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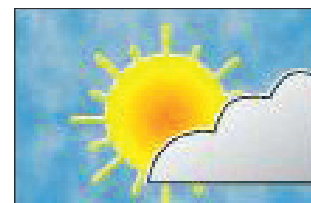
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Big Spring High School cheerleader Mariah Sparkman talks to little Kelcey Zubiate after a pep rally at Lakeview Head Start Thursday morning. Homecoming festivities at BSHS hit high gear today with the annual parade and crowning of the queen and king.

Homecoming! Big Spring welcomes exes, holds traditional activities

By STEVE REAGAN Staff Writer

It'll be a black and gold weekend. Homecoming 2009 at Big Spring High School began Monday and culminates a variety of activities this weekend, officials said.

After a week of special dress-up days at the high school, things heated up — literally — Thursday with the community bonfire at the city compost site.

Also this week, the student body has held elections to determine finalists for homecoming king and queen.

The following girls were nominated for queen: Vicki Conner (band); Sloan Davis (cheerleading); Danielle Freeman (speech and debate); Selena Gonzales (student council); Tahlea Green (choir); Angela Lozano (ready writing); Paula Mills (theater); Marissa Nieto (Bible Club); Kelly Sage (Na-



Davis



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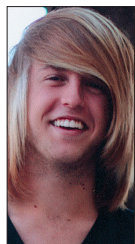
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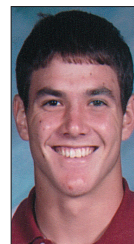
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tional Honor Society); Chelby Slagado (Interact); Callie Shafer (volleyball); Linzee Yarbar (foreign languages); Hannah Weber (swimming); and Haley Zarate (journalism).

Homecoming queen finalists are Davis, daughter

of Robby and Sherre Davis; Gonzales, daughter of Isidro and Linda Gonzales; Mills, daughter of James and Donna Mills; Shafer, daughter of Ron and Kim Shafer; and Yarbar, daughter See BSHS, Page 7

By THOMAS JENKINS Staff Writer

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Float and Fly to honor namesake

9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday at Comanche Trail Park Lake.

By THOMAS JENKINS Staff Writer

For more than a decade members of the Big Spring Model Aircraft Association have celebrated the union of air and water with the annual Don McKinney Float and Fly, but according to event organizers, this year's event

holds a special meaning.

"The Float and Fly was started in 1994 by Don McKinney, who was a longtime member of the local model aircraft association," said BSMAA spokesman Charles Buzbee. "This year, as we get ready to host the 15th year of the Float and Fly, we'll



McKinney

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Movie music concert's theme

8 p.m. Saturday at the Big Spring High School Auditorium.

By BILL McCLELLAN New Editor

Moviegoers who recall the scene in "Apocalypse Now" in which dozens of helicopters strike a village with rockets while Wagner's "Prelude to the Walkurie" blasts from one of the war bird's speakers understand

how music can enhance a film.

"Prelude to Walkurie" is just one of the familiar pieces the Big Spring Symphony will perform Saturday evening during "Classical Music in the Movies," the first show of the 2009-2010 concert series "Moving On."



Giordano

The performance will See MUSIC, Page 3

4-H seeks new members

Howard County 4-H will have a kickoff event from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday at the county fairbarns.

Texas 4-H is open to all youth between the ages of 9 (or 8 and in the third grade) to 18. Those who would like to learn more about the organization which teaches leadership, citizenship and life skills, are encouraged to attend.

Current 4-H members will demonstrate their projects. There will opportunities to win prizes and food and fun will be available.

Memory Walk to fight Alzheimer's disease

9 a.m. Saturday, Alice Haynes Pavilion.

By THOMAS JENKINS Staff Writer

Area residents will get the chance to take a stand — and a walk — against Alzheimer's disease Saturday morning, as the Big Spring chapter of the Alzheimer's Association

holds its annual Memory Walk to raise money and awareness.

And while the local Alzheimer's Association group's goal this year is to raise \$12,500, coordi-



Jones

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Police probing string of burglaries

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Everett. "The circumstances are basically the same. They went through looking for cars that were unlocked, and the ones that were locked and they wanted into, they broke the window."

Calls to the police department concerning the break-ins began filtering in shortly after 7 a.m. Thursday, according to Everett, when area residents made their way to

their vehicles to go to work. "In some cases, the thieves got into the vehicles and

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## Obituaries

## Ruthie Findley

Mrs. Ruthie Findley, 83, died Wednesday, Sept. 16, 2009, in Destin, Fla.

She was a native of Dothan, Ala., a former resident of Big Spring and a resident of Century Fla., for the past 10 years.

She was preceded in death by three brothers, Tunnie Hawthorne, Chrome Hawthorne and Huey Hawthorne.

Survivors include her husband of 63 years, Lee Roy Findley of Century, Fla.; two daughters, Sara Lea and Steve McAuliffe of Macy Ind., and Linda Kuykendall of Century Fla.; three grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; a brother, Hulen and Mary Ann Hawthorne of Pace, Fla.; a half-brother, Jerry and Kay Thompson; a sister, Betty Jean and William "Bo" Polk of Brewton, Ala.; and a half-sister, Brenda Joyce and Coleman Wade of Jay, Fla.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19, 2009, at the Petty-Eastside Chapel Funeral Home with the Rev. Mitch Herring officiating.

Burial will follow at Poplar Dell Cemetery.

Visitation will be held from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to the Poplar Dell Baptist Church Building Fund.

## Henry E. Gutierrez

Henry E. Gutierrez, 23, of Lovington, N.M., died Sept. 13, 2009, in Lubbock.

Rosary mass will be held at 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 18, 2009, at St. Thomas Catholic Church in Lovington, N.M. Funeral mass will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19, 2009, at St. Thomas Catholic Church, officiated by Fr. Manuel Ibarra.

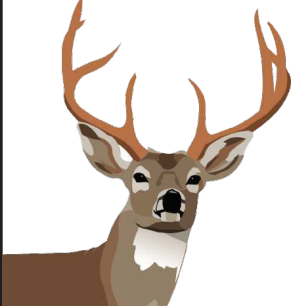
Mr. Guterrez was born Aug. 30, 1986, in Big Spring. He was a member of the Christian Center Church in Hobbs, N.M.

Survivors include his parents, Henry Sr. and Rosemary Guterrez of Lovington, N.M.; a brother, Timmy Guterrez; two sisters, Ashley Guterrez and Maria Guterrez, both of Lovington, N.M.; grandmothers, Josephine Guterrez Uranga and Ofelia Galan, both of Big Spring; and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Tommy Guterrez.

Arrangements are under the direction of Stevens Funeral Home of Lovington, N.M. Visit the online registry at [www.stevensfuneral.com](http://www.stevensfuneral.com)

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

- BERNARDO PEREZ, 45, of 2911 W. Highway 80 Apt. 252, was arrested Thursday on a charge of assault Class C – family violence.
- FRANCISCO MARTINEZ, 36, of Hidalgo, was arrested Thursday on a charge of turning from wrong lane.
- THEFT was reported:  
in the 1900 block of 25<sup>th</sup> Street.  
in the 1700 block of FM 700.
- TERRORISTIC THREAT – FAMILY/HOUSEHOLD was reported in the 600 block of Sixth Street.
- UNATTENDED DEATH was reported in the 1600 block of Martin Luther King Blvd.
- CREDIT/DEBIT CARD ABUSE was reported in the 800 block of 18<sup>th</sup> Street.
- BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE was reported:  
in the 700 block of Edwards.  
in the 1500 block of Dayton.  
in the 800 block of 18<sup>th</sup> Street.  
in the 1900 block of Alabama.  
in the 2400 block of Alabama.  
in the 800 block of 15<sup>th</sup> Street.
- ASSAULT CLASS C/FAMILY VIOLENCE was reported in the 2900 block of Highway 80.
- ASSAULT BY CONTACT was reported in the 1900 block of Highway 87.
- AGGRAVATED ASSAULT was reported in the 1600 block of Sixth Street.

## Fire/EMS

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

- MEDICAL was reported in the 1900 block of N. Highway 87. One person was transported to SMMC.
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Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 83 inmates at the time of this report.

• KARA JEAN FRALEY, 18, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on a miscellaneous charge.

• JAMES RUSSELL HALL, 59, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on a charge of driving while intoxicated – second offense.

• MIGUEL ENRIQUE JUAREZ, 21, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on contempt charges for minor in possession of alcohol and failure to appear.

• ROBERT ADAM MATA, 22, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on a probation revocation for possession of marijuana – two ounces or less.

• KENNETH MIKEL MCPHERSON, 18, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on a probation revocation for possession of marijuana – two ounces or less.

• BERNARDO FRAUSTO PEREZ, 45, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of assault Class C – family violence.

• CARRIE DAWN TINDOL, 37, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while license invalid.

• ROBERTO VASQUEZ, 18, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on a charge of consumption of alcohol by a minor.

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**FLOAT**

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be paying special tribute to Don, who passed away in December.”

According to Buzbee, McKinney was a long time member of the BSMAA and a serious model aircraft enthusiast, using his passion for education and his model aircraft hobby as a way to reach youth and teach them life lessons.

“Many other members of the group remember Don as an avid participant and want-

ed to honor his passion for model aircrafts and the way he used his hobby to make a difference in the lives of others,” he said.

Howard College President Dr. Cheryl T. Sparks said McKinney, who served as a member of the Howard College Board of Trustees for 36 years, wasn't the least bit shy when it came to sharing his feelings on the importance of education for the area's youth.

“Don McKinney was a pillar of strength and guidance for Howard College and this community,” said Sparks.

“We miss him greatly and are so excited to have a chance to honor his memory by participating in his namesake event that he loved so much.”

The annual event — which will be held at Comanche Trail Park near the Dora Roberts Community Center and is expected to take to the skies of the park from 9:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday — will offer model aircraft pilots and enthusiasts the chance to take off from the waters of the city's municipal lake.

Buzbee said the Float and Fly is strictly a fun event and

offers area residents a chance to check out a unique and exciting hobby.

“We'll have the buddy boxes on hand, in case someone wants to try their skill at flying,” said Buzbee. “However, there aren't any kind of races of competitions. It's strictly about having fun. The guys from the association are really eager to talk about the hobby, and they can certainly point you in the right direction to get started.”

And while the planes certainly draw a crowd each year, Marian Buzbee said the food is also a big part of the

weekend event.

“We always have brisket at the Float and Fly, and this year is no exception,” said Buzbee. “We'll offer brisket plates, complete with things like beans and potato salad, for \$5 from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.”

Along with the usual Float and Fly events and lunch, a special recognition ceremony will be held at 11 a.m. in honor of McKinney, including a special presentation from Sparks and the BSMAA.

For more information on the event, contact the Buzbees at 263-0021.

**MUSIC**

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begin at 8 p.m. in the Big Spring High School Auditorium. Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$10 for senior citizens and \$5 for students and available at Western Bank, Faye's Flowers, Blum's Jewelers, the Heritage Museum, Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce and the Big Spring Herald.

Dr. Keith Graumann, symphony director and conductor, said he is excited about starting the season with “Classical Music in the Movies.”

“This will be a great opening concert for the Big Spring Symphony,” said Graumann. “Listen-

ers will recognize many of the pieces played as movie themes, not realizing that the music had been drawn from major orchestral works. And, for non-moviegoers, the evening offers a rich variety of more familiar and not-so-familiar major works.”

Graumann won't actually be conducting this performance. In what has been a tradition of late, a maestro very familiar with Howard County will, however.

“Once again, we have invited our longtime friend of the Big Spring Symphony, Maestro John Giordana, to conduct the opening concert of the season,” said Graumann. “He will conduct the orchestra

in works that were exciting, emotional or spectacular enough to be chosen by movie producers to use in major films.”

The concert will begin with the “Overture to the Marriage of Figaro” by Mozart. The piece has been featured in such films as the “Shawshank Redemption,” “Trading Places” and “Shelton Key.” Others to be included in the first portion of the concert include “Night on Bare Mountain” by Mussorgsky (“Natural Born Killers”), “Clair de Lune” by Debussy (“Ocean's Eleven”) and “Finlandia” by Sibelius (“Die Hard II”).

The second portion of the concert will

open with “Prelude to the Walkurie.” Others will include “Barber of Seville Overture” by Rossini (“Bugs Bunny,” “Robots”), “Blue Danube” by Strauss (“Titanic,” “2001 a Space Odyssey,” “Charlie and the Chocolate Factory”) and “Jupiter” from the seven-movement suite “The Plants” by Holst, which has been in numerous films and other works.

Other concerts in this year's series are:

- “A Symphonic Christmas,” Dec. 19, with the Coahoma Choir Kids and Sandra Wallace, at Trinity Baptist Church.
- “Symphony in Motion,” featuring Big Spring Symphony

members performing solo Feb. 20 in the high school auditorium.

- “Symphony Pops Extravaganza” with celebrated entertainer and song writer Paul Williams March 27 at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum on the Howard College campus.

In addition to individual performance tickets, season tickets are available. Season tickets include four tickets that may be used at any concert, and show a substantial discount over individual ticket prices. Prices are \$50 for adults, \$30 for senior citizens and \$15 for students.

General admission ticket prices for the Paul Williams concert

will double the regular single ticket prices but the concert is included at no extra charge in the season ticket package.

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**WALK**

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ator Nancy Jones said the Memory Walk is about a lot more than just fund-raising.

“Our goal is down quite a bit from a few years ago, but that's just a sign of the economic times,” said Jones. “However, money isn't the end-all be-all of the Memory Walk or the Alzheimer's Association. We're also hoping to increase awareness. That's just as important as bringing in funds.”

The walk will get under way at 9 a.m. at the Alice Haynes Pavilion in Comanche Trail Park

— located behind the Kids' Zone playground — with registration set from 8:30 a.m. until 9 a.m.

“We will have a nice walk in the park, hot dogs and prizes,” said Jones. “Many will come with a team named to memorialize someone who had the disease and others will come to honor someone who is currently battling against the disease.”

“The money we raise each year stays in Howard County. It goes to help the families dealing with the disease and offers them the education and group services they need. It funds the different services the Alzheimer's Association

provides. A percentage of the money is also used to help fund research on the disease.”

The Memory Walk will feature two different courses.

“We have two main courses we'll walk,” said Jones. “The long course is about two miles, while the short course is about a mile. Of course, that doesn't mean anyone has to walk any particular distance. We have some people who come out and support by just walking a short distance. It's all for a good cause.”

The annual walk has had a positive impact on the Crossroads area, according to Jones, helping raise awareness

among not just adults.

“We get more phone calls and more people attending the workshops, but it's seeing the kids get up and lend their help that really makes you proud,” said said.

Alzheimer's disease is a progressive brain disorder that gradually destroys a person's memory and ability to learn, reason, make judgments, communicate and carry out daily activities. As Alzheimer's progresses, individuals may also experience changes in personality and behavior, such as anxiety, suspiciousness

or agitation, as well as delusions or hallucinations.

**POLICE**

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didn't take anything. It appears they were looking for specific items,” said Everett. “We don't have any witnesses to the burglaries at this time, but we do have several leads we're following up on.”

Several residents on Alabama reported hearing car doors opening and being closed at around 4 a.m. Thursday morning, but Everett said a specific time for the break-ins has yet to be established.

As for an dollar estimate as to what the thieves made away with, Everett said that's anyone's guess at this point.

“It's really hard to tell what was taken at this point, so the chances of being able to put a dollar amount to this is pretty slim,” said Everett. “Investigators are still working on the case, so we'll have to see what they come up with.”

In the meantime, Everett encouraged area residents to protect themselves against future break-ins.

“If you have to leave valuables in your vehicle, the best place for them is locked up in the trunk,” said Everett. “However, that's not even a safe place even more, because most ve-

hicles today have trunk buttons inside the car, so once they are inside they have access to everything, including the trunk. If possible, keep your valuables in your house.”

Anyone with information regarding this crime is encouraged to call the police department at 264-2550 or Big

Spring Area Crimestoppers at 263-TIPS (8477) or 264-TIPS. Crimestopper phone lines do not utilize caller ID, and informants may remain anonymous.

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## OUR VIEW

# We salute:

*Each week, the Herald salutes individuals and groups from our community and area who have been recognized for special achievements or accomplishments.*

*We recognize these special people for working to help make our region a better place to live, work and play*

### This week we salute:

- Members of the Big Spring High School speech and debate team, which placed second at the Odessa High School Speech and Debate tournament behind the lead of Jessica Rubio, Shermila Kher, Danielle Freeman, Opal Gonzales, Shawn Adams, David Rios, Seth Pearson, John Loveless, Josh Smith, Sarah Will and Marissa Zavala.

- Big Spring Fire Chief Brian Jensen, his wife, Debbie, and their children, Jeremy, Rian, Carressa, Hannah, Mica and Michael, who have been selected as the 2009 Big Spring Family of the Year by the Samaritan Counseling Center of West Texas.

- Maegan Blocker, who was named Grady High School's homecoming queen during ceremonies of last Friday's football game.

- All those who took part in Saturday's second annual Comanche Warrior Triathlon at Comanche Trail Park.

- All those who took part in the Sept. 11 ceremony, honoring those who died during the terrorist attacks in 2001, as well as those military personnel who made the ultimate sacrifice fighting in Iraq and Afghanistan, Friday night at the Big Spring Mall.

*Is there an individual or organization in our community that you feel should be saluted? If so, please send us their name and why you think they should be recognized. We must have your name and telephone number and you must provide it in writing.*

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## A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

You, Lord, know all the adjustments that need to be made in our lives. May we give You all of our trust.

Amen

# Birthday party: Chicken way out

It was something of a hybrid event, partly "connived" by loving relatives and the rest perhaps attributable to a perfect alignment of the stars — or at least a coincidence of the calendar.

Now, several days removed from Labor Day, on which fell my 72nd birthday, I can better objectify the observance. In the moment it felt like contrived chaos, rubbing right up against a maelstrom of monstrous proportions.

I am grateful for yet another birthday and for most of its activities. Besides, it is the first time in almost seven years of column-writing that I've had a grand opportunity to use "maelstrom," a favorite word during theme-writing years of yore.

Let me begin by reiterating my long-held belief that we are fortunate indeed to experience life a few bites at a time. Those who wish to see 10 years up the road are urged to reconsider.

We who take baby steps toward the future think it best to seek 10-hour views of our tomorrows, 10 days at most.

During a 40-year career in higher education, long-range planning, which educational experts insisted was of paramount importance, made my eyes twitch.

Luckily, I did not know what lay ahead on "birthday eve." Driving toward Fort Worth, I was grateful for a spate of speeches that had taken me to far-flung parts of Texas for four speaking engagements in as many days.

Wearied in voice and body but

near-giddy in spirit, I perked up as the city's skyline appeared, signaling that the comforts of home were but moments away.

I broke into a smile, warmed by the thought that Chick-fil-A's across the land offered free sandwiches on Labor Day for all patrons sporting shirts with their favorite team logos. That meant birthday lunch plans already were in concrete. The prospect of tasty sandwiches, sans cost, conjured imagery akin to a warm fireside moment. The next morning, however, my dreams were reduced to mush.

It never occurred to me that Uncle Mort, my 97-year-old kin who lives down in the thicket, would remember my birthday, or weasel a ride to the Metroplex with the bread truck driver, or even be aware of the free sandwich promotion.

When he burst through the door, I knew that whatever plans I had for a quiet day were gone with the wind.

"Lunch is on me," he joked, herding 15 family members — all three daughters' families, including their six children, ages 2-8 — into three cars.

You're getting ahead of me — again. Uncle Mort, in the lead car, took us straight to Chick-fil-A. He ushered the whole bunch through the door, handing out team logo shirts to all who needed them, including a few puzzled patrons who had no family connection.

He "pushed" the merits of ice water, of course, since water is free. Moving four tables together, Mort was immediately the maestro, orchestrating the "Happy Birthday" song, and much else. Dozens of patrons — folks who didn't know Uncle Mort from the Energizer Bunny — joined in.

He emptied his backpack stuffed with candle-bearing

cupcakes Aunt Maude had sent along. As Mort ignited the candles, store operator Greg Ryan stood vigil with a fire extinguisher.

Decked out in green with the energy of a leprechaun, Mort was everywhere, refilling drink cups, joking with patrons and finally drawing stares when, with the slightest bend of knees, was short enough for the play area. He is believed to be the oldest patron ever to zoom down the slide.

Then, the diners were "hooked" on Mort's handful of "Austin Madness" bumper stickers from his extensive collection.

An older one, traced back to Austin's Sixth Street, read: "Keep Austin Weird."

One urged, "Keep Georgetown Normal"; another, simply "Round Rock Rocks." Pflugerville's got the biggest laugh: "Between a rock and a weird place."

Two hours later, Mort said good-byes, hitching a ride back to the thicket on an eastbound bread truck. (I heard him putting the con on the driver to take an alternate route so he could sneak a peek at the new Dallas Cowboys stadium.)

As we left, we watched Ryan's eyes cross as he cleared debris from our tables, perhaps praying silently for enough room at the landfill.

He was muttering about a letter to incorporate, urging fine print outlawing birthday parties on future sandwich give-away days. That night, he and his staff slumbered well, having handed out 2,890 sandwiches. And that's no lousy chicken joke

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# Don't let Debbie Downer get you down

There seems to be one in every crowd — the naysayer, the voice of doom, the predictor of bad tidings. Debbie Downer or Gloomy Gus is always the pessimist who sees the downside of everything — the glass that is always half empty. And she or he generally shares a depressed view of the world with everyone they meet.

Perhaps among the disciples of Jesus, the unbelieving Thomas would come under the same or at least a similar category. Skeptics seem to have little or no faith in what they haven't seen or experienced. Their dark perspective would have us all believe the possible is impossible unless they are proven wrong. And even when proven wrong, they consider it a fluke, a stroke of good luck, a chance occurrence, an accident.

Of course, Thomas did eventually believe, and his faith was reassured. But his doubting brought a lesson from Jesus. Jesus said, "Thomas, because thou hast seen me, thou hast believed: blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed." (John 20:29)

Perhaps a lack of faith or not enough faith is the culprit that leads to pessimism.

I'm no "Little Mary Sunshine," but I just can't subscribe to Deb-

bie Downer's view on life. I have firsthand experience in how a simple change in my outlook and attitude changes my experience for better or for worse. And who wouldn't want to do whatever it takes to have a better, happier, more satisfying life?

One problem I see with Debbie and Gus is that they are too opinionated. In fact, they are so consumed by their own opinions that their minds are completely closed to divine direction, inspiration and intervention — even when they say they have faith in God.

Remember the parable of the drowning man. It has a variety of versions, but one story says a man's house is being immersed by a flood. Before the road is covered, someone in a jeep drives by and offers the man a ride. But the man refuses, saying he has faith that God will save him. As the waters continue to rise, another comes by in a boat and offers the man a ride. But again, the man refuses, saying he has faith that God will save him. Finally, while the man is standing on his rooftop, a helicopter arrives and the pilot offers the man a ride to safety. And yet again, the man refuses, expressing his faith in God. In heaven, the man asks God why He didn't save him. And the Lord explains, "I sent you a jeep, a boat and a helicopter."

If this man had truly had faith in God, he would not have tried to interfere with, outline or limit how God's purpose works out. He would have known that

there are infinite resources and possibilities — that nothing is impossible or beyond reach. He would have accepted the jeep ride — without question, judgment or fear!

I've found having faith in God is easier when I begin with acknowledging that God is Love and good. I believe God's plan for us is always good, and I'd rather trust in His wisdom than uncertain opinion or fearful odds.

Don't let a Debbie Downer or Gloomy Gus diminish your hope or overshadow your confidence. Interrupt their putting with some cheer, and perhaps you can give them some encouragement that brightens their spirits.

But what if you've been like the drowning man and refused the jeep and boat ride. Would you sit there, like I suspect Debbie or Gus would, on your rooftop with your head down on your knees — dismayed and depressed — condemning yourself for your mistakes, your lack of wisdom, your arrogance?

Since I'm quite certain that position will not save you, my friends, here's a more certain plan of action.

It's not too late. Keep your chin up, your hope high, your view expectant. There will be a helicopter. Be ready to take it!

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**Baptist Temple**

Sunday mornings in September, our theme will be "The Voice of Truth." We hear many different voices in our day-to-day life. The challenge is to discern which is from God and which is not. This Sunday we will look at Romans 8:28-39 and discuss the question of "What does God say about you?" as opposed to what "they" or "the crowd" says about you.

Our financial peace class meets from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Mondays. The course has already started but we will be offering this course again in the spring for anyone interested.

Our weight-loss support group SPEED (Shedding Pounds Eagerly Every Day) meets Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m. in the Baptist Temple fellowship hall. There is no cost and it is open to anyone interested in attending.

Also our 12-step recovery program is meeting Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. in our church fellowship hall. There is no cost to attend this, either.

We have Sunday school classes for all ages at 9:45 a.m. Sunday. Our worship services are at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday. We also have activities for all ages Wednesdays at 7 p.m.

For more information, call us at 267-8287 or check us out on the Web at [btcbigspring.org](http://btcbigspring.org).

**Salem Baptist**

Salem Baptist Church will be hosting the gospel group Blackwood Legacy Sept. 29. The performance begins at 7 p.m. Please join us for an evening of praise and worship music.

If you are looking for a church home, Sunday School begins at 10 a.m., morning worship at 11 and evening worship is at 6. A nursery is available for all Sunday services. The Wednesday evening prayer meeting is at Parkplace and begins at 6.

Salem is pastored by Monroe Teeters and is located at the corner of Salem Road and Old Colorado City Highway. For more information, call 394-4655.

**Chapel of Faith**

The Chapel of Faith invites you to attend Sunday worship service at 10:30 a.m. each week. Pastor Scott Willis' sermon for this week is titled "Compassion for the World." The scripture is Mark 9:30-37.

Pastor Willis was honored recently by the Chaplain Fellowship Ministries. First of all, he received his master chaplain certification and was surprised by the group awarding him an honorary doctor of divinity degree.

Pastor Willis works with several groups as chaplain, including the Emergency Services Chaplain Corps.

Getting into the routine of fall, the Chapel of Faith met following services Sunday and made several decisions concerning events.

The annual stew supper will be the last part of October or the first part of November. There will also be a Christmas Eve candlelight communion service.

Details of these events will be forthcoming. The congregation voted to donate \$500 to help with repairs to a home of a disabled person. The recipient of the other \$500 will be determined later. This is all part of the \$1,000 per quarter voted to be given to community projects.

We look forward to seeing you in church Sunday. If you don't come to Chapel of Faith, please attend the church of your choice. Remember, services are at 10:30 a.m. and the church is located at E. 14th and Goliad streets.

**East Fourth Street Baptist**

It was obvious Sunday that our church is very blessed with grandparents. Thanks to our pastor and staff for the beautiful bookmark featuring the scripture 2 Timothy 1:3-7.

Those of East Fourth who wish to attend SBTC Annual Meeting, contact Bro. Keith before Sept 20. The meeting is Oct. 26-27.

Here's the "Rest of the Story," from last week's article. Our pastor, Keith Weaver will be spending a few hours in "jail" at Papa Georgio's Pizza Sept. 24. The reason is for MDA. Bail is set at \$800, so let's all help in this good cause and free our pastor as soon as possible.

We invite you to East Fourth to share a time of worship with us. Our Sunday school begins at 9:45 a.m.; worship service at 11 in the Family Worship Center, evening service in the fellowship hall.

Wednesdays, adult Bible study and prayer meetings is in the fellowship hall, youth Bible study and music practice upstairs in the youth department and the Children's Backdoor Bible study and music practice is downstairs in the children's department. At 7 a.m. Saturdays there is a men's Bible study in the conference room.

Our church is located at 401 E. Fourth St.. For more information, call the church office located at 410 E. Third (directly behind the church) at 267-2291.

**First Presbyterian, Coahoma**

The friendly folks at First Presbyterian Church, Coahoma invite anyone to come and worship with us. We meet at 11 a.m. Sunday to share the scriptures, sing, pray and worship, led by Commissioned Lay Pastor Tom Koger.

Presbyterian Women met Wednesday at 6 p.m. in the church social hall for Bible study. Linda Luce led the study based on Joshua 1:1-9 and 23, and DonNell Luce provided food.

We will have a congregational meeting to elect a nominating committee to select church officers for the Class of 2012 following worship Sunday.

The next Frolic, an evening of home-grown talent and entertainment, will be Saturday, Oct. 10.

Presbyterian Women of Tres Rios Presbytery will have their Fall Retreat at Christ the King Retreat Center, 802 Ford St. in San Angelo, beginning with supper at 6 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 5 and concluding with lunch Saturday, Nov. 7. The registration deadline is Oct 1. For registration forms or more information, contact Monika Robinson, Crossroads Cluster coordinator.

The lectionary for the 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time is Proverbs 31: 10-31; Psalm 1; James 3:13-4:3, 7-8; Mark 9:30-37.

**First Presbyterian, Big Spring**

The Lectionary Bible study met Wednesday at 5:17 p.m. Choir practice was at 6 p.m.

Last Sunday, the Rev. Bert Bronaugh announced and presented a plaque stating that the day was declared "Mike Mitchell Day," honoring our organist/music director who has been sharing his talent with us for 16 1/2 years. Mitchell received a standing ovation from the congregation.

A reception for Bert and Joyce Bronaugh, who will be leaving us this month after a year as interim pastor and wife, was held Thursday, Sept. 17, in the church parlor.

The congregation acknowledged its appreciation for the Bronaughs and their service for the past year.

Presbyterian Women will meet Tuesday, Sept. 22 at 2 p.m. in the church library, with Helen Glass leading the first lesson of the study of Joshua.

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Preachers who will be filling our pulpit after the Rev. Bronaugh's departure will be Dennis Haralson, CLP from Seminole, Sept. 27; Pastor Emeritus Flynn Long, presenting a sermon dealing with John Calvin, Oct. 4; and the Rev. Shannon Weisenfels, associate pastor at First Presbyterian Midland, Oct. 11. We will be pleased to welcome our new minister, the Rev. Craig Holstedt, Oct. 18.

Pam Morgan will provide refreshments for "Take Ten" Sunday.

The lectionary for the 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time is Proverbs 31: 10-31; Psalm 1; James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a; Mark 9:30-37. The Rev. Bronaugh will present a sermon entitled "Who's the Greatest?" based on Mark 9. The choir will offer the anthem "O Sing unto the Lord" by Hans Leo Hassler, and the offertory anthem is "Blessed Is the Man" by Jane Marshall. A special choral benediction, Becki Slagle Mayo's "An Irish Blessing," will end the service.

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

**Don't be a doofus**

"Don't be a doofus," admonishes talk show host and vocabulary builder Bill O'Reilly.

I admit that I have been called a doofus and have applied the word to others at times. On occasion, I have had one of those doofus moments when logic completely abandoned me and impulse took over. However it never occurred to me that "doofus" might be a legitimate word. I thought it was just one of those auditory morsels of language that has no spelling and no definition beyond what the spoken word suggests.

After Mr. O'Reilly, who unashamedly admits to having taught school at one time, challenged me and thousands of other viewers to look the word up, I started searching. When the thickest dictionary on my book shelf didn't yield the word I had seen on the TV screen, I resorted to an on-line collection of Webster's finest work.

Sure enough, "doofus" popped up on the screen with diacritical markings, a definition, and a list of

literary characters who had been dubbed with the proper name of "Doofus." Although I didn't recognize any of them, it made me feel better just to know that they had made their mark on literature. I figured I was too old, too young, or just too out of touch to remember any of them. I really felt better when I realized that the spell check feature on my computer didn't know how to spell "doofus" either. It didn't even have any suggestions.

Although I have never checked an exhaustive concordance for the word in question, I don't recall ever seeing "doofus" in the Bible either. Perhaps there is no equivalent Hebrew or Greek word, or maybe the English translators didn't know how to spell "doofus" either. However, the concept is evident throughout the Scripture.

In the Bible, we can read about the wise man who built his house upon the rock and the doofus who built his house on the sand. We are also told that a doofus hates wisdom and instruction. Perhaps the Psalmist said it best though: "The fool has said in his heart, 'There is no God'" (Psalm: 14:1 NASB).

I'm not sure what Mr. O'Reilly had in mind when he said, "Don't be a doofus." However, I'm sure God meant for all of us to heed His Word.



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church office at 263-4211. You may also see what's happening at the church by visiting our Web site: [www.fpcbs.org](http://www.fpcbs.org)

**First United Methodist**

Pastor Rev. Sharon Weise will be bringing the message at both services of worship this Sunday. Preaching from Exodus 19 her sermon title will be "God Spells Relationships With a C." Services are at 8:30 and 10:50 a.m.

Thanks to the folks at Furr's Cafeteria for naming First Methodist the "church of the week" for Sept. 13-19.

The season's Kid's Club has started and will meet each Tuesday after school for elementary age children. Volunteers are always welcome and

are guaranteed a blessing as these children experience the love of Christ through learning.

The preteen group of youth will meet for GIG (God Is Good) beginning this Sunday in the youth hall beginning at 5 p.m.

Those interested in going to the Ragtown Theatre in Post on Saturday, Sept. 26 are urged to sign up in the church office by Tuesday, Sept 22. Tickets to see "The Baptist" are \$15.

Beginning Wednesday night, Oct. 7, the Rev. Weise will be leading a study "One Month to Live," 30 days to a no regrets life. And Oct. 11 she will be starting a series on "The DNA of Lasting Relationships."

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JERRIE STOCKS

But there is an answer, and that answer is prayer. God is looking for people today who will connect with Him in prayer so that He can unleash His power through them. This power is so strong, so awesome and miracle-working that it can overcome any trial, difficulty or challenge. It is a power that can change the world!

and the world needs it today as never before.

How can we know the power of God unleashed in our lives today? We can only know it by going to the world's greatest authority on prayer, Jesus Christ. When we do, we learn to pray the kingdom way, reaping amazing results.

Jeremiah 33:3 says, "Call upon me and I will answer you, and I will show you great and mighty things that you have not known." Jesus Christ continually, consistently, fervently, and faithfully prays for His family; that is all of us who have accepted Him as Savior.

Jesus was a man of prayer. It was a way of life for Him. He prayed at His baptism and in the desert during times of temptation. He prayed early in the morning and in the Garden of Gethsemane. He prayed when He chose His disciples and while hanging on the cross. Is it

any wonder that His most intimate followers asked Him to teach them how to pray?

We will never understand the full impact prayer makes in our lives. It would take an eternity to discover and understand the full power of prayer, but it works and it will make a difference in your life when you practice it.

The problems we are facing today with unemployment at an all time high and a national debt higher than this country has ever known in its history makes me know that we need prayer now more than ever. Prayer is a mighty weapon, and as I see it, is the only thing that can change this nation and get it back on track again.

Somewhere along this journey, we as a nation have lost our way. We have stumbled, fallen and lost sight of the godly principles this country was founded on, making it the greatest nation on planet

earth. We have all but forgotten absolute truth, integrity, goodness, and faithfulness, and as a result, have reaped rampant moral decay.

The problems with our nation cannot be summed up in a material list. We are in desperate need of a spiritual awakening, period, and until we see this change our country will continue on a slippery slope.

In 2 Chronicles 20:1-30, Jehoshaphat was facing a crushing threat to his reign. A multitude from Syria was plotting to invade Judah. In the face of these incredible odds, Jehoshaphat humbled himself before the Lord. He prayed, asking God for His help, and the result was the greatest victory he had ever experienced. The prophet Jahaziel told Jehoshaphat, "Do not be afraid or dismayed... for the battle is not yours, but God's."

Jehoshaphat cried out to the Lord saying, "We have

no power against this great army, nor do we know what to do, but our eyes are upon you." The essence of prayer is total surrender and helplessness. When we come to the end of ourselves, get our pride out of the way, and call upon God in our distress, He answers.

We have a battle before us, but we can change the situation if we do as Jehoshaphat did; humble ourselves and ask for God's help concerning this country and the problems that loom before us as giants in our land.

"They wandered in the wilderness in a desolate way; they found no city to dwell in. Hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted in them, then they cried out to the Lord in their trouble, and He heard them and delivered them out of their distresses," Psalm 107:4-6.

God bless  
Send your comments to [jjstocks1@suddenlink.net](mailto:jjstocks1@suddenlink.net)

## CHURCH

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Sunday, Oct. 25, you are invited to "Walk Thru the Bible." It's an all-day adventure that will re-ignite your desire to read the Bible and pray daily. Contact the church office for registration information. Lunch and childcare will be provided.

And sure enough, it's time to start thinking about The Living Christmas Tree. If you like to sing and you love Christmas music, come join the "tree choir." You do not have to be able to read music; you'll love the fun and fellowship. For more information about joining the choir and practice schedules call Eddie Vandewalker at 264-5145.

If you are looking for a church home, if you long for Christian fellowship, come give us a try; we're First Methodist, where families grow in Christ.

### Birdwell Lane Baptist

Have a great Sunday. Attend your church and if you don't have one you can always come visit us at 1512 Birdwell Lane. You're always welcome. Sunday services are at 10:55 a.m. and 5 p.m. Midweek service is 6:30 p.m. Wednesday. There is Sunday school at 10 a.m. for all ages from 3-adult. For a ride, call 264-9924 or 267-7157.

We are starting a revival with Evangelist Bobby Evans from Fort Worth. It will be this Sunday through Wednesday, Sept. 23 at 7 p.m. Special music by will be by Charlene Evans, the C&D Quartet and Birdwell Lane Choir. For information, call 267-7157 or 267-8214.

### Alive in Christ Lutheran LCMS

Our motto is "Celebrating and sharing God's love and grace in our lives."

We are located at 2805 Lynn St. in the Kentwood Subdivision in Big Spring.

Our church phone number is (432) 264-7818. Our Web site is [www.lutheransonline.com/aliveinchristbstx](http://www.lutheransonline.com/aliveinchristbstx). We would love to have you join us for church on Sundays at 9 a.m. with Sunday school at 10:15.

The Rev. Don Rostentreter will be preaching this Sunday. Communion will be served. Flowers this week are given by Laura Averette and Stacey Saucedo in memory of James Averette.

Angela Newton is our organist. Acolyte will be Mateo Rodriguez. Our elders are Bobby Roever and Darrin Byrd. The liturgy will be read by Kent Ivey. The readings for this 16th Sunday after Pentecost are Jeremiah 11:18-20, Psalm 54, James 3:13-4:10, 14-18 and Mark 9:30-37.

Anyone interested in reading, contact Dolline Budke. This is a small service to God that is very important to our service.

If you are interested in beginning or attending a new men's or women's Bible study, contact a member of the Board of Education. These Bible studies could be any day or evening of the week and could be held either at church or in a home.

A Bible study at church is from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursdays. If you are interested in "Receiving God's Goodness," contact Shirley Reid. Meetings in October will move to Tuesdays. There is still time to join. A light meal will be available. You do not need to be a member of our congregation to attend.

A Thursday evening Bible study, hosted by Karen Ivey at her home located at 1005 15th St, began last

Thursday evening at 7 p.m. The day of the meetings may be changed depending on the members.

A new Web site offered by The Lutheran Hour Ministries is available. The site, [www.jcplayzone.com](http://www.jcplayzone.com), promises fun and Christian educational based games and videos.

Everyone had a great time during Rally Day last Sunday. Thank you for Cindy Carlisle and Juanell Roever as well as the rest of the Board of Education. A special thanks goes to Balloons & More for their help with our balloon launch at the end of church service. Thank you to all the individuals who brought their delicious salads, desserts, etc and also to the men who prepared the hamburgers and hot dogs.

Mid Week School began Wednesday with a light meal served at 5 p.m. with both Mid Week School classes (6 p.m.) and confirmation classes (5:30 p.m.) being held. Thank you Jaunell Roever for preparing the meal. Next Wednesday's meal will be provided by Shirley Reid. If you are interested in Mid Week School, contact the church or a member of the Board of Education

The Board of Evangelism is also beginning "visitation calls" on members, prospective members, etc. Names, addresses and phone numbers of those wanting/needing a visit from this group should be given to Richard Knocke. If you would like to help this group with visitation, contact Richard.

If you are interested in helping at our AIC booth at the Howard County Fair Sept. 30 to Oct. 3, contact Kathy Laning or sign up on the poster board. It is a lot of fun and you meet the nicest people in the Big Spring area.

Our Thrivent representatives are Shirley Reid, Audrey Abel, and Dolline Budke.

The information class is still meeting on Wednesday at 6 p.m.

The LWML will also meet Oct. 8. The Board of Education will meet Oct. 13. The Elders meet Oct. 22. All of these meetings are at 7 p.m. at the church. October 12, the LWML will serve refreshments at the VA.

### North Birdwell Lane United Methodist

North Birdwell Lane United Methodist Church invites you to 2702 N. Birdwell Lane to worship with our congregation this Sunday.

Sunday school begins at 9:30 a.m. with Guy Teague leading our lesson. Our worship service begins at 10:30 a.m. with Certified Lay Minister Billy C. Bates preaching. North Birdwell Lane is a small church with a big heart. If you are searching for a church home or are just in town visiting, you are most welcome to worship with us. Our church's motto is "God loves you and there is nothing you can do about it."

North Birdwell is gearing up for Angel Food delivery day Sept 26. Angel Food Ministry is a non-qualifying, faith-based program that provides food through the Department of Agriculture to be purchased at a reduced cost. The food is restaurant quality and the menu changes monthly. Our program accepts cash, money orders or Lone Star Cards. We do not accept personal checks and orders must be paid for when the order is placed.

Orders are taken on the first and second Friday

and Saturday of each month. Times are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday. Orders can also be placed at the Big Spring Mall on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

### St. Mary's Episcopal

Everyone is invited to attend worship services at St. Mary's this Sunday. The fall schedule continues Sunday with holy communion at 10:30 a.m. We have Sunday school for all ages at 9:30 a.m.

The Brotherhood of St. Andrews meets Sunday at 8 a.m. in the parish hall.

The CNC mentor training begins at 3 p.m. Sunday in the parish hall.

Join us at 7 p.m. Tuesday for Evensong, an evening of prayer and music. This special program is to celebrate Canterburn and Canterburn North Retirement Homes' 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

St. Mary's noon holy eucharist service is every Wednesday in the chapel. There will be a women's lunch and prayer group meeting in the library after the service. Bring your lunch and join us.

For more information about St. Mary's Episcopal Church, call 267-8201 or visit our Web site at [www.stmarysbst.org](http://www.stmarysbst.org). St. Mary's is located at 1001 S. Goliad.

## BSHS

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of Luke and Mique Yarbar and Phil and Leslie Whitten.

The following boys were nominated for king: Steven Islas (Interact); Andrew Lewis (speech and debate); Skyler Moore (journalism); Damian Perez (choir); Matt Ritchey (National Honor Society); Daniel Segundo (band); Jonathan Womack (ready writing); and Martin Yanez (student council).

Homecoming king finalists are Islas, son of Benny Islas and Denita Rodriguez; Moore, son of Gary and Chris Moore; Ritchey, son of Mike and Robin Ritchey; Segundo, son of Sam and Christina Segundo; and Yanez, son of Martin Yanez and Denise Carrillo.

The queen and king will be elected during a vote today by the student body and will be announced at halftime of Big Spring's football game with Andrews this evening at Memorial Stadium. Kickoff is at 7:30 p.m.

Also held today will be the annual homecoming parade, although road construction in downtown Big Spring will force it to take a different route this year. High school officials said the parade will start at 4:30 p.m. at the intersection of Donley Street and 11<sup>th</sup> Place, head west on 11th to Goliad, north on Goliad to Eighth, east on Eighth to Owens, then south to 10<sup>th</sup>.

After the game, there will be a students-only dance beginning at 10 p.m. in the high school cafeteria.

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Five members of the 1941 Study Club of Coahoma were recently honored with certificates and pins by Texas Federation of Women's Clubs, Western District, for various years of service in Federation. Shown are Marie Ethridge, 50 years of service; Sue Tindel, 43 years; Helen Shive, 47 years; Loma Jean Wynn, 45 years; and Judy Dobbs, 34 years. Also shown is Catherine Travland, president of TFWC, Western District, from Pecos.



Courtesy photo

Officers for 1941 Study Club of Coahoma for 2009-2010 are shown recently at a President's Breakfast in the home of Sue Tindel. From left are Bo Fryar, vice president; Myrtie Lee, secretary/treasurer; Betsy Land, president. Also shown is Catherine Travland, president of Texas Federation of Women's Clubs, Western District, who was attending from Pecos.

## ► Club News

### TOPS Tx 0021

TOPS TX 0021 met Monday evening to weigh and discuss weight challenges.

Leader Laura Sickles brought the meeting to order, asking for members to call out the TOPS cheer. She received a resounding cheer that caught everyone's attention. The TOPS pledge was led by Carol Smith, after which the KOPS pledge was led by Ethel Cassady. The membership then joined in singing the TOPS welcome song, led by Frank Sickles.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read by Carol Smith. Hughetta Roberts started the roll call with seven TOPS and two KOPS answering. The best loser of the week was Dennis Stapel. For this, he was awarded

his Best Loser certificate and \$1 cash. Four members answered the roll call as "Turtles," meaning they showed no loss or no gain for the two-week period since the previous meeting. Hurray for the best loser and the turtles.

The business portion of the meeting reminded members of the club garage sale Oct. 3. It will be at Linda Stapel's home at 1802 Morrison. Item No. 2 on the agenda reminded of the Fun Day activity in Abilene Sept. 26. Members will pool rides for this activity.

Then a report on the recent bowling activity of the club told members that Dennis Stapel was the champion bowler for that evening. Then club treasurer Frank Sickles gave a financial report. Three motions were made and seconded to authorize funds to

purchase new member folders, postage stamps for club mailings and payment of chapter maintenance fee.

A new pumpkin contest began this night. A quarter-pound loss equals a quarter of a pumpkin to be colored. One pound loss colors one entire pumpkin. The most pumpkins colored by Oct. 26 wins the prize.

The program was presented by Frank Sickles, titled "Restaurant Choices." TOPS members need to decide before going out to eat at a restaurant to look for low-fat, low-calorie foods on the menu. A quiz was passed to members and everyone had a lively conversation about which foods were best for those mindful of watching their weight. We attempted to identify "green flag words" (go ahead and order) and "red flag words" (stop and consider) that we can choose from when eating out.

For more information about TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), please call Frank Sickles at (432) 213-1342 or Olnee Menges at 263-6819. We meet Monday evenings at the First Christian Church fellowship hall at 10<sup>th</sup> and Goliad. Weigh-in is from 5:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. and our regular meeting is from 6 p.m., to 7 p.m. All visitors are welcome. We need you and you need us if you have a challenging weight problem. Come see for yourself. TOPS does help.

### Keep Big Spring Beautiful

Keep Big Spring Beautiful met Monday, Sept. 14, at the Cactus Room at Howard College. President Walter Ward called on Barbera Walker for

the invocation.

Pat Simmons reported on the progress of the E. 15th Street beautification. She has obtained several block captains and is encouraged with our door-to-door response.

Chad Averette announced that the date for our tire disposal and our E-waste collection will be Nov. 14. This will be a one-day affair. More information will be available later.

Ward discussed the park renovation effort. We are in a new category of competition with other towns of like population. The prize for this contest will be \$230,000. Letters have been sent out seeking sponsors for park benches, "you are here" maps and tops for trash receptacles. We will make follow-up calls to these possible sponsors.

Members were encouraged to sign up for manning our booth at the Howard County Fair, Sept. 30-Oct. 3.

Make a Difference Day will be Oct. 17. H-E-B is offering a Green Bag Recycling project.

Keep Texas Beautiful training will be held in Abilene Sept. 24.

Gloria McDonald reminded all members to take pictures of events and forward them to her to be used in our contest entry.

We will be having a special ceremony later to celebrate our certification which we have been completing the last few months.

An emergency clean up of FM 700 was held Tuesday, Sept. 16, to honor homecoming guests.

Our next meeting will be Monday, Oct. 5, at Howard College's Cactus Room.

## NOTICE

### OF TAX REVENUE INCREASE

The City of Big Spring conducted public hearings on August 18, 2009 and September 1, 2009 on a proposal to increase the total tax revenues of the City of Big Spring from properties on the tax roll in the preceding year by 6.57% percent.

The total tax revenue raised last year at last year's tax rate of \$1.013243 for each \$100 of taxable value was \$5,263,092.

The total tax revenue proposed to be raised this year at the proposed tax rate of \$1.013243 for each \$100 of taxable value, excluding tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year, is \$5,611,935.

The total tax revenue proposed to be raised this year at the proposed tax rate of \$1.013243 for each \$100 of taxable value, including tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year, is \$5,658,990.

The City of Big Spring is scheduled to vote on the tax rate that will result in that tax increase at a public meeting to be held on September 22, 2009 at the City Council Chambers located at 307 E. 4th, Big Spring, Texas at 5:30 p.m.



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Keep Big Spring Beautiful Back Up Squad members, from left, Janice Bishop, Walter Ward (hat), Barbara Walker, Debbie Wegman, Nancy Crenshaw and Sandra Rhodes-Bartlett pick up trash before homecoming.



### Steers spotlight

## Twin brothers Tevian and Xavian Parnell

By JONATHAN HULL  
Sports Editor

They look the same on the field and off. Many times the only identifying mark for coaches, teachers, teammates and sometimes even their own mother to tell them apart is the number on the front and back of their jersey.

Tevian and Xavian Parnell are twin brothers playing for the Big Spring Steers. And yes, they are identical twins, making it next to impossible to differentiate between the two.

"I can't tell them apart," admitted Big Spring Head Coach Phillip Ritchey. "As a matter of fact, just this week, I called Xavian to come over to talk to him during practice. After about a minute into the conversation, Tevian said 'Oh, you're wanting to talk to Xavian.' I thought I was talking to him. I just call them Parnell like everyone else. I have learned by experience that 18 (Tevian) is before 19 (Xavian) and they're

in alphabetical order."

The identification problems don't end with Ritchey, either.

"Nobody can really tell us apart. Sometimes our mom even has trouble," said Xavian. "She'll be calling Tevian, but be looking right at me. It's always been hard for people. It takes some time for them to tell us apart.

"Usually everyone just calls us Parnell," added Tevian. "Even our teammates, they've known us for a while, but they just always yell 'Parnell' when they're trying to get our attention."

It gets worse. The twins have even been placed in the same classroom.

"We used to always play a trick on the teacher when we had a class together. We'd switch seats and the teacher wouldn't have a clue about it," said Xavian. "Teachers now look for a mark or something and can tell us apart. They've learned.

"Sometimes we still get away with it," interjected Tevian. "It's



HERALD photo/Jonathan Hull

Twin brothers Tevian (right) and Xavian Parnell contribute many things to the Big Spring Steers football team, including confusion over each player's true identity.

just the higher grade we've gotten into, the easier it is for teachers to tell us apart."

Jokes aside, the Parnells treasure the opportunity to be on the same field playing on the same team.

"It's a joy to look on the other side of the field and see my brother. I love seeing him go out and

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## Revenge!

### UT/Tech lock horns again

JIM VERTUNO

AP Sports Writer

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — One second. So much of Texas' 2008 season — of what it was and what it wouldn't be — can be wrapped up in one second.

One second was all that remained when Texas Tech's Michael Crabtree scooted into the end zone to beat the one-second ultimately stood between Texas getting a chance to play for the Big 12 title and, perhaps, a national title.

Ten months later, with the now-No. 2 Longhorns (2-0) and Red Raiders (2-0) set to clash again Saturday night, all conversation goes back to one audacious throw and catch, fans rushing the field (twice) and the one second that was left on the clock as the Longhorns stood in stunned silence.

"One second better," Texas quarterback Colt McCoy said. "We've got to finish the game."

Crabtree's catch was the signature play of the 2008 season. The 2009 Longhorns insist revenge isn't their motivation this week. It's a new season and a new team.

"That's one of the greatest plays that's ever happened. It's on like every commercial," McCoy said. "Put it in the past ... I've never been a revenge-type guy."

Oh, but it may be the only thing that matters for about 101,000 Texas fans at Royal Memorial Stadium. Up in Lubbock, Red Raiders fans were at a fever pitch from the opening kick to their victory party.

"I expect our fans," Texas coach Mack Brown said, "to be the best they've ever been."

Texas Tech coach Mike Leach seemed unconcerned about the reception that awaits.

Always the contrarian, Leach

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AP file photo

Texas Tech wide receiver Michael Crabtree (6) pulling in the game-winning touchdown against Texas cornerback Curtis Brown (3) in the final seconds of an NCAA college football game in Lubbock Nov. 1, 2008. Texas Tech won 39-33. After Colt McCoy rallied Texas to the lead, he could only stand on the sideline and watch as the Red Raiders pulled off the play of the 2008 season. Texas gets its shot at revenge at 7 p.m. Saturday in Austin.

## Texas A&M eager for next test against Utah State

CHRIS DUNCAN

AP Sports Writer

COLLEGE STATION — Texas A&M receiver Jeff Fuller smiled when he was reminded that he'll likely face 1-on-1 coverage against Utah State on Saturday.

"I'm going into this game pretty confident, and just ready to go out there and have a good time," Fuller said. "I love press-man. Being a big receiver, you have to be physical off the line. That's

what you pray for, press-man coverage."

All the Aggies (1-0) are feeling good about themselves heading into Saturday's matchup, and why shouldn't they? A&M racked up 606 yards and gave up only 231 in a season-opening, crowd-pleasing 41-6 win over New Mexico on Sept. 5.

But Coach Mike Sherman found areas to nitpick and he wants to see improvement against Utah State (0-1), also nicknamed the Aggies. A&M committed 14

penalties in the opener and gave up two sacks. And though his team rushed for 245 yards, Sherman said the running attack should've produced more.

"I really wanted to establish the run early in the game and was not able to do that," Sherman said. "There were a couple of things that we could have done better in the passing game as well, taking advantage of a couple of things.

"I also didn't think our protection

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## Griffin, Baylor has score to settle vs. UConn

DAVID JIMENEZ

Associated Press Writer

WACO — Robert Griffin flashed his athleticism and year ago, one of the first starts of his career.

The dual-threat Baylor quarterback accounted for 254 total yards and four touchdowns, but the Bears lost 31-28 in Griffin's third-ever start as a freshman.

One year later and coming off a season-opening victory at Wake Forest, Griffin and Baylor look to turn the tables in its rematch against Connecticut on Saturday.

"That loss from last year will be there," said Griffin, who passed for 208 yards and three touchdowns and ran for another against the Huskies last season. "But we have a new season and a new team. We're ready to go."

Baylor (1-0) kicked off the new season Sept. 5 with a 24-21 win at Wake Forest, the first time since 1965 the Bears went on the road and beat a team now in the BCS.

Griffin passed on nine of his first 10 consecutive attempts, and then the sophomore let his teammates carry the load when the Demon Deacons shifted their defensive focus to stop him.

He distributed the ball to six different receivers and junior Jay Finley rushed for a team-high 91 yards. Griffin finished with 136 yards and a touchdown while rushing for 41 against Wake Forest.

"The purpose of this year is to give other guys a chance to shine," Griffin said. "If they can keep playing the way they did in the first game, I'm OK with it."

Baylor seeks its first 2-0 start in four years against a Connecticut team coming off a 12-10 heartbreaking loss to No. 24 North Carolina.

"I don't think this team is in any position to be getting big-headed," Bears senior linebacker Joe Pawelek said. "We are 1-0, and we all see that we have a long way to go and a long season ahead of us."

Connecticut (1-1) led 10-0 heading into the fourth quarter and were in position to upset the Tar Heels.

That's when everything unraveled for the Huskies.

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## TWINS

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score a touchdown or a make a big play on defense," said Xavian. "I want him to succeed and be the best he can be. Hopefully, we'll get into the same college. If not, he better just hope I don't play him.

"It's a plus to have a brother that is actually your playmate, teammate and classmate," added Tevian. "Usually, guys have a brother who is a grade older or a grade younger than him. It's a blessing to get to play with each other. Not many people get the thrill of having their brother play right beside them all the time."

As is typical, there is plenty of competition and one-upmanship taking place between the twins.

"No matter what we're doing, whether its grades or athletics, there's always competition

between us," said Xavian.

"Who looks the best, who has the better girlfriend, we compete in everything," added Tevian. "If I see him do something great on the football field, then it just makes me strive to get a big play, too.

"I just want to make sure I can stay on his level," interjected Xavian. "I'm not jealous. I'm just going to pat him on the back after a big play and tell him I get the next touchdown."

Both Parnells have been a member of a Steers secondary that has been maligned by opponents this season. While Xavian will start the game at outside linebacker, each twin is making adjustments to make certain the 315 yards passing posted by Pampa quarterback Alex Clendening last week doesn't happen against Andrews.

"Last week, we got too high on ourselves. We had just beat Denison and it's like we thought

Pampa was going to just lay down for us. That didn't happen," noted Xavian. "We have to go in there and play our game. We have to communicate.

"First thing for me was to strive to have a better week of practice," admitted Tevian. "I was a bit lackadaisical last week. We can't get complacent."

The Parnells are two of 17 seniors on the football team, playing in their final homecoming game at 7:30 p.m. tonight against longtime rival Andrews.

"It's an honor to be out there representing the school in front of so many former students and players," said Xavian. "As seniors, we all want to go out with a win in our last homecoming and over Andrews.

"Two years ago, Andrews came over here and beat us at our homecoming in the last minutes of the game," recalled Tevian. "We want the final say on the rivalry as seniors."

## REVENGE

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suggested Texas is more likely to be looking ahead to upcoming games against ranked opponents Oklahoma and Oklahoma State than worried about his unranked Red Raiders.

"I imagine we're probably another game to them," Leach said.

Texas and Texas Tech were originally scheduled to meet Nov. 7, a more traditional time slot for an intense Big 12 South rivalry game. But after last year's nail-biter and with a television schedule needing a big game this weekend, ABC asked it be moved to a prime-time slot this week.

History suggests the change will not help Texas Tech.

The Red Raiders' spread offense requires extreme precision between the quarterback and receivers, and Leach usually has more time to get it in gear for games like this.

Things haven't turned out well when he didn't. Since 2000, the Red Raiders have lost all four games played against ranked teams in August and September.

And this time, they face Texas with a new quarterback, junior Taylor Potts.

Potts has looked good so far. His 861 yards passing leads the nation and he threw for seven touchdowns last week in a 55-10 win over Rice. Still, Saturday night will be his first start on the road.

Leach was either protecting his quarterback or just teasing the media when he didn't make Potts available to talk

with reporters this week. Texas expects him to be latest great gunslinger in Leach's plug-'n-play offense.

"They had seven touchdown passes last week and that's nearly unheard of," Brown said. "Tech gets the credit for coaching on offense, I've never felt like their kids get credit for being really good players."

For McCoy, last season's loss stalled his Heisman Trophy campaign and he finished runner-up to Oklahoma's Sam Bradford.

With Bradford out with a shoulder injury, the Heisman could come down to a two-man race between McCoy and Florida's Tim Tebow, the 2007 winner. A big game in front of a revved-up home crowd with a national television audience could be a

big boost.

McCoy has been solid his first two games, passing for 654 yards and five touchdowns with two interceptions. His 67.1 percent completion rate is well off last season's 76.7 that set an NCAA single-season record.

Brown said he talked with McCoy about not trying to be perfect.

"Everybody who has walked up to that young guy for the last year in the state of Texas has said, 'Win the Heisman for me. Win the national championship for me.' That's all he's heard," Brown said.

"He's trying to carry the weight of the world on his shoulders. I had a long talk with him (Sunday) and told him, 'You need to relax and go back and have fun.'"

Dishing out a little revenge would be a start.

## BAYLOR

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North Carolina tied the game with 2:36 left, and Connecticut tackle Dan Ryan was flagged for holding in the end zone on the ensuing drive, giving the Tar Heels an unusual win.

"There's nothing you can do to get that game back," Huskies coach Randy Edsall said. "When it was over on Saturday, it was over."

While Griffin returns for this season's rematch, Connecticut will be without its top offensive star from last year's game.

Donald Brown, a first-round draft pick of the Indianapolis Colts in April, rushed for 150 and scored the game-winning touchdown against the

Bears.

Sophomore Jordan Todman has picked up where Brown left off, rushing for 223 yards and two touchdowns. The Huskies may have lean more on Todman against the Bears.

Quarterback Zach Frazer went down with a knee injury against North Carolina and won't play Saturday. Cody Endres will start in Frazer's place.

Endres and defensive end Lindsey Witten, who leads the nation with seven sacks, missed practice Tuesday with a stomach virus. Both are expected to play Saturday.

"I don't think this game is any more important than last week's or any more important than next week's," Edsall said. "The main thing is doing our best to win, because every time you win you get more credibility."

## Rangers reeling with bad timing

ARLINGTON (AP) — Ron Washington offered the usual managerial response when asked about the enormity of the Texas Rangers' upcoming series against the AL West-leading Los Angeles Angels.

"We've got to win two out of three, that's for sure," Washington said.

Then came the obvious follow-up: Is that enough?

"Probably not," he conceded.

An extended and untimely offensive slump featuring just one run during a four-game losing streak has put the Rangers in a desperate situation. They have 17 games left and face their largest deficit for a play-off spot all season.



By Steve Becker

### Bidding Quiz

You are South and hold this hand:  
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- You open One Club**, West bids One Spade, partner bids One Notrump, and East passes. What would you bid now?
- You open One Club**, West bids One Spade, partner bids Two Diamonds, and East passes. What would you bid now?
- You open One Club**, and partner jumps to Two Notrump. What would you bid now?
- You open One Club**, partner bids One Diamond, you rebid One Heart, and partner raises to Two Hearts. What would you bid now?

1. **Two clubs**. Game is unlikely since partner probably has seven to nine points, including a spade stopper. One notrump might make very easily, but two clubs is apt to be a safer spot. Of course, partner may have 10 points and two spade stoppers, but until he indicates such a holding, you should not assume it.

You would be overstating your values if you bid two hearts, which would indicate upward of 17 points and might get you beyond your depth.

2. **Two hearts**. When partner weighs in with two diamonds (as compared with a one-notrump bid), your chances for game become much more promising since partner is indi-

cating at least 10 points. Furthermore, the two-diamond bid raises the value of your hand several points, thanks to your singleton spade. All you need do for the moment, however, is to mark time with two hearts, planning to show your diamond support later. It should be noted that, in this sequence, two hearts does not imply extra points, since it is the cheapest bid you can make.

3. **Three hearts**. You bid three hearts mainly to warn partner against notrump. He is unlikely to have four hearts, since he failed to respond with one heart, but he may have bypassed that suit for tactical reasons. Three hearts does not imply extra values; once you are committed to reaching game, it is far better to use this bid to clarify your distribution.

4. **Three diamonds**. There are three bids to consider — three diamonds, three hearts and four hearts — and they all make some degree of sense. You may not make four hearts if partner's raise is based on a dead minimum, and that is the chief objection to a direct four-heart bid.

Three hearts would invite partner to go on to four, but the problem with this bid is that you'd be announcing extra values without actually delineating them. Three diamonds has the added virtue of indicating extra values while also describing the three-suited nature of your hand.

Tomorrow: A well-played hand.

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**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). If asked what you would do if you had the time, your response is a litany of activities, travel locations and interests. But which one of them would you really do? Pick one and commit to it, and a window of time will open for you.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). Profound choices are disguised inside tasks you do every single day. Maybe it's taking the children to school, making a meal for family or talking sweetly to a dear friend. You are a beloved, cherished person — don't forget it.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). This is a dream day for artists. You'll be creative and productive, and you'll get an audience for your work, too. If you don't consider yourself an artist, you just might after today.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). It's amazing what a good friend will do for you. Just ask for help, and this person will inspire you to blast past your blocks and break through your barriers. In the p.m., you'll be a social creature and a night owl.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). You'll consider taking on a big responsibility. If you really want it, it's yours for the asking. But before you leap, be sure you

understand what you'll be getting into. Talk to anyone who's handled this particular responsibility before.

**VRIGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). If you're working too hard, you'll get cranky. If you're cranky, you'll approach things all wrong and your results won't be good. So stop working and do something you want to do — no guilt allowed!

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Maybe you don't wake up in such an outstanding mood. Last night's dreams may have been a little on the bizarre side. But when you take hold of the day and make a slight attitude adjustment, your prospects go from fair to stellar.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). If you can't seem to make yourself do the things on your list, there's a good chance that your rewards just aren't good enough yet. So do something to sweeten the pot.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-

Dec. 21). If you know that you have enough time to do your work, you'll work comfortably and happily. But if you know there's no way to finish in time, your energy will run low. Find a way to cut your responsibilities to a reasonable size.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You could use another person on your side, and you have your eye on one in particular. Notice where the person is emotionally and what kind of tone he or she sends out. Then create the mood that will attract this person.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Be on time to all of your appointments, and things go well. You'll meet the person you want to meet, make just the impression you intend to make and get exactly where you want to go.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). A lovely, laid-back mood will take hold of you if you let it. You won't be considered a lazy person if

you succumb to it. But if you push yourself past it, adrenaline will kick in to carry you toward a goal.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY** (Sept. 18). Life will be amplified. Your emotions are turned up, and so is your ability to act on them. The next five weeks bring a financial opportunity. You'll work hard, and it will be so worthwhile. You'll compete and win in November. 2010 begins an amorous note, with fine company and the support of loved ones. Pisces and Gemini people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 30, 1, 33, 24 and 20.

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**Tomorrow's Horoscope**

**Dear Margo: This is not "The One"**

**Dear Margo:** I am a 30-year-old man with a college degree, a good job in these hard times and a girlfriend of six years who is starting her professional life soon. I love her, but now I am having doubts about our future.

Part of the job training she's getting is halfway across the country, so we would have a long-distance relationship for the next year.

Further-more, while we have a strong bond, there are several things having to do with religious and political issues on which we've never seen eye-to-eye (she's the conservative, I'm the liberal).

These things have never been a problem between us, but what concerns me is how our future children would be brought up.

Another thing that drives me batty is that she is 32 years old and still relies on her parents for almost everything. They've paid for countless things for her, and she will be getting monthly assistance from them while across the country.

She also has a lot of debt

that I'm worried about dealing with should we get married.

I've thought of marrying this woman, but then I think, with our differences, maybe we're just destined to be friends.

However, I was great friends with her sister even before I met her, and I fear that if I were to end my romantic relationship with her, my connection with her sister and her husband (one of my best friends) would crumble.

I don't know what to do. How do I best handle this?

— *Concerned in Colorado*

**Dear Con:** Six years is a long time to spend with a woman who can't manage money and depends on her parents, and whose views on important matters are not in sync with yours.

You cannot marry this girl just so you won't disturb the friendship you have with her sister and brother-in-law.

I offer you two predictions: You won't remain friends with your girlfriend, but neither will you lose the friendship of her sister and brother-in-

law. As a general rule, it is not good policy to go ahead and marry someone who "drives you batty." — *Margo, sagaciously*

**Hey, Good Lookin'**

**Dear Margo:** I am in my early 20s. Like most young women, I get a fair amount of attention from men of all ages when I am out. My question is, what is an appropriate response?

One of my good friends will stop and entertain men who hit on her, regardless of where she is.

I think her actions are absurd. When guys whistle at me or yell out to me as I am walking on the street, I simply ignore them and continue on. This is what my mother taught me was acceptable behavior.

I don't find it necessary to give random guys who gawk and comment the time of day. Am I being rude?

I am appalled by her behavior because most of my female friends act as I do. How should I handle these situations? — *Anonymous*

**Dear An:** I am not sure that "most" young women are showered with attention from strange men when they are out and about, but onward. I am also not sure what you mean when you say these men who are unknown to you "hit on" you and your friend. From my own experience as a younger woman (McKinley occupied the White House then), I can tell you that when construction guys would whistle or hoot and holler, I would wave and keep walking.

I would not have classified that as being "hit on." If you are talking about strange men stopping you on the street to talk, you are correct to raise an eyebrow and continue on your way.

As for your friend who seems to have the time of day for all comers, when you are with her just keep going. You cannot control her behavior, but you don't have to join in. — *Margo, civilly*

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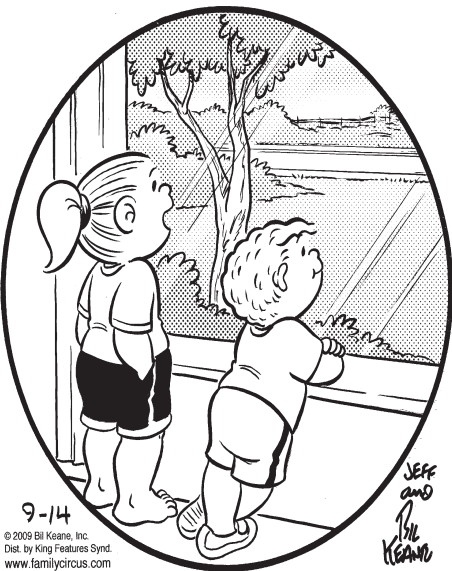
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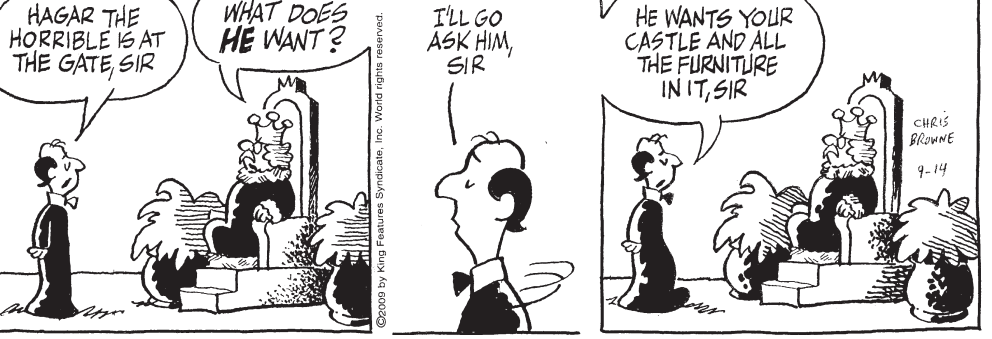
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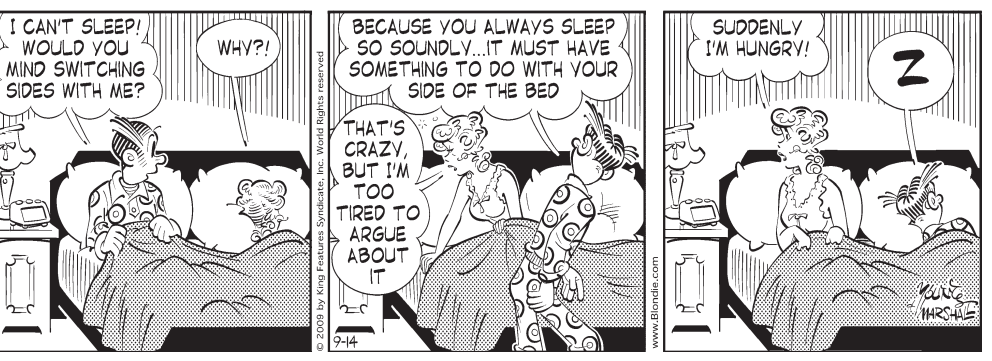
"When the cold weather gets here, this will be one of the good ol' days."

HAGAR



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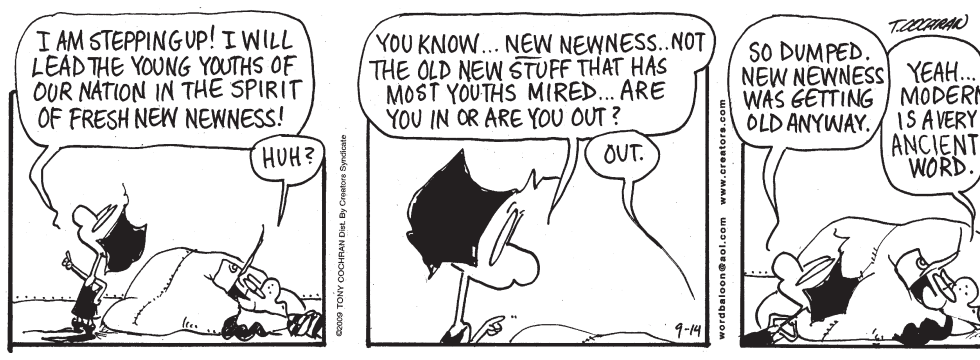
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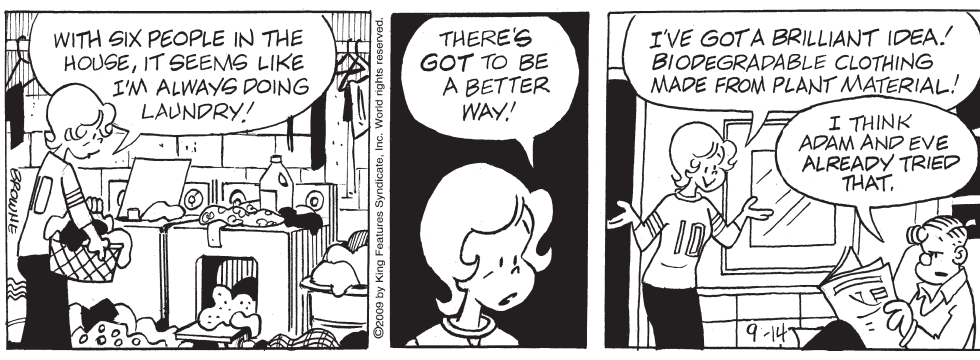
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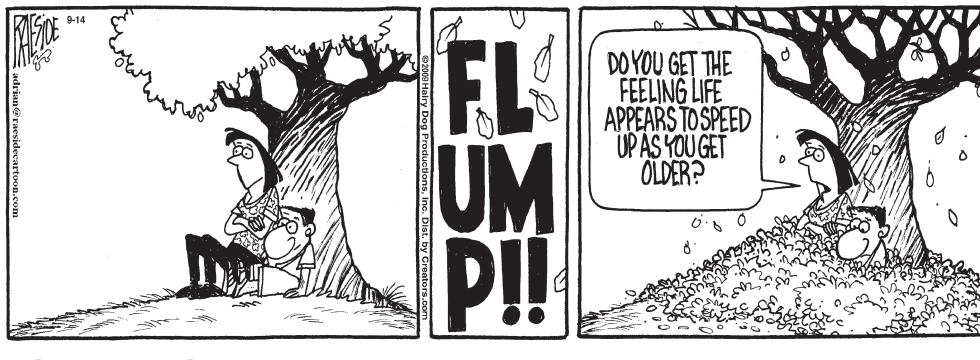
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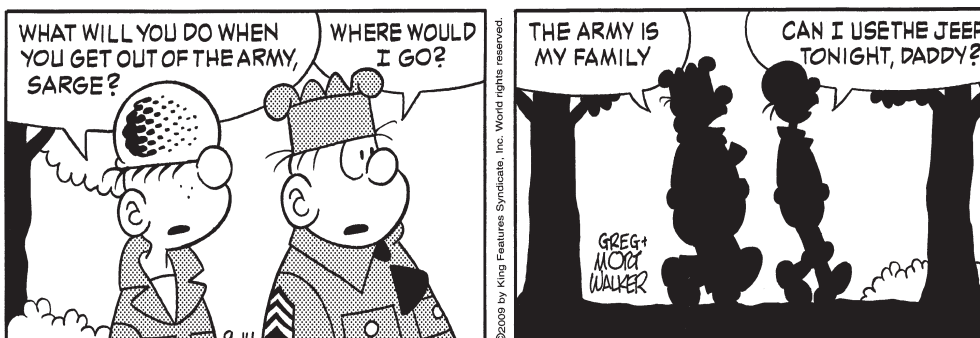
THE OTHER COAST



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BEETLE BAILEY



This Date In History

Today is Monday, Sept. 14, the 257th day of 2009. There are 108 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:  
On Sept. 14, 1814, Francis Scott Key was inspired to write a poem after witnessing how Fort McHenry in Maryland had endured a night of British bombardment during the War of 1812; that poem, originally called "Defence of Fort McHenry," later became the lyrics to "The Star-Spangled Banner," the American national anthem.  
On this date:  
In 1812, the Russians set fire to Moscow in the face of an invasion by Napoleon Bonaparte's troops.  
In 1836, former Vice President Aaron Burr died in Staten Island, N.Y., at age 80.  
In 1847, during the Mexican-American War, U.S. forces under Gen. Winfield Scott took control of Mexico City.  
In 1901, President William McKinley died in Buffalo, N.Y., of gunshot wounds inflicted by an assassin. Vice President Theodore Roosevelt succeeded him.  
In 1927, modern dance pioneer Isadora Duncan died in Nice, France, when her scarf became entangled in a wheel of the sports car she was riding in.  
In 1948, a groundbreaking ceremony took place in New York at the site of the United Nations' world headquarters.  
In 1964, Pope Paul VI opened the third session of the Second Ecumenical Council of the Vatican, also known as "Vatican II." (The session closed two months later.)  
In 1975, Pope Paul VI declared Mother Elizabeth Ann Bayley Seton the first U.S.-born saint.  
In 1982, Princess Grace of Monaco, formerly actress Grace Kelly, died at age 52 of injuries from a car crash the day before; Lebanon's president-elect, Bashir Gemayel, was killed by a bomb.  
In 1988, Hurricane Gilbert slammed into Mexico's Yucatan Peninsula as a Category 5 storm after forcing thousands of residents to flee.  
Today's Birthdays: Actress

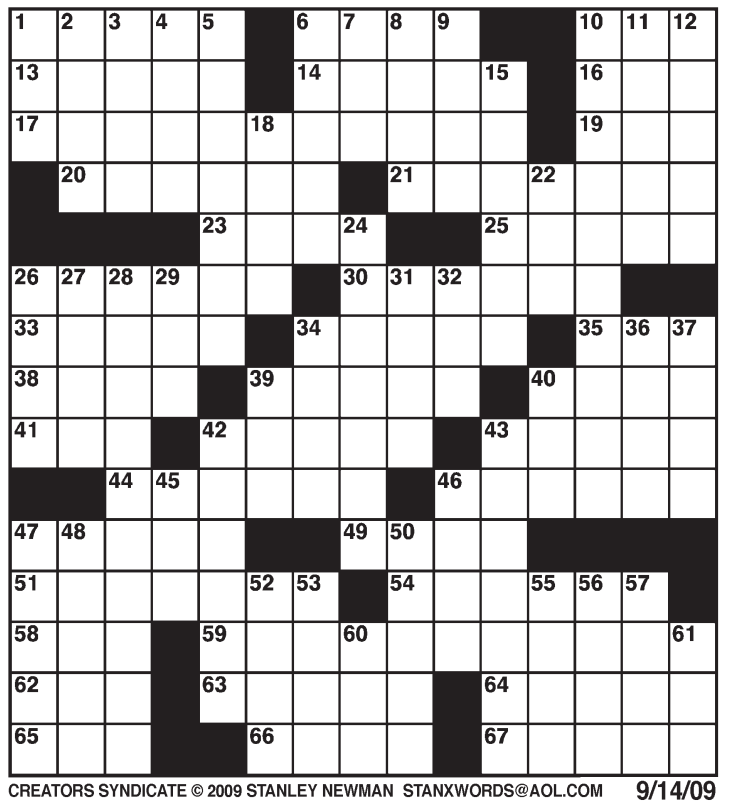
Zoe Caldwell is 76. Feminist author Kate Millett is 75. Actor Walter Koenig is 73. Charlotte Bobcats coach Larry Brown is 69. Singer-actress Joey Heatherton is 65. Actor Sam Neill is 62. Singer Jon "Bowzer" Bauman (Sha Na Na) is 62. Rock musician Ed King is 60. Rock musician Steve Berlin (Los Lobos) is 54. Country singer-songwriter Beth Nielsen Chapman is 53. Actress Mary Crosby is 50. Singer Morten Harket (a-ha) is 50. Country singer John Berry is 50. Actress Melissa Leo is 49. Actress Faith Ford is 45. Actor Jamie Kaler is 45. Actress Michelle Stafford is 44. Russian President Dmitry Medvedev is 44.

Answer to previous puzzle  
POPULAR SPRUCE  
EPISODE POISONS  
RICHARD ORLANDO  
ANA DESPITE TOP  
TINS PEELS CARP  
IOTAS APE RAISE  
ONECUP PREOWNED  
MAJESTY  
AGITATOR CASABA  
COMIC HOP LAIRS  
CAPE ANNES PREP  
ETE EXTINCT FEH  
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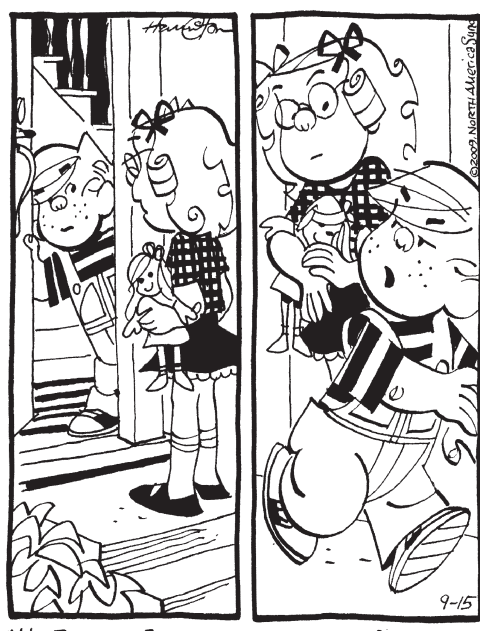
- ACROSS
- 1 Book of maps
- 6 "Fine by me!"
- 10 Soft toss
- 13 Tenant's contract
- 14 Aviator
- 16 "Green" prefix
- 17 All-inclusive vacation
- 19 Paving material
- 20 Lean against
- 21 Railroad-bridge support
- 23 Simplify
- 25 In the lead
- 26 Kid's racing vehicle
- 30 Roof support
- 33 Face-to-face tests
- 34 Makes an attempt
- 35 Patient-care grp.
- 38 "Wish you \_\_\_ here"
- 39 Piece of lumber
- 40 Boyfriend
- 41 Silent assent
- 42 Tending to drip
- 43 Give, as permission
- 44 Followed the advice of
- 46 Large crowds
- 47 Take to task
- 49 Salty bodies of water
- 51 Apartments without elevators
- 54 Was nostalgic for
- 58 In addition
- 59 Hillary's husband
- 62 Tip of a sock
- 63 Take potshots (at)
- 64 Outdoor barbecue area
- 65 Sun. church talk
- 66 Cathedral section
- 67 Paid out
- DOWN
- 1 Swiss peak
- 2 Pull apart
- 3 Decorative fabric
- 4 Shows curiosity
- 5 Ones who usher
- 6 Unlocks
- 7 Hobby-shop purchase
- 8 Oodles
- 9 "Watch \_\_\_ step!"
- 10 Corporate stationery
- 11 Central Florida city
- 12 Far from interested
- 15 Picks up the tab
- 18 "Nanny" beast
- 22 That woman
- 24 Short shopping trips
- 26 Graduate's garment
- 27 Black-and-white cookie
- 28 One who charges purchases
- 29 Pub beverage
- 31 Well-ventilated
- 32 Gave breakfast to
- 34 Muscle quality
- 36 Horse's hair
- 37 Baseball-scoreboard data
- 39 Blossom-to-be
- 40 "It's freezing!"
- 42 Fixes the soundtrack again
- 43 Dishes dirt
- 45 Moose relative
- 46 Icy-pellet precipitation
- 47 Attacks, as a fly
- 48 Birchbark boat
- 50 Talk-show host
- 52 \_\_\_ colada (cocktail)
- 53 Minor mistake
- 55 Break sharply
- 56 Suffix for major
- 57 "Whatcha \_\_\_?"
- 60 Stereo records: Abbr.
- 61 Forget-me-\_\_\_





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5:PM	News ABC	News ABC	Locura	Lopez	News CBS	Noticias CBS	News NBC	Raymond Friends	Scrivner Uri Harel	BBC Business	Cash Cab	Astronaut Farmer, Bruce Dern	UFC Un-leashed	Bones	106 & Park: BET's Top 10 Live	Phineas and Ferb	Horn Intermitt	SportsCenter
6:PM	News ABC	Jeopardy!	Gancho	Two Men	News CBS	12 Cora-zones	News NBC	Seinfeld	Dr. Young Harris	News-Lehrer	Made	UFC Un-leashed	Bones			Wizards of Waverly Place	E:60	NFL Live
7:PM	Shark Tank	Shark Tank	Nombre-Amor	More to Love	NCIS	Más Sabe el Diabolo	The Biggest Loser	Fam. Guy	Upd	Nova (DVS)	Swords: Life	Movie: Raising Helen, Joan Cusack	Surviving Disaster	Bones	Movie: The Salon, Darrin Dewitt Henson	Movie: Gotta Kick It Up	E:60	World Series
8:PM	Shaq Vs.	Shaq Vs.	Mañana es		(:01) Big Brother 11	Pobres		Fam. Guy	Light of the Southwest	Retirement Revolution	Swords: Life		Surviving Disaster	Bones		Phineas and Ferb	E:60	World Series
9:PM	Primetime	Primetime	Aquí y Ahora	Simpsons Friends		Victorinos	The Jay Leno Show	Office		P.O.V.	The Colony		Surviving Disaster	Hawthorne	Frankie	Phineas and Ferb	NFL's Greatest Game	Baseball Tonight
10:PM	News Nightline	News Nightline	Impacto	TMZ	News	Noticias	News	Seinfeld	Upd Cortes	Crown	Swords: Life	Movie: Ocean's Twelve, Matt Damon	Surviving Disaster	Saving Grace	W. Williams	Wizards of Waverly Place	Super Bwl	SportsCenter
11:PM	Insider Jimmy Kimmel Live	Jimmy Kimmel Live	El Grito de México	Law Order: CI	Late Late Show	Decisiones	Late Night-Jim	Sex & Ministerio-Vida	Upd	BBC	Swords: Life		CSI: Crime Scn	Hawthorne	Movie: Half Baked, Jim Breuer	Life De Cory	SportsNation	Baseball
12:AM	News	Paid	Torrente, un Torbel	Paid King-Hill	Insider	Pagado	News	Upd Church	Light of the Southwest		The Colony	Mad Men	Amazing Video	Saving Grace	Kim	Replace	NASCAR	SportsCenter
1:AM	Paid	Paid	Mujer...	Paid	Entertain	Pagado	Poker After Dark	Light of the Southwest			A Haunting	Movie: Disorderly	Disorderly	Cold Case	W. Williams	Emperor Dragon	World Series	SportsCenter

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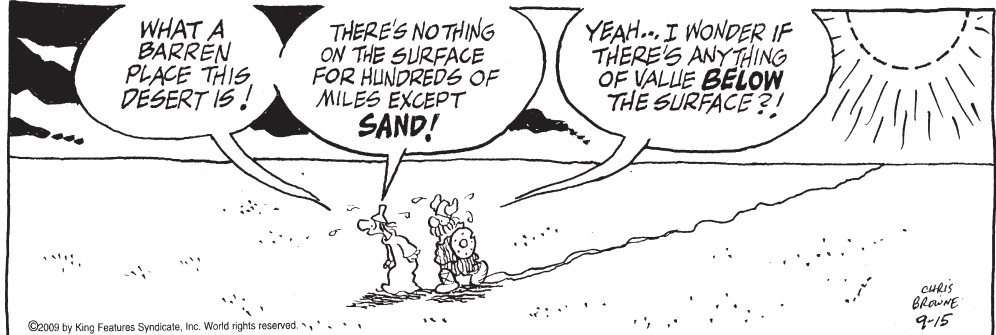
"Hi, Dennis. I came over to play."  
"OKAY... LET'S GET IT OVER WITH!"

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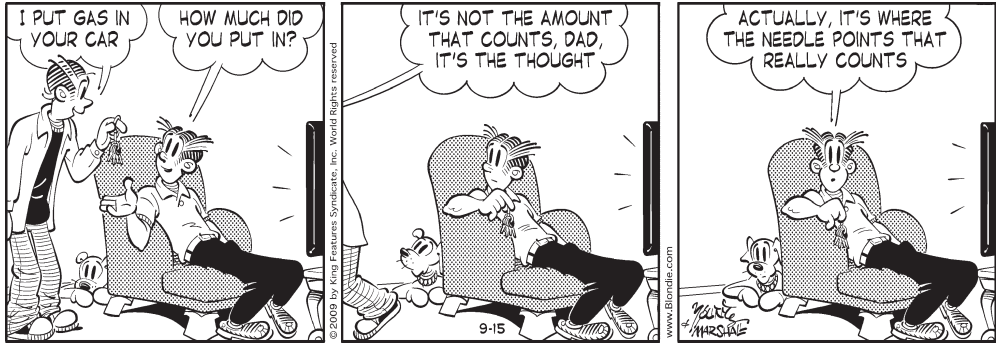


"But the ceiling's clean!"

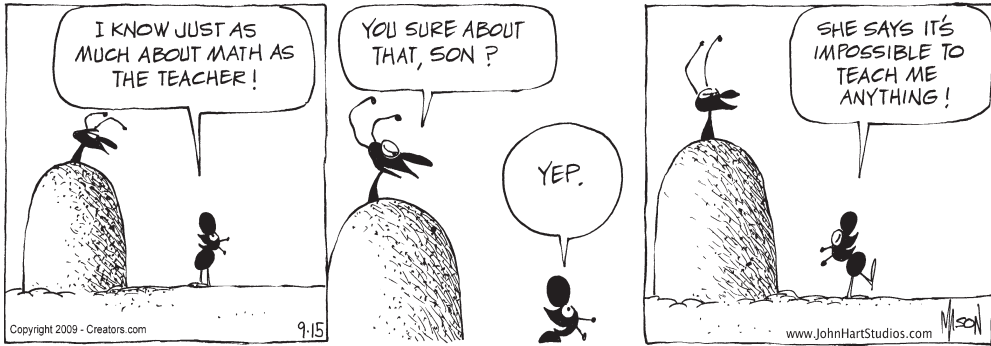
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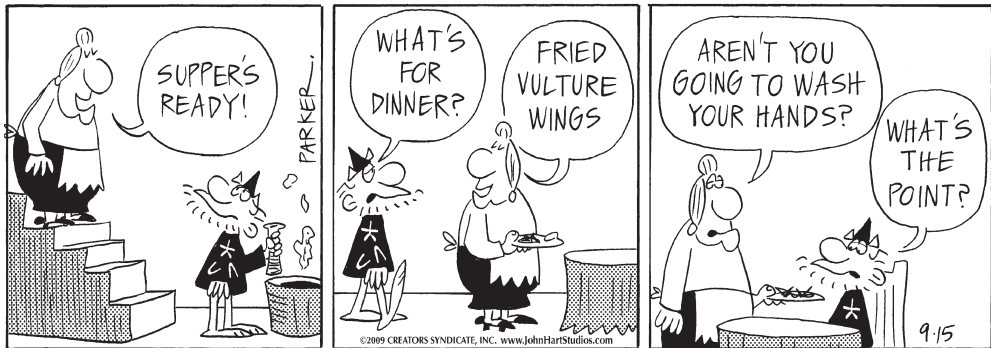
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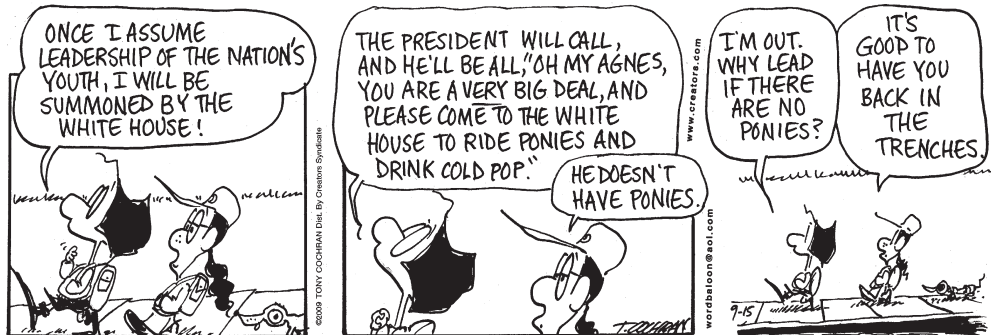
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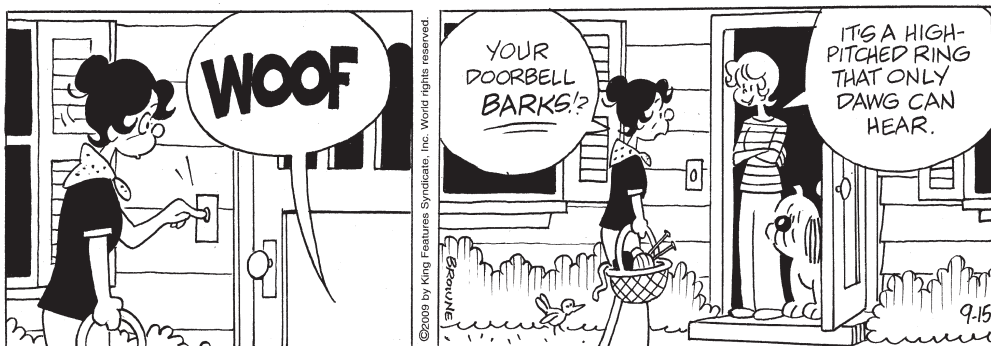
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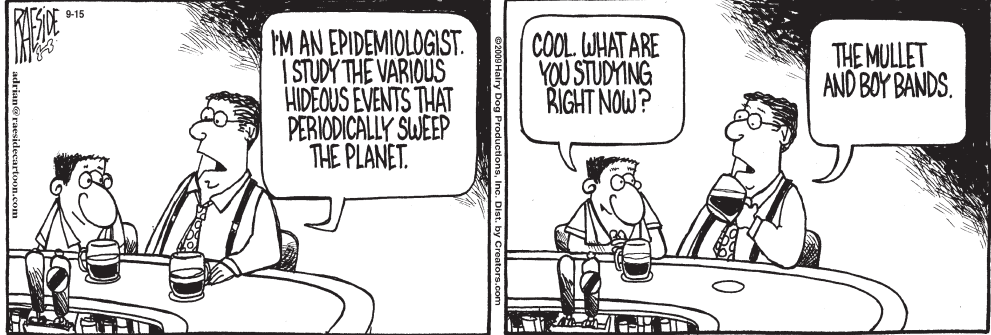
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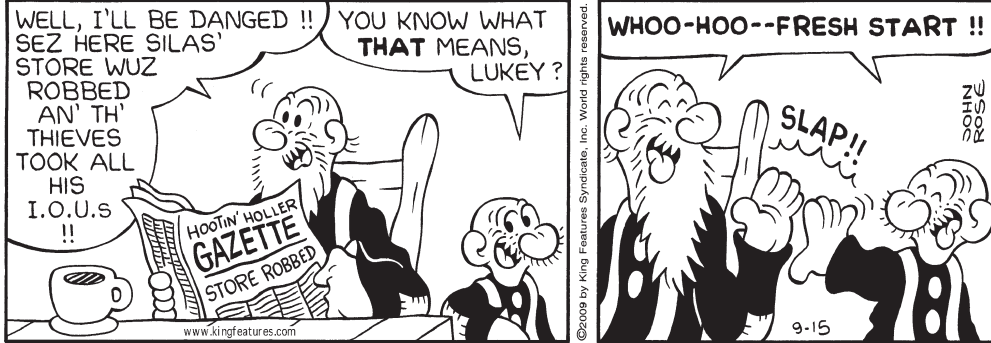
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This Date In History

Today is Tuesday, Sept. 15, the 258th day of 2009. There are 107 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Sept. 15, 1959, Nikita Khrushchev became the first Soviet head of state to visit the United States as he arrived at Andrews Air Force Base outside Washington, where he was greeted by President Dwight D. Eisenhower. The two leaders then met at the White House; a joint communique afterward described the talks as "friendly and frank."

On this date: In 1776, British forces occupied New York City during the American Revolution.

In 1789, the U.S. Department of Foreign Affairs was renamed the Department of State.

In 1807, former Vice President Aaron Burr was acquitted of a misdemeanor charge two weeks after he was found not guilty of treason.

In 1821, the Kingdom of

Guatemala proclaimed its independence from Spain.

In 1857, William Howard Taft — who served as president of the United States and as U.S. chief justice — was born in Cincinnati.

In 1935, the Nuremberg Laws deprived German Jews of their citizenship.

In 1940, during the Battle of Britain in World War II, the tide turned as the Luftwaffe sustained heavy losses inflicted by the Royal Air Force.

In 1949, "The Lone Ranger" premiered on ABC television with Clayton Moore as the masked hero and Jay Silverheels as Tonto.

In 1963, four black girls were killed when a bomb went off during Sunday services at the 16th Street Baptist Church in Birmingham, Ala. (Three Ku Klux Klansmen were eventually convicted for their roles in the blast.)

In 1982, Iran's former foreign minister, Sadegh Ghotbzadeh, was executed after he was convicted of plotting against the government.

Today's Birthdays: Actor-director Jackie Cooper is 87. Actor Forrest Compton is 84. Comedian Norm Crosby is 82.

Actor Henry Darrow is 76.

Baseball Hall-of-Famer Gaylord Perry is 71. Football Hall-of-Famer Merlin Olsen is 69.

Opera singer Jessye Norman is 64. Writer-director Ron Shelton is 64. Actor Tommy Lee Jones is 63.

Movie director Oliver Stone is 63. Rock musician Mitch Dorge (Crash Test Dummies) is 49.

Football Hall-of-Famer Dan Marino is 48. Actor Danny Nucci is 41. Rap DJ Jay-Z is 40.

Actor Josh Charles is 38. Singer Ivette Sosa (Ethen's Crush) is 33. Britain's Prince Henry of Wales is 25.

Thought for Today: "Somewhere the Sky touches the Earth, and the name of that place is the End." — African saying.

Answer to previous puzzle

ATLAS	OKAY	LOB
LEASE	PILOT	ECO
PACKAGETOUR	TAR	
RESTON	TRESTLE	
	EASE	AHEAD
GOCART	RAFTER	
ORALS	TRIES	HMO
WERE	BOARD	BEAU
NOD	RUNNY	GRANT
	HEADED	HORDES
SOLD	SEAS	
WALKUPS	MISSED	
AND	BILLCLINTON	
TOE	SNIPE	PATIO
SER	APSE	SPENT

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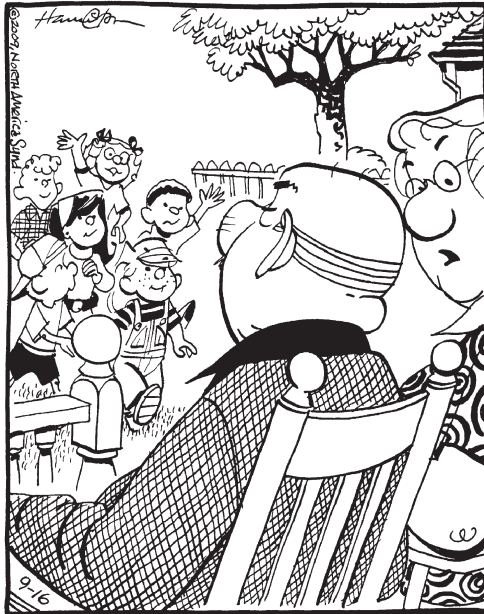
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<b>ACROSS</b>	<b>DOWN</b>	<b>ACROSS</b>	<b>DOWN</b>
1 Box-office draw	1 Ticket halves	66 Potter's material	11 Part of the eye
5 Monastery members	2 Italian city	67 Give away a secret	12 Heap
10 "My ___ are sealed"	3 Point of view	68 Rustic stopovers	13 Pepper's partner
14 Melody	4 Staggered	69 Voice quality	21 Intense anger
15 Just right	5 Glittery mineral	70 Large gathering	22 Elementary
16 Diva's solo	6 Foul smell	71 Hand over	25 Wanting company
17 Egg on	7 Uncool people		27 Botch
18 Hokey	8 Topeka's state		28 Mine product
19 Run-of-the-___ (ordinary)	9 Underhanded		30 Scrapes by, with "out"
20 Two-person table game	10 Political retiree-to-be		31 Nothing more than
22 Come at from all sides			32 Otherwise
23 Scornful look			33 Type of electrical adapter
24 Bowl of greens			34 "Off with you!"
26 Floor model			35 Metric weight, for short
29 "See if I care!"			37 High card
33 Inquire			
36 Historical period			
38 Five-cent piece			
39 Two-person board game			
43 Swim back and forth			
44 Snaky fish			
45 Observe			
46 Backyard barbecue			
48 Legend			
51 Throw out			
53 Wild animal			
57 Like a tree-lined street			
60 Two-person pencil-and-paper game			
63 Lighten, as a burden			
64 Over yonder			
65 Take the show on the road			



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6:PM	News ABC	Jeopardy!	Gancho	Lopez	News CBS	Noticias	News NBC	Friends	Harris	Business	Cash Cab	UFC's Ultimate 100	UFC's Ultimate 100	Movie: Con Air, John Malkovich	Wizards of Waverly Place	Suite Life	Interrupt	MLB Baseball: Angels at Red Sox
7:PM	Wipeout	Wipeout	Nombre-Amor	You Can Dance	Entertain	Christine Gary	Más Sabe el Diabolo	Seinfeld	Swallow	News-Lehrer	MythBusters	UFC Fight Night	UFC Fight Night	Movie: Deep Cover, Victoria Dillard	Wizards of Waverly Place	Wizards of Waverly Place	NFL Live	WNBA Basketball
8:PM	(:02) Crash Course	(:02) Crash Course	Mañana es	Glee	Criminal Minds	Pobres		Payne	Payne	Live From Lincoln Center	Man vs. Wild	Man vs. Wild	Man vs. Wild	Man vs. Wild	Man vs. Wild	Man vs. Wild	Man vs. Wild	Man vs. Wild
9:PM	Primitime: Crime	Primitime: Crime	Don Francisco	Simpsons Friends	CSI: NY	Victorinos	The Jay Leno Show	Payne	Payne	Great Performances	Man vs. Wild	Man vs. Wild	Man vs. Wild	Man vs. Wild	Man vs. Wild	Man vs. Wild	Man vs. Wild	Man vs. Wild
10:PM	News	News	Impacto	Raymond	News	Noticiero	News	Payne	Payne	Ud	MythBusters	MythBusters	MythBusters	MythBusters	MythBusters	MythBusters	MythBusters	MythBusters
11:PM	Insider	Jimmy Kimmel Live	La Casa de la Risa	Law Order: CI	Late Late Show	Decisions	Late Night-Jim	Sex & Israel	Ud	Sex & Israel	Man vs. Wild	Man vs. Wild	Man vs. Wild	Man vs. Wild	Man vs. Wild	Man vs. Wild	Man vs. Wild	Man vs. Wild
12:AM	Work	Paid	Torrete, un Torbel	King-Hill	Insider	Pagado	News	Sanchez	Sanchez	Light of the Southwest	Man vs. Wild	Man vs. Wild	Man vs. Wild	Man vs. Wild	Man vs. Wild	Man vs. Wild	Man vs. Wild	Man vs. Wild
1:AM	Paid	Paid	Güereja	RENO 911	Paid	Rosas	Poker After Dark	Light of the Southwest	Light of the Southwest	Light of the Southwest	A Haunting	A Haunting	A Haunting	A Haunting	A Haunting	A Haunting	A Haunting	A Haunting

DENNIS THE MENACE



"THEY'RE HIS FRIENDS, GEORGE... NOT HIS ACCOMPLICES!"

THE FAMILY CIRCUS



"Shouldn't we give these back to the chickens so they can recycle them?"

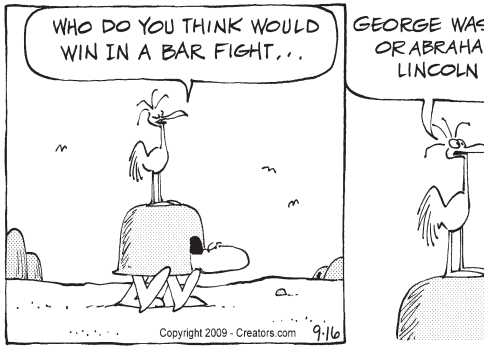
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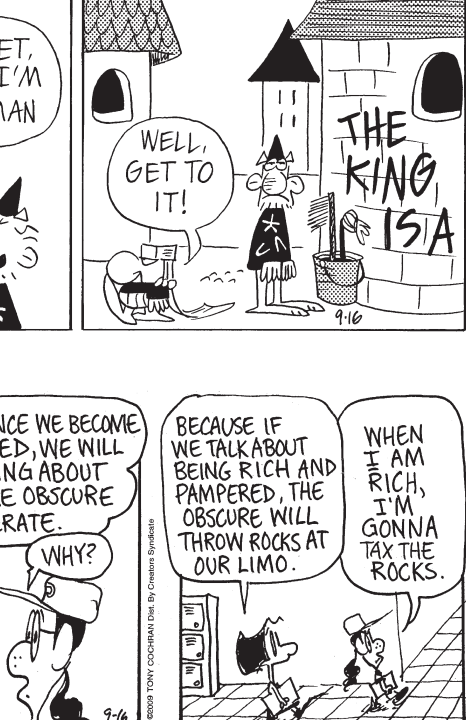
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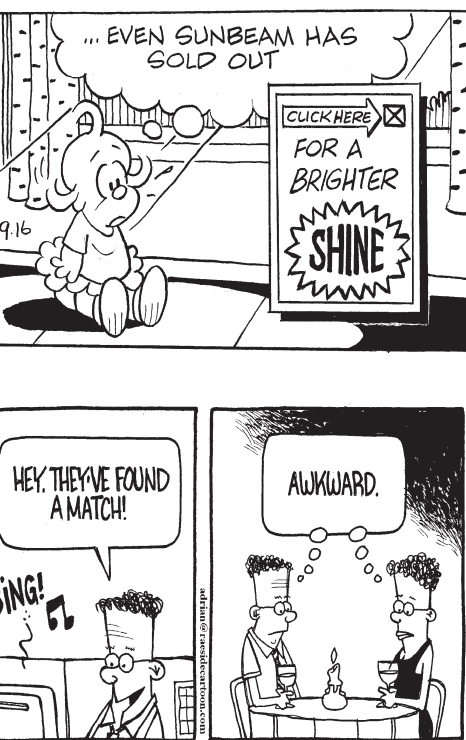
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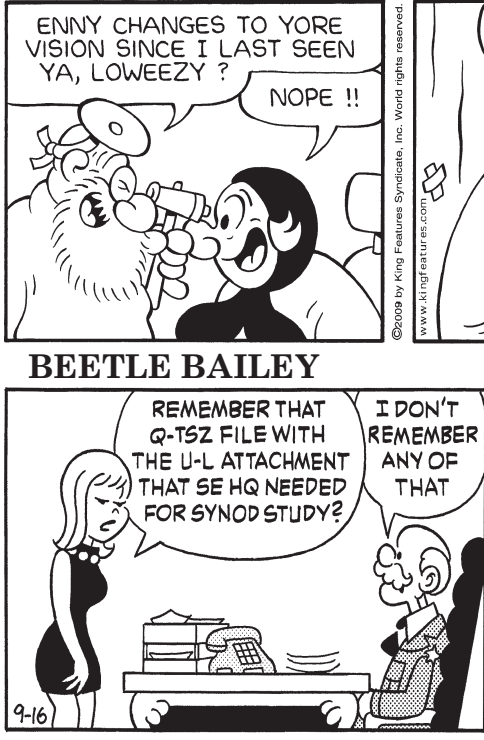
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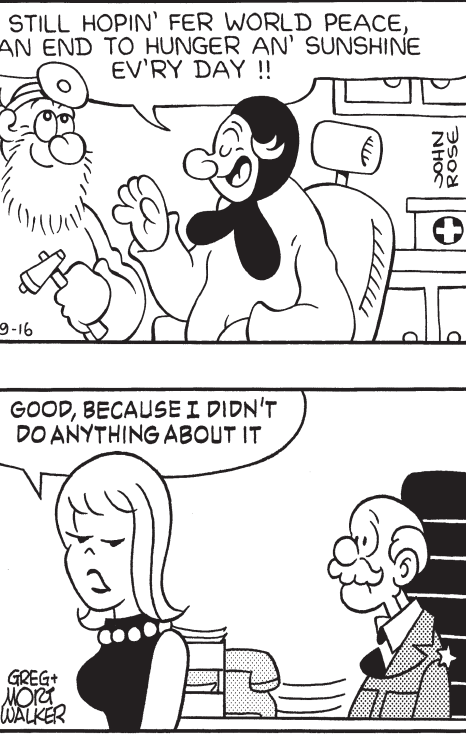
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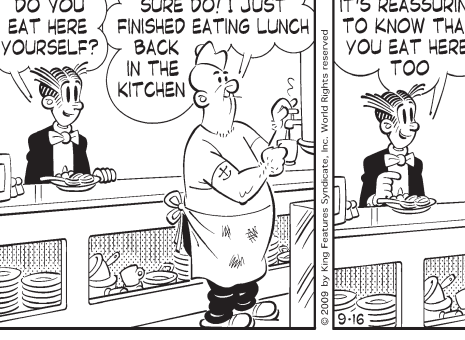
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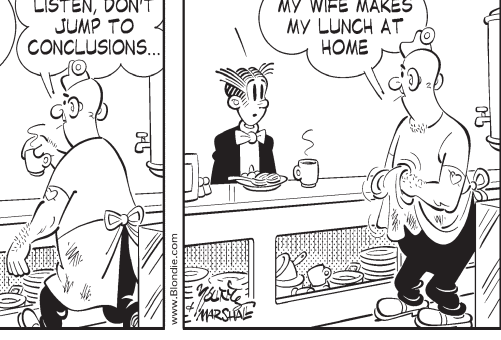
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DO YOU EAT HERE YOURSELF?



This Date In History

Today is Wednesday, Sept. 16, the 259th day of 2009. There are 106 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Sept. 16, 1919, the American Legion received a national charter from Congress.

On this date:

In 1498, Tomas de Torquemada, notorious for his role in the Spanish Inquisition, died in Avila, Spain.

In 1810, Mexico began its successful revolt against Spanish rule.

In 1893, more than 100,000 settlers swarmed onto a section of land in Oklahoma known as the "Cherokee Strip."

In 1908, General Motors Corp. was founded in Flint, Mich., by William C. Durant.

In 1940, President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed into law the Selective Training and Service Act, which set up the first peacetime military draft in U.S. history. Samuel T.

Rayburn of Texas was elected Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives.

In 1966, the Metropolitan Opera officially opened its new opera house at New York's Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts with the world premiere of Samuel Barber's "Antony and Cleopatra." (There had been a student matinee performance of "La Fanciulla del West" on April 11 to test the theater's sound quality.)

In 1968, Republican presidential nominee Richard Nixon exclaimed, "Sock it to ME!" in a taped bit that aired on the NBC-TV comedy program "Rowan & Martin's Laugh-In."

In 1977, Maria Callas, the American-born prima donna famed for her lyric soprano and fiery temperament, died in Paris at age 53.

In 1982, the massacre of hundreds of Palestinian men, women and children by Israeli-allied Lebanese militiamen began in west Beirut's Sabra and Chatilla refugee camps.

In 1988, Hurricane Gilbert slammed into the Mexico coast for the second time in three days.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Janis Paige is 87. Actress

Answer to previous puzzle

STAR	MONKS	LIPS
TUNE	IDEAL	ARIA
URGE	CORNY	MILL
BILLIARDS	BESET	
SNEER	SALAD	
DEMO	SOSUEME	
ASK	ERA	NICKEL
CHINESE	CHECKERS	
DOLANS	EEL	SEE
LOOKOUT	MYTH	
EXPUL	BEAST	
SHADY	TICTACTOE	
EASE	THERE	TOUR
CLAY	LETON	INNS
STONE	CROWD	CEDE

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- ACROSS**
- 1 Western plateau
  - 5 Take \_\_\_ at (try)
  - 10 Give off
  - 14 Test type
  - 15 Ring of rock
  - 16 Workbench device
  - 17 Candy man of film
  - 19 Singer Fitzgerald
  - 20 Gross minus expenses
  - 21 Lubricates
  - 22 Plenty of nothing?
  - 24 Dictatorial boss
  - 25 Would-be legislation
  - 26 Put on a spool
  - 29 Goes back and forth
  - 32 College residences
  - 33 Lasting mark
  - 34 Chimney residue
  - 36 Hold like a 16 Across
  - 37 Fissionable material
  - 38 Undeniable
  - 39 Actress Thompson
  - 40 Makes off-limits
  - 41 Emulates Daffy Duck
  - 42 Spend excessively
  - 44 Beyond reproach
  - 45 Andy Griffith Show son
  - 46 Loitered, with "out"
  - 47 Cookie nut
  - 50 Piquancy
  - 51 Hit-show letters
- DOWN**
- 1 Manicured, as a lawn
  - 2 A Great Lake
  - 3 Common condiment
  - 4 Nothing alternative
  - 5 Caught in an eddy
  - 6 Took without permission
  - 7 Brown shades
  - 8 Ancient animal refuge
  - 9 Barbecue grills
  - 10 With 55 Across, candy made by 17 Across
  - 11 Venus de \_\_\_
  - 12 Spot in the ocean
  - 13 Herbal beverages
  - 18 Hindu meditators
  - 23 Chicago railways
  - 24 Assistant to 17 Across
  - 25 Main roof supports
  - 26 Border
  - 27 Typical results
  - 28 Press into folds
  - 29 Teacake
  - 30 Not as well
  - 31 First courses
  - 33 Tour de France part
  - 35 Try out
  - 37 Not full-length
  - 41 Vowel sound in "boat"
  - 43 It merged with the WB
  - 44 Orion, e.g.
  - 46 Heedless speed
  - 47 Pale
  - 48 In \_\_\_ of (instead of)
  - 49 Polite term of address
  - 50 Ski lift
  - 51 Like cotton candy
  - 52 Coral pasta
  - 53 Ricelike pasta
  - 56 Slangy suffix
  - 57 Trident-shaped letter

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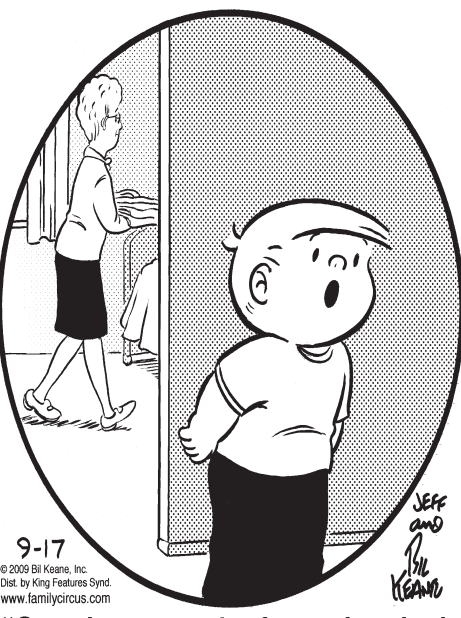
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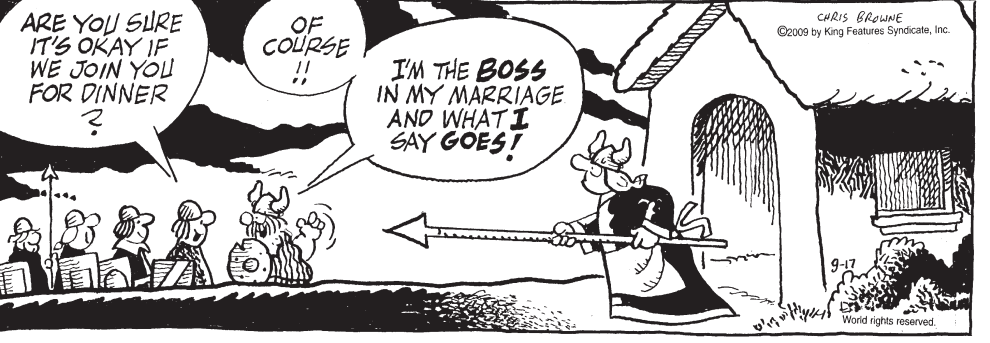
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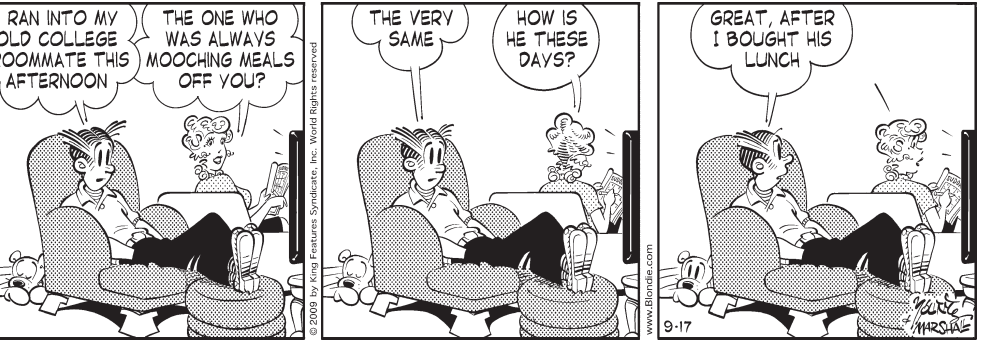


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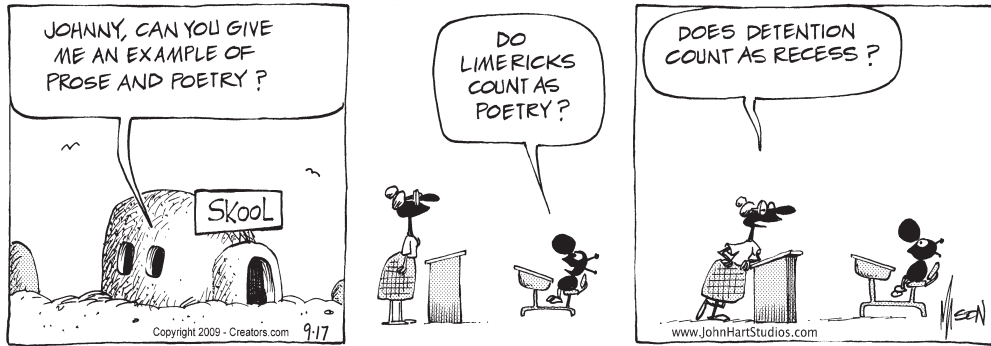
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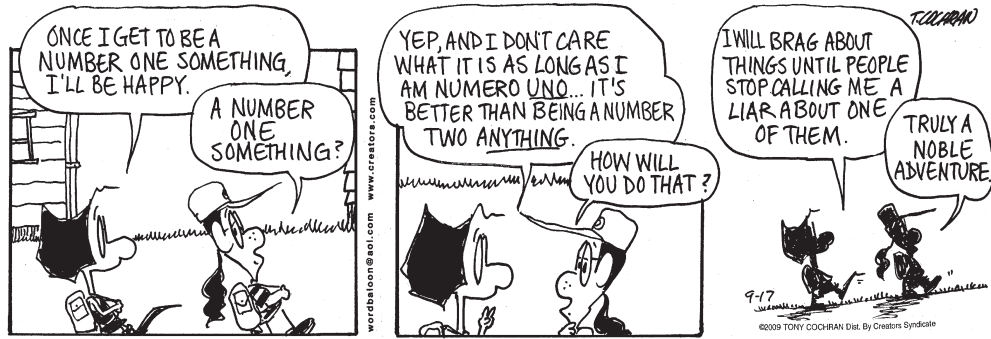
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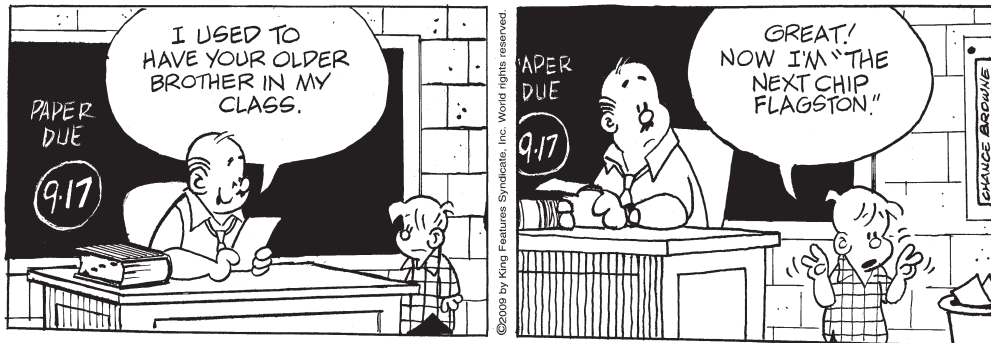
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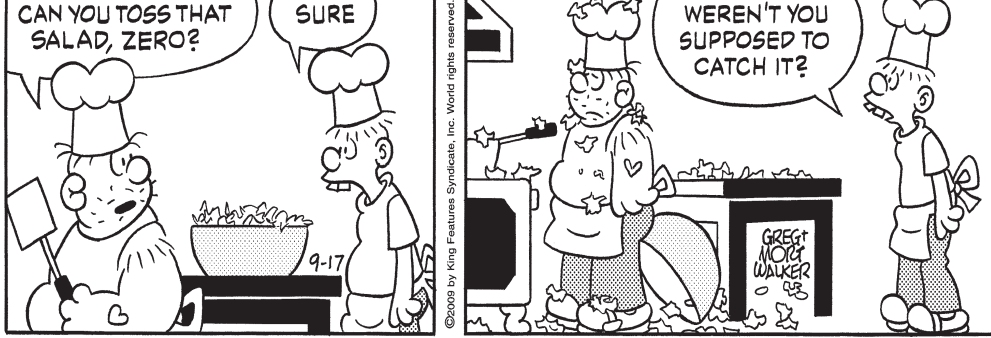
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SNUFFY SMITH



BETLE BAILEY



This Date In History

Today is Thursday, Sept. 17, the 260th day of 2009. There are 105 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Sept. 17, 1939, the Soviet Union invaded Poland during World War II, more than two weeks after Nazi Germany had launched its assault.

On this date:

In 1787, the Constitution of the United States was completed and signed by a majority of delegates attending the Constitutional Convention in Philadelphia.

In 1862, in the bloodiest battle day in U.S. history, Union forces fought Confederate invaders in the Civil War Battle of Antietam at Sharpsburg, Md.

In 1909, the first trolley crossed New York City's recently opened Queensboro Bridge in a test run. (Regular service began Oct. 4; the trolley was shut down in 1957.)

In 1920, the American Professional Football

Association — a precursor of the NFL — was formed in Canton, Ohio.

In 1944, during World War II, Allied paratroopers launched Operation Market Garden, landing behind German lines in the Netherlands. (After initial success, the Allies were beaten back by the Germans.)

In 1948, the United Nations mediator for Palestine, Count Folke Bernadotte, was assassinated in Jerusalem by Jewish extremists.

In 1949, more than 120 people died when fire gutted the Canadian passenger steamship SS Noronic at a pier in Toronto.

In 1959, Soviet leader Nikita Khrushchev traveled by train from Washington to New York City, where he received a low-key welcome from New Yorkers.

In 1978, after meeting at Camp David, Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin and Egyptian President Anwar Sadat signed a framework for a peace treaty.

In 1984, Progressive Conservative leader Brian Mulroney took office as Canada's 18th prime minister.

Today's Birthdays: Pro

Football Hall of Famer George Blanda is 82. Actor David Huddleston is 79. Sen. Charles E. Grassley, R-Iowa, is 76. Retired Supreme Court Justice David H. Souter is 70. Singer LaMonte McLemore (The Fifth Dimension) is 70. Retired Marine Gen. Anthony Zinni is 66. Los Angeles Lakers coach Phil Jackson is 64. Singer Fee Waybill is 59. Actress Cassandra Peterson ("Elvira, Mistress of the Dark") is 58. Comedian Rita Rudner is 56. Muppeteer Kevin Clash is 49. Movie director Baz Luhrmann is 47. Singer BeBe Winans is 47. Actor Kyle Chandler is 44. Director-producer Bryan Singer ("X-Men") is 44. Rapper Doug E. Fresh is 43. Actor Malik Yoba is 42.

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Newsday Crossword

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ACROSS

1 Concerto conclusion, maybe

5 Doggie

10 Gives the appearance of

14 Similar

15 Become accustomed

16 Drill holes

17 Sunscreen's purpose

19 Put one over on

20 Helen's captor

21 '90s music eccees

22 Emulates a 9 Down

23 Something plotted

25 Upward trip

27 'Tis memoirist

31 Exotic soup ingredient

34 Presley's middle name

35 Set straight

38 Auto-grille cover

39 Groucho-like

40 Office fill-ins

41 Melted ice cream, e.g.

42 Naval off.

43 Conical home

44 Monocle, basically

45 Dust-ups

47 As a group

49 Not for tots

52 Peculiarity

53 Be patient for

55 Monopoly props.

57 Bee Gees beat

61 Kit Kat alternative

62 Small-business owner

64 "Little" starter

65 Pick-me-up

67 Builder's spot

68 Sphere of influence

69 Influence

7 Slumber-party favorite

8 Annoyed

9 Certain mother

10 Playing hooky

11 Small-town officers

12 Jogging pace

13 Bastes, for example

18 Biblical twin

22 On deck

24 Sit-in, for example

26 Agree (to)

27 Pencil puzzles

28 Construction machine

29 Limitation

30 Genealogy chart

32 Jeremy of Jerldom

33 Transgression

36 Little rascal

37 Sport sword

41 Topography shapers

43 Precisely

46 Hi and Lois kid

48 Longish skirt

50 Blunder

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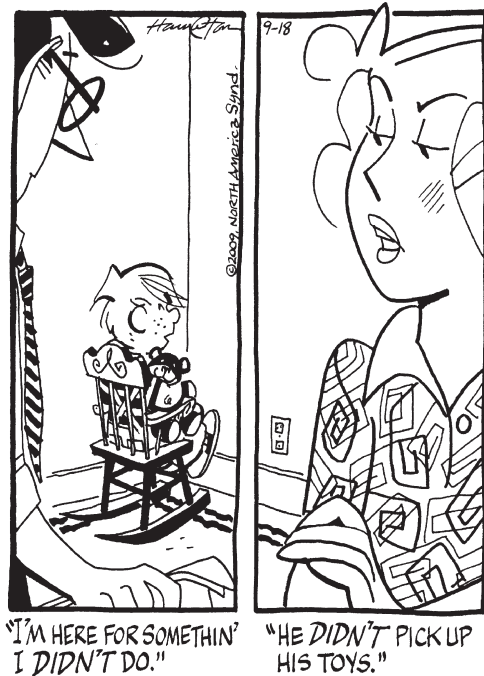
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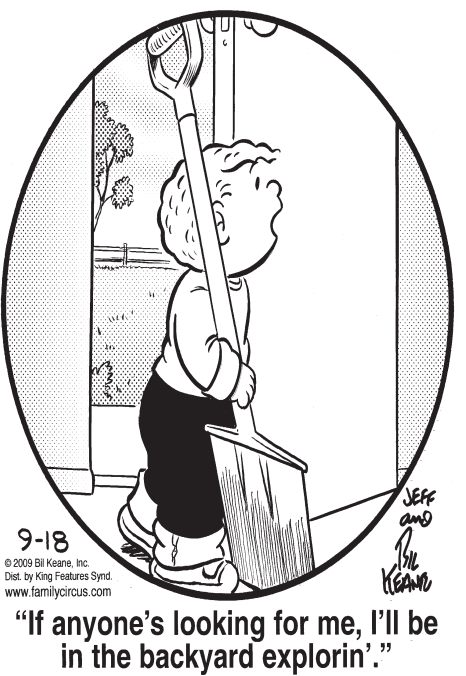


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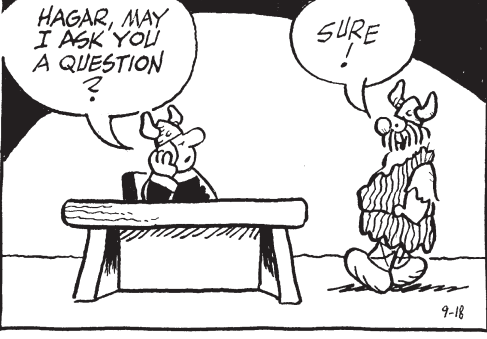
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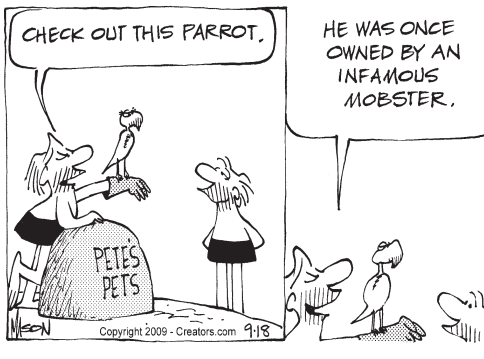
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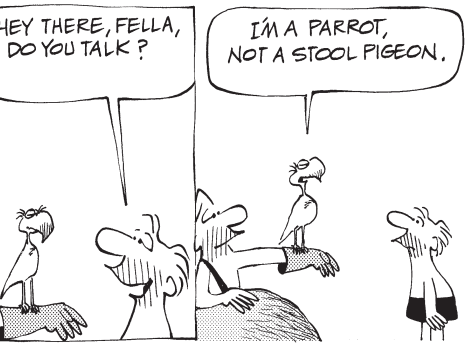
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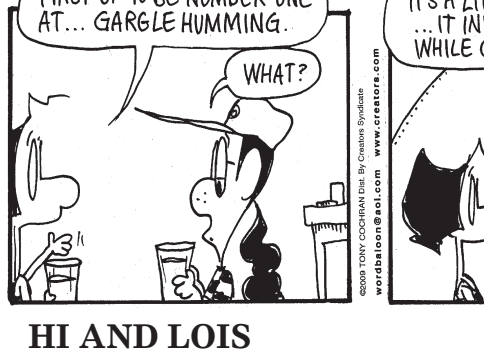
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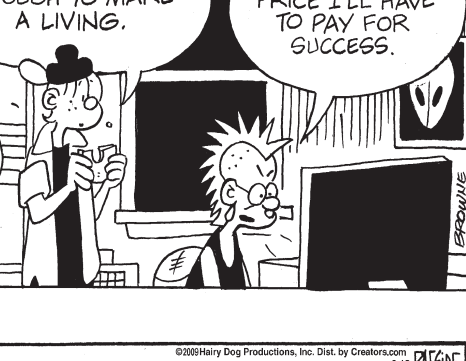
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This Date In History

Today is Friday, Sept. 18, the 261st day of 2009. There are 104 days left in the year. The Jewish New Year, Rosh Hashana, begins at sunset.

Today's Highlight in History:  
On Sept. 18, 1709 (New Style date), author, critic, lexicographer and wit Samuel Johnson was born in Lichfield, Staffordshire, England.

On this date:  
In 1759, the French formally surrendered Quebec to the British.  
In 1793, President George Washington laid the cornerstone of the U.S. Capitol.  
In 1810, Chile made its initial declaration of independence from Spain.  
In 1850, Congress passed the Fugitive Slave Act, which created a force of federal commissioners charged with returning escaped slaves to their owners.  
In 1927, the Columbia Phonograph Broadcasting System (later CBS) made its on-

air debut with a basic network of 16 radio stations.

In 1947, the National Security Act, which created a National Military Establishment, went into effect.

In 1959, Soviet leader Nikita Khrushchev continued his visit to New York with visits to Wall Street, the Empire State Building and the grave of President Franklin D. Roosevelt; in a speech to the U.N. General Assembly, Khrushchev called on all countries to disarm.

In 1961, United Nations Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjöld was killed in a plane crash in northern Rhodesia.

In 1970, rock star Jimi Hendrix died in London at age 27.

In 1975, newspaper heiress Patricia Hearst was captured by the FBI in San Francisco, 19 months after being kidnapped by the Symbionese Liberation Army.

Today's Birthdays: Singer Jimmie Rodgers is 76. Actor Robert Blake is 76. Sen. Robert Bennett, R-Utah, is 76. Actor Fred Willard is 70. Singer Frankie Avalon is 69. Rock musician Kerry Livgren is 60.

Actress Anna Deavere Smith is 59. Louisville basketball coach Rick Pitino is 57. College Football Hall of Famer and retired NFL player Billy Sims is 54. Movie director Mark Romanek is 50. Baseball Hall-of-Famer Ryne Sandberg is 50. Actor James Gandolfini is 48. Alt-country-rock musician Mark Olson is 48. Singer Joanne Catherall (Human League) is 47. Actress Holly Robinson Peete is 45. R&B singer Ricky Bell (Bell Biv DeVoe and New Edition) is 42. Actress Aisha Tyler is 39. Cycling champion Lance Armstrong is 38. Opera singer Anna Netrebko is 38. Actress Jada Pinkett Smith is 38. Actor James Marsden is 36.

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- ACROSS
- 1 Irritated state
- 5 Basics
- 9 Spreads at a party
- 14 Musical ending
- 15 Legally Blonde role
- 16 Upper crust
- 17 Figurine stone
- 18 Attendee
- 19 Heiress, perhaps
- 20 One with a beat
- 23 Community coll. course
- 24 Jogging units
- 25 Ruckus
- 26 Top of some scales
- 27 Pro Bowl selection
- 31 Quite confused
- 34 Align
- 36 Till bill
- 37 Credit agreement term
- 41 Notable span
- 42 Jonathan Larson musical
- 43 Piles on
- 44 Body art
- 47 GE subsidiary
- 48 Wall St. event
- 49 Chase follower
- 51 Upsilon
- 54 Charles' title
- 57 European fashion center
- 59 Shrek, e.g.
- 60 Trattoria order
- 61 Weather away
- 62 Artist's inspirer
- 63 Gutter locale
- 64 Saved, in a way
- 65 Some competitions
- 66 AAA info
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- 1 Rifle attachment
- 2 Taboo things
- 3 Pastoral poem
- 4 Urban carrier
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- 10 23 Across
- 11 Wedding-cake portion
- 12 "More of the same" letters
- 13 Wait's partner
- 21 Spotless
- 22 Did nothing
- 26 Social gathering
- 27 Talia Shire, to Nicolas Cage
- 28 Pond dweller
- 29 Sister of 54 Across
- 30 Some wines
- 31 "Not on \_\_\_!"
- 32 Where Rhett makes his exit
- 33 Wood piece
- 34 Woods pieces
- 35 '80s First Son
- 38 Sing like Bing
- 39 Pasta shape
- 40 PC alternative
- 45 Harangue
- 46 Offered a view
- 47 Bank-ad phrase
- 49 Smooth transition
- 50 Gymnastics fixture
- 51 Skirt feature
- 52 Hoist
- 53 Spots in the 5 Down
- 54 Drop like a drop
- 55 Scour
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- 57 Lived up to
- 58 He wrote lyrics for Porgy

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**Bama QB McElroy squares off against former coach in UNT game**

TUSCALOOSA, Ala. (AP) — Alabama quarterback Greg McElroy and North Texas coach Todd Dodge share a collection of Texas state football titles and offensive savvy and even a favorite restaurant — Copeland's.

It's no surprise that when McElroy and his old high school coach ran into each other a couple of years ago, it was at Copeland's of New Orleans. Dodge had a nice surprise for his former quarterback: They'd be seeing each other again, on the field.

"He's always up there," McElroy said of the Copeland's in Southlake, Texas. "You can always bet on him

being there watching football or things like that. When the schedule was released this year, that's a game I circled. It's not that I wanted to beat him real bad or anything like that. It's just going to be fun catching up with him."

McElroy and Dodge get that chance on Saturday at Bryant-Denny Stadium, when the Tide faces Dodge's Mean Green. It's an important season for both pupil and coach.

McElroy, a fourth-year junior, is finally Alabama's starter. Dodge is trying to turn a corner in a program that went 3-21 in his first two seasons.

"It's a pretty unique situation," Dodge said. "It's unique in a good way. I'm just proud of Greg and what he has accomplished and what he accomplished in high school."

"He's waited his turn and is now reaping the rewards, playing quarterback for one of the most storied programs in America."

Dodge arrived at North Texas after leading Southlake Carroll High School to four state titles and a 79-1 record in a five-season span. McElroy guided the team to one of those championships — and the mythical national title — after spending three years as a backup to Chase Daniel.

Now, they meet. "It means a lot to me. Coach Dodge was obviously a special part of my football career," McElroy said. "Playing for him was very special. It's not a time that I want to ever forget. I've talked to a lot of my high school friends over the last couple of days and they give me a hard time, saying am I going to be reading the signals for the defense and things like that."

"All in all, it's going to be a great experience, seeing those guys and competing against them, just remembering the times we had when we were out there on Saturday."

**A&M**

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was all that great," he said. "The quarterback had to run a little bit. The protection was OK, the assignments were fine, but we had a couple of technical errors in our protection. We need to shore that up."

Defensively, A&M looked much better than it did in any game last season, forcing two turnovers, giving up 231 yards and stopping the Lobos on 10 of 14 third downs. A&M ranked among the worst defenses in the country in 2008 and Sherman was pleasantly surprised how much the fundamentals seem to have improved.

"I thought we ran well to the ball, we gang-tackled," he said. "We didn't give the runner a whole lot of options to break tackles, because there were a number of people around him."

"There was a good physical, toughness attitude in the way we tackled."

A&M's defense figures to have a stiffer test this week trying to control dual-threat junior quarterback Diondre Borel, who threw for 121 yards and rushed for 48 in Utah State's opening 35-17 loss to No. 18 Utah.

Borel rushed for 632 yards in 2008, a school record for a quarterback. He also threw for 1,705 yards and was one of seven quarterbacks in the nation to lead his team in both rushing and passing last year.

"His quickness, the way he can

elude a tackler, he does a really good job with the option," A&M defensive coordinator Joe Kines said. "He's one of the quicker players we'll play all year."

Like New Mexico, Utah State is breaking in a new coach. Gary Andersen was Utah's defensive coordinator before taking the Utah State job last December.

These Aggies ran the wide-open, spread offense in their opener, but went 0-for-12 on third-down conversions. Kines said Utah State will try to confuse A&M with different looks and frequent substitutions.

"The first thing that pops in your mind when you think about Utah State's offense is their imagination, and how they do some good things with their formations and personnel groups," Kines said. "Their formations and how they spread you out will be the thing that's hard to handle on Saturday."

Like A&M, Utah State had an open date after its first game to work out the kinks. Andersen said his team, particularly on offense, still needs time to get used to his system.

"There are just so many things you would like to do as a coach," he said. "Sometimes you have to take a step back and remember that everything is brand new. It is year one. Just because it is good in our minds, as coaches and we understand it, doesn't mean the kids can absorb that, digest it and then play fast by doing it."

Utah State committed only one turnover in its opener, while generating

three, and Andersen said his Aggies will have to limit their mistakes to have a chance at Kyle Field.

"What we have to do is be able to execute what we do," Andersen said. "If we can do that, we will put ourselves in a position to compete as the game goes on. We understand the kind of athletes they have, but we are

going in there expecting to play well."

A&M is 12-0 all-time against teams from the Western Athletic Conference and has won 57 of its last 63 home games against nonconference opponents.

Utah State is trying to snap a nine-game losing streak to Big 12 teams.



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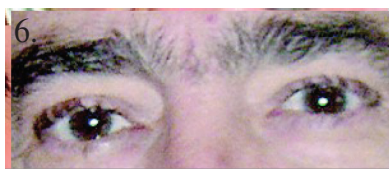
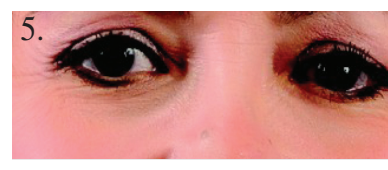
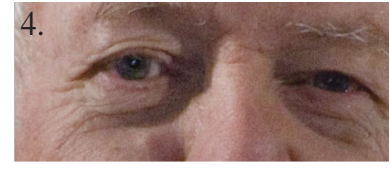
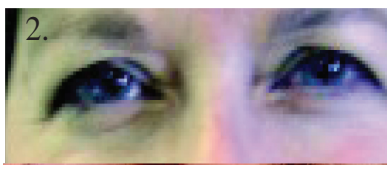
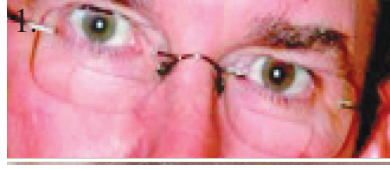
Contest will run in *The Big Spring Herald* Tuesday and Friday for the next two weeks. To enter, write your guesses down and turn them in at *The Herald* office, 710 Scurry St. The deadline is 5 p.m. Mon. Sept. 28. Enter as many times as you wish. All entries must be on an original *Big Spring Herald* edition. The winner will receive a free three-month subscription of *The Big Spring Herald*, dinner for two at Brenda's BBQ & More and Cowboy's Steakhouse.

**The Winner Will Be Announced In Tuesday's Sept. 29th Edition Of  
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My Guess: #1 \_\_\_\_\_

My Guess: #2 \_\_\_\_\_

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## RANGERS

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"We know we're running out of chances," Ian Kinsler said. "Everyone in here knows that. It's no secret."

What was always going to be an important September series this weekend against the Angels has become even more critical for the Rangers, who hope to make their first playoff appearance in 10 years.

The Rangers (80-65) had a much-needed day off Thursday, while the Angels won 4-3 in Boston to avoid a three-game sweep. Los Angeles (87-59) has a 6½-game lead in the division, and Boston leads by six games in the wild-card race.

When trying to inspire his teammates in the clubhouse after the latest loss Wednesday night, Byrd reminded them of the 2002 Oakland Athletics and 2007 Colorado Rockies.

Colorado had to win 21 of its last 22 games two seasons ago to earn the NL wild card, then made it to the World Series. A 20-game winning streak into early September boosted Oakland to the 2002 AL West title.

If the Angels split their remaining 16 games, Texas would have to go 15-2 just to tie for the division lead and force a one-game tiebreaker playoff. If Los Angeles slumped to 5-11 over the closing stretch, the Rangers would have to go at least 12-5.

Before they can win any games, the Rangers have to start scoring runs again.

Texas has only one run the past 37 innings, and is 0 for 22 with runners in scoring position since the run came on a solo home run by David Murphy in a 6-1 loss to Oakland on Tuesday night. It is the first time since the Rangers moved to Texas in 1972 that they have scored only once over a four-game span.

They are 1-5 on this homestand, swept in a three-game series by last-place Oakland this week while the Angels were also losing three straight games. It was the first time the Rangers were swept at home since the Angels won three in a row at Rangers Ballpark last September.

The Rangers managed only Byrd's bloop single in a 4-0 loss to Oakland against rookie right-hander Trevor Cahill and a pair of relievers Wednesday night. It was the third time they have been one-hit this season, and their 10th shutout came after hitting coach Rudy Jaramillo held a closed-door pre-game meeting with all the offensive players.

There are seven games left against the Angels, the three this weekend and four more in Los Angeles the last week of the regular season.

Texas is 9-3 against the Angels this season, including 5-1 in Arlington. But Washington knows things will be more difficult in September.

"They're in that mode right now going down the stretch. They've been there before," Washington said. "They will definitely come up here with a different attitude than they had earlier games we played them."

The Angels have won the AL West four of the last five seasons. Texas still needs another victory to ensure only its second non-losing season since the franchise's only three division titles from 1996-99.

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