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# Vote now, Heflin urges

## Balloting under way for amendments election

Special to the Herald

CROSBYTON — State Rep. Joe Heflin, D-Crosbyton, reminded residents of Texas

House District 85 to vote in the Texas Constitutional Amendment election. Early voting has already begun and runs through Oct. 30. Polls will be open from 7

a.m. to 7 p.m. election day, Tuesday, Nov. 3.

"Texans are voting on 11 proposed constitutional amendments that were voted on and approved earlier this year by the 81st Texas Legislature," said Heflin.

Included among the propositions are amendments strengthening private property rights (Prop. 11), establishing the national research fund to help more Texas universities reach premiere research status (Prop. 4), authorizing the Veterans' Land Board to issue additional general obligation bonds (Prop. 6) and authorizing the state to fund, operate and maintain veterans' hospitals (Prop. 8).

Heflin noted that many people have received an e-mail

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# Young people finally accept using Twitter

## **MARTHA IRVINE**

**AP National Writer** 

CHICAGO — They think it's pointless, narcissistic. Some don't even know what it is.

Even so, more young adults

and teens — normally at the cutting edge of technology are finally coming around to Twitter, using it for class or work, monitoring the minutiae of celebrities' lives.

It's not always love at first tweet, though. Many of them are doing it grudgingly, perhaps because a friend pressures them or a teacher or boss makes them try the 140-character microblogging

"I still find no point to using it. I'm the type of person who likes to talk to someone," says

"Every semester, Twitter is the one technology that students are most resistant to. But it's also the one they end up using the most"

-David Silver, networking expert

Austyn Gabig, a sophomore at the University of California, San Diego, who only joined Twitter this month because she heard Ellen DeGeneres was going to use tweets as a way to win tickets to her talk

**Inside The Big Spring Mall 267-6335** 



**HERALD photo/Steve Reagan** 

Let Hernandez, left, and Eric Valle rehearse a scene from "The Real Inspector Hound," a comedy/murder mystery that will be staged by the Howard College Theater Department tonight through Sunday at the Hall Center for the Arts.

## Comedy, drama debuts tonight at Hall Center

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By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

So, is "The Real Inspector Hound" a comedy, murder mystery, a psychological thriller or a play within a

Yes.

The play, which will be staged tonight through Sunday by the Howard College Theater Department fits all the above descriptions, Director Kirk Davidson said.

"I've always liked the 'play within a play' aspect ... and we wanted to do something special for Halloween and we thought this was perfect for that," Davidson said. "Plus, it's interactive. Everybody's always thought that if it were them on the stage, they'd do



chance to prove Davidson The play centers around two theater critics who, while re-

viewing a play, suddenly find themselves as characters in that play and involved in a murder mystery.

"It's kind of like 'Twilight Zone' in that it has a surprising ending," Davidson said, "but basically, it's a comedy with a twist."

Davidson said fans of Agatha Christie, "Murder She Wrote" or the old Sherlock Holmes films will enjoy the play, which debuts tonight in the Hall Center for the Arts. Show times are 8 p.m. through Saturday and 2 p.m.

This marks the department's first play of the season and the debut of new Technical Director Cathy Cox.

"She's wonderful," Davidson said. "She's worked with the Hip Pocket Theater in Fort Worth and has an extensive background in theater."

Admission is \$5 for general admission and \$3 for Howard College students and employ-

Contact Staff Writer Steve Reagan at 263-7331 ext. 234 or by e-mail at reporter@bigspringherald.com

## Taser tells police to avoid shooting at chest

**AMANDA LEE MYERS** 

**Associated Press Writer** 

PHOENIX — Stun-gun maker Taser International has started telling police agencies to avoid firing the devices at suspects' chests, explaining that there's an "extremely low" risk of ill effects on the heart and that doing so will make defending lawsuits easier. The Scottsdale, Ariz.-based company made the recommen-

dation in an Oct. 12 revised training manual, saying it "has less to do with safety and more to do with effective risk management for law enforcement agencies." The manual also includes a lengthy explanation about

deaths caused by sudden cardiac arrest. "Should sudden cardiac arrest occur in a scenario involv-

ing a Taser discharge to the chest area, it would place the

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# FRIDAYNIGHTFOOTBALLPREVIEW



**HERALD** photo/Tony Claxton

Big Spring Steers receiver Martin Yanez (5) turns the corner while teammate Tevian Parnell springs him by blocking a Plainview defender during a District 4-4A football game at Memorial Stadium last week. The Steers defeated Plainview 49-12, moving to 7-0 on the season. They play a pivotal district matchup against Abilene Cooper at 7:30 p.m. Friday at Shotwell Stadium in Abilene.

# The hunted

## Steers face another big test with Cougars looming Friday

By JONATHAN HULL

Sports Editor

Playing in meaningful games is a habit Big Spring Head Coach Phillip Ritchey hopes can continue for the Steers.

Big Spring (7-0, 2-0) travels to Abilene to meet

Cooper Cougars (4-3,2-0) at 7:30 p.m. Friday Shotwell Stadium for a piv-District otal matchup that will decide which team will sit alone atop standings after

games of league play.

"This is the type of game we want to be a part of here at Big Spring," said Ritchey. "Any time a game gets this much attention on a statewide level,

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Big Spring Cooper



When: 7:30 p.m. Friday

Where: Shotwell Stadium in Abilene Game-time weather: Clear, 60°F Radio: KBEST 95.7, KBST AM 1490,

www.kbst.com, KBYG AM 1400.

## Forsan celebrates homecoming against undefeated Cowboys

By JONATHAN HULL

Sports Editor

FORSAN — Generally, a school schedules its homecoming football game against a cream puff. That theory didn't work out for the Forsan Buffaloes this season.

Forsan is the last Crossroads region team to hold its homecoming celebration and cap the week by welcoming the undefeated Plains Cowboys to Buffalo

Plains posted a 5-5 record a year ago, but has used a power run game to open 2009 7-0 with a 2-0 district mark.

The Cowboys use a litany of different

ball carriers, but are led by quarterback Josh Brock, who has 494 yards on 68 carries. Brock

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**Plains** Forsan

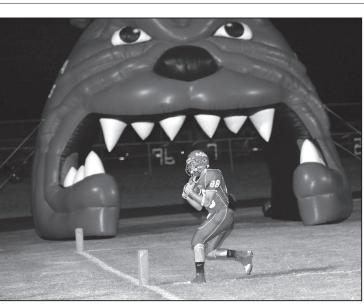
When: 7:30 p.m. Friday Where: Buffalo Stadium Game-time weather: Clear, 63°F

Radio: KBTS 94.3 The Fuse.



Courtesy photo/Bob Fishback

Forsan Buffaloes receiver Kolten Self (24) runs away from Stanton's Dillon Kennedy in a District 2-1A football game Oct. 9. Forsan hosts Plains at 7:30 p.m. Friday in its annual homecoming game.



**HERALD photo/Bruce Schooler** 

Coahoma Bulldogs wide receiver Hunter Williams pulls in a touchdown pass during a non-district football game Sept. 18 at Bulldog Stadium. Coahoma hosts rival Colorado City at 7:30 p.m. Friday.

# Rivals Coahoma, C-City meet in important District 7-2A matchup

By JONATHAN HULL

Sports Editor

COAHOMA — Rivals are meeting at 7:30 p.m. Friday night in Coahoma, but there is more than just bragging rights on the line between the Bulldogs and Colorado City Wolves.

The Bulldogs (4-3, 1-1) and Wolves engage in an important District 7-2A matchup as each jockey for position in the race for a district

Last week, Coahoma was finally able to pull out a close league game with a 31-29 win over Ballinger. The Bulldogs haven't faired so well in close games in 7-2A play dating back to last season.

In 2008, Coahoma went 1-4 in the district,

but three of those losses came by 12 points of less and each game wasn't decided until the final minutes.

The game against Colorado City a year ago is

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Colorado City Coahoma



When: 7:30 p.m. Friday Where: Bulldog Stadium

Game-time weather: Clear, 63°F

## CROSSROADS SCOREBOARD WEEK 8

Big Spring (7-0, 2-0)at Cooper (4-3, 2-0)

**Colorado City** (6-1, 2-0)at Coahoma (4-3, 1-1)

**Plains** (7-0, 2-0)at **Forsan** (2-5, 0-2)

Stanton (3-4, 1-1)at Tahoka (0-7, 0-2) Borden Co. (8-0, 2-0)at Sands (7-0, 1-0)

Grady (5-2, 2-0)at Ira (6-0, 2-0)

**Garden City** (6-1, 1-0)at Fort Davis (8-0, 2-0)

## Sports in brief

Flag football tournament set for Saturday and Sunday

A non-contact flag football tournament is being held at Cotton Mize Field in Comanche Trail Park Saturday and Sunday.

At least eight players must make up a team with no limit on the amount of total athletes on a squad. Cost is \$200 per team. Participants must be at least 16-years-old.

Deadline to sign up is at 7 p.m. Wednesday.

SMMC hosting 4-man scramble

## to benefit Relay for Life

Scenic Mountain Medical Center is hosting a 4-man scramble Saturday at the Municipal Golf Course at Comanche Trail Park.

Proceeds from the tournament will benefit Relay for Life. Cost is \$75 per golfer or \$300 per 4-some.

For more information or to register, call Tommy Chavarria at 816-3598.

## **Obituaries**

## Alpha Morrison

Alpha Morrison, former Big Spring resident, passed away Oct. 18, 2009, at 1000 Country Place No. 96 in Houston. Alpha is preceded in death by her husband, Garland P. Morrison.

She is survived by her only child, Patsy Ann Johnson and husband Donald; grandson Perry M. Chupp and wife Nancy; and great-grandson Eric P. Chupp and wife Candace. She is also survived by her sister, Dixie White, and nephews Michael White, Jon Johnson and wife Aasa.

Alpha was a former member of the First Baptist Church and lifetime member of the Order of the Eastern Star and a former manager of Coronado Hills Apartments. Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. Thursday,

Oct. 22, 2009, in the chapel of Memorial Oaks Funeral Home, 13001, Katy Freeway in Houston. Paid obituary

## **Take Note**

- A fund-raiser for Sara Merenenss Rice will be held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday at Forsan Baptist Church in Forsan. We are having a blood drive, bake sale and garage sale. Donations greatly appreciated. call 816-7125 for more information.
- Donations are being accepted at Cosden Federal Credit Union and State National Bank to assist the Gary Feaster family, residents of Howard County who lost their home to a fire Sunday. Thanks to community support, the family no longer needs donations of clothing, but any monetary donations would be appreciated.
- Holy Trinity Catholic Youth Group is hosting a Halloween dance from 8 p.m. to midnight Saturday, Oct. 24, at the Sacred Hall Youth Center. Music provided by live DJ. Dance open to area junior high and high school teens. Costumes optional.
- Robert Diaz is a lifelong Big Spring citizen and longtime city of Big Spring employee. Robert and Yvonne have four children and are raising four of their grandchildren. Robert has been on dialysis for about two years and is in need of a kidney transplant. Robert's wife, Yvonne is a match and they have been able to start the process due to the kindness and generosity of friends, family and Big Spring citizens. They are still in need due to all the fees that they will incur from the transplant. Anyone wishing to make a donation can do that at Citizens Credit Union, account 932728. All donations are appreciated.
- HATS (Hope After The Sadness), an American Cancer Society Resource Room is available at First Methodist Church. This center provides information and valuable resources for those affected by cancer. This HATS ministry, established in memory of the late Rev. Dr Shane Brue, maintains a room with free hats, wigs and head coverings available for check-out by those dealing with hair loss due to cancer treatment. Other services and resources are also available. Contact the "Hat Lady," Marci Lykken at 267-2915.
- Road to Recovery, sponsored by the American Cancer Society, seeks volunteers to drive cancer patients to treatment in Midland. This requires just a few hours commitment each month. To volunteer, or to request a ride for treatment, call (877) 277-1618, the High Plains American Cancer Group Report Center. Anyone wishing to volunteer to drive in this program should call Sherry Hodnett, president of the Big Spring ACS Board, at 264-7599 at her office at Home Hospice.
- Bring joy and kindness to others by becoming a Compass Hospice volunteer. Help those at the end of life's journey. Make a difference in someone's life. Call 263-5999 to begin your journey.
- New Life Ministries Church of God In Christ is holding a soup kitchen every second and fourth Tuesday from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at 204 N.W. 10th. The meal is free. Call 264-0771 for more information.
- Legal Aid of Northwest Texas is accepting appointments from 2 p.m. until 5 p.m. the first and third Wednesday of each month. Individuals seeking legal advice for matters concerning family law, divorce, custody and child support issues, social security cases, employment and housing may contact the office to schedule an appointment. Criminal with legal documents should call the office immediately at 800-926-5630 or 432-686-0647.

## Correction

An article appearing in the Tuesday edition of the Big Spring Herald concerning the U.S. Gen Web's Tombstone Transcription Project incorrectly identified the phone number of local contact person Charles Smith Jr. as (432) 816-1613. The correct number is (432) 466-1613. We apologize for any inconvenience the mix up might have caused.



## Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 7 a.m. Wednesday and 7

- BRANDEE JO JOHNSTON, 24, of 1207 Lamar, was arrested Wednesday on a warrant from another
- JESUS CERVANTES JR., 27, of 110 N.W. Fourth St., was arrested Thursday on a Martin County
- JACK EVERETT FOYIL, 37, of Kountze, was arrested Thursday on a charge of public intoxica-
- ERMA LINDA GARCIA, 31, of 1609 Young, was arrested Thursday on four local warrants.
- TERRORISTIC THREATS was reported in the 3300 block of FM 700.

## Sheriff

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

Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 85 inmates at the time of this

• JOHN ALLEN AVANT, 22, was arrested Wednesday on bond revocation charges for possession of a controlled substance in a drug free zone (two counts) and possession of marijuana – more than 4 ounces, less than 5 pounds.

• JESUS CERVANTES, 27, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while license invalid.

• JACK EVERETT FOYIL, 37, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

• ERMA LINDA GARCIA, 31, was transferred to the county jail Thursday by the BSPD on charges of

failure to maintain financial responsibility (two counts) and violation of a promise to appear (two RUDOLPH LEO GUTIERREZ, 18, was transferred to the county jail Wednesday by the BSPD on

charges of criminal mischief – more than \$1,500, less than \$20,000 and disorderly conduct – discharge of a firearm. • DANNY JAY HOLT, 34, was transferred to the

county jail Wednesday by the BSPD on charges of issuance of a bad check, larceny – state jail felony and theft – more than \$1,500, less than \$20,000 (state

• DOUGLAS HARLIN JOHNSON, 41, was arrested Wednesday by the HCSO on a charge of assault causing bodily injury – family violence.

• BRANDEE JO JOHNSTON, 24, was transferred to the county jail Wednesday by the BSPD on a charge of prohibited substance in a correctional facility alcohol/drugs/phone/tobacco.

 SEAN PASCA, 56, was arrested Wednesday by the HCSO on an out-of-state warrant for failure to appear.

ERIK PAUL WAYNE QUALLS, 44, was transferred to the county jail Wednesday by the BSPD on a charge of disorderly conduct – exposure.

## Fire/EMS

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

 MEDICAL was reported in the 9800 block of Kay Road. One person was transported to SMMC.

• MEDICAL was reported in the 400 block of E. 17<sup>th</sup> Street. One person was transported to SMMC.

• MEDICAL was reported in the 1400 block of Stadium. One person was transported to SMMC. • TRAUMA was reported in the 2700 block of E.

Highway 350. One person was transported to

## **Support Groups**

### **TODAY**

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

### **FRIDAY**

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

### **SATURDAY**

 Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, cases are not accepted. Anyone recently served 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. Open podium/speakers meeting 615 Settles 8 p.m. until 9 p.m. Open birthday night, no smoking meeting the last Saturday of each month at 8 p.m.

### **SUNDAY**

• Alcoholics Anonymous meets from 11 a.m. to noon at 615 Settles. Open meeting 5 p.m. until 6

### **MONDAY**

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· Encourager's Support Group for all widows and widowers meets the first and third Monday of the month. For more information, call Nancy Hale at 398-5239.

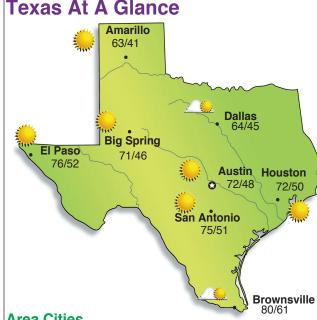


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Amarillo	63	41	sunny	Livingston	69	45	sunny
Austin	72	48	sunny	Longview	61	43	pt sunny
Beaumont	70	49	sunny	Lubbock	70	44	sunny
Brownsville	80	61	pt sunny	Lufkin	68	44	mst sunn
Brownwood	69	45	sunny	Midland	73	49	sunny
Corpus Christi	76	57	sunny	Raymondville	81	60	pt sunny
Corsicana	64	43	pt sunny	Rosenberg	73	51	sunny
Dallas	64	45	pt sunny	San Antonio	75	51	sunny
Del Rio	77	54	sunny	San Marcos	73	48	sunny
I Paso	76	52	sunny	Sulphur Springs	59	43	pt sunny
ort Stockton	75	51	sunny	Sweetwater	68	46	sunny
Gainesville	64	43	pt sunny	Tyler	62	42	pt sunny
Greenville	61	41	pt sunny	Weatherford	64	43	sunny
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Results of the Lotto Texas drawing Wednesday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 9-20-42-51-53-27.

Number matching six of six: 1. Prize: \$76 mil-

Winning number purchased in Alvin.

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Wednesday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 29-12-7-6-11.

Number matching five of five: 1. Prize: \$20,845 Winning ticket purchased in: Flint

The winning Daily 4 numbers drawn Wednesday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 2-4-0-1. Sum It Up: 7.

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Wednesday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 6-4-0. Sum It Up: 10.

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## Area roundup: Premier matchups litter Crossroads area

### By JONATHAN HULL

Sports Editor

There couldn't be a slate of games in the Crossroads region with more at stake than what's been set for Friday.

All three Crossroads six-man football teams — Sands, Grady and Garden City — are facing their biggest challenges of their respective district seasons.

Sands meets Borden County in a battle of the unbeatens. Garden City travels to Fort Davis in a matchup featuring two squads in the Top 10. Finally, Grady makes the trip to Ira, facing a Bulldogs squad that has been ranked as high as No. 1 this season.

It can be argued that all three matchups are essentially the championship games for each respective district.

### **Borden County (8-0, 2-0)** at Sands (7-0, 1-0)

ACKERLY — The No. 3 Borden County Coyotes are the defending six-man Division II state champions and have thoughts of repeating etched firmly in their minds.

However, if the Coyotes want to also repeat as the Division II, District 6 champions, they must first get past the No. 6 Sands Mustangs at 7:30 p.m. Friday night in Ackerly.

A season ago, that wasn't a problem. The Coyotes ended their game with Sands in the third quarter via the 45-point mercy rule with a 59-14

Sands' dynamic duo of Johnny Rogers and Daniel Armendariz were kept in check, while Borden County's Michael Cooley — named the Most Valuable Player in the state at the six-man Division II level — tallied 209 rushing yards on a mere 11 carries.

Cooley has gotten off to a similar start in 2009, amassing 1,049 yards on 56 carries. Half of Cooley's carries have gone for touchdowns, giving him 28 trips to the end zone this sea-

Sands opened district play last week with a 51-0 win over Westbrook. The game was called at halftime. Borden County was also dominant a week ago, winning 56-8 over Grandfalls-Royalty.

The Coyotes did get challenged two weeks ago in their district opener. Buena Vista led Borden County 22-20 at halftime. However, the Coyotes allowed just 7 points in the second half and ended up blowing out Buena Vista 62-29.

### Garden City (6-1, 1-0) at Fort Davis (8-0, 2-0)

GARDEN CITY — While the Rankin Red Devils could end up figuring into the equation, there's a good chance the winner between No. 4 Garden City and No. 10 Fort Davis at 7:30 p.m. Friday will later lay claim to the sixman Division I. District 8 title.

In fact, Fort Davis has a better than fair chance of claiming the league title with a win Friday as the Indians have already defeated Rankin, 54-44.

Fort Davis will be hosting a Garden City squad that has won its last six games by halftime via the 45-point mercy rule. Most recently, the Bearkats defeated Lubbock Christ the King, 54-8.

Last season, the Indians knocked off Garden City twice. In the regular season, Fort Davis used a big third quarter to come away with a 54-33 victory. The Indians later edged Garden City 63-56 in the postseason, scoring with 10 seconds left for the win.

### Grady (5-2, 2-0) at Ira (6-0, 2-0)

LENORAH — The Ira Bulldogs lost All-State running back Andy Rivera from last season's Division I, District 7 championship team.

Amazingly, the Bulldogs haven't missed him nearly as much as expect-

That's because freshman Lance

Morris has picked up where Rivera left off, averaging nearly 10 yards a carry and finding the end zone 15 times in six games. The Bulldogs have been ranked as

high as No. 1 this season and currently sit fifth in the polls.

While Ira prefers to rely on the ground game, Grady's strong suit is attacking with the arm of quarterback Dylan Cox.

Both teams have played Ropes this season. Grady fell to the Eagles 48-38 Sept. 25. Ira topped Ropes 61-14, ending the game via the 45-point mercy rule early in the fourth quarter.

Forsan and Plains. The Cowboys also came away with a much more positive result — a 31-19 win.

Both Forsan and Stanton had faced Battle of the Buffs Oct. 9. Iraan routed Forsan 56-0, but needed a comeback 42-35.

Based on those results, it was assumed Stanton could crush Forsan, but instead needed an extra frame to

Last season, Ira routed Grady 75-25, picking off Cox four times. The loss essentially eliminated the Wildcats from postseason contention last

### Stanton (3-4, 1-1) at Tahoka (0-7, 0-2) STANTON — Stanton travels to

meet a struggling Tahoka Bulldogs squad at 7:30 p.m. Friday with an opportunity to improve their standing in District 2-1A. The Buffs couldn't keep up with the

Seagraves Eagles impressive run game last week, allowing 297 yards on 36 carries in a 32-10 loss.

The Bulldogs don't represent the same type of challenge as they have struggled to sustain a consistent

Picking up a win is important to the Buffs as they try to positing themselves for the third postseason berth available out of the district.

A loss for Tahoka would essentially eliminate the Bulldogs from playoff contention.

In 2008, Stanton escaped with an 8-6 victory. The game was scoreless through three quarters before Stanton quarterback Tyler Fulton plunged into the end zone from a yard out. The Buffs recorded the 2-point conversion that ended up being the difference in

Tahoka scored with no time left on the clock, but failed to convert for 2 points.

## **FORSAN**

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has thrown just 27 passes this season, completing 13 for 273 yards and four touchdowns with one interception.

Brock is simply one of seven Cowboys who have carried the ball at least 20 times this season.

Forsan has started to find more big plays from its run game as well. The Buffs have received back-to-back 100yard performances by sophomore tailback Ty Johnson, who Head Coach Jason Phillips says will be the fastest player on the field every time he walks onto it.

Still, it's the Buffs defense that has delivered their two victories and kept them within striking distance in two of their five losses.

Forsan's outlook is it could easily be 4-3 this season if the ball bounces its way in two narrow losses. In the season opener, the Buffs fell to Eldorado 20-13 and then lost their District 2-1A opener to rival Stanton 14-7 in overtime.

Last week, Forsan's defense struggled on the road as Sundown drubbed the Buffs 40-7.

The matchup with the Roughnecks could serve as a measuring stick for

visited Sundown this season, but However, Forsan will be quick to

warn against anyone using prior results to determine the outcome of a

Iraan before they met in the annual victory in overtime to take out Stanton

come away with the victory.

### District 2-1A football standings

Team	Dist.	Overall
Plains	2-0	7-0
Seagraves	2-0	6-1
Sundown	1-1	4-3
Stanton	1-1	3-4
Forsan	0-2	2-5
Tahoka	0-2	0-7
Friday's so	chedu	le: Plains at
Forsan; Sta	anton	at Tahoka;
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a prime example. The Bulldogs lost 40-28 as Colorado City scored 20 points in the fourth quarter to pull out the victory. The Wolves scored two touchdowns in the final minute, including an 85-yard interception return, to overtake Coahoma.

The Bulldogs have had similar issues in their two district games this season with mixed results. They have held the lead at halftime in both matchups, but surrendered the advantage to their opponent in the second half.

In the 7-2A opener against Jim Ned, Coahoma led 19-14 at intermission and 26-17 midway through the third quarter. Jim Ned scored 20 unanswered the points to end the game with a 37-26 victory.

A case of deja vu appeared to be hitting the Bulldogs last week against Ballinger as they

District 7-2A

football standings

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watched a 25-14 advantage evaporate in the fourth quarter. Ballinger scored two touchdowns and recorded a safety in the first six minutes of the final frame, taking a 29-25 lead.

Coahoma reversed its misfortune, though, as Josh Paniagua hooked up with Lane Douglass from 15 yards out with 2:45 left on the clock, giving the Bulldogs a 31-29 lead. Hunter Williams intercepted a pass deep in Ballinger territory with 31 seconds left to seal Coahoma's first district win of the sea-

Paniagua has been the catalyst of the Bulldogs offense this season, throwing for 1,757 yards and 21 touchdowns while being picked off 10 times.

His favorite targets have been Ray Gutierrez, who has 31 catches for 610 yards and six touchdowns, and Lupe Abrego, who has caught 39 balls for 579 yards and eight touchdowns.

# sudoku

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At the other end of the spectrum is Colorado City, which has been keyed offensively by the legs of running back Jamarcus Brooks.

In last week's 28-14 win over Jim Ned, Brooks rushed for 135 yards and one touchdown on 12 carries. That performance was simply an encore to his 132-yard showing against Grape Creek in the 7-2A opener.



By Steve Becker

## Thoughtful Defense

East dealer. East-West vulnerable. NORTH **↑** 10 9 5 2 WEST **EAST ♦** J 7 6 **♥**107 ♥AKJ8542 ♦ A 9 8 5 4 2 ♦ K 10 3 **4**52 **†**76 SOUTH **↑** A K Q 8 4 **♥**Q6 ♣Q 10 3

The bidding: East South West Pass Opening lead — ten of hearts. In this deal from a duplicate

game, nearly every North-South pair bid and made four spades even though the contract should have been defeated every time. At each table, the opening lead

was the ten of hearts, and East won the first two tricks with the king and ace. At some tables, East now shifted to a low diamond, West winning South's queen with the ace. Regardless of West's return, declarer then had no trouble scoring the rest of the

tricks to make his contract.

At a few other tables, East found a somewhat more imaginative return at trick three — a heart. This was done in the hope of promoting a trump trick for West, and though the operation was a success, the patient still died. At these tables, declarer simply ruffed the heart with the queen of spades and discarded dummy's diamond. West later scored a trick with the jack of spades, but

that was all. At one table, though, East gave much greater thought to his play at trick three. He reasoned that West might have a natural trump trick, or a trump that could be promoted, but that this would not be sufficient to defeat the contract. If the hand could be set, the defense also would need to collect a diamond trick. This in turn meant that West would have to have the ace of diamonds tainly not an impossibility on the bidding.

But to assure getting a diamond trick, it was necessary that it be taken before a heart was led for the reason we have already seen. East therefore laid down the diamond king at trick three and, after it held, then led a heart. Now the jig was up — declarer had to lose a trump trick, and the contract went down one.

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Friday's schedule: Colorado City at

Coahoma; Wall at Jim Ned; Ballinger at

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## **VOTE**

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claiming that Propositions

2 and 3 authorize a state property tax. "These proposals do not create a state property tax," said Rep. Heflin. "Rather, Propositions 2 and 3 are the result of studies conducted during 2008 by the House Committee Select Appraisal Reform Property Tax Relief and by Senate Finance Subcommittee on Property Appraisal and Revenue

"Proposition 2 proposes giving relief to homeowners when the areas around their residences are being redeveloped, which can drive up property values," Heflin explained. "Apprais-

ers use an appraisal standard known as 'highest and best use,' and Proposition 2 authorizes residential homesteads to be appraised solely on the basis of their value as a residence homestead instead of what appraisers might consider the property's 'highest and best use."

Heflin continued, "Proposition 3 provides that uniform standards and procedures be used for the appraisal of property for ad valorem tax purposes and strengthens state oversight of appraisal methodologies which can vary from appraisal district to appraisal district. Proposition 3 would not affect any constitutional provision prohibiting the statewide appraisal of real property

for ad valorem taxation."

The Texas Constitution was ratified in 1876 and has been amended 456 times. Heflin encourages all of his constituents to study the proposed amendments and decide whether they should be added to the state's 133 year-old Constitution. Ballot language and an in-depth analysis of each proposal is available at www.tlc.state.tx.us/pubsconamend/analyses09/ analyses09.pdf.

Heflin represents Texas House District 85, which includes Borden, Glasscock and Howard. He may be reached at his Capitol Office in Austin, 512-463-0604, at his district office in Crosbyton, 806-675-1583 or in Big Spring at 432-213-

## **TASER**

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law enforcement agency, the officer, and Taser International in the difficult situation of trying to ascertain what role, if any, (the device) could have played," according to the manu-

The manual includes a graphic displaying the human body and "preferred target areas." The company recommends firing Tasers anywhere but at the head, neck and chest. The manual says to avoid chest shots "when possible" and "unless legally justified."

ny's new recommendation an admission that the devices can cause heart attacks.

Taser critics call the compa-

"It's a sea change, a passive acknowledgment that Taser has indeed been overconfident about its claims of safety," said Mark Silverstein, legal director of the ACLU of Colorado.

Amnesty International says more than 350 people in the U.S. died after they were shocked with Tasers, and that in 50 of those cases, medical examiners cited a link between Taser

Taser officials say the new recommendation is designed only to "avoid any potential controversy on this topic."

shocks and death.

"There is no significant shift," Taser spokesman Steve Tuttle said in an e-mail. "Just a slight change by literally a few inches when intentionally targeting the preferred target zone ... Medical and field studies continue to demonstrate that the Taser carries a lower risk of injury than traditional force options, leading to lower officer injury rates and safer communities."

## TWITTER

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show.

Caps."

DeGeneres set off a frenzy on the UCSD campus when she promised the tickets to those who, within 15 minutes of the tweet, e-mailed her cell phone photos of themselves wearing a red towel and standing with someone in a uniform.

Gabig got the tweet. found a towel - and won tickets.

She might think she won't tweet again, but social networking expert David Silver predicts she'll change her mind.

"Every semester, Twitter is the one technology that students are most resistant to," says Silver, a media studies professor at the University of San Francisco, where he regularly teaches a class on how to use various Internet applications. "But it's also the one they end up using the most.'

It is a rare instance, he and others say, of young people adopting an Internet application aiter many oi their older counterparts have already done so.

Their slowness to warm to Twitter comes in part from a fondness for the ease and directness of text messaging and other social networking services that most of their friends already use.

Many also are under the false impression that their Twitter pages have to be public, which is unappealing to a generation that's had privacy drilled into them.

Then there's the fact that their elders like it, and that's very uncool. But that's bound to change as tech-savvy Gen Xers reach middle age and baby boomers and even some senior citizens become more comfortable with social networking.

"In some ways, what we're seeing here is a kind of closing of that generational gap as it relates to technology," says Craig Watkins, a University of Texas professor and author of the book "The Young and the Digital.'

Consider, for instance,

### that the median age of a Facebook user is now 33, despite the socialnetworking site's roots as a college hangout, according to the Pew Internet & American Life Project. The median age

And while Facebook's audience is aging, Twitterers are getting younger. Internet tracker comScore Inc. found that 18- to 24-year-olds made up 18 percent of unique visitors to Twitter in September, compared with 11 percent a year earlier.

for Twitter is 31.

Meanwhile, kids ages 12 to 17 accounted for 12 percent of Twitter visitors last month, about double the proportion of a year earlier.

Pew researchers also found in a report released Wednesday that the number of people ages 18 to 24 who use some type of status-update service is growing quickly, too. They attribute much of the growth to Twitter.

"So much of this is driven by community. I'd even call it a tribe," says Susannah Fox, a Pew researcher who was the new report's lead author.

She said the survey also found that wireless devices are increasingly a factor in Twitter involvement, as in the more you have — laptop, mobile phone and so on — the more likely you are to tweet.

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third year at the Rochester Institute of Technology in New York, uses Twitter as a tight-knit circle, keeping his contacts more limited than on Facebook.

Using his cell phone or laptop, he tweets to let professors know he can't make it to class or to ask questions about assignments. He also uses it for something as basic as organizing a food run with friends on campus.

"I can simply tweet and ask who wants to go somewhere with me. and I'll have a few takers at any given time," he savs.

Mallory Wood, a recent graduate of Saint Michael's College in Vermont, is another Twitter convert — primarily for work. She's now an admissions counselor there, in charge of getting more people to follow her department on Twitter.

She uses the service to offer application fee waivers to prospective students and points them to links to student blogs, even some with complaints about campus life. "You have to be real with them," Wood

That's still not enough to persuade some young people to get on board.

"Quite frankly, I don't need to hear if someone stepped in dog poo on the way to class or how annoyed they are that they lost their favorite pen," says Carolyn Wald, a University of Chicago junior who has not joined Twitter and rarely posts status updates on Facebook because "I don't want to assume that people want to hear those things about me, either."

Even teen pop star Miley Cyrus stopped tweeting, griping in a rap song she posted on YouTube that, among other things, she'd grown weary of making constant, meaningless updates about what she was doing.

The key, USF professor Silver says, is showing his students how

a simple status update can become a more sophisticated way to show their creative sides and, who knows, maybe land a job.

"It's just another tool in your tool kit," he says he tells his students. "The question is, 'How do you engage someone just long enough to get them to click on a link?""

Scott Testa, a business administration professor who teaches marketing at Cabrini College in suburban Philadelphia, encourages his students to use Twitter to follow companies they would like to work for.

He also uses it to extend a conversation outside the classroom, in part because tweeting often draws comments "from those who might be a little more shy."

Renee Robinson, an associate professor of communication at Saint Xavier University in Chicago, says her students still feel overwhelmed by Twitter.

"They often see it as another level of information that they don't want," she says.

And sometimes she does, too. In one of her classes where she uses Twitter, she and her students had to cut back on people they were following because they were deluged with tweets.

So they all learned something: "Think carefully about what kind of information you want and how you want it delivered," she told them, "and then prioritize."

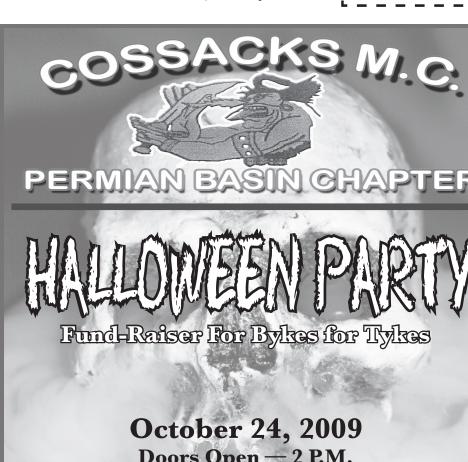
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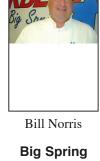
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## **STEERS**

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it's good news for this program. It's just like being ranked. The biggest deal in all of it is the honor the team receives for its accomplishments."

The Steers enter Friday night ranked No. 7 in the state and are attempting to go 8-0 for the first time in the program's 102-year history.

While Cooper has three losses on its record, Ritchey warns the Cougars' season mark is quite misleading.

"All of Cooper's losses came to very good 5A squads and they didn't get blown out in any of those games," said Ritchey. "They're a very good team and we're not going to see a team as talented as they are until we get to the postseason. Honestly, if Cooper plays our schedule, there's a pretty good chance they'd be undefeated and in the Top 10, too. They'd have a tough time with Denison and Frenship just like we did, but I do think they'd be undefeated."

Much like Big Spring, the Cougars

are using a balanced offense to post gaudy numbers. Cooper is averaging more than 40 points a game with 3,199 total yards on the season. The Cougars have racked up 1,477 yards on the ground and 1,722 through the air.

Cooper has three running backs -Kendrick Powdrill (482), Alford Cooper (450) and Davon Riddick (398) with close to or more than 400 yards rushing and averaging better than six yards a carry.

Quarterback Ryan Heslep has completed 131-of-207 passes for 1,662 yards and 15 touchdowns and is yet to throw an interception this season. Also like the Steers, Heslep spreads the ball around with four receivers recording at least 20 receptions.

"They started the season throwing the ball a lot, but have really started to pound it with the ground game in their last couple games," noted Ritchey. "They're capable of having success either way. It's going to be a major challenge for our defense. They can spread us out and throw the ball in a scheme much like Pampa's, which gave us trouble earlier this season. They're also capable of getting in the I-formation and running between the tackles." The Steers have been just as bal-

anced this season and last week's 49-12 win over Plainview emulated Quarterback Tyler Tannehill threw

for 318 yards and four touchdowns, while tailback Monte Anderson rushed for 199 yards and three scores. Tannehill's four touchdown passes went to four different receivers. "We're capable of attacking defens-

es any way we want to," said Ritchey. "We're probably going to be seeing the most athletic secondary we have all season. They've got some good, quick players up front as well.' Cooper's secondary is led by corner-

back T.C. Robinson, who has made a verbal commitment to Baylor and had received interest from other Division I colleges such as SMU, TCU and Texas Tech.

Ritchey said Robinson's presence in the secondary is not going to change the way Big Spring attacks with the passing game.

"He's a good player, but we can't allow him to take away one side of the

field," explained Ritchey. "I'm going to be interested to see which one of our receivers he lines up on because we've got so many who have been contributing this season. We're going to throw the ball to every part of the field. We won't limit ourselves at all. "Their secondary plays a lot of man

coverage and we haven't seen that too much this season," he added. "We've seen some very good zone schemes." Ritchey adds a large target remains

firmly on the backs of the Steers, but also says Big Spring has reasons to be gunning for Cooper as well.

"They don't like the fact we're ranked ahead of them. They see our schedule and know the quality of teams they've faced this season. I'm sure they believe they're a better team than we are," said Ritchey. "We've got a target on us because of that, but we're putting a target on them, too. They're a big 4A school with 5A numbers. We're playing with more like 3A numbers right now, but we know we can hang with the big boys. We're wanting that district title and we've got to beat Cooper to get to

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## Our View

## Be sure you help make a difference Saturday morning

hat a difference a day makes! It seems like we're always making that point at this time in October, yet there's nothing so true at that tried and true adage. And Saturday will once again be the time to make it true with our community by taking part in "Make A Difference

What is "Make A Difference Day?"

Well, according to coordinator Pat Simmons, 'Make A Difference Day" is the fall "Trash Off" event for Keep Big Spring Beautiful, an affiliate of Keep Texas Beautiful.

Who makes a difference?

We all do, or at least we can, Simmons said, noting that volunteers are needed for the Saturday clean up effort. "Most of our "Don't Mess With Texas" trash

off volunteers have been contacted and are going to be involved," Simmons said. "But, to 'Make A Difference' we need our whole community working."

That's because in addition to the traditional fall clean-up effort, volunteers can also choose other projects.

"Maybe you want to make a difference in someone's life," Simmons said. "Take a plant to someone, visit a shut in or a nursing home ... help an elderly neighbor by mowing their year or running errands."

Obviously, Simmons is absolutely right. We as a community need to get involved Saturday and make a difference.

Choose your hours, and work as long as you like. And we would hope that every property owner or renter would take a look at their property, front and back. If something needs cleaning up or fixing, take the opportunity to do that work Saturday.

Those planning to work in the KBSB effort are invited to enjoy lunch provided by Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

Remember, as you pick up trash Saturday morning, make sure to save aluminum cans and place them in a separate bag. Those cans can be recycled and provides a way for Keep Big Spring Beautiful to raise funds.

Other trash can be disposed at the most convenient dumpster, because unlike the spring "Trash Off" there will be no weigh-in of the trash collected.

Anyone needing additional information concerning the project, and especially those planning to have lunch, can contact Simmons by calling 263-4607.

And remember, regardless of how much or little time you have Saturday, take at least a little of it and help do something to clean up our community. It will not only give you a sense of achievement, but all our lives will be a little better as a result.

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## A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

Amen

Just imagine how far we can go with You,

## What happened to global warming?

he headline read "What happened to global warming?" on BBC News on Oct. 9, no less. Consider it a cataclysmic event: Mainstream news organizations have begun reporting on

scientific research that suggests that global warming may not be caused by man and may not be as dire and imminent as alarmists suggest. Indeed, as the

BBC's climate correspondent Paul Hudson reported, the warmest year recorded globally "was not in 2008 or 2007, but 1998." It's

true, he continued, "For the last 11 years, we have not observed any increase in global temperatures.' At a London conference later this month, Hudson reported,

solar scientist Piers Corbyn will

present evidence that solarcharged particles have a big impact on global temperatures. Western Washington University geologist Don J. Easterbrook presented research last year that suggests that the Pacific decadal oscillation (PDO) caused warmer

temperatures in the 1980s and

1990s. With Pacific sea surface

temperatures cooling, Easterbrook expects 30 years of global cooling.

EPA analyst Alan Carlin — an MIT-trained economist with a degree in physics — referred to "solar variability" and Easterbrook's work in a document that warned that politics had prompted the EPA and other countries to pay "too little attention to the science of global warming" as partisans ignored the lack of global warming over the last 10 years. At first, the EPA buried the paper, then it permitted Carlin to post it on his personal Web site.

In May, Fortune reported on the testimony of University of Alabama-Huntsville Earth System Science Center Director John Christy's before the House Ways and Means Committee.

Christy is a 2001 Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change report signatory who believes human effects have a warming influence, but rejects the disaster scenarios.

As Christy told the committee, climate models rely on land temperature data that are distorted and exaggerated by  $surface\ development-that\ is,$ asphalt and buildings. In a nice bit of research, Christy, who is also the Alabama state climatologist, debunked the temperatureincrease predictions made by

NASA scientist James Hansen in 1988. "The real atmosphere," Christy testified, "has many ways to respond to the changes that the extra CO2 is forcing upon it."

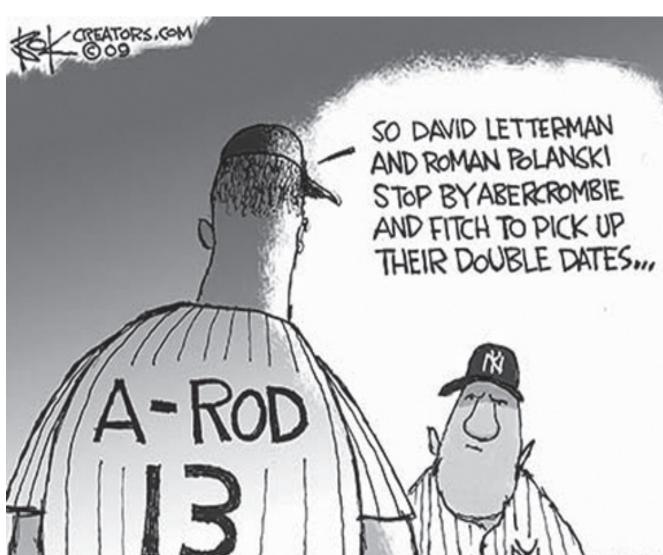
Add Christy, Easterbrook and Corbyn to the long list of scientists who see climate as a complex issue rather than an opportunity to sermonize and lecture the general public.

Over the years, global warming alarmists have sought to stifle debate by arguing that there was no debate. They bullied dissenters and ex-communicated non-believers from their panels. In the name of science, disciples made it a virtue to not recognize the existence of scientists such as MIT's Richard Lindzen and Colorado State University's William Gray.

For a long time, that approach worked. But after 11 years without record temperatures that had the seas spilling over the Statue of Liberty's toes, they are going to have to change tactics.

They're going to have to rely on real data, not failed models, scare stories and the Big Lie that everyone who counts agrees with them.

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# It should have gone to Chicago

et's face it. Chicago is just not the International Olympic Committee's kind of town. In a show of distain not seen since we threatened Libya with our Navy and Moammar Kadafi came out

in a boat and made faces at it, the IOC rejected Chicago's bid to host the 2016 summer Olympics. And that wasn't the worst part.

There were four finalists competing for the bid Chicago, Madrid, Tokyo and Rio de Janeiro. Chicago came in fourth.

Fourth! We didn't even get the bronze. And that still wasn't the worst part.

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Barack Obama, president of the United States, leader of the Free World and Chicago homeboy, went to Copenhagen to plead his hometown's case personally. And the committee rejected it. That was the worst part.

How can he hope to convince Iran to give up its dream of an atom bomb when he can't even convince more-or-less friendly countries to give Chicago the Olympic Games?

The Righteous Right was tickled giddy by the result. Precious Leader Rush Limbaugh brayed his glee like an evangelist selling salvation. Cheers erupted at a staff meeting of The Weekly Standard, a little-read, much quoted journal of the Ideologi-

cally Impaired. But my favorite incident

occurred in Virginia, where "Americans for Prosperity" was sponsoring a conference. Attendees broke into spontaneous applause at the news that the United States had suffered a humiliating rejection. Apparently getting foreigners here to drop money into our laps isn't the

kind of prosperity they favor. Obviously then, the response of the Right had nothing to do with prosperity or patriotism or any other substantive matter. America's right wing is buried up to its neck in hatred for Barack Obama. It will accept any result — lack of health care, high unemployment, a failed financial system, no Olympics if it causes him embarrassment

(Sometimes I think it would welcome an atomic attack on Los Angeles if it could lay the blame on Obama, and it probably could. Conservatives don't much like California anyway. Too much freedom of a kind they don't endorse.)

The Committee eventually chose Rio as the site of the 2016 Games. I think it made a mistake. I have been to Rio and I have been to Chicago. Chicago is better.

Oh, Rio is beautiful; I'll give it that. It's got that gorgeous Guanabara Bay and those spectacular ocean beaches festooned with very nice-looking people wearing smiles and precious

little else. But look closer and you'll find it's dirty and noisy and crime-ridden. The New Yorker

magazine just ran a long piece

on Rio's gangs, which virtually

those of Rio. It's got its graft and corruption and its police force can sometimes be a bit stern (see the 1968 Democratic Convention) but basically, it's my kind of town -American and proud of it.

control large portions of the city

deaths." Last year, according to

police, there were nearly 5,000

murders in the city, 22 of them

police. But the police got theirs

back. They killed 1,188 suspects for "resisting arrest," more than

any other police force anywhere.

And the slums, called favelas.

Things weren't quite that bad

when I was there years ago, but

Carnival and I went with some

South American friends to a tal-

ent show at one of the favelas. It

was a little city of shacks, corru-

gated tin and cardboard lean-tos

stretched up a hill. There was no

sanitation, very little fresh wa-

ter. It was a kind of hell, and it

wasn't the worst favela around.

quintessential American place.

confidence. It's easily our most

interesting big city architectur-

ally and is second only to New

And yes it's got a beach and

pretty girls and its slums look

like Switzerland compared to

York in cultural advantages.

Chicago by contrast, is the

It bursts with vitality and

are among the world's worst.

they were bad. It was during

world in "violent intentional

Rio ranks at the very top of the

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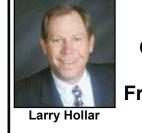
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## And we have a winner for the 'Skunk Award'

Dear Margo: I am in desperate need of advice. My inability to let go of my husband's past is causing a rift in

our marriage and a decline in my health. We've been married for a year and generally have a happy relationship

Margo I know he Howard loves me

and would never be unfaithful but here is my problem. I always believed you should wait until marriage for sex. Naturally, I was intimidated when my husband told me he'd had over 100 sex partners in his lifetime, and that he'd been engaged twice before me and had loved these women very much.

He often compares me to one of them and, while arguing, has told me he wished he could go back to her because she is so much better in bed than I am. He's told me (not while we were arguing, I might add) that he does think about her and what life would be like had he ended up with her.

I have been so stressed about this that at times I lose my appetite and get depressed to the point where I don't even want to speak or look at my husband. I cry myself to sleep sometimes just thinking about the things he has said to me.

I've been working so hard to make myself beautiful for him and to cater to his needs, but he still brags about his past to his buddies and brings it up in arguments. I have asked him to please respect me enough to not say such things while I am in the room, but he seems to forget and does it anyway. After we argue, he claims he only says those things because he knows they upset me, and that he loves me and no one

How am I supposed to forget his past if he keeps bringing it up? — Trying To Forget

Dear Try: What an in-

### Funeral home offers electronic billboard obits

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) - A funeral home is giving people one last chance to have their name in lights.

Iles Funeral Home in Des Moines is going high-tech with its funeral announcements, putting them on electronic billboards.

John Wild, the general manager for Iles, compared it to the posting of funeral announcements at shops and post offices in rural communities where the business has funeral homes.

"That's how we get the word out about visitations and services in those communities and when we were approached about using electronic billboards, we thought it would

be a good way to do the same thing here in Des

Moines," Wild said. The announcement rotates with other ads and

there is no additional

cost to the family.

sensitive and insecure swine you've ended up with. This is not normal, friendly, loving behavior, and short of inviting him to go see if what's-her-name is still available, I would ask him the following questions: Why in the world would he want to upset you? What does he think he is doing for the marriage by throwing all the comparisons in your face? If he is exceptionally dim, you might book a few sessions with a couples

counselor to help him understand. Never mind the damage he's already done, if he can't straighten up, I would see to it that there is no Year Two. — Margo, absolutely

**Dear Margo**: I have an uncomfortable situation at work. There is a group of ladies who share the same break time as mine. There are five of us in total. Four of us stick to "work appropriate" topics such as the weather, plans

for the weekend, the workload, etc.

One of us, we'll call her "Patti," seems to have an affinity for going off on tangents that are both offensive and narrow-minded. One of my co-workers is pregnant, and as we were talking about how wonderful she looked (you know, the pregnancy glow), Patti started ranting about abortions and how they are murder.

She loves to yell (quite literally) about her religion, and how it is the only way to live. Those are the topics just from this week.

How do I handle this out-of-control co-worker? I would like a polite way to tell her that I don't share her views, nor do I think they are appropriate workplace conversation. — Fed Up

Dear Fed: I am not sure why people are reticent to speak up when something is clearly uncomfortable.

What I suggest you

tell Mary Sunshine is that her political and religious rants are not what you want to listen to on your break. Tell her to save her incendiary topics for a different group of people. If she can't get a grip and play nice, then go where she is not for your break. — Margo, insistently

Dear Margo is written by Margo Howard, Ann Landers' daughter. All letters must be sent via

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### Key Democratic senators may prove indifferent to Obama's health care pleas

WASHINGTOaN (AP) — The Democrats' control of a hefty majority in the Senate — plus the House would suggest that President Barack Obama is within reach of overhauling the nation's health care system this fall.

But the numbers mask a more complicated reality: Obama and Democratic leaders have modest leverage over several pivotal Senate Democrats who are more concerned about their next election or feel they have little to lose by opposing their party's hierarchy.

One is still smarting from being forced to abandon next year's election. Another had to leave the Democratic Party to stay in office. And some are from states that Obama lost badly last year.

These factors will limit the president's ability to play his strongest card - an appeal for party loyalty and Democratic achievement - in trying to muster the 60 votes his allies will need this fall to overcome a Republican filibuster in the 100-mem-

When lawmakers face a tough vote, their uppermost thought is "survival," said Alan Simpson, a Wyoming Republican who spent three terms in the

### NATO chief says alliance must remain focused on Afghan effort

BRATISLAVA, Slovakia (AP) — Afghanistan is the most complex challenge that NATO has ever undertaken, but the alliance must remain engaged there to prevent the country turning back into an al-Qaida training ground, the organization's top official said Thursday.

Secretary-General Anders Fogh Rasmussen said some critics are starting to say that the cost of engagement in the 8-year-old war is too high, but he countered that "the cost of inaction would be far higher."

"Leaving Afghanistan behind would once again

turn the country into a training ground for al-Qaida. The pressure on nuclear-armed Pakistan would be tremendous. Instability would spread throughout central Asia and it would only be a matter of time until we here in Europe would feel the consequences of all of this," Fogh Rasmussen said in a speech at a security conference in Bratislava ahead of a meeting of NATO defense ministers.

The NATO chief is pushing for greater cooperation between NATO and Russia. He said he hopes to convince Moscow to become more engaged in Afghanistan, where a resurgent Taliban has been making gains and forcing a U.S. review of its strategy there.

Russia has given some support to the international anti-terrorism campaign in Afghanistan, allowing transports over its territory, for instance. But it has not sent troops, and there are mixed signals on how fully it backs the operation. Moscow itself got bogged down in a devastating war there in the 1980s that left 15,000 Soviet soldiers dead and proved a humiliating defeat for the Soviet super-

### Mortars fired at Somalia's airport as president boards plane; at least 20 killed

MOGADISHU, Somalia (AP) — Islamic insurgents fired mortars at Somalia's airport as the president was boarding a plane Thursday, sparking battles that killed at least 20 people. The president was unhurt and his plane took off safely,

Somalia's capital sees near-daily bloodshed as a powerful insurgent group with links to al-Qaida tries to overthrow the fragile U.N.-backed government and push out some 5,000 African Union peacekeepers. Both sides of the conflict have been accused of indiscriminate shelling.

"We have seen at least 20 dead bodies lying in the streets, most of them civilians," said Ali Muse, the head of Mogadishu's ambulance service. He said about 60 people were wounded as mortars slammed

into residential areas.

Thursday's shelling started soon after insurgents fired toward President Sheik Sharif Sheik Ahmed's plane, said police spokesman Abdullahi Hassan Barise.

### Administration to order big pay cuts for top executives at bailed-out firms

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Treasury Department is expected in the next few days to order companies that received huge government bailouts last year to slash the base salaries of their top executives by an average of 90 percent and cut their total compensation in half, according to a person familiar with the matter. The cuts apply to the 25 highest paid executives

at the seven companies that received the most assistance, the person said Wednesday, speaking on condition of anonymity because the decision has not been announced. Smaller companies and those that have repaid the bailout money, including Goldman Sachs Group Inc. and JPMorgan Chase & Co., are not affected.

Kenneth Feinberg, the special master at Treasury appointed to handle compensation issues as part of the government's \$700 billion financial bailout package, is making the pay decisions.

The seven companies are Bank of America Corp., American International Group Inc., Citigroup Inc., General Motors, GMAC, Chrysler and Chrysler Financial.

It was unclear exactly how much the executives would be allowed to make, or how that would be determined. Each case is being handled individually, and no details were available on how the calculations were being made.

### Gunmen kill army officer, soldier in Pakistan capital

ISLAMABAD (AP) — Suspected militants on a motorbike shot and killed a senior army officer and a soldier in the Pakistani capital Thursday, striking at security forces as the military continued a major anti-Taliban offensive in the northwest.

The assault in Islamabad showed that insurgents are able to hit the heart of the country despite increased security. In recent weeks, suicide bombings and raids involving teams of gunmen on a range of targets have killed more than 170 people.

The offensive in South Waziristan is considered a critical test of nuclear-armed Pakistan's campaign against Islamist extremists aiming to overthrow the state and involved in attacks on Western forces in neighboring Afghanistan. Two gunmen Thursday fired on an army jeep

in a residential area of the capital, police official Zaffar Abbas said. A soldier and a brigadier — a high-ranking army officer — were killed, while the driver was wounded, authorities said.

The military is advancing on multiple fronts in South Waziristan, seen as a likely hiding place for al-Qaida chief Osama bin Laden.

Over the past few days, they have been fighting for the hometown of Pakistani Taliban chief Hakimullah Mehsud.

## Congress moves to expand

### financial oversight with new agency

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congress wants another government regulator to cut through the red tape and protect your pocketbook. But there's plenty of fine print that will limit the new agency's reach.

The House Financial Services Committee was on track Thursday to approve the creation of a new Consumer Financial Protection Agency that would regulate popular financial products like mortgages, credit cards and savings accounts.

The vote would be a victory for President Barack Obama, who has made the agency a top priority in his effort to tighten the rules governing Wall Street and prevent another economic crisis.

Democrats have hailed the plan and said the agency would help to reach across various businesses to stop fraud and abusive practices. That regulators didn't monitor nonbank institutions like mortgage brokers was considered a major factor in subprime lending abuses that led to the housing market crash.

But under pressure from industry, the Financial Services Committee has carved out numerous exemptions to the industries subject to agency oversight. Among those exempt are retailers, real estate brokers, lawyers, cable companies and accountants.

### U.S. defense secretary pledges to protect South Korea with nuclear umbrella

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — The U.S. defense secretary said Thursday that North Korea continues to pose a grave threat to international peace and pledged to protect South Korea with Washington's full military might, including its nuclear capabilities.

Defense Secretary Robert Gates and his South Korean counterpart, Kim Tae-young, said their two nations will never accept North Korea as a nuclear weapons state.

They accused the regime of undermining global security with its nuclear defiance.

"The United States will continue to provide extended deterrence, using the full range of military capabilities, including the nuclear umbrella to ensure" South Korea's security, Gates told Kim ahead of their formal talks.

North Korea has long demanded that the U.S. withdraw its "nuclear umbrella" from South Korea, calling it an attempt to invade the country with atomic bombs and evidence that Washington is "hostile" toward it.



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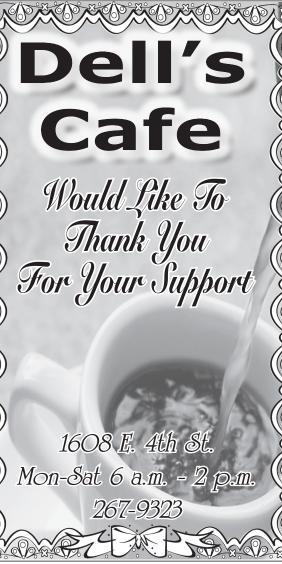






















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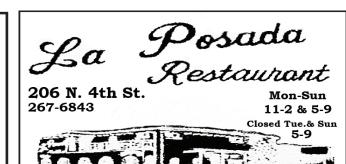


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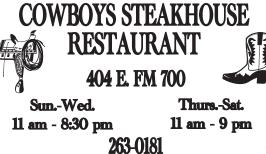
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forces, secret motivators and human nature. We'll be learning how to see what's

invisible. ARIES 21-April 19). Capitalize on today's bout of selfawareness by taking a personal inventory. What behavior do you want to let go of, and what's worth keeping? Keep in mind that your quirks might be the charms that others

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). You have the means to do something, but you still

enjoy most about you.

aren't sure you want to. Will it really bring the change or enjoyment you want it to bring? Consider that there also might be a less expensive way to go about this project. **GEMINI** (May 21-June

21). Waking up a little earlier than usual gives you a few precious moments of clarity about some bigger issues. Good timing, because a decision is coming up that will shift things considerably. CANCER (June

22-July 22). You don't have to stress yourself out, but it's important to handle your responsibilities. If you're too relaxed about existing obligations, it will adversely affect your reputation. An outstanding bill is hovering

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). You're basically the same person you were a year ago, but today you'll see something new in you that wasn't there before, and you'll like it. You truly grow more beautiful with the passage of time.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept.

CAPRICORN (Dec.

22). The social scene gets exciting. A new situation calls for caution and delicacy, but you just might be enjoying yourself too much to notice. Well, high spirits count for something! There's Singles: romance where you least expect it.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Getting paid or not getting paid — it makes no difference. You know how to get happy. This is a good time to develop a natural, if unprofitable, skill. It all comes out in the balance, and in the meantime you'll have a ball.

**SCORPIO** 24-Nov. 21). Your devilattitude may-care toward life is just one of the things that make you so attractive. You'll meet your match in mischief making or train a junior rabble-rouser. Someone has to entertain the crowd! SAGITTARIUS (Nov.

22-Dec. 21). Can you believe people pay you for this? Yes, it's hard work, but once in a while you feel lucky that it's your hard work. Today is one of those once-in-a-whiles.

22-Jan. 19). Your bank account may be on your list of places you least want to look, but a little attention to finance brings big dividends now. You are likely to stop a slow money leak or find a new source to trickle into your main

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You have a gift for witty interaction on social networking websites and also in real life. The adulation you receive is well-deserved, if fickle. Someone outside your usual circle is paying attention. **PISCES** 19-March 20). You're not

imagining: Someone is glancing your way. Fleeting eye contact is a classic among the flirter's repertoire. You know this game, too, and will have fun if you play it today. T O D A Y 'S

BIRTHDAY (Oct. 22). This year is a turning point. You will gain objectivity and finally understand why you are a remarkable being. You'll be strengthened

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by what you do alone and will gain inner knowledge to last the ages. Commitments are made in November. February brings new income. March is the most romantic. Cancer and Aquarius people adore you. Lucky numbers are: 6, 26, 51, 33 and DOES HE LOVE ME?

I WANNA KNOW! Are you getting mixed signals? With the sun moving into Scorpio, you need a clear answer. When a GEMINI guy loves you, he'll want to share his thoughts with you and teach you what he knows. He'll want to stay up late with you and talk for hours. He'll tell you how you're different than every other girl he's known -- he can't help but compare. He'll want to know that you think he's different, too. So much gets shared with a Gemini in the early stages of the relationship that it soon feels as though your love is a secret world built for two, with its own language, culture and story. If you have already passed through

this fresh and new stage in your relationship with a Gemini guy and can't seem to keep his interest as you once did, or if you have yet to enthrall your Gemini guy, it's time to change your approach. Gemini guys are smart, sometimes trendy and always into the next great thing. It's time to let him know that you are it. Think of yourself as a celebrity. Build up your unique charisma to create an identity that is so fresh, original and compelling, he won't be able to resist.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Carrie Fisher is perhaps best known for her portrayal of Princess Leia in the original "Star Wars" trilogy, though this talented Libra has many other impressive credits to her name, including writer, producer and muse. With an earthy Taurus moon and an ethereal Mars in Pisces, Fisher has been an inspiration to the likes of ex-husband Paul Simon and James Blunt, her dear friend.

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Dear Annie: My old roommate from college is beginning to cause a huge problem. "Sandy" was promiscuous in school, and there were many nights I crashed on a neighbor's couch due to being "sexiled."

Five of us still get together once a week for a girls' night out. Sandy always ruins

the evening and becomes hysterical, claiming she was raped in college. We are all dumbfounded when she does it. The rape she's refer-

ring to allegedly happened at a party where she was never out of my sight. I saw her get into a verbal argument with some guy on the porch, after which she stormed back inside, insisted she'd been raped and demanded to be taken to the hospital.

On the ride there, her story changed three times, and at the hospital, she refused a rape kit.

She then said she wasn't raped. The rest of our college life, her story kept changing she was raped, she was almost raped, she was beaten but got away. Last year, Sandy

decided the alleged rapist is a close friend of mine. She is unaware that "Dave" is gay and was out of the country when she claims he attacked her. He is now a teacher at

a local school, and he and his husband are in the process of adopting a baby. Sandy has confronted

Dave in public several times, and he's bewildered by her

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behavior. She constantly tells she's going to inform his boss that he raped her. I suspect

Sandy fabricated the rape story to cover up deeper wound. But if she

keeps it up, she could ruin Dave's life. He doesn't know what he's been accused

Worried Friend Dear Worried: Yes. He needs to protect himself. But it is obvious

that Sandy has some

of. Should I tell him? —



KATHY MITCHELL Marcy Sugar

work out the reasons behind it. Tell her you know she is hurting, and suggest she talk to a therapist before she destroys a great many lives, including her own. Offer to go with her, if necessary.

Dear Annie: I'm a junior in high school. Two years ago, I was dating "Janie" and noticed she had some eating problems. She threw away the

lunches her mom made

and spent a lot of time in the bathroom. Then things seemed to get back to normal, and I forgot about it. Janie and I aren't going out anymore, but we're still friends.

Several of us are wor-

ried she is showing signs of slipping back into her old habits. Although we want to help, we also know she is only doing this for attention, and we're offended that she would

to get our sympathy. I have no idea how to handle this situation.

behave so dangerously

Please help. — Lost in

Dear Ohio: Janie may be doing this for attention, but the fact that she needs to behave so radically to get it indicates underlying emoproblems. tional Anorexia and bulimia are serious health risks. Please suggest she conthe National Association of Anorexia Nervosa and Associated Eating Disorders (anad. org), P.O. Box 640, Naperville, IL 60566.

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## With Windows 7 and new designs, PCs looking better

AP Technology Writer REDMOND, Wash. — Although no one waits in long lines for a new edition of Windows anymore, the debut of Microsoft's latest software that runs PCs is part of why buying a computer is starting to feel fun for the first time in years.

Windows 7 is expected to work better than its predecessor, Vista. At the same time, Microsoft's marketing has gotten savvier and PC makers have followed Apple Inc.'s lead by improving hardware design. Computers with the Windows operating system suddenly seem a lot less utilitarian.

"If you line up the six or seven most interesting PC designs, people will say, 'Wow. I didn't

know all of that could be done with a PC," Microsoft CEO Steve Ballmer said in an interview.

Windows 7, which becomes available Thursday, is designed to look cleaner than Vista, streamlining the ways people can get to work, with fewer clicks and fewer annoying notifications. Setting up home networking to share photos and music won't require an advanced degree in information technology. Plugging in a new device won't set off a mad hunt online for driver software, which tells the equipment how to work with an operating system.

Making a version of Windows that people like, rather than tolerate, is critical for Microsoft. Most

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don't choose Windows much as they end up with it, because it's familiar and affordable. But it's conceivable Microsoft will have to work harder to win people over, thanks a small to but growing threat from Apple's Macs and a forthcoming PC operating system from Web search nemesis Google

> Vista fell flat because it didn't work with many existing programs and hardware. Microsoft fixed many of Vista's flaws but didn't spread the word, instead allowing Apple to attack with ads that pit a dorky office stiff (PC) against a casual creative type (Mac) and paint Vista PCs as unjustifiably complex.

It took a while, but Mi-

e-mails pictures of her pet fish to her family without help from a grown-up.

Windows 7 also is arriving in the early days of a golden age for PC design. For

Apple has been making computers for people willing to pay a premium for design: sleek, metalencased laptops with brilliant screens;

swanlike iMacs

that stash the workings of the computer behind an enormous flat monitor, perched atop a minimalist base; the Mac-Book Air notebook, thin enough to fit in a manila envelope. Meanwhile, the most notable shifts in PCs have been from beige plastic to black, or from chunky square notebooks to ones with slightly rounded edges.

Now, PC makers are starting to experiment with size, shape and color at all price levels.

Netbooks, the tiny, inexpensive, low-powered laptops that have been the PC industry's saving grace through the recession, are no longer just shrunken corporate PCs. To entice people to slip them into a purse and carry them everywhere, netbooks are made in a rainbow of colors and array of textures. Microsoft stumbled by making Vista too lumbering to run on netbooks, but even premium versions of Windows 7 will work on the little devices.

Even mid-range notebooks, costing \$500 to \$800, now have enorscreens and custom covers. At the higher end, PC makers have adopted Apple's thin-and-light concept and etched patterns into

sleek metal cases. Windows 7 feeds into this design craze in part by adding deeper support for touch-screen controls, leading such PC makers as Dell Inc.

Hewlett-Packard Co. to add "multitouch" screens that respond to finger gestures.

The plummeting cost of memory and computing power make this shift possible. Now any computer is good enough to surf the Web and do most daily tasks, because nearly all have processors and massive hard drives. So instead of racing to provide the most gigahertz or gigabytes, PC makers are zeroing in on aesthetics.

"Design has come to be the distinguishing feature," said Jonathan Thayer, an industrial design professor at Pratt Institute in Brooklyn, N.Y. "Cost and quality are really not the variables that they were."

PC makers plan to unveil their latest in colorful and lightweight machines Thursday, an orchestration that was possible because Microsoft coordinated with PC makers earlier than usual.

This is "a very different Microsoft," said Alex Gruzen, an executive in Dell's consumer PC division. Gruzen said his team worked closely with Microsoft to fix things people didn't like about Vista such as its slow bootup time — rather than waiting, as in the past, for the software maker to "just throw the (operating system) over a fence" for Dell to install

on PCs. Part of Apple's success stems from having control over both hardware and software. By better aligning those components, Microsoft and computer makers could get some of the same benefits, and cooler PCs could squash Apple's gains. Apple now has 11 percent of the U.S. personal-computer market, up from 5 percent when Vista debuted, accord-

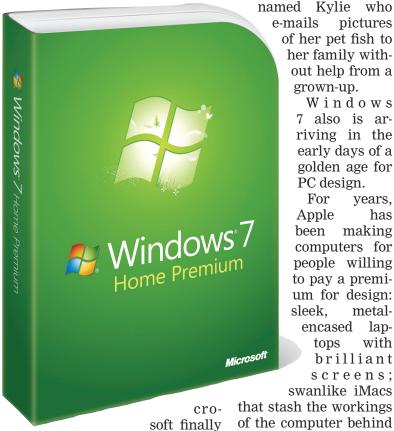
ing to analysts at IDC. Apple announced new iMacs this week but brushed off the suggestion that the timing was intended to steal some of Microsoft's thunder.

"Windows 7, from our point of view, is just another opportunity to remind everyone to switch to a Mac," said Apple Chief Operating Officer Tim Cook. "People are sick of all the headaches that go along with Windows."

Microsoft has more to contend with than computers running other operating systems. People have begun to use such gadgets as the iPhone as tiny mobile computers.

But Ballmer scorns the idea that smart phones could unseat PCs as the technology of choice for on-the-go consumers.

"Let's face it, the Internet was designed for the PC. The Internet is not designed for the iPhone," Ballmer said. "That's why they've got 75,000 applications they're all trying to make the Internet look decent on the iPhone."



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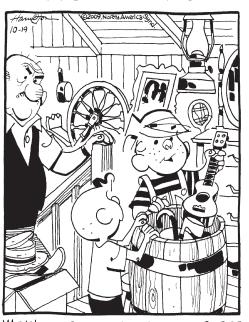
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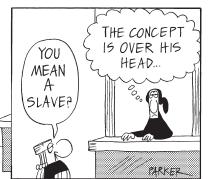


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### **HI AND LOIS**



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## **SNUFFY SMITH**





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## This Date In History

Today is Monday, Oct. 19, the 292nd day of 2009. There are 73 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight History:

On Oct. 19, 1781, British troops under General Lord Cornwallis surrendered at Yorktown, Va., as the American Revolution neared its end.

On this date: In 1765, the Stamp Act Congress, meeting in New York, drew up a declaration of

rights and liberties. In 1812, French forces under Napoleon Bonaparte began their retreat from Moscow.

In 1864, Confederate Gen. Jubal A. Early attacked Union forces at Cedar Creek, Va.; the Union troops were able to rally and defeat the Confederates.

In 1951, President Harry S. Truman signed an act formally ending the state of war with Germany.

In 1959 the play "The Miracle Worker," starring Patty Duke as Helen Keller and Anne Bancroft as Helen's teacher, Annie Sullivan, opened on Broadway.

In 1960, President Dwight D. Eisenhower imposed an embargo on exports to Cuba covering all commodities except medical supplies and certain food products.

In 1967, the U.S. space probe Mariner 5 flew past Venus.

In 1977, the supersonic Concorde made its first landing in New York City.

In 1987, the stock market crashed as the Dow Jones Industrial Average plunged 508 points, or 22.6 percent in value.

In 1994, 22 people were killed as a terrorist bomb shattered a bus in the heart of Tel Aviv's shopping district. Entertainer Martha Raye died in Los Angeles at age 78. Today's Birthdays: Former

U.S. ambassador to Russia Robert S. Strauss is 91. Author John le Carre is 78. Artist Peter Max is 72. Author and critic Renata Adler is 71. Actor Michael Gambon is 69. Actor John Lithgow is 64. Feminist activist Patricia Ireland is 64. Singer Jeannie C. Riley is 64 Rock singer-musician Patrick Simmons (The Doobie Brothers) is 61. Talk show host Charlie Chase is 57. Rock singer-musician Karl Wallinger (World Party) is 52. Republican National Committee Chairman Michael Steele is 51. Singer Jennifer Holliday is 49. Boxer Evander Holyfield is 47. TV host Ty Pennington ("Extreme Makeover: Home Edition") is 45. Rock singer-musician Todd Park Mohr (Big Head Todd and the Monsters) is 44. Actor Jon Favreau is 43. Amy Carter is 42. "South Park" co-creator Trey Parker is 40. Comedian Chris Kattan is 39. Rock singer Pras Michel (The Fugees) is 37. Actor Omar Gooding is 33. Country singer Cyndi Thomson is 33. Writer-director Jason Reitman is 32.

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## **Newsday Crossword**

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- coupons 10 Sign of the
- future 14 Molecule part
- **15** Keeps out of
- sight
- **16** Thick cord 17 Showed up
- **18** Geographical reference book
- **19** Suit to
- (fit perfectly)
- 20 "Not this
- again! 22 Felt sore
- 23 Fence
- openings 24 Maui or
- Jamaica **25** Protection from
- harm 28 Absolute ruler
- 31 Student group
- 32 Ensnares **34** Be untruthful
- **35** Lawyer: Abbr.
- **36** Wears a long
- face 37 Bullring "Bravo!'
- 38 Slangy refusal **39** Throws out a
- fishing line
- **40** Fashion-show
- poser **42** Garden lattice
- **44** Cruise ships 45 Caboose's
- place
- **46** New Hampshire neighbor
- 48 Gullible one **50** Sentimental do-gooder

- **54** Eye-color area 55 Bite on, as a
- puppy
- flooring piece
- fruit
- times
- 61 Colorado
  - ski resort

## **DOWN**

- Lake state
- **4** Comes into

- 9 Snake sound
- 56 Kitchen-
- **57** Green citrus
- 58 Big bully
- **59** Historical
- 60 Biblical
- paradise
- **62** Strike, as with

- 2 Great Salt
- hailstones

## **1** Filled tortilla

- 3 Complete flop view
- **11** Profitable source
  - 12 Blunted
  - sword
  - 13 Require
  - 21 Granola ingredients

**10** Fortune-teller

- **22** Poisonous
- snakes 24 Little rascals
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- platform 27 New Year's
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29 Petroleumcarrying ship

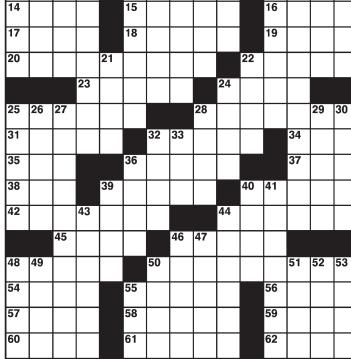
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7 Runs in neutral 32 Mix, as salad

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- 8 Bosc or Bartlett 33 Dull routine 36 Twosome
  - **39** Pottery
  - material
  - 40 Short skirt
  - 41 Simple, as a plan
  - 43 Reduce 44 Pay attention
  - 46 Clean a floor spill
  - 47 Die down
  - 48 Large stack
  - **49** Desertlike **50** Knights' titles
  - **51** Spare in a trunk **52** Airline to Israel
  - 53 Take a breather
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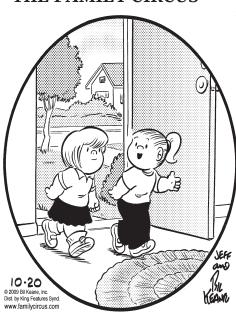
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"ARE YOU TO THE 'LICKING THE SPOON' PART OF THE RECIPE YET?"

### THE FAMILY CIRCUS



"This is MY house, but my parents and brothers live here too."

### **HAGAR**



DO YOU SERVE NAPKING WITH YOUR DINNER S

### **BLONDIE**



HA! HA! MR. WOODLEY TOLD ME YOU'D BE TOO I SUPPOSE HE EMBARRASSED TOLD YOU HOW TO ANSWER MUCH HE MAKES! THAT ONE,



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WHAT IS FRIENDSHIP? THE KEY

IS IN THE WORD ITSELF. IT STARTS WITH "FRI"... A VERY

UNHEALTHY WAY TO COOK.





## This Date In History

Today is Tuesday, Oct. 20, the 293rd day of 2009. There are 72 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight History:

On Oct. 20, 1944, during World War II, Gen. Douglas MacArthur stepped ashore at Leyte in the Philippines, 2—years after he'd said, "I shall return."

On this date:

In 1740, Maria Theresa became ruler of Austria, Hungary and Bohemia upon the death of her father, Holy Roman Emperor Charles VI.

In 1803, the U.S. Senate ratified the Louisiana Purchase.

In 1903, a joint commission ruled in favor of the United States in a boundary dispute between the District of Alaska and Canada.

In 1947, the House Un-American Activities Committee opened hearings into alleged Communist influence and infiltration in the U.S. motion picture industry.

In 1964, the 31st president of the United States, Herbert Hoover, died in New York at In 1967, seven men were con-

three slain civil rights workers. In 1968, former first lady Jacqueline Kennedy married Greek shipping magnate

victed in Meridian, Miss., of

violating the civil rights of

Aristotle Onassis. In 1973, in the so-called "Saturday Night Massacre," special Watergate prosecutor Archibald Cox was dismissed and Attorney General Elliot L.

Richardson and Deputy

Attorney General William B.

Ruckelshaus resigned. In 1979, the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum was dedicated in Boston.

In 1994, actor Burt Lancaster died in Los Angeles at age 80.

Today's Birthdays: Actor William Christopher is 77. Japan's Empress Michiko is 75. Rockabilly singer Wanda Jackson is 72. Singer Tom Petty is 59. Actor William "Rusty" Russ is 59. Actress Melanie Mayron is 57. Baseball All-Star Keith Hernandez is 56. Sen. Sheldon Whitehouse, D-R.I., is 54. Movie director Danny Boyle ("Slumdog Millionaire") is 53. Labor Secretary Hilda Solis is 52. Actor Viggo Mortensen is 51. Rock musician Jim Sonefeld (Hootie & The Blowfish) is 45. Rock musician David Ryan is 45. Rock musician Doug Eldridge (Oleander) is 42. Political commentator and blogger Michelle Malkin is 39. Rapper Snoop Dogg is 38. Singer Dannii Minogue is 38. Country musician Jeff Loberg is 33. Actor John Krasinski is 30. Actress Jennifer Nicole Freeman ("My Wife and Kids")

Thought for "Everybody's private motto: It's better to be popular than right." — Mark Twain (1835-1910).

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36 Herb in

38 Informal

farewell

45 Ice-cream

holder

symbol

49 At a minimum

54 A second time

documents

57 Child's plastic

**51** Steakhouse

order

55 Reigned

**56** Real-estate

53 Squander

47 Pictorial

herbal tea

41 Sandwich shop

### HI AND LOIS





## THE OTHER COAST







## **SNUFFY SMITH**





### BEETLE BAILEY SARGE, DO YOU







## **Newsday Crossword**

### **ACROSS**

- 5 Like so **9** Obeys a red
- light **14** Corrode, as
- iron
- 15 "Pipe down!"
- **16** Ocean motions
- **17** "Are not!"
- response 18 Otherwise
- 19 Put forth, as effort
- 20 Hotel atrium
- **22** Mud,
- 24 Flower stalk
- 26 Change for a \$20 bill
- **29** Road sign with
- **33** A second time
- 39 Soybean-based
- 41 Sense of foreboding
- 42 Bad to the
- 43 Second
- Greek letter
- revisions to
- second
- **50** Leave out
- **57** Ewe's offspring

- **63** Clarinet cousin
- 1 "Now hear !" 64 Clearance
  - event

    - **66** Butterfly
  - **69** Seats of
- essentially
- 23 Minor quake
- an arrow
- 37 Suffix for
- kitchen
- staple **40** "Yikes!"
- bone
- 44 Make
- **45** Largest Greek island
- 46 Outer tooth
- layer 48 Prefix for
- **52** Moving ahead
- **59** Top-level **62** Red Halloween costume

### 8 Backyard buildings

- 65 Nimble
- catchers
- **67** Knotted
- **68** Computer
- accessory
- conceit

### 70 Extremities DOWN

- 1 Parcel of land

- (racetrack

14

68

- **7** Cold War
- **2** Funny quality
- 3 Debate topic
- 4 Cloudburst **5** "\_\_ off!"
- shout)
- initials
- 6 Luau dance
- core

35 Smidgen

15

- 30 Used a loom **31** Throw
- (raise the roof)

9 Stockholm's

calculator

**13** Grounded jet,

the line

(behaved)

27 Geeky type

28 Beer mug

for short

21 Beach bag

25

11 More than

**12** Impudent

country

10 Cab-fare

- 32 Christmas season
- 34 "At what time?"
- 33 Paper-towel

16

58 Eager **60** "\_\_\_ your

block

pardon!"

70

- 61 Attend
- **62** River barrier 11 12 13
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"MR.WILSON SAID I WAS GETTIN" IN HIS HAIR. HOW IS THAT POSSIBLE?

### THE FAMILY CIRCUS



"Why does this finger keep forgettin" to grow as much as the rest?"

**HAGAR** 



**BLONDIE** 







### BC







WIZARD OF ID





### **AGNES**







HI AND LOIS







THE OTHER COAST



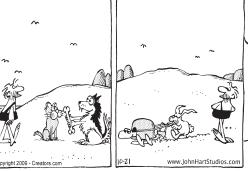


## **SNUFFY SMITH**





## **BEETLE BAILEY**





## This Date In History

Today is Wednesday, October 21, the 294th day of 2009. There are 71 days left in the year.

Highlights in history on this

In 1797, The U.S. Navy frigate Constitution, also known as Old Ironsides, is launched in Boston's harbor. In 1879, American inventor

Thomas A. Edison demonstrates the first electric lamp.

In 1923, Start of a 160-day heat wave in Marble Bar, Western Australia, during which the temperature did not fall below 38 degrees Celsius (100 degrees Fahrenheit).

In 1967, tens of thousands of Vietnam War protesters march in Washington, D.C.

In 1988, a federal grand jury in New York indicts former Philippine President Ferdinand E. Marcos and his wife, Imelda, on charges of fraud and racketeering. Marcos dies before he can be brought to trial; his widow, Imelda, is acquitted in

In 1994, the United States and North Korea sign a pact to end tensions over Pyongyang's nuclear program.

In, 2003, a series of massive wildfires in southern California rages across wooded and suburban regions surrounding Los Angeles and San Diego, killing at least 22 people and scorching about 743,000 acres (301,000 hectares). Some 3,500 homes are destroyed. In 2004, Japan starts the

clean up from its deadliest typhoon in over a decade, a day after the storm ripped across the country, killing 55 people and leaving 24 missing. 2006 - Donations of clothing

set off stampedes in impoverished Bangladesh leaving at least eight people dead. All are women except for one child. In 2007, a Soyuz craft with

two Russian cosmonauts and a Malaysian aboard undocks from the international space station for the return to Earth. In 2008, former Prime

Minister of Thailand Thaksin Shinawatra is convicted of corruption in absentia and sentenced to two years in prison.

Today's Birthdays: Hokusai, Japanese artist (1760-1849); Samuel T. Coleridge, English

poet-philosopher (1772-1834): Alfred Nobel, Swedish inventor and founder of prize (1833-1896); Georg Solti, Hungarian-born conductor (1912-1997); Timothy Leary, U.S. psychologist, author and popularizer of LSD (1920-1996);Benjamin Netanyahu, Israeli politician and former prime minister (1949--); Carrie Fisher, U.S. actress-writer (1956--); Ken Watanabe, Japanese actor (1959--).

Thought for Today:

You will never 'find' time for anything. If you want time you must make it - Charles Buxton, English author (1823-1871).

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## Answer to previous puzzle ENAMEL NANO OBOE SALE

## **Newsday Crossword**

62 Notion

funny

**67** Stable

up

71 Actual

of water

occupant

68 Taj Mahal citv

**69** Wraps things

70 Not flighty

**DOWN** 

1 Exclamation of

amazement

**2** Trade show,

**4** Angry mood

**5** Act properly

6 Oklahoma city

workweek cry

for short

3 Thaw

7 End-of-

### **ACROSS**

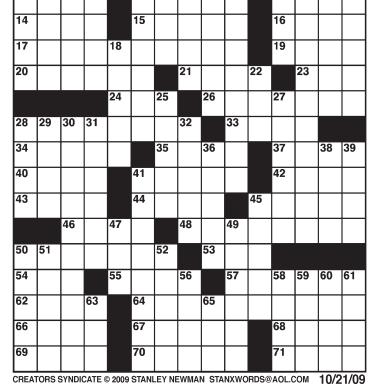
- 1 Valuable
- sparklers 5 Soak in the tub 66 Vast bodies 10 Two-band
- radio 14 Yoked team
- **15** Rims
- **16** Grain
- storehouse 17 Be too picky
- **19** Tie securer
- 20 Breakfast beverage
- 21 They're against you
- 23 Stage signal
- **24** VII x VIII
- **26** Sound sleepers?
- 28 Shoe
- specialists
- 33 Toucan's toenail
- 34 Impressive group 35 Sagacious
- yesterday (gullible)
- **40** Impolite look
- 41 Diner
- freebies 42 Soft cheese
- **43** Young
- 67 Across 44 In the past
- **45** Center
- **46** Finely
- sharpened 48 Decorates,
- in a way 50 Watched
- Junior 53 Kangaroo's pouch, e.g.
- **54** Your and my 55 Ensnare
- **57** Haifa greeting

### **CUTUPS** by Shirley Soloway Edited by Stanley Newman www.stanxwords.com

## 64 Try to be

- 8 Long 9 Perfume
- ingredients 10 Be inquisitive
- 11 Be less than
- candid
- **12** Batter
- ingredient 13 Small specks
- 18 Brit's TV
- 22 Fa follower
- 25 Novelist Shaw 27 Synagogue
- leaders 28 Young seal
- 29 Sweet
- sandwich
- 30 Dine 31 Beer
- ingredient **32** From then on
- 36 Blossom holders

- 38 Get up 39 Badminton sandwiches dividers
  - 41 Kings and queens
  - 45 Ice-cream
  - flavor **47** Superlative
  - suffix 49 Took in some
  - sun 50 Idaho's
  - capital
  - 51 English poet **52** Seer's deck
  - **56** Chute starter 58 Not quite shut
  - **59** Theater level **60** Cajun veggie
  - 61 Caterer's offering
  - 63 Wild equine 65 CBS police
  - series
  - 10 11 12 13



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"No, Joey, lightnin' bugs don't thunder."

### THE FAMILY CIRCUS



"Now I know what it feels like to live in Australia!"

## **HAGAR**



**BLONDIE** 







### BC





### WIZARD OF ID



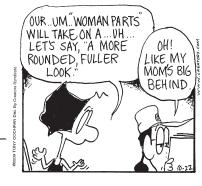






## **AGNES**





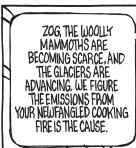


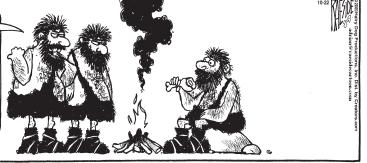
## **HI AND LOIS**





## THE OTHER COAST





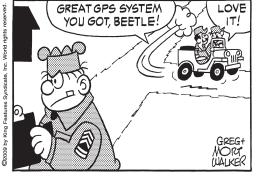
### **SNUFFY SMITH**





## **BEETLE BAILEY**





## This Date In History

Today is Thursday, Oct. 22, the 295th day of 2009. There are 70 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight History:

On Oct. 22, 1962, President John F. Kennedy announced a quarantine of all offensive military equipment shipped to Cuba, following the discovery of Soviet-built missile bases on the island.

On this date:

In 1746, Princeton University was first chartered as the College of New Jersey.

In 1797, French balloonist Andre-Jacques Garnerin made the first parachute descent, landing safely from a height of about 3,000 feet over Paris.

In 1836, Sam Houston was inaugurated as the first constitutionally elected president of the Republic of Texas.

In 1883, the original Metropolitan Opera House in New York held its grand opening with a performance of Gounod's "Faust."

In 1928, Republican presidential nominee Herbert Hoover spoke of the "American system of rugged individualism" in a speech at New York's Madison Square Garden.

In 1934, bank robber Charles "Pretty Boy" Floyd was shot to death by federal agents at a farm in East Liverpool, Ohio. In 1968, Apollo 7 returned

safely from Earth orbit, splashing down in the Atlantic In 1979, the U.S. government

allowed the deposed Shah of

Iran to travel to New York for medical treatment ,Äî a decision that precipitated the Iran hostage crisis. In 1981, the Professional Air Traffic Controllers

by the federal government for its strike the previous August. In 1986, President Ronald Reagan signed into law sweeping tax-overhaul legislation.

Organization was decertified

Today's Birthdays: Actress Joan Fontaine is 92. Nobel Prize-winning author Doris Lessing is 90. Black Panthers co-founder Bobby Seale is 73. Actor Christopher Lloyd is 71. Actor Derek Jacobi is 71. Actor Tony Roberts is 70. Actress Annette Funicello is 67. Movie

director Jan de Bont is 66. Actress Catherine Deneuve is 66. Rock musician Leslie West (Mountain) is 64. Mississippi Gov. Haley Barbour is 62. Actor Jeff Goldblum is 57. Movie director Bill Condon is 54. Actor Luis Guzman is 52. Actorwriter-producer Todd Graff is 50. Rock musician Cris Kirkwood is 49. Olympic gold medal figure skater Brian Boitano is 46. Christian singer TobyMac is 45. Singersongwriter John Wesley Harding is 44. Actress Valeria Golino is 43. Comedian Carlos Mencia is 42. Country singer Shelby Lynne is 41. Reggae rapper Shaggy is 41. Movie director Spike Jonze ("Being John Malkovich") is 40.

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## Answer to previous puzzle GEMSBATHE AMFM EN EDGES LITHAIRS CRACKAJOKE HORSE AGRA

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38 Video Music

presenter

cross hairs

42 Coffeehouse

45 Jack and Jill

Awards

39 Busy place

41 Aligns the

server

44 Give in

## **Newsday Crossword**

### **ACROSS**

- 1 Most Lebanese **6** Boarded up
- burr
- **14** Mideast's peninsula
- 15 Welles'
- publisher **16** Give a hoot
- 17 Japanese
- auto 19 Alan of The
- West Wing
- 20 Lion's locks
- 21 Hoot partner 23 Affectionate
- ones 27 Accord
- alternative 28 Riotous state
- **29** *No Exit*
- playwright
- **32** Make a point 33 Shakespeare-
- an lover **34** Brit's raincoat
- **37** Supermodel
- Heidi 38 Teen idol
- Cyrus **39** Saintly circle
- **40** Hankering
- **41** Book with
- scales
- **42** Try for, at
- auction 43 One of Woods'
- woods 45 Florida Strait
- city
- **46** Western capital
- 48 Train staffers 49 Ultimatum
- phrase 51 Songs for one **52** Genesis bird

- **53** Age, height,
- etc. 59 "I concur" 10 Speaker with a 60 Cheese in a
  - ball **61** Silently understood
  - **62** Pretzel topper
  - 63 Sticks up **64** \_\_\_-craftsy

### **DOWN** 1 Volcanic

- coating 2 Cruise port
- 3 Raggedy doll
  - 4 No longer edible
  - **5** Kind of cat
  - **6** Potato

14

59

- **7** Hold title to
- servings

**8** Prefix for cycle

- city
  - **31** Marina del , CA

9 Hardware

repairer

10 Ladderlike

**11** Irving Berlin

12 Judge's shout

**18** Dessert vehicle

**13** Visibly upset

22 Twice tetra-

23 Iditarod dog

usually

26 Start of an

29 Clean energy

30 Iowa State's

idea

musical

33 Tick off 35 Stag, at a party

15

- 24 "I give up!" tumble site 25 Lobby location, 46 Fizzy drinks
  - 48 Gets frothy

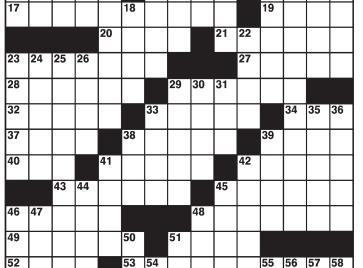
**BACK AND FORTH** by Fred Piscop

- 50 In any way
- 51 Wild guess

**47** Bouquet

- **54** Altar vow 55 Driveway
- material
- **56** Take steps
- 57 " '\_\_ the
- season. 36 Jay's succesor 58 Pen full of oink
  - 11 12 13

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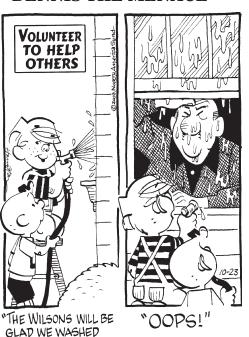


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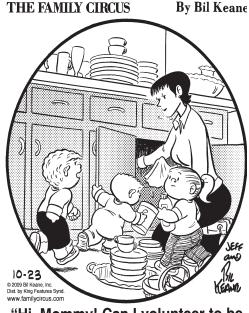
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7	:PM	Supernanny	Supernanny	Nombre-	Brothers	Ghost Whis-	Más Sabe e	el Law & Order	Fam. Guy	Door-Wis-	Wash Wk	Dirty Jobs	Movie:	Gary Sinise	Bones	Harvey: Still	Wizards	College	NBA
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9	:PM	20/20	20/20	Rosa	Simpsons	NUMB3RS	Victorinos	The Jay	Laurion		Unnatural	Lobstermen		Movie: For-	Gleriii Close	Pay It Off	Wizards		
9	:30				Friends			Leno Show			Caus		Movie: The	rest Gump, Gary Sinise			Montana		NBA
10	:PM	News	News	Impacto	Raymond	News	Noticias	News	(:10) Movie:		Charlie Rose	Dirty Jobs	Amityville Horror, Rod	Gary Sirise		The	Phineas	SportsCente	er Baske Mave
10	:30	Nightline	Nightline	Noticiero	TMZ	Late Show	Titulares	Tonight Show	Just Friends, Anna Faris	Cortes			Steiger		Movie: The	Mo'Nique	So Raven		– Laker
4.4	:PM	Insider	(:06) High	Desmadru-	Law & Order:		Decisiones		Allia ralis	Sanchez	BBC	Lobstermen	Cioigoi		Fugitive, Sela Ward	W. Williams	Suite Life	Baseball	Lanoi
11	:30	Jimmy Kim-	School Foot- ball: Teams	gados	SVU	Late Late		Late Night-		McGee	Smiley				Seia vvaiu		Cory	NFL Live	
10	:AM	mel Live	TBA.		Paid Prog	Show		Jim	(12:10)	Mark	(Off Air)	Lobstermen	Movie: Thir-	Movie: Blood	2	Steve	Replace	NASCAR	Sport
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4	:AM	Paid		Mujer	Paid Prog	Entertain	Programa	Poker After	tion, Chris Klein	Best of		Cash Cab		Richard Ian Cox	Movie: The	Trippin'	Emperor	ball: Bulls at Celtics	t Sport
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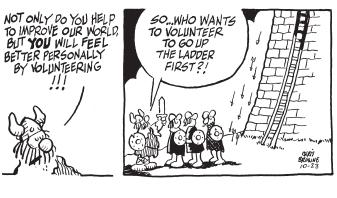


THE FAMILY CIRCUS



"Hi. Mommy! Can I volunteer to be some 'nother help?"





### **BLONDIE**

HAGAR





### THEIR WINDOWS. BC



### WIZARD OF ID







## This Date In History

Today is Friday, Oct. 23, the 296th day of 2009. There are 69 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 23, 1983, 241 U.S. service members, most of them Marines, were killed in a suicide truck-bombing at Beirut International Airport in Lebanon; a near-simultaneous attack on French forces killed 58 paratroopers.

On this date:

In 1707, the first Parliament of Great Britain, created by the Acts of Union between England and Scotland, held its first meeting.

In 1864, forces led by Union Gen. Samuel R. Curtis repelled Confederate Gen. Sterling Price's army in the Battle of Westport in Missouri.

In 1915, tens of thousands of women marched in New York City, demanding the right to

In 1942, during World War II, Britain launched a major

offensive against Axis forces at El Alamein in Egypt.

In 1946, the United Nations General Assembly convened in New York for the first time, at an auditorium in Flushing Meadow.

In 1956, a student-sparked revolt against Hungary's Communist rule began; as the revolution spread, Soviet forces started entering the country, and the uprising was put down within weeks.

In 1973, President Richard Nixon agreed to turn over White House tape recordings subpoenaed by the Watergate special prosecutor to Judge John J. Sirica.

In 1987, the U.S. Senate rejected, 58-42, the Supreme Court nomination of Robert H. Bork.

In 1989, 23 people were killed in an explosion at Phillips Petroleum Co.'s chemical complex in Pasadena, Texas. In a case that inflamed racial tensions in Boston, Charles Stuart claimed he and his pregnant wife, Carol, had been shot in their car by a black robber. (Carol Stuart and her prematurely delivered baby died; Charles Stuart later died, an apparent suicide, after he was implicated.)

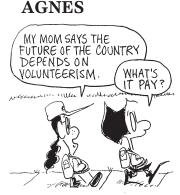
In 1995, a jury in Houston convicted Yolanda Saldivar of murdering Tejano singing star Selena. (Saldivar is serving a life prison sentence.

Today's Birthdays: Baseball Hall of Famer Sen. Jim Bunning, R-Ky., is 78. Movie director Philip Kaufman is 73. Soccer great Pele is 69. Rhythmand-blues singer Barbara Ann Hawkins (The Dixie Cups) is 66. Actor Michael Rupert is 58. Movie director Ang Lee is 55. Jazz singer Dianne Reeves is 53. Country singer Dwight Yoakam is 53. Community activist Martin Luther King III is 52.

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Answer to previous puzzle

ARABSSHUT



HI AND LOIS

NANCY CLARK

CALLED LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS

FOR A HABITAT

FOR HUMANITY

PROJECT, AND I

VOLUNTEERED

THE OTHER COAST

I'M NOW DOING ALL MY ONLINE DATING ON MY SMART PHONE. I GET ALL THE SAME INFO, EXCEPT THE PHOTOS ARE A

BIT CROPPED TO FIT THE SMALL SCREEN.

WANNA SEE MY DATE FOR TONIGHT?

**SNUFFY SMITH** 

BEETLE BAILEY

COME ON, GUYS! YOU'RE

ALL OVER THE PLACE!

GET TOGETHER

C'MON, BOYS--TH' SCHOOL NEEDS VOLUNTEERS FER TH' PTA BAKE

SALE !! WE CAN ALL HELP !!



I COULD DO THAT-BUT DON'T YOU HAVE

A LOT OF PROJECTS FOR

ME TO DO AROUND

HERE?

\* RISIDE

I, LL

MAKE

TH,

CAKES

HAS NICE THICK

WAVYHAIR

ON HER HEAD





I'M HOPING THAT ONCE YOU GET GTARTED

YOU'LL KEEP

GOING

WWW-HANDS ONNETWORK ORG/COMICS

THOSE ARE

AN' YOU TWO CAN

**LICK** TH' MIXIN'

BOWLS !!

HER KNUCKLES.

## **65** Falling

(bull's woe)

**68** Storm center **69** Put off

**70** Unwilling (to) 71 Scuff up

**DOWN** 

1 Peter and

2 Smidgen

resort

**5** Inkling

**6** Mexican

wrap?

8 Poetic

7 In-demand

vehicles

preposition

3 Black Sea

4 Certain GI

successors

attendee 72 Major messes

**14** Giraffe cousin **73** Ancient instruments

(politician's woe)

21 Bygone

26 Crimson's

35 Solemn

40 Less than

misdeeds

poet

of '81

inherited

**58** Propositions

**61** Largest US

63 Second

## **Newsday Crossword**

### **ACROSS 1** College major,

familiarly 6 School

composition 11 Hoedown

15 Dr. Kildare of filmdom

16 One-spot 17 Falling

Na Na

20 Ballpark fig.

despot 22 City near

Teapot Dome **24** Pretense

rivals 28 Umpire's word

**29** Supplemented **32** Prom rental

38 Patton's transportation

solid **43** Pollen bearers **44** Written up for

**46** Renaissance

47 Courts

48 Suit fabric **51** Cable debut

53 Something

**54** Mild cheese

magazine

ending **64** Chart topper

### FALLING WEAVES by Merle Baker Edited by Stanley Newman

DOVE AMEN

9 Futures exchange, for short

**10** Take a crack at **11** Falling

(OPEC's woe) **12** Desire

13 Personalaircraft pioneer

18 Drew on **23** Like some successes

25 Life jackets 27 Is located

30 Icicle former **31** National

Leaguer 33 Le \_\_\_, France 34 Roughly

**35** Put in a hold 36 "This is terrible!"

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**37** Falling (picnicker's woe) 39 Predestined

VITALSTATS FDAM TACIT

outcome **41** Forthwith

42 Sailors' quaff **45** Excessive sentiment

49 Moccasins and racers

**50** Period 52 Places for fobs

**55** African capital 56 Mountain ridge **57** Untrue stories

58 The others **59** Informal welcome

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