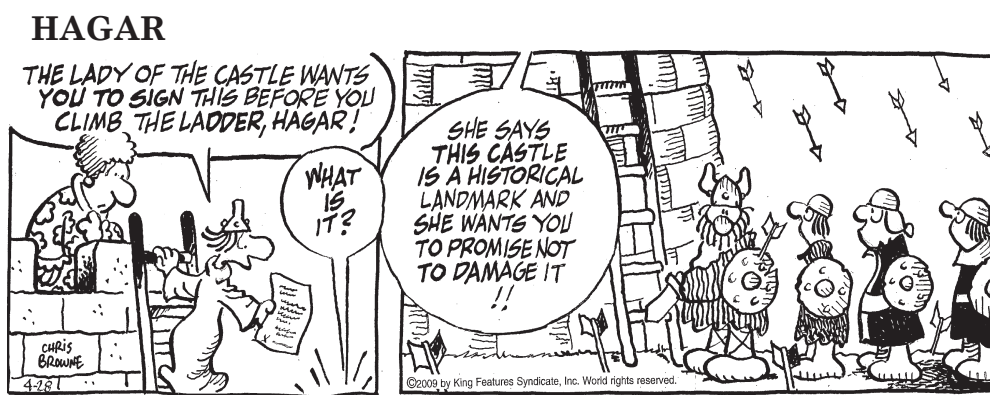
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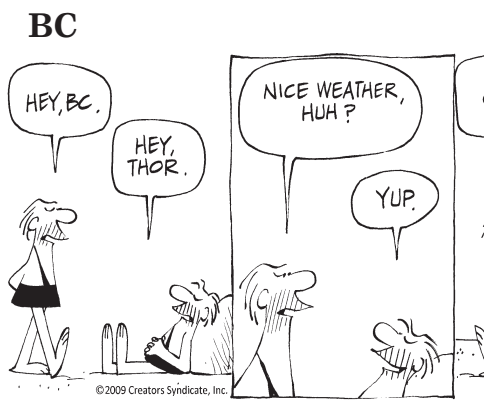
"HE'S MUCH BETTER AT LOOKING INNOCENT THAN HE IS AT BEING INNOCENT."



"Mommy, Billy says he's better at bein' modest than I am. Who's right?"



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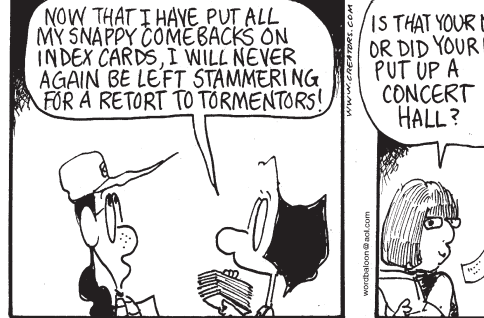
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NOW THAT I HAVE PUT ALL MY SNAPPY COMEBACKS ON INDEX CARDS, I WILL NEVER AGAIN BE LEFT STAMMERING FOR A RETORT TO TORMENTORS!



IS THAT YOUR NOSE, OR DID YOUR EYES PUT UP A CONCERT HALL? LET'S TAKE A LOOK. THERE'S AT LEAST \$20 WORTH OF TOYS IN THE BACK SEAT.



THIS IS INTERESTING. IT SAYS HERE THAT DOGS CAN SENSE AN EARTHQUAKE BEFORE IT HAPPENS.



I'LL GIVE YA \$50 FER THAT BODACIOUS PILE OF WOOD MULCH, MISTOFER !! HA !! HEAR THAT, MAW? MY WHITLIN' AIN'T A BIG, FAT WASTE OF TIME !!



UH-OH, THERE'S HE ALWAYS MAKES SARGE PUT US TO WORK! LET'S HIDE SOMEWHERE



IS HE STILL THERE?



I WONDER IF MY HUSBAND WOULD LIKE THIS. WHO CARES WHAT HE THINKS? IF A WIFE ISN'T HAPPY, THE HUSBAND ISN'T HAPPY. ARE YOU A WIFE? NO, BUT I'M PRACTICING TO THINK LIKE ONE.

This Date In History

Today is Tuesday, April 28, the 118th day of 2009. There are 247 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On April 28, 1789, there was a mutiny on HMS Bounty as the crew of the British ship set Capt. William Bligh and 18 sailors adrift in a launch in the South Pacific. (Bligh and most of the men with him managed to reach Timor in 47 days.)

On this date:

In 1758, the fifth president of the United States, James Monroe, was born in Westmoreland County, Va.

In 1788, Maryland became the seventh state to ratify the U.S. Constitution.

In 1918, Gavrilo Princip, the assassin of Archduke Franz Ferdinand of Austria and the archduke's wife, Sophie, died in prison of tuberculosis.

In 1945, Italian dictator Benito Mussolini and his mistress, Clara Petacci, were executed by Italian partisans as they attempted to flee the coun-

try.

In 1952, war with Japan officially ended as a treaty signed in San Francisco the year before took effect.

In 1958, the United States conducted the first of 35 nuclear test explosions in the Pacific Proving Ground as part of Operation Hardtack I. Vice President Richard Nixon and his wife, Pat, began a goodwill tour of Latin America that was marred by hostile mobs in Lima, Peru, and Caracas, Venezuela.

In 1967, heavyweight boxing champion Muhammad Ali refused to be inducted into the Army, the same day Gen. William C. Westmoreland told Congress the U.S. "would prevail in Vietnam."

In 1969, French President Charles de Gaulle resigned. (He was succeeded by Georges Pompidou.)

In 1988, a flight attendant was killed and more than 60 people injured when part of the roof of an Aloha Airlines Boeing 737 tore off during a flight from Hilo to Honolulu.

In 1996, a man armed with a semiautomatic rifle opened fire on tourists on the Australian island of Tasmania, killing 35

people; Martin Bryant was captured by police after a 12-hour standoff at a guest cottage. (Bryant is serving a life sentence.)

Today's Birthdays: Author Harper Lee is 83. Former Secretary of State James A. Baker III is 79. Actress-singer Ann-Margret is 68. Actress Marcia Strassman is 61. Actor Paul Guilfoyle ("CSI") is 60. "Tonight Show" host Jay Leno is 59. Rock musician Chuck Leavell is 57. Actress Mary McDonnell is 56. Rock singer-musician Kim Gordon (Sonic Youth) is 56. Rapper Too Short is 43. Actress Simbi Khali is 38. Actress Bridget Moynahan is 38. Actor Chris Young is 38. Rapper Big Gipp is 36.

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Answer to previous puzzle

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Newsday Crossword

- ACROSS
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  - 10 Folklore monster
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  - 16 Jam-pack
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  - 18 36 Down, for example
  - 19 Bat's home
  - 20 Contract's small type
  - 22 Radio knob
  - 23 Throw away
  - 24 Without restraint
  - 25 2,000 pounds
  - 26 Titans
  - 28 Rile up
  - 31 Bottle stopper
  - 32 Once around the track
  - 35 Contented cat's sound
  - 36 Three-wishes granter
  - 37 Identical
  - 38 Opposite of WSW
  - 39 Poems of praise
  - 40 Bay city of Florida
  - 41 Reply
  - 44 102, in old Rome
  - 45 Get
  - 47 Thin varnish
  - 51 Military first-aid expert
  - 52 NFL championship game
  - 54 Israeli airline
- DOWN
- 9 MDs
  - 10 Supernatural
  - 11 Four-run homer
  - 12 Get tangled
  - 13 Nail-file material
  - 21 Needy
  - 22 Baking pan
  - 24 Rouse from sleep
  - 26 Hopeless case
  - 27 Eye part
  - 28 Imitate
  - 29 Convent resident
  - 30 Big dog
  - 31 Hand over
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BRINK

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Dallas. The Mavs have been here before: Up 3-1 against the Spurs in the 2006 conference semifinals, San Antonio rallied to even the series and forced Dallas to wrest the series in overtime of Game 7. The Spurs haven't been ousted in

the first round since 2000, when Phoenix booted San Antonio in four games while Duncan sat on the bench with torn cartilage in his knee. Since then, San Antonio has been pushed to the brink in the first round only once, beating Seattle in a decisive Game 5 in 2002.

San Antonio knows the drill: Stage a miraculous comeback, and it's the Spurs' smart and tested playoff veterans who put them among the few NBA teams who can out of such a big hole. Lose, and they're an aging and

fading NBA power whose better days are behind them.

After losing in five games to the Lakers in the Western Conference finals last season, Popovich bristled at the suggestion that age always doomed the Spurs.

He could say the same in this series, since the Spurs appear more in need of better shooters than younger legs against Dallas.

Role players, always essential to San Antonio, have fizzled this series. Duncan and Parker combined for 75

percent of San Antonio's points in a 99-90 loss in Game 4, and it still wasn't enough. The duo made 25 of 42 from the field, and everyone else had 6 of 28.

It appeared to underscore how much the Spurs are missing Manu Ginobili, who is out for the playoffs with a stress fracture in his ankle. The Mavericks have taken notice, too, that his absence alone makes this hardly the same Spurs who stormed through the playoffs in previous seasons.

COWBOYS

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everyone was always telling him about.

Here's the issue. The Eagles, Redskins and Giants got better through addition. They added key pieces instead of taking them away.

Let's start with the hated Redskins. Washington has had a huge problem with rushing the passer. So in the offseason, they added Albert Haynesworth — the best defensive tackle in the league — via free agency and then drafted Texas defensive end Brian Orakpo.

Playing next to Haynesworth, Orakpo has a chance to post double-digit sacks as a rookie. That doesn't mention veteran end

Andre Carter, who has been keyed on with blocking schemes for three seasons. That won't happen this year.

Chalk up at least an extra five false start penalties for Cowboys offensive tackle Flozell Adams.

The Giants did subtract one key piece by letting go of Plaxico Burress. However, they drafted North Carolina wide receiver Hakeem Nicks. Nicks has the best hands of any receiver in the draft and as long as he controls his weight, he can have an immediate impact.

In the second round, they got a steal with Connecticut offensive tackle William Beatty and great value for Virginia linebacker Clint Sintim.

Sintim fits the Giants scheme perfectly. He'll come in on passing

downs and blitz from the outside linebacker position.

Sintim will have success, too, with the return of Osi Umenyiora. That gives the Giants strong pass rushers on passing downs from the four positions with Sintim at linebacker, Umenyiora at one end, Matthias Kiwanuka at the other and Justin Tuck coming from the interior. Not to mention for Cowboy Chris Canty, who the Giants did overpay for, but isn't a bad interior pass rusher himself.

There's at least another five false start penalties for Adams.

Finally, the Eagles now have the personnel that could make their offense one of the hardest to defend in the league.

Expect Philadelphia to begin using a version of the spread offense, similar to what New England did two seasons ago with Tom Brady healthy.

The Eagles added Missouri wide receiver Jeremy Maclin, who comes into the league as one of its fastest players with pads on.

Skeptics would argue the Eagles already have

a Maclin-type receiver with DeSean Jackson. Actually, they have two wideouts similar to the Missouri product. Don't forget about Kevin Curtis.

So why would this work? Because of the scheme Philly will put together to maximize all three WRs abilities.

How many secondaries in the league have the speed to keep up the combination of Maclin, Jackson and Curtis? The answer is none.

These guys can run the short underneath routes. Donovan McNabb can get the ball out quickly to them and then it's off to the races.

Also added to the backfield is Pitt's LeSean McCoy, who is a home run threat every time he touches the ball. McCoy is a duplicate of Brian Westbrook. They also added a fleet of foot tight end in the draft with Florida's Cornelius Ingram, who has experience in the spread.

Honestly, the Eagles now look like the NFL's version of the Florida Gators with all the speed they added.

Maybe this is a very pessimistic view, but it's hard not to be doom and gloom about Dallas' chances next season.

I understand what Jones was thinking in the draft. Many believe this was a weak draft and there weren't a lot of players who could impact a team significantly.

It just so happens that the Eagles, Redskins and Giants picked up some of those players.

Jones obviously believed that. The Cowboys traded out of their second-round pick, which would have been their first. The players they had targeted were taken a few picks before they drafted. It was a good move... sorta.

Dallas got good value for their second-round pick, picking up third and fourth rounders from Buffalo. But if you

don't believe there are a lot of impact players in this draft, wouldn't you try to get out of the draft all together?

New England had the same plan as Dallas. The Patriots made four picks in the second round and they were stellar. Past that, though, the Pats traded back several times, but they didn't settle for picks in this year's weak draft.

Instead, the Pats locked up picks for the 2010 event, which appears to feature a stronger class.

New England wasn't the only team to do this. Seattle and San Francisco also locked up first rounders for next year's draft. Seattle got one from Denver, which has the potential to be a top 10 pick.

Dallas, on the other hand, stockpiled late round picks and picked special teams player after special teams player. That's not all bad in itself, since the Cowboys' special teams might have been the weakest part of the team last season.

There is some potential. Dallas did select one of the elite corner-back tandems in college football with Cincinnati's Mike Mickens and DeAngelo Smith. Mickens was once thought of as a first-round talent, but a knee injury scared off several teams and Dallas picked him in the seventh and final round. If he can recover, then he might turn out to be a huge steal.

TCU's Stephen Hodge is a great special teams player and an underrated strong safety prospect.

Dallas also took USC kicker David Buehler, who is a bit of phenom. Buehler drew some attention at the NFL Scouting Combine when he ran a 4.51 40-yard dash and benched 225 pounds 25 times. Both numbers are unheard of for a kicker and really don't matter, other than to

say Buehler is a good athlete as well as a kicker.

He actually lifted more and ran faster than USC teammates Clay Matthews and Rey Mauluga, who were both first-day selections as linebackers.

Buehler has a strong leg and was brought in for kickoffs, which does address a significant need since Nick Folk didn't record a touch-back last season.

The most interesting pick by Dallas was that of Texas A&M quarterback Stephen McGee in the fourth round. Many see McGee as a career backup, but he's got plenty of talent.

He's got great speed and a strong arm. He never received much playing time in a pro-style offense, either. I think Dallas might have a different type of plan for him, though.

Jones made it clear this offseason he wants to start running the Wildcat offense, which was popularized in the NFL by the Miami Dolphins last season. For old school students of the game, the Wildcat is simply a version of the single-wing.

McGee has the speed to be a threat to run the ball and running back Felix Jones has experience playing wing back in the formation because it was utilized often when he was at Arkansas.

McGee's ability to throw the ball gives the Cowboys the option to have set passing plays in the Wildcat, making the offense that much more of a viable threat.

Even with these potential bright spots, it's hard to see how Dallas makes it out of the tougher NFC East. The division was probably the best in the league last season and there's no reason to think it won't be better next year.

All four teams should be able to post winning records with at least nine wins and it should surprise anyone if every squad has 10 wins or more.

The Giants and Eagles appear to be playoff bound again. In fact, the Eagles are going to be a trendy Super Bowl pick. That leaves the Redskins and Cowboys to battle it out for a playoff spot. Right now, advantage might go to the 'Skins.

That's all on paper, though, and if anything can be learned from this generation of the NFL, it is that nothing is impossible.

The Atlanta Falcons were supposed to be making the first pick in the draft that was just completed. Instead, they proved all the "experts" wrong and made a playoff run. They're going to get some Super Bowl hype as well.

So does addition through subtraction really work? Jerry Jones is willing to find out.

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