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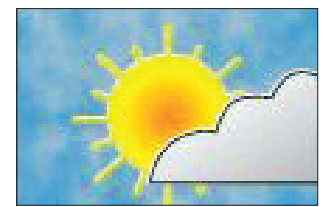
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Nancy Raney, director of Heritage Museum, admires one of the many quilts on display there. The quilts, crafted by members of the Scenic Mountain Quilters' Guild, will be on display through Friday.

HC still pondering mandated cutbacks

By **STEVE REAGAN**
Staff Writer

It's appearing more and more certain that Howard College will have to join other Texas higher learning institutions in finding some way to trim its budget.

Howard, along with Texas' other community colleges, universities and selected other agencies, are being asked by state officials to look for ways to trim 5 percent of their expenses to help the state weather the economic downturn.

"We budget very conservatively and don't have a lot of waste ... so there will be an impact."

Dr. Sparks

A Jan. 15 letter, co-signed by Gov. Rick Perry, Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst and Speaker of the House Joe Straus, brought the directive to everyone's attention.

Last week, Howard College President Dr. Cheryl Sparks said it was unsure whether the cuts would be required or merely suggested. After a meeting with fellow community college presidents in Austin, however, the cuts are looking more like a certainty, although she and others are awaiting final details.

"The state leadership wants each community college to submit their own plan (for the budget cuts)," she said. "But we're still unsure whether the reduction will be for each of the next two years or the biennium as a whole."

HC officials have begun looking at ways to cut 5 percent of the budget, but nothing definite has been enacted; Sparks said she and her colleagues are awaiting final directions.

"All we know is that the (budget reduction) plans are due by Feb. 15," she said. "We've begun working on the plan, and we'll have it submitted on time ... and we've been told we'll have more information as soon as possible."

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Those who sacrificed

Four Chaplains service set Wednesday at FBC

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
Staff Writer

Veterans of the U.S. armed forces who died during the previous year will be honored Wednesday morning during the Four Chaplains Memorial Service at First Baptist Church under the direction of the Big Spring VA Medical Center.

The memorial service — which is named after four U.S. Army chaplains who sacrificed their lives to save others when the U.S.A.T. Dorchester was sunk by a German U-boat in 1943 — will get under way at 11 a.m. in the main chapel at the local church, according to VA Chaplain Dean Thomas.

"During World War II, four Army

chaplains — George Fox, Alexander Goode, Clark Poling and John Washington — went down with the U.S.A.T. Dorchester," said Thomas. "These four men, all of different faiths, gave up their life preservers and stayed behind on the sinking ship to help comfort the men and women onboard. Although all four of them were from different faiths, that didn't matter at that moment. They worked together to help people, and that's such an important thing to remember."

The four chaplains were posthumously honored with the Distinguished Service Cross and Purple

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Chaplains put others' safety before their own

Herald Staff Report

Carrying more than 900 service men to an American military base in in Greenland more than 60 years ago, the U.S.A.T. Dorchester and its crew — along with four chaplains of different faiths — left its mark on American history.

What follows is a recount of the

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Officials to review military gay ban

WASHINGTON (AP) — Defense Secretary Robert Gates on Tuesday will take the first real steps toward lifting the ban on gays serving openly in the military, announcing a yearlong review aimed at answering practical and emotional questions about the effect of lifting the ban, and imposing looser standards for enforcing the ban in the meantime.

According to U.S. officials, the senior-level study will be co-chaired by a top-ranked civilian and a senior uniformed officer. It would recommend the best way to go about lifting the ban, starting from the premise that it will take time to accomplish that goal but that it can be done

without harming the capabilities or cohesion of the military force, officials said.

The officials spoke on condition of anonymity to describe the emerging Pentagon plan ahead of Gates' announcement.

While the review is likely to take a year to complete, and even more time to implement, its initiation will advance President Barack Obama's goal of repealing the ban and bring a divisive issue for the military and Congress back to the fore.

Gates will testify before the Senate on the issue, alongside Adm. Mike Mullen, the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Both were expected

to make their most far-reaching statements on the ban widely known as "don't ask, don't tell."

"I think you'll see efforts on a number of fronts over the course of the next many months ... to address what the president promised," White House press secretary Robert Gibbs said.

One U.S. official said Gates and Mullen will outline a more lenient standard for enforcing the current ban, as Gates had said last year he would consider. The interim policy would make it harder for a third party to turn in a gay service mem-

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Hawk women come from behind over FPC



HERALD PHOTO/Joe Zigtema
Twyla Ards celebrates on the court Tuesday during a Hawks win.

By JOE ZIGTEMA
Sports Editor

With one minute remaining in Tuesday's game against the Frank Phillips Lady Plainsmen and the Hawks down two points, Kenyatta Colbert was in a zone.

Colbert sank three big shots down the stretch for eight straight points as Howard (17-3, 3-3) completed a 15-point, second-half comeback to win 64-57, its third

straight WJCAC conference game, and move into third place in the conference standings.

"It was pretty much a rush," said Colbert, who finished with a game-high 20 points. "I was feeling it."

After a first half in which the Hawks shot just 23 percent from the floor and gave up 13 offensive rebounds, Howard knew it had to make some changes. "We changed defenses,

and we had some players play really unselfishly to turn down some shots to get some people the ball in certain areas, and that's the reason we came back," Hawks head coach Earl Diddle said.

Howard shot 54 percent from the floor in the second half and outscored the Lady Plainsmen 48-26 to erase a forgettable first half. On defense, Howard held Frank Phillips (15-

7, 2-4) to just 25 percent from the floor in the second half and under 30 percent for the game.

"I haven't, in my 37 years, seen quite this amount of turnaround," Diddle said. "I think that speaks to how we defended in the second half and how we executed on offense."

The Hawks turned inside to post Jackie Bartelson, who scored 14 of her 16 points in the second half, and opened

the floor for other perimeter shooters like Tasha Tubbs, who finished with 14, and Colbert.

"Shot selection really improved," Diddle said. "When we have better shot selection, we're a better team. Just because you're open doesn't mean you have the green light to shoot the ball."

Nancy Aguilar led the Lady Plainsmen

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HIGH OCTANE

No. 7 Hawks win shootout with FPC

BY JOE ZIGTEMA
Sports Editor

It's a good thing Howard brought its Dorothy Garrett Coliseum on Tuesday.

Because Frank Phillips did, although it showed up a little late.

The No. 7 Hawks shot 62 percent from the floor Tuesday on the way to a 96-82 win over the Plainsmen. Howard has won 15 of its last 16 games and remains one game behind the undefeated, No. 1 Midland Chaparrals in Region 5.

In a game that the Hawks led by as many as 40, Frank Phillips used the last 10 minutes to close the lead to 14 points.

The Hawks took a 20-point lead out of the locker room in the first half and outscored the Plainsmen 24-4 to open the second half, building an 80-40 lead at the 11:13 mark. From there, Frank Phillips kicked off a 26-2 run and dwindled the lead the rest of the way.

Jae Crowder led the Hawks with 30 points, and Josh Watkins scored 24. Carlos Emory added 11.



HERALD PHOTO/Joe Zigtema

Joe Bright is fouled as he puts up a shot Monday at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. The No. 7 Hawks won a 96-82 shootout for their third straight win and 15th in 16 games. Howard hosts South Plains on Thursday.

"It was a great offensive half by both teams," head coach Mark Adams said of the second period. "I don't know if we've shot better all year. I thought we had a real good first seven or eight minutes of the second half, but from then on, the bot-

tom fell out. We substituted and lost our composure. You get in that danger of instead of playing to win, you play not to lose."

DeJuan Plummer led Frank Phillips with 24 points. Jaime Boyer had 16, Trevor Niles had 14 and Manny

Cass added 12 for the Plainsmen, who scored more points than any team Howard's No. 1-ranked defense has faced this season.

"Frank Phillips is a very talented team," Adams said. When

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Big Spring swimmers compete in district

Herald Staff Report

The Big Spring boys and girls placed sixth in the District 4-4A swimming and diving competition held this weekend in Big Spring and Monahans.

Kelly Sage took second place in the girls 50-yard freestyle with a time of 27.20. Drew Breckenridge took third in the 50-free with a time of 23.26. Sage also took third in the 100-free and Jennifer Walker placed third in the 100-yard butterfly with a time of 1:16.24.

Breckenridge took fifth in the boys 100-free with a time of 52.21. Caleb McMahon earned a fifth place finish in the boys 100-yard backstroke, posting a time of 1:07.02.

The girls 200-yard freestyle and medley relay teams both earned fifth place finishes. The medley team of Walker, Sage, Ashley Pike and Rebecca Loya posted a 2:12.98 time and the freestyle team of Sage, Walker, Loya and Meagon Larson posted a 1:59.07 time. The girls 400-free relay team of Pike, Walker, Larson and Bianco Griego earned sixth place with a time of 4:54.18.

The boys 200-free relay team of Breckenridge, McMahon, Ricky Garza and Aaron Haynes earned a sixth place finish with a time of 1:44.11.

The swimmers will be in the Regional meet in Andrews. Pick up the Herald for results.



COURTESY PHOTO/Bob Fishback

Evan Burton, center, is pictured with parents Gary, left, and Debbie Burton as he signs with North Central Texas Junior College on Friday in Forsan. Coach Jason Phillips is pictured behind him.

Big Spring finalizes football schedule in new district alignment

Herald Staff Report

The Big Spring Steers finalized their 2010 football schedule, which includes holdover District 4-4A rivals Plainview and Frenship, coach Phillip Ritchey announced Tuesday.

The Steers, recently moved down to 3A through district realignment released Monday,

will open their 2010 slate at Fort Stockton before a home opener against Frenship.

Big Spring also has home games against Monahans and district foes Sweetwater and Snyder in the regular season finale.

Other nondistrict games include Midland Greenwood on the road, Plainview and Midland Christian. The site of

those games is yet to be determined.

The Steers will hit the road in district to face Brownwood and Abilene Wylie, which advanced to the 3A state championship game last season.

Ritchey said he's happy with the way realignment fared for Big Spring.

"The way I look at it, if you're in somebody

like Wylie's district, you get them out of the way in the regular season," Ritchey said. "If you're not in their district, then you have to meet them in the playoffs."

In the hustle and bustle of the realignment process, Ritchey said he's happy with the way the nondistrict portion of the schedule turned out.

"I'm glad it's done," he said. "We have a good schedule. Monahans is tough and we have some teams that will get us ready for district. Now we can get to work."

Wednesday is signing day for many Big Spring seniors. Pick up Wednesday's Herald to see where the area prep stars will be playing college ball next season.

2010 Big Spring schedule

1. at Fort Stockton
2. vs. Frenship
3. Plainview-TBA
4. vs. Monahans
5. Midland Christian-TBA
6. at Greenwood
7. at Brownwood
8. vs. Sweetwater
9. at Abilene Wylie
10. Bye week
11. vs. Snyder

Sports in brief

Howard College baseball in action today in Abilene

The Howard College Hawks will go for their second win of the season today as they take on Vernon College in Abilene.

The Hawks split their season-opening doubleheader with Wharton College over the weekend. First pitch today in Abilene is at 2 p.m.

Pick up tomorrow's Herald for a recap of the game. The Hawks will host two doubleheaders Friday and Saturday against Jefferson College at noon.

Forsan, Coahoma debut in softball top 10

Two area softball teams have been named in the Top 10 preseason polls for Classes 2A and 1A.

The 1A defending state champions Forsan debuted at No. 2 in the Texas Girls Coaches Association preseason poll, and the Coahoma Bulldoggetted debuted as class 2A's fifth-ranked team.

Coahoma starts its season Feb. 18 at the Prairie Dog Tournament in Lubbock.

Black out Steer Gym at tonight's game

Help the Steers black out Steer Gymnasium tonight against Abilene Cooper.

All Steer fans who wear black to tonight's game will earn free admission.

The girls start at 6 p.m. looking for their first district win against Cooper. The boys will take the floor at 7:30 p.m. as they try to continue their undefeated district run. Pick up Wednesday's Herald for a game recap.

Obituaries

Victor Sharp

Victor John Sharp Sr., 87, of Chandler and formerly of Big Spring, died Sunday, Jan. 31, 2010, in Tyler. Visitation will be from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday at Chandler Funeral Home. Graveside services will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 3, 2010, at Waco Memorial Park, with the Rev. Stan Wilson officiating.

He was born Dec. 13, 1922, in San Francisco and was a former resident of Big Spring, having been active in Wesley United Methodist Church.

Survivors include a son, Victor Sharp Jr. of Chandler; one grandchild; and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral arrangements by Chandler Funeral Home of Chandler. For more information, call (903) 849-6145.

Ronald Robey

Ronald Edward Robey, 61, of Big Spring, died Monday, Feb. 1, 2010, at his residence. His services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Sheriff

The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following activity Monday (note: the Howard County Jail reported 61 prisoners):

- OSCAR PADILLA, 29, was transferred from BSPD after being arrested on charges of criminal mischief, disorderly conduct/language and assault/family violence.
- MICHAEL GEORGE CUVIELLO, 19, was transferred from BSPD after being arrested on a charge of driving under influence by a minor.
- VICTOR MANUEL RODRIGUEZ, 32, was arrested by DPS on a charge of driving with license invalid/previous convictions.
- JUAN MANUEL MARTINEZ-GONZALES, 66, was transferred from BSPD after being arrested on a charge of terroristic threats.
- CODY DEJUAN HAWKINS, 27, was arrested by DPS on charges of driving while license invalid/previous convictions, expired registration, failure to maintain financial responsibility and five failure to appear warrants.

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity Monday:

- JUAN MANUEL MARTINEZ-GONZALES, 66, 609 Nolan, was arrested on charges of no driver's license and terroristic threats.
- MICHAEL GEORGE CUVIELLO, 19, 1507 Johnson, was arrested on a charge of driving under the influence/minor.
- OSCAR SAUL PADILLA, 29, 1505 Wood, was arrested on charges of assault class C/family violence, disorderly conduct/language and criminal mischief.
- ASSAULT BY CONTACT was reported in the 1900 block of Highway 87.
- ASSAULT BY THREATS was reported in the 1400 block of Sixth.
- ASSAULT CLASS C/FAMILY VIOLENCE was reported in the 1500 block of Wood and the 2500 block of Dow.
- CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 1500 block of Wood, the 1600 block of Young and the 1400 block of Sixth.
- THEFT was reported in the 1200 block of 11th.

Fire/EMS

The Big Spring Fire Department/Emergency Medical Service reported the following activity Monday:

- MEDICAL was reported in the 1000 block of Sgt. Paredez. Service was refused.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 600 block of Steakley. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 3200 block of Parkway. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAUMA was reported in the 4800 block of Wasson. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAUMA was reported in the 200 block of Rocco Road. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAUMA was reported in the 2300 block of Wasson. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1300 block of Utah. Service was refused.
- STRUCTURE FIRE was reported on Eubanks Road.

Support Groups

TODAY
• The Path, faith-based addiction recovery, meets at 6:30 p.m. at Spring Tabernacle Ministries, 1209 Wright St.

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. and closed discussion meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.




• Al-Anon, 615 Settles for family members and friends of alcoholics meets at 8 p.m.

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

THURSDAY
• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; women's meeting; 6:30 until 7:30 p.m.

Today's Weather

Local 3-Day Forecast

Wed 2/3	Thu 2/4	Fri 2/5
 55/40 Cloudy early with partial sunshine expected late. High around 55F. Winds ENE at 5 to 10 mph.	 47/38 Cloudy with rain. Highs in the upper 40s and lows in the upper 30s.	 49/36 Chance of showers. Highs in the upper 40s and lows in the mid 30s.
Sunrise: 7:39 AM Sunset: 6:21 PM	Sunrise: 7:39 AM Sunset: 6:21 PM	Sunrise: 7:38 AM Sunset: 6:22 PM

Texas At A Glance



Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	52	42	pt sunny	Kingsville	63	56	rain
Amarillo	42	29	mst sunny	Livingston	61	41	cloudy
Austin	54	46	rain	Longview	58	39	pt sunny
Beaumont	62	45	cloudy	Lubbock	54	34	pt sunny
Brownsville	68	58	rain	Lufkin	62	41	cloudy
Brownwood	57	44	pt sunny	Midland	59	44	pt sunny
Corpus Christi	60	56	rain	Raymondville	66	56	rain
Corsicana	54	41	cloudy	Rosenberg	62	48	cloudy
Dallas	53	41	cloudy	San Antonio	58	50	rain
Del Rio	55	49	rain	San Marcos	55	46	rain
El Paso	62	42	cloudy	Sulphur Springs	55	39	pt sunny
Fort Stockton	56	43	pt sunny	Sweetwater	54	41	pt sunny
Gainesville	50	36	pt sunny	Tyler	57	39	pt sunny
Greenville	53	37	pt sunny	Weatherford	51	38	cloudy
Houston	62	48	cloudy	Wichita Falls	50	34	pt sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	46	32	rain	Minneapolis	23	10	sn shower
Boston	31	23	pt sunny	New York	36	29	flurries
Chicago	32	23	sn shower	Phoenix	67	50	cloudy
Dallas	53	41	cloudy	San Francisco	56	46	rain

Lottery

Results of the Texas Two Step drawing Monday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 7-12-18-29. Bonus Ball: 3.

Number matching four of four, plus Bonus Ball: 3. Prize: \$75,000.

Winning ticket purchased in: Mansfield, Pasadena, San Antonio.

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Monday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 9-17-26-28-34. Number matching five of five: 0.

The winning Daily 4 numbers drawn Monday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 8-8-4-1. Sum It Up: 21.

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Monday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 4-9-0. Sum It Up: 13.

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Jazz beat Mavs with big 4th quarter

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — After three periods of lead changes and ties, the Utah Jazz put an end to the back-and-forth with the Dallas Mavericks with a smothering fourth quarter.

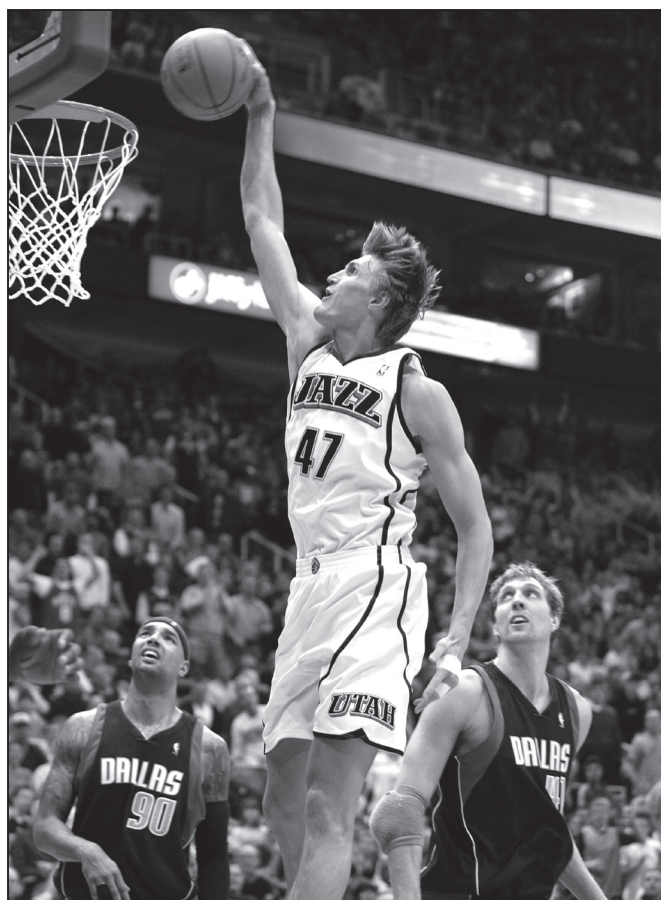
Utah outscored Dallas 27-16 and had twice as many rebounds in the final period while pulling away for a 104-92 win Monday night, extending the Jazz's longest winning streak of the season to six.

"We just have everybody playing at a high level right now. We have a lot of confidence and we understand what it takes to win right now," said Deron Williams, who had 18 points and 15 assists. "Hopefully we don't get too confident and too cocky and just keep doing what we need to to win."

The surging Jazz pulled within a half-game of the Mavericks for third place in the Western Conference standings. Utah also clinched the season series 2-1, giving it the tiebreaker over the Mavericks if it's needed to separate the two in the playoff seedings.

"We haven't really set a goal of trying to get in third," Williams said. "We're just trying to win games, keep the streak alive. We're playing our best basketball and we want to keep doing that."

It was a big night for Williams and fellow Dallas native C.J. Miles, who scored 17 for the Jazz. Paul Millsap had 25 points, nine rebounds and four blocks and Andrei Kirilenko added



AP PHOTO/Steve C. Wilson
Andrei Kirilenko dunks Monday in Salt Lake City. The Jazz beat the Mavs 104-92 at home.

13 points, eight boards and four steals for Utah.

Kirilenko shadowed Dallas star Dirk Nowitzki in the fourth quarter, holding him without a field-goal attempt and limiting him to just two points after he scored 14 of his 28 points in the third.

The Mavericks have lost three straight for the first time this season.

"We've struggled," coach Rick Carlisle said. "We've been in some close games. This was a close game up until the fourth."

Utah led 77-76 entering the fourth, then blew open the game by holding Dallas scoreless for a stretch of more than three minutes and pull-

ing down seven offensive rebounds in the period — matching the Mavericks' rebounding total in the fourth.

"They just stepped up their pressure in the fourth. I couldn't get any looks," Nowitzki said. "I barely had the ball in my hands."

Jason Terry had 19 points and eight assists and Jason Kidd added 11 points and nine assists for the Mavericks.

Ronnie Brewer and Mehmet Okur scored 11 points apiece for the Jazz, who had six players score in double figures.

Utah played without leading scorer Carlos Boozer for the second straight game. He is out with a strained right calf.

Millsap replaced Boozer in the lineup and helped the Jazz dominate inside. Utah controlled the boards 43-34 and outscored the Mavs 54-32 in the paint.

"That's what we have to be able to do to try to win some of these games. Because if you come out and only four or five guys are busting their cans, that's not enough," Utah coach Jerry Sloan said. "We need everybody and I think that showed in the game tonight."

Miles drove for a layup to put Utah up 88-82 with about 7:30 left in the game, then Kirilenko picked off a pass from Jose Barea and drove for a layup while getting the Mavericks guard to foul him. The free throw gave Utah a 91-82 lead.

Neither team led by more than six until Brewer's 3-pointer with 2 seconds left in the second quarter put the Jazz up 53-46 at halftime. The Jazz closed the period on a 9-2 run and Williams had a hand in every point, scoring the first two then setting up the rest with three assists.

NOTES: There were 10 lead changes and eight ties in the first half.

... Dallas G Rodrigue Beaubois fell hard to the floor while trying to stop a drive by Millsap with 3:12 left in the first. He was helped to the locker room and did not return because of a bruised back. ... Nowitzki got hit in the face by the ball when Okur freed it from a pileup in the third quarter, but was OK.

Injured DE Freeneey may play Sunday

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. (AP) — Here's some news: Super Bowl week minus the hype.

For one day, at least, nothing was getting blown out of proportion. Oh, sure, the weather was nasty enough Monday to cause some logistical switches for the New Orleans Saints. And the Colts wondered hopefully about wet omens — the clouds opened up for the only time during a Super Bowl when Indianapolis won in Miami three years ago.

It was all sure to change on media day, that annual event for which frenzy, zoo and circus are among the milder descriptions. Despite ominous forecasts that forced the NFL to move the proceedings indoors at Sun Life Stadium, the potential for wackiness — a "journalist" dressed as a bride looking for a quarterback mate, perhaps — wasn't diminished.

One guy who can get a bit wacky is Peyton Manning, at least when he's pitching a product instead of a pigskin. Manning was one of the Colts' Pro Bowl players who waited in South

Florida for the rest of the team to arrive Monday.

"I got to fly on a private plane with six of my best friends and teammates," he said. "We had Ruth's Chris Steak House food on the plane, took a private escape down to Miami, shook a few hands, did a wave, did one interview and made \$45,000. I can think of some worse things to put yourself through."

Like what Colts All-Pro defensive end Dwight Freeneey is experiencing.

Freeneey sprained his right ankle in the AFC title game against the Jets and missed all four practices last week. Freeneey also came to the Miami area early, but not to show off his skills in the all-star game. He's undergoing extensive treatment with the hope he will heal enough to play on Sunday.

"Obviously, Dwight Freeneey is a great player. Obviously, we would love for him not to play in the game," New Orleans running back Reggie Bush said. "But we're going to prepare like he's playing in the game. We're going to continue to chip block."

MEN

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they got on there at the end, we didn't have an answer for them in the last 10 minutes."

Nonetheless, the Hawks have been on a mission since losing at Midland on Jan. 21. The two teams are

seemingly on a collision course for Feb. 15 at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. Midland beat Odessa 80-69 on the road Monday night.

"We're still chasing them. We need to get a lot better before we play them again," Adams said.

The Hawks host South Plains to begin the sec-

ond go-round of conference play Thursday. The Texans have won three straight games. Tipoff is 7:45 p.m. in Big Spring. The game is Big Spring Credit Union night, and admission is free to the public.

Frank Phillips (82) Plummer 6-13 9-9 24, Boyer 6-8 2-2 16, Cass 4-15 3-7 12, Ford 2-6 4-4 8, Niles 5-12 3-4 14, Johnson 2-3 0-0 5, James

0-1 2-2 2, Higgins 0-0 1-2 1; Totals 25-59 24-30 82

Howard (96) Crowder 8-13 9-10 30, Watkins 8-12 7-11 24, Emory 5-6 0-0 11, Austin 3-5 0-0 9, Bright 0-1 5-6 5, Sundufu 4-6 0-0 9, Mentor 2-4 1-2 6, O'Garro 1-1 0-0 2; Totals 31-50 22-29 96

Halftime 56-36 HC; 3-point goals FPC 8-26 (Plummer 4, Boter 2, Niles, Johnson); HC 12-21 (Crowder 5, Austin 3, Emory, Watkins, Mentor, Sundufu); Rebounds 36-26 HC (Cass 6, Crowder 9); Assists FPC 23, HC 31 (Watkins, Austin 5); Turnovers FPC 23, HC 15

WOMEN

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14 points. Chana Jones scored 13 and Donmique Woods scored 11 for Frank Phillips, which has lost its last five games.

It was a 12-2 run at the 10-minute mark that got Howard back into the ball game. Bartelson scored three buckets over that stretch as the Hawks chipped away, and Tubbs canned a 3-pointer at the 6:43 mark that cut the Frank Phillips lead to two at 45-43.

The teams traded baskets down to the one-minute mark, when Colbert hit a 3-pointer and then drove down the paint for a basket and a foul to put the Hawks up 10 points and secure the win.

"This is about one game a year that you shouldn't win," Diddle said. Give Frank (Phillips) credit, they had a wonderful game plan and their kids really executed. You can't get in that situation many times, but good teams come back and find a way to win. That's the positive."

The Hawks have rebounded from an 0-3 conference start to third place in the region standings. They host South Plains on Thursday, which has won four straight conference games and is tied with Midland atop the standings.

Tipoff is 5:45 p.m. at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. The game is on Big Spring Credit Union night, and admission is free to the public.

Frank Phillips (57) Aguilar 4-14 5-10 14, Woods 4-15 2-4 11, C. Jones 5-9 0-0 10, Hardiman 2-7 2-2 6, McDonald 1-3 0-1 2, Garcia 1-1 0-0 3, E. Jones 3-7 0-1 8; Totals 20-69 9-18 57

Howard (64) Colbert 6-13 4-5 20, Bartelson 7-12 2-5 16, Tubbs 6-12 0-0 14, Ards 3-8 1-5 7, Asia Reid 2-8 1-2 5, Fountain 1-7 0-0 2; Totals

25-63, 8-17 64 Halftime 31-26 FPC; Rebounds 55-42 FPC (Woods 10, Reid 10); Assists FPC 8 (McDonald 3), HC 7 (Ards 6); Turnovers FPC 15, HC 12; Total Fouls FPC 19, HC 12

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

The Horns of a Dilemma

South dealer. Neither side vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ 9 5 3
♥ K 9 4
♦ A K 8 2
♣ J 10 3

WEST
♠ K 8 5 3 2
♥ J 10 7 4
♦ K Q 8 2

EAST
♠ J 7 4
♥ 10 6
♦ J 9 6 3
♣ A 7 6 5

SOUTH
♠ A Q 10 8 6 2
♥ A Q 7
♦ Q 5
♣ 9 4

The bidding:
South West North East
1 ♠ Pass 2 ♦ Pass
2 ♠ Pass 3 ♠ Pass
4 ♠

Opening lead — king of clubs.

If a player is forced to guess in a difficult situation, he will sometimes guess right and sometimes guess wrong. For this reason, experienced players try to arrange their play so that they will be confronted by as few guesses as possible.

South unecessarily subjected himself to a guess on this deal, and went down one in four spades when he eventually guessed wrong.

The defenders began by playing the K-A and another club, ruffed by South. Declarer then crossed to

dummy with a heart and led a spade to the queen, losing to West's king.

South won the heart return, led a diamond to the king and played a second spade. After East followed low, declarer agonized for a long time but finally decided to play the ace. Result — down one.

Although South's line of play would have succeeded most of the time, he could — and should — have avoided the trump guess altogether. In fact, had he made the technically correct play, he would have finished with 11 tricks instead of nine!

South's one and only aim from the outset should have been to avoid losing two trump tricks. To that end, he should have cashed the ace of spades at trick four, planning to cross to dummy next for a second spade lead toward his Q-10-8-6-2 unless one of the missing honors appeared on the ace.

This safety play ensures the contract against any 2-2 break, any 3-1 break where the singleton is an honor, and any 3-1 or 4-0 break where East holds the trump length. Declarer fails only when West started with K-J-x or K-J-x-x of spades, in which case not even a doctor could help.

In the actual deal, cashing the ace catches West's king, leaving a marked finesse against East's jack for an overtrick.

Tomorrow: The saga of Endplay Charlie.
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'Avatar,' 'The Hurt Locker'
lead Oscar nominations

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (AP) — The science-fiction sensation "Avatar" and the war-on-terror thriller "The Hurt Locker" lead the Academy Awards with nine nominations each, including best picture and director for former spouses James Cameron and Kathryn Bigelow.

For the first time since 1943 the Oscars feature 10 best-picture contenders instead of the usual five.

Also nominated for best-picture Tuesday: "District 9"; the animated comedy "Up"; the World War II saga "Inglourious Basterds"; the football drama "The Blind Side"; the recession tale "Up in The Air," the 1960s drama "A Serious Man," and the teen tales "An Education" and "Precious: Based on the Novel 'Push' By Sapphire."

Acting nominees include the four stars who have dominated early awards shows: lead players Sandra Bullock for the football drama "The Blind Side" and Jeff Bridges for the country-music tale "Crazy Heart" and supporting performers Mo'Nique for "Precious" and Christoph Waltz for "Inglourious Basterds."

The best-picture and director categories shape up as a showdown between ex-spouses who directed films that have dominated earlier Hollywood honors.

Cameron's "Avatar" won best drama and director at the Golden Globes, while Bigelow's "The Hurt Locker" beat out Cameron at the Directors Guild of America Awards, whose recipient usually goes on to earn the best-director Oscar.

"The Hurt Locker" also beat "Avatar" for the Producers Guild of America top prize and was chosen as last year's best film by many key critics groups.

SERVICE

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Heart, and VA hospitals across the country use the anniversary of their sacrifice to recall recently passed veterans.

Thomas said he will read the story of the four chaplains during the memorial, followed by recognition of other men and women who gave of themselves in the name of this country.

"We'll have the pledge and the service songs," said Thomas. "This year we will also have the posting of the colors, including the American flag and each of the service flags. We'll also recognize each of the area veterans who have passed away during the past year."

Thomas said the ceremony is a chance to look back on fond memories.

"We are grateful to all these veterans," said Thomas, chief of the local VA's chaplain service. "We are glad they were there when we needed them, and we're thankful for their service ... We can look back on the days and nights we shared with our

loved ones, and have very fond memories."

This year marks the second year the ceremony will be held at First Baptist Church, according to Thomas.

A few years ago we held the ceremony in the biggest room we had at the VA hospital, but it was way too crowded," said Thomas. "We had more than 200 people show up. So we decided to move it to a place where we would be able to accommodate everyone."

"I mailed out more than 600 letters this year, so you really never know how many people are going to show up. Some of those letters go off to places like Ohio and even farther away, but this ceremony is very important for a lot of people, so we want to do everything we can to make them comfortable and accommodate them."

For more information on the ceremony, contact Thomas at 263-7361.

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The cuts are being requested to help the state cope with a sluggish economy.

Losing 5 percent of the state's appropriation would result in an economic hit of around \$600,000 to Howard College and SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf, Sparks estimated.

Then again, any cut in revenue will hurt, she added.

"We budget very conservatively and don't have a lot of waste ... so there will be an impact," she said. "But building budgets is about making choices and if it comes to that, we certainly will choose accordingly."

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HISTORY

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events of the fateful night, as provided by The Four Chaplains Memorial Foundation:

It was the evening of Feb. 2, 1943, and the U.S.A.T. Dorchester was crowded to capacity, carrying 902 service men, merchant seamen and civilian workers.

Once a luxury coastal liner, the 5,649-ton vessel had been converted into an Army transport ship. The Dorchester, one of three ships in the SG-19 convoy, was moving steadily across the icy waters from Newfoundland toward an American base in Greenland.

Hans J. Danielsen, the ship's captain, was concerned and cautious. Earlier the Tampa had detected a submarine with its sonar. Danielsen knew he was in dangerous waters even before he got the alarming information. German U-boats were constantly prowling these vital sea lanes, and several ships had already been blasted and sunk.

The Dorchester was

now only 150 miles from its destination, but the captain ordered the men to sleep in their clothing and keep life jackets on. Many soldiers sleeping deep in the ship's hold disregarded the order because of the engine's heat. Others ignored it because the life jackets were uncomfortable.

On Feb. 3, at 12:55 a.m., a periscope broke the chilly Atlantic waters. Through the cross hairs, an officer aboard the German submarine U-223 spotted the Dorchester.

The U-223 approached the convoy on the surface, and after identifying and targeting the ship, he gave orders to fire the torpedoes, a fan of three were fired. The one that hit was decisive — and deadly — striking the starboard side, amid ship, far below the water line.

Danielsen, alerted that the Dorchester was taking water rapidly and sinking, gave the order to abandon ship. In less than 20 minutes, the Dorchester would slip beneath the Atlantic's icy waters.

Tragically, the hit had knocked out power and radio contact with the three escort ships. The

CGC Comanche, however, saw the flash of the explosion. It responded and then rescued 97 survivors. The CGC Escanaba circled the Dorchester, rescuing an additional 132 survivors. The third cutter, CGC Tampa, continued on, escorting the remaining two ships.

Aboard the Dorchester, panic and chaos had set in. The blast had killed scores of men, and many more were seriously wounded. Others, stunned by the explosion were groping in the darkness. Those sleeping without clothing rushed topside where they were confronted first by a blast of icy Arctic air and then by the knowledge that death awaited.

Men jumped from the ship into lifeboats, overcrowding them to the point of capsizing, according to eyewitnesses. Other rafts, tossed into the Atlantic, drifted away before soldiers could get in them.

Through the pandemonium, according to those present, four Army chaplains brought hope in despair and light in darkness. Those chaplains were Lt. George L. Fox, Methodist; Lt. Alex-

ander D. Goode, Jewish; Lt. John P. Washington, Roman Catholic; and Lt. Clark V. Poling, Dutch Reformed.

Quickly and quietly, the four chaplains spread out among the soldiers. There they tried to calm the frightened, tend the wounded and guide the disoriented toward safety.

"Witnesses of that terrible night remember hearing the four men offer prayers for the dying and encouragement for those who would live," says Wyatt R. Fox, son of Reverend Fox.

One witness, Pvt. William B. Bednar, found himself floating in oil-smearred water surrounded by dead bodies and debris. "I could hear men crying, pleading, praying," Bednar recalls. "I could also hear the chaplains preaching courage. Their voices were the only thing that kept me going."

Another sailor, Petty Officer John J. Mahoney, tried to reenter his cabin but Rabbi Goode stopped him. Mahoney, concerned about the cold Arctic air, explained he had forgotten his gloves.

"Never mind," Goode responded. "I have two

pairs." The rabbi then gave the petty officer his own gloves. In retrospect, Mahoney realized that Rabbi Goode was not conveniently carrying two pairs of gloves, and that the rabbi had decided not to leave the Dorchester.

By this time, most of the men were topside, and the chaplains opened a storage locker and began distributing life jackets. It was then that Engineer Grady Clark witnessed an astonishing sight.

When there were no more lifejackets in the storage room, the chaplains removed theirs and gave them to four frightened young men.

"It was the finest thing I have seen or hope to see this side of heaven," said John Ladd, another survivor who saw the chaplains' selfless act.

As the ship went down, survivors in nearby rafts could see the four chaplains — arms linked and braced against the slanting deck. Their voices could also be heard offering prayers.

Of the 902 men aboard the U.S.A.T. Dorchester, 672 died, leaving 230 survivors. When the news reached American shores, the nation was stunned by the magnitude of the tragedy and heroic conduct of the four chaplains.

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GAY

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ber and would raise the standard for evidence that the service member is gay before the person could be dismissed.

Under the 1993 law, engaging in homosexual conduct — even if you don't tell anyone — can be enough to qualify a person for dismissal. The law was intended as a compromise between President Bill Clinton, who wanted to lift the military's ban on gays entirely, and a reluctant Congress and military that said doing so would threaten order.

David Hall, a former Air Force sergeant, said he was discharged in 2002 after someone else reported that he was gay.

"That ended it," said Hall, who now works for a gay rights advocacy group. "Just like that, based off what one person said, ended my dream of getting to fly planes."

Repeal of the ban has been opposed by some senior members of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and by some reluctant congressional Democrats, including Rep. Ike Skelton. The ban was among topics planned to be discussed Monday during a meeting of the top

uniformed members of each service.

"The chiefs owe the president their best advice on the impact of appeal and how it would be implemented," said Capt. John Kirby, a spokesman for the Joint Chiefs.

Last year, the Defense Department dismissed the fewest number of service members for violating its "don't ask, don't tell" policy than it had in more than a decade.

According to figures released by the Pentagon on Monday, 428 service members in 2009 were dismissed for being openly gay compared with 619 in

2008. In 1997, 997 service members were dismissed. The number fluctuated over the next decade, with fewer troops discharged after the war in Afghanistan began.

The 2009 figure reflects Obama's first year in office after declaring opposition to the policy, even though he did little to reverse it.

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OUR VIEW

AARP volunteers get tax program up and running

It's income tax time again. And while that April 15 deadline is still a few months away, the local AARP began conducting its annual Tax-Aide program Monday.

AARP spokesperson Gloria Hopkins said the program is designed to help people that might not otherwise be able to file a tax return by helping residents make sense of the tax laws and forms that seem to get more and more complicated with each successive year.

The program provides free federal tax preparation assistance to those who cannot afford professional tax help — senior citizens, people with disabilities, those that cannot speak English and those with low-to-moderate income.

In fact, the program is a necessity for many area residents who can't afford to have their taxes prepared professionally, and the heart and soul of the operation are volunteers.

AARP volunteers explain many special tax credits and deductions and how people may claim them on their tax returns. They help complete returns, as well, right down to any refunds that might be due the taxpayer.

Hopkins said area residents planning to use the service should be sure to gather up their financial information before heading to the Senior Center.

"People need to be sure to bring all of the pertinent information with them, including a tax booklet if one was received through the mail, W-2 forms and 1099 forms," said Hopkins. "They also need to bring any forms that show their 2009 earnings and their 2008 tax returns. We also need a Social Security card for every person named on the return and a photo ID for the person filing."

Hopkins said there are some major changes to the tax law this year that could really benefit Crossroads residents.

"Before last year, property taxes would have been an itemized deduction. However, starting last year and continuing this year, they are part of the taxpayer's standard deductions," said Hopkins. "So homeowners need to be sure to bring proof they paid their 2008 property taxes with them. The deduction can be as much as \$500 for a single person and \$1,000 for married couples."

Hopkins said there are also deductions for taxes paid on new homes and vehicle, so filers should be sure to bring proof of those purchases, as well.

Participants in the program will be able to e-file their tax returns at no charge, according to Hopkins.

The Tax-Aide program will continue each Monday through April 11.

For more information on the program, contact Hopkins at 267-6733.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

May we work diligently, Lord, to achieve Your dreams for our life.

Amen

Politics and rewriting history

During last month's State Board of Education debate concerning new social studies curriculum standards, sound scholarship once again took a back seat to politics and personal agendas.

At one point, for example, board members voted to delete Dolores Huerta from a standard because the co-founder of United Farm Workers of America is a socialist. The same board members apparently didn't realize that Helen Keller, who remains in the same standard, was also a staunch socialist. Nor did they seem to know that W.E.B. Du Bois, who helped found the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), had joined the Communist Party the last year of his life. The board had added Du Bois to the standards the day before.

Of course, social studies students should learn about contributions of all three of these important Americans, regardless of their political beliefs. But board members clearly looked misinformed as, during just two days, they made wholesale revisions to standards that teachers, scholars and other community members had spent nearly a year debating and drafting. And many of the changes were based simply on board members' personal beliefs or knowledge,

however limited.

Teachers in the audience watched the board's votes with growing alarm. They wondered how in the world to teach ill-considered new standards or squeeze a long laundry list of added names into their limited class time. Board member Pat Hardy, R-Fort Worth, herself an award-winning former social studies teacher, begged her board colleagues to stop.

Many of the additions, Hardy said, were not grade-appropriate or overloaded the standards with unnecessary detail. On occasion she pointedly asked whether board members actually knew much about a person or event they wanted to add. They often did not.

The board had set the stage for this farce by deciding to proceed on the standards revision without further guidance from teachers and academic experts. They then voted to end a public hearing on the standards even though dozens of people, including veterans from the American GI Forum, hadn't yet spoken.

So, with no outside input, board members worked late into the evening to rewrite history according to their own points of view. Of course, this is a terrible way to make education policy. And sure enough, the standards are beginning to look more like a political manifesto than a curriculum document.

For example, a revised high school U.S. history standard implies that Joseph McCarthy's political smear campaign in the 1950s was somehow justified. Another requires students to learn

about Phyllis Schlafly, the Moral Majority and other conservative icons — not because of their historical accomplishments, but because of their roles in promoting conservative philosophies. There is no similar standard asking students to study individuals or groups that simply promoted liberal philosophies.

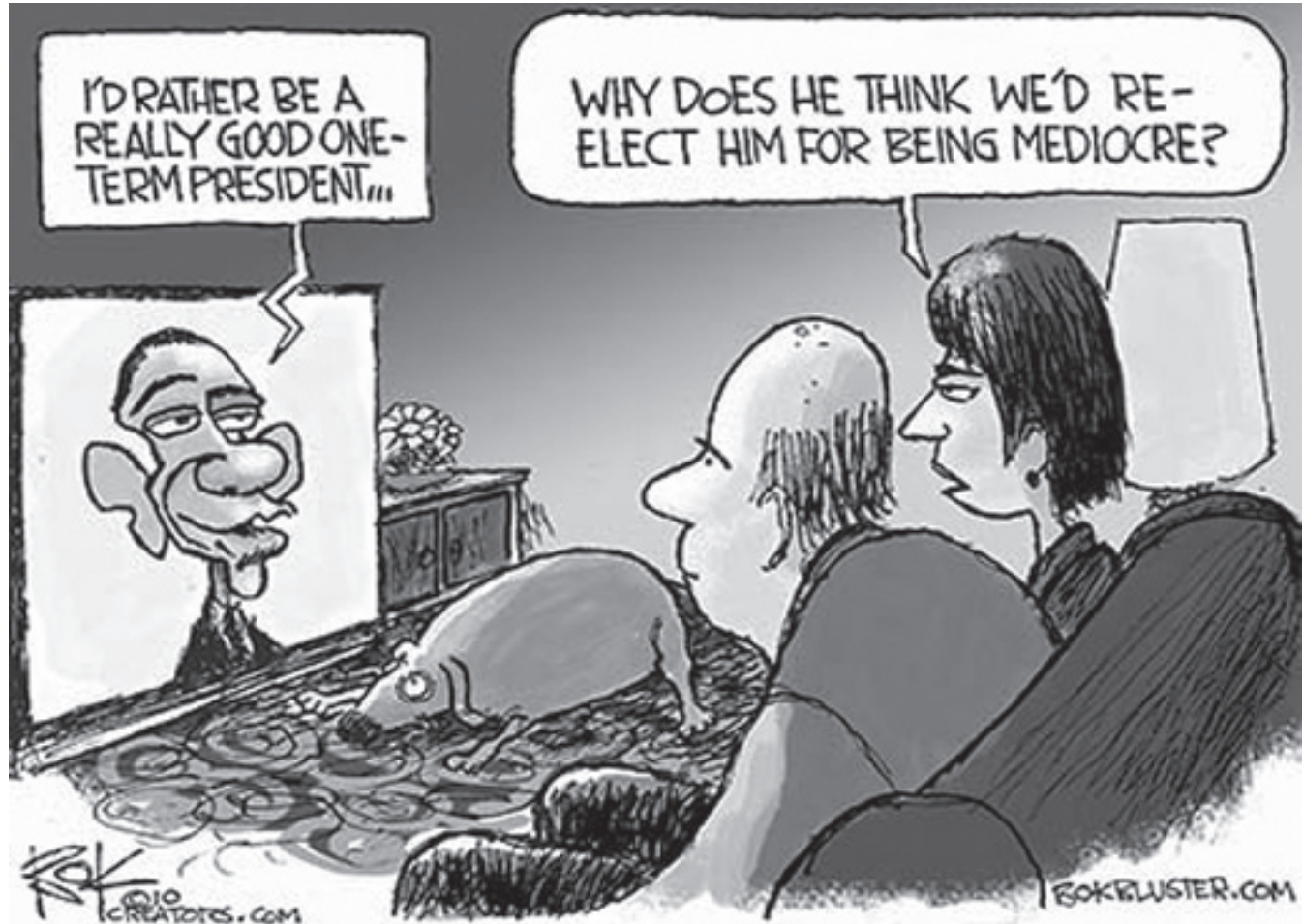
One board member succeeded in deleting concepts of justice and responsibility for the common good from a standard on citizenship. And the board is considering a standard that suggests the civil-rights movement brought about "unrealistic expectations of equal outcomes."

That's a political belief — like many other revisions the board approved at the meeting — not a view backed by scholarship. Even so, some board members want to weaken another standard that has students learn how women and minorities worked to overcome obstacles to equality and civil rights.

Last spring, the Texas Legislature refused to rein in the heavily politicized State Board of Education's authority over curriculum and textbook content. To understand how foolish that failure was, lawmakers need only to have watched what happened at the state board meeting this month.

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Part of a balanced breakfast?

As a responsible parent, I try to fill my child up right in the morning with a healthy bowl of Lucky Charms. Filled with vitamins and minerals this seemingly unhealthy combination of sugar, marshmallows, a little grain and some more marshmallows contains both calcium and vitamin D, which, apparently make it good for you.

I am, of course, basing this decision (as I do all my decisions) on the contents of a television commercial. If General Mills (a military hero I assume) says that Lucky Charms will help my child, then who am I to question the wisdom of a multinational corporation?

The good folks at General Mills have been nice enough to spend a lot of money promoting the heretofore unknown health benefits of four of its seemingly less healthy cereals.

The quartet — Lucky Charms, Trix, Cinnamon Toast Crunch and Cocoa Puffs — all appear to be bad for you and even really irresponsible parents have always known to limit sugary cereal intake.

That appears to have been a mistake that may have robbed my entire generation of its proper doses of vitamin D and calcium. According to the Gen-

eral Mills' sponsored Web site, GrowUpStrong.com, 75 percent of kids do not get enough of these two important nutrients (which may explain all those kids whose bones just randomly snap on any given day).

Of course, enriched breakfast cereals — preferably ones with mascots — are the only logical way to get your child the proper amount of vitamin D and calcium. The site does point out alternate sources for calcium, but declares that vitamin D is hard-to-find and can only be found in such exotic foods as eggs, salmon and tuna.

Eggs? Never heard of them and they can't possibly be a good breakfast food.

So, it seems that despite all evidence and common sense, children should, in fact, eat Lucky Charms, Trix, Cinnamon Toast Crunch everyday — maybe even more than once.

We're talking about a cereal that leaves a sugar residue on your bowl (Cinnamon Toast Crunch). There's one that consists almost entirely of marshmallows (Lucky Charms) and another that drives its mascot crazy with ecstasy (Cocoa Puffs). The last one, which contains colors not generally seen in nature (Trix), is so intoxicating that its commercial character commits acts of crime to obtain it.

Now, I am in no way a responsible parent when it comes to sugar intake. My 6-year-old and I just went to a 10:15 a.m. movie and I would have gladly bought

him candy because I believe that a movie requires candy (more sensible than me, he opted for popcorn).

I do know, however, that any cereal involving neon colors and a wacky mascot may not be quite as healthy as say, Cheerios or Wheaties.

I'm also reasonably sure that whatever vitamins and minerals he lacks (and this is for a child who eats mostly chicken nuggets and peanut butter) can be obtained from something other than sugary cereals.

Realistically, you could add calcium and vitamin D to cotton candy or fried dough, but that would not turn them into health food.

Sugary cereal has its place as a special treat or a way to get through college without spending a lot on food, but it is not part of a normal diet. You can eat sugary cereal and still be healthy, but it is most certainly not a way to be healthy.

I've been cuckoo for Cocoa Puffs and have gone after the Lucky Charms on occasion (in my pre-gluten allergy days).

I've dined on the fare made by the Cinnamon Toast Crunch Baker and I've kept that silly rabbits paws off my Trix as well.

I'm guessing that I'm in reasonably good health in spite, not because of that.

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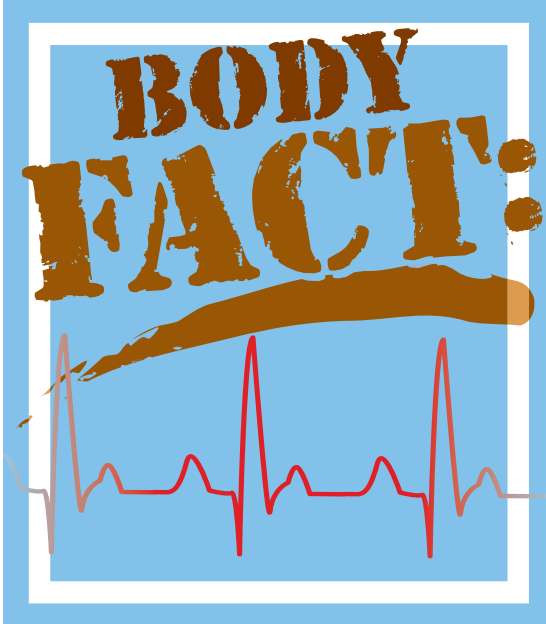
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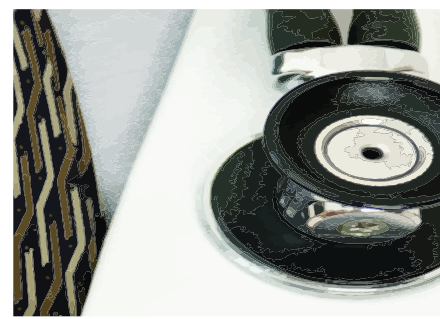
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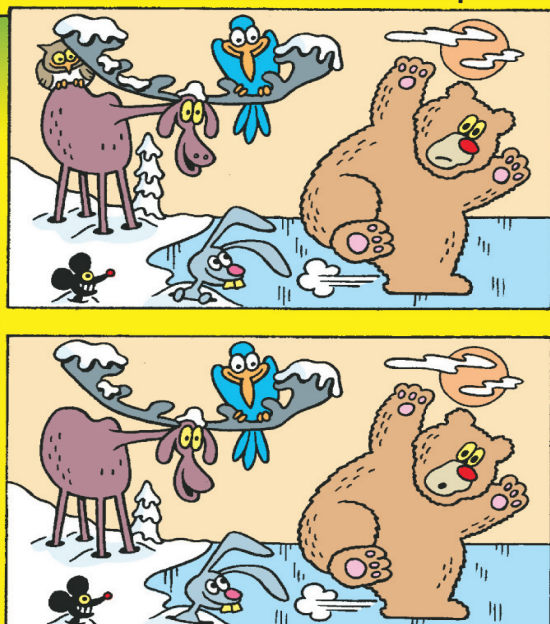
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ARIES (March 21-April 19). Be careful what you say. Once you declare what you want to do, a coach will arrive to make sure you reach the finish line of this intention. You will rely on this person to help you continue with small consistent steps.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You'll be working to reverse your sins of appetite. Commend yourself for this noble effort. As your signmate Cher said, "Fitness — if it

came in a bottle, everybody would have a great body."

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). New people enter your scene, igniting extra energy sources in you. You will actually feel a physical sensation of vitality as these powerful reserves open up, like a knot unraveling in your solar plexus.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Some people require more attention than others. You'll meet such characters in your travels today. You won't mind giving them a little extra care, either, as long as it doesn't become a habit.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You'll see what you want, and you'll be able to negotiate a payment you can afford. This is true of emotional expenditures, as well as financial ones. It all starts by naming the price you want to pay.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). There are those you'd like to work with, if only they weren't so inaccessible. Or perhaps the more experienced people in your field are also a bit intimidating. Anyway, you'll

find a way to bridge the gap.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Conserve your words. This is especially important if you are trying to explain something complex. If you can't say it simply, it's probably not worth bringing up. The end of the day brings a decadent treat.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You will be compelled to draw attention to the very thing you used to hide. This turning of the tides is an interesting shift, worthy of your soulful contemplation. Pause for self-reflection.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You learn about yourself through the study of someone you admire. This person could be living or dead, famous or not. Also, there are interesting characters who share your birthday and are worth studying.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You will be chasing some object of affection that is chasing some other object of affection. It seems that right now love really does make the world go

around.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Avoid pettiness. You will know it's pettiness by the way your heart seems to constrict at the very idea of it. And remember that when you are big-hearted, you're the one who benefits the most.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You may be all grown up, but you haven't forgotten what it is like to be a child. The wonderful innocence you bring to a project will help you fly over hurdles that would stop more jaded individuals.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Feb. 2). This year brings brilliant diversions and exciting twists. Love leads you into a different business or a new field of interest. You'll have access to several books and teachers who will show you your next best move. March brings clarity and motivation. Relationships heal in June. July bonds you with family. Taurus and Aries people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 7, 25, 15, 30 and 27.

ASTROLOGICAL

QUESTIONS: "I have such a horrible, gut wrenching, wretched crush on someone who is totally, utterly out of my league. This person is practically famous, or at least very popular in my town. He is gorgeous in every way, physically and in his heart. He is talented and is on the verge of being very successful. He could have anyone since every woman who gets around him tends to stand there and drool. I wake up in the middle of the night thinking about him and can't go back to sleep. He's turned me into a distracted zombie. But he'll never love me back, I just know. I'm not his type. Is there anything I can do to win him? He's a Pisces, and I'm a Libra."

I have good news for you, Libra. This isn't love, and it will pass. I encourage you to get to know this fantasy Pisces so that you can bring him into a more realistic perspective. He's just a person, not a god. You can use your infatuation to teach you more about who you want to become. Take note of

the qualities you ascribe to your Pisces, because these are the same qualities you want to embody and are growing toward in your own journey.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Latin American musical prodigy Shakira melded her many influences to create a unique brand of pop music. Shakira is an Aquarius with a well-rounded chart, representing a beautiful balance of air, earth and water influences. She lives up to the Aquarian reputation for outstanding philanthropy, having founded a charity to create schools for poor children in her homeland of Colombia.

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Annie's Mailbox

Dear Annie: My brother is smart, nice and a good person. The problem is, he married the worst possible human being.

The verbal abuse started eight years ago, and she began hitting him within the last three.

My sister-in-law has hit my brother with a hammer, a weight bar and any object in arm's reach.

She has also cut him with a knife. She calls him the worst, most demeaning names she can think of. She also isolates him from our family.

Two weeks ago, my brother left her for a few days and told me about the abuse. But after she phoned and texted repeatedly, he caved and went back to her.

Since then, my sister-in-law has been kissing up to my mother and bashing me with nasty gossip.

We are both sick of her and want her out of the family. She is poison.

But we worry that if we say anything, my brother will stop talking to us. What can we do? — *Worried Sister*

Dear Worried: Men can be abused, too. Your sister-in-law is an abuser, and your brother may need help to get out of this destructive relationship.

Most state domestic violence agencies now handle abused men, as well as women.

Also, give your brother the number of the Domestic Abuse Helpline for Men and Women, which is 1-888-7-H E L P L I N E (1-888-743-5754), and urge him to call before his wife does permanent damage.

Dear Annie: My father died of a heart attack two years ago. He had always told us, "Everything is taken care of," and he was someone who never left out any detail.

When we tried to find out about his burial plans, we learned he had never made any.

I also discovered that his brother, who died three months before, had done the same thing, telling my cousins, "Everything is arranged. Just go to the funeral home."

After he died, his children were asked how they intended to pay for the funeral. And their father was a man who sold life insurance!

These were two very astute businessmen who left their families in a great deal of grief and shock.

Please ask your readers to make sure their loved ones have all their affairs in order. Have them discuss and write down their wishes for the funeral, and if the arrangements have been paid for, make sure you have a receipt. When you're dealing with the death of a loved one, you don't need an expensive surprise on top of your grief.

Our funeral director told us this happens more than anyone realizes.

I don't want anyone else to go through what we did. — *Emotionally and Financially Drained*

Dear Drained: Thank you for taking the time to alert our readers. People are often reluctant to discuss end-of-life issues, but it is important and necessary to do so.

In times of grief, survivors can become overwhelmed and unable to

make these decisions in a rational way.

Please, folks, write down what you want and inform your loved ones today. You'll sleep better.

Dear Annie: I had to respond to the letter from "Ring-a-Ding," who complained about her small wedding ring diamond.

I, too, have a small diamond on my wedding ring, but my husband was working three jobs at the time so he could pay his bills.

He chose the ring all by himself and surprised me. Every day, I look at it and feel lucky.

If she needs more bling, she can add to her wedding set.

We added an anniversary band and, after our son was born, a second band with his birthstone and diamonds.

These additions symbolize how our love has grown. — *Fargo, N.D.*

Dear Annie: I am happily married to an amazing lady who has been my best friend since the day we met 25 years ago.

Our kids are all away at college, and we love our empty nest. We keep physically fit, are in great health, are financially stable and have a satisfying social life.

The only problem is in the bedroom.

Menopause hit about five years ago, and it

has devastated our intimacy.

We both visit our doctors regularly and have been to a counselor twice.

Our doctors say everything is normal, and the counselor tried to give us some helpful advice, which my wife followed.

She does her best to "be there" for me physically, and I do everything I can to be a great husband for her.

My question has to do with what the counselor told me.

She said I need to accept the fact that at our age (48), and after 24 years of marriage, an exciting and fulfilling sex life was an unrealistic expectation.

Annie, I am having a hard time accepting this. While we are still intimate, it's like making love to a mannequin.

And after all these years of being faithful, it is getting harder and harder to brush off the continuous opportunities to stray.

My wife and I have discussed this in detail. She can't understand why I am not able to simply "turn off" my libido the way nature has turned off hers.

Is the counselor right, or is there hope that our great marriage can become complete again? — *Happy and Sad in Oklahoma*

Dear Oklahoma: The counselor is wrong. Your sex life might not be what it once was, but there is no reason it cannot be fulfilling and satisfying and still include passion.



KATHY MITCHELL
 MARCY SUGAR

We understand that menopause has taken a toll on your wife's libido, but she needs to make the effort to work on intimacy because she loves you and values her marriage.

Please see a different counselor who will work with both of you to improve those things you can, instead of encouraging you to give up.

Dear Annie: Yesterday, I celebrated a big birthday and received cards and well wishes from many friends.

One in particular sent a nice card. However, I was a bit disappointed there wasn't more.

Two years ago, when she celebrated the same big birthday, I wanted to make it special and sent a card with an enclosed gift certificate.

I was surprised she didn't reciprocate. I would have been happy if she had just sent a note saying, "I will take you out to lunch" or something similar.

It hurts that she made no gesture at all. I considered us very close. Am I being foolish to feel this way? — *Janet in Reno, Nev.*

Dear Janet: Not foolish, but perhaps overly optimistic. It was kind of you to send a birthday gift to your friend, but it was unsolicited, and your thoughtfulness depreciates substantially when you think she "owes" you as a result.

All she owes you is a thank-you note. She apparently isn't the type to exchange gifts. Now you know.

Dear Annie: This is in response to "Upset in Santa Cruz," whose stepdaughter-in-law

accused her of abusing her son because there were bruises on him.

Unexplained bruises can be the result of a rare, heritable connective tissue disorder called Ehlers-Danlos syndrome.

One sign of EDS is tissue fragility, which results in unexplained bruises. Unfortunately, these bruises often create the impression that the child has been abused.

Please inform your readers, especially teachers, parents and medical professionals, that easily bruised skin can be a symptom of EDS.

Additional information can be found at Ehlers-Danlos Syndrome Network (C.A.R.E.S., Inc., (ehlers-danlosnetwork.org) P.O. Box 66, Muskego, WI 53150. — *J.R.*

Dear J.R.: Thank you for educating our readers — and us — about this rare condition. Unfortunately, when there are bruises, there is often a less benign reason.

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HERALD

Big Spring Residents Ready For A Tangible "Stimulus" When Antiquities Gold & Silver Exchange Launches Road Show Today

By William Gardner

There's been a lot of talk about stimulus plans, but it seems that local folks are not seeing any of it. That all changes starting today in Big Spring where local residents are ready to participate in a unique "stimulus" event.

"We're expecting to see folks come in with zip lock bags full of silver and gold jewelry – necklaces, bracelets, class rings and earrings too. Not to mention the silver coins that will be brought in. Silver dollars, silver half dollars, silver quarters and dimes."

"It's not uncommon to see customers walk away with an extra \$200.00, \$300.00 or even \$400.00 for the little bit of gold and silver they bring in – and we've been authorized to spend \$50,000 just at this show alone."

With gold trading at over \$1000.00 an ounce and silver trading at over \$17.00 an ounce, people want to cash in but don't want to travel to the big city or send it in the mail. This week they don't have to, because Antiquities Gold and Silver Exchange has come here – to Big Spring, Texas! This is really a exciting and profitable opportunity for the locals here.

The event is being held at the Holiday Inn Express in Big Spring, right off I-20 at exit 177. Buyers will be there for five days starting today, Tuesday, February 2nd at 9:00 a.m. and going through Saturday, February 6th closing at 6:00 p.m. daily, except for Saturday when they close at 4:00 p.m.

The road show has seen a lot of interesting things at past events. Items including herringbone necklaces, class rings, broken gold chains, and even a rare British Sovereign gold coin.



Above: Recent show draws local residents.

"Customers will bring in Mexican silver coins, Canada silver coins, Mexican gold Pesos as well as all other types of U.S. minted silver coins dating before 1964 – it's really something to see. We even see dental gold brought in as well as U.S. gold coins", a buyer said.

"We'll see customers walk in with Hamilton, Illinois & Elgin Pocket Watches and walked away very happy with money in their hands."

Some of these items tally up to hundreds even thousands of dollars to give local residents a little more spending money and what perfect time as we move into the holiday season.

The exchange has been asked if the items should be cleaned or polished and the answer is – No. Simply bring in your items just as they are and the buyers will sort through and carefully look at each item.

Once the items have been sorted through – customers will be presented with a purchase offer. If the customer likes the offer, payment is made on the spot – no waiting, no hassel, no pressure. It's really that simple.

As a special bonus this week – the exchange is also paying 20% more for gold items bought at the event.

"We can do this because of the volume of people we well see this week. It's good for us as a business and in tum we want to help the good folks of Big Spring for making the event a success. It's our way of saying Thank You!"

The event is free and open to the public daily from 9:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. and Saturday till 4:00 p.m. No appointment is necessary and they look forward to seeing you.

Who:

Open to the Public

When:

This Week ~ Tue. thru Fri.
9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Saturday
9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Where:

Holiday Inn Express
1109 N. Aylesford
Big Spring, Texas 79720
432-263-5400

What:

Class & Old Wedding Rings,
Gold & Silver Chains,
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Gold Dental Fillings,
.999 Silver Bars,
Silver Coins Predating 1964,
Sterling Silverware Sets.

Items can be in any condition

"As Seen On TV!"

\$\$ For Your Gold Starts Today!

By William Gardner
Staff Writer

Its starts today – the first of 5 days for the Antiquities Gold and Silver Exchange Road Show here in Big Spring, Texas.

You've seen the television commercials and advertising to send in your gold and silver for cash – NOW you don't have too, because we've come to YOU.

The show representatives expect to see a large number of residents attend the free event bringing in their gold jewelry, gold coins and silver coins.

"We expect to see large quantities of pre 1964 dimes, quarters, half's and dollars – in every condition possible – not to mention the jewelry from those old jewelry dishes."

After asking several previous customers if they thought about sending their items in – they told us they were very skeptical of sending their items in without knowing what would happen. It's a trust thing – most said.

This is one of the reasons The Antiquities Gold and Silver Exchange Road Show is in town – to purchase these gold and silver items , plus gold and silver coins – all while we evaluate the items right in front of you.

Clarence McDonald brought in some small amounts of gold and silver jewelry along with a few silver dollars and walked away with a check in excess of \$220.00

"We are accepting all type of gold and silver items ranging from sterling silver flatware to U.S. Minted Double Golden Eagle 1 oz coins. It doesn't matter to us what you bring in – if it's gold or silver – we're ready to cut the checks.

We've been authorized to spend \$50,000 just at this show alone."

"We are in a unique time in our economy and who couldn't use some extra cash. As a buyer at the show, I have an equally unique job to help stimulate the local economy by putting money in to your hands in exchange for you items. The only thing stopping this is you not bringing your items down – it's really that simple."

ANTIQUITIES GOLD & SILVER EXCHANGE


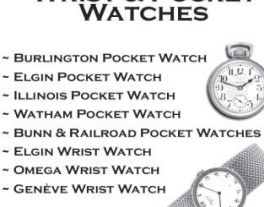


ROADSHOW

BUYING

GOLD, SILVER, COINS & POCKETWATCHES

PAID ON THE SPOT FOR YOUR GOLD

SCRAP GOLD ~ RINGS ~ WATCHES ~ CLASS RINGS ~ WEDDING BANDS ~ BROKEN OR NOT
FOR YOUR SAFETY AND SECURITY ALL ITEMS ARE SHOWN IN A PRIVATE ROOM

<p>BUYING GOLD COINS</p>  <p>U.S. AND FOREIGN</p>	<p>BUYING SILVER COINS</p>  <p>PRE DATED 1964</p>	<p>BUYING SILVER DOLLARS</p>  <p>PRE DATED 1964 <small>ALL PRICES BASED ON RARITY AND CONDITION</small></p>
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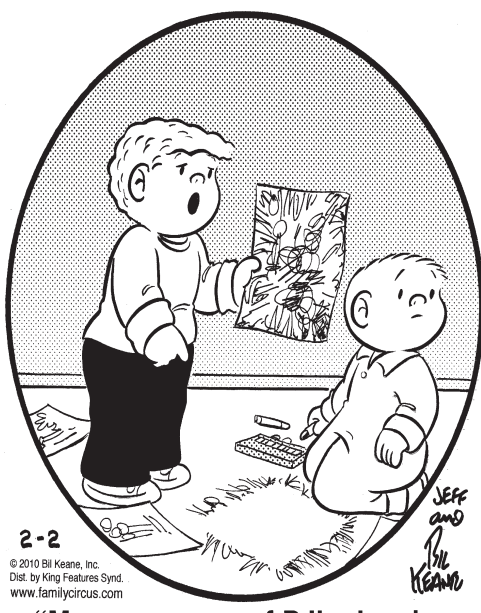
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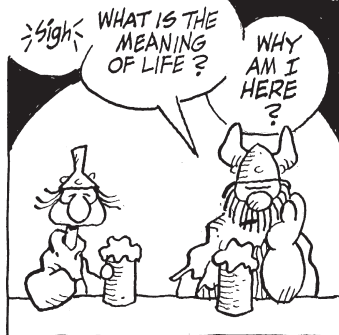
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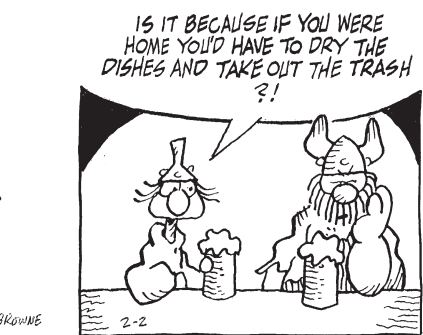
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"Mommy, some of PJ's drawing didn't fit on the paper."



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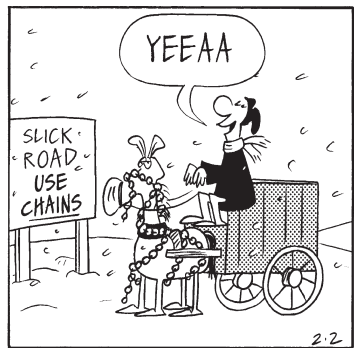
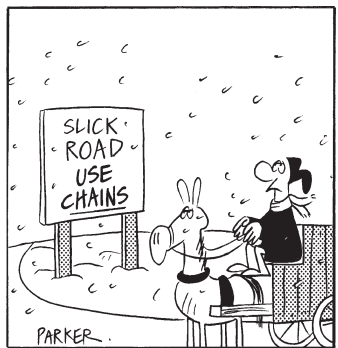


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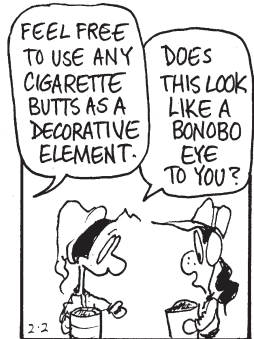
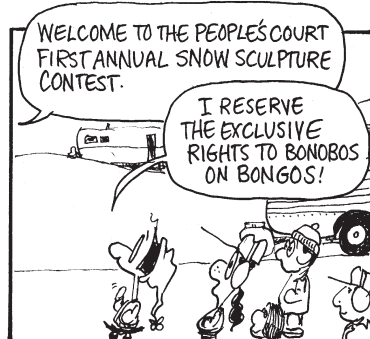
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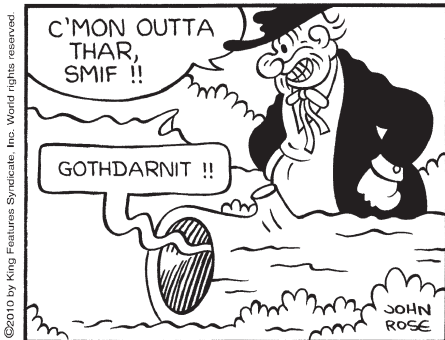
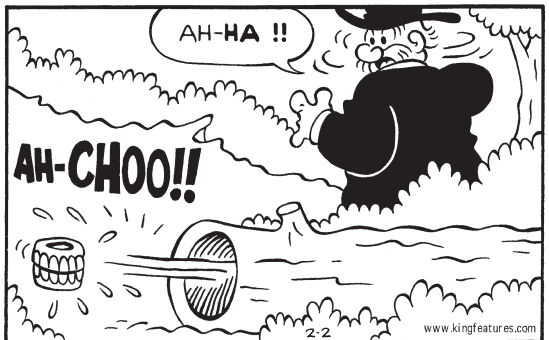
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This Date In History

Today is Tuesday, Feb. 2, the 33rd day of 2010. There are 332 days left in the year. This is Groundhog Day.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Feb. 2, 1848, the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo, ending the Mexican-American War, was signed.

On this date:

In 1536, present-day Buenos Aires, Argentina, was founded by Pedro de Mendoza of Spain.

In 1653, New Amsterdam — now New York City — was incorporated.

In 1870, the "Cardiff Giant," supposedly the petrified remains of a human discovered in Cardiff, N.Y., was revealed to be nothing more than carved gypsum.

In 1876, the National League of Professional Base Ball Clubs was formed in New York.

In 1882, Irish poet and novelist James Joyce was born near Dublin.

In 1897, fire destroyed the

Pennsylvania state capitol in Harrisburg. (A new statehouse was dedicated on the same site in 1906.)

In 1943, the remainder of Nazi forces from the Battle of Stalingrad surrendered in a major victory for the Soviets in World War II.

In 1948, President Harry S. Truman sent a 10-point civil rights program to Congress, where the proposals ran into fierce opposition from southern lawmakers.

In 1980, NBC News reported the FBI had conducted a sting operation targeting members of Congress using phony Arab businessmen in what became known as "Abscam," a code-name protested by Arab-Americans.

In 1990, in a dramatic concession to South Africa's black majority, President F.W. de Klerk lifted a ban on the African National Congress and promised to free Nelson Mandela.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Elaine Stritch is 85. Former French President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing is 84. Actor Robert Mandan is 78. Comedian Tom Smothers is 73. Rock singer-guitarist Graham Nash is 68. Actor Bo Hopkins is 68.

Television executive Barry Diller is 68. Country singer Howard Bellamy (The Bellamy Brothers) is 64. Actor Jack McGee is 61. Actor Brent Spiner (SPY-nur) is 61. Rock musician Ross Valory (Journey) is 61. Sen. John Cornyn (R-Texas) is 58. Model Christie Brinkley is 56. Actor Michael Talbot is 55. Actress Kim Zimmer is 55. Rock musician Robert DeLoe (Army of Anyone; Stone Temple Pilots) is 44. Actress Jennifer Westfeldt is 40. Rock musician Ben Mize is 39. Rapper T-Mo is 38. Actress Marissa Jaret Winokur is 37. Actress Lori Beth Denberg is 34. Singer Shakira is 33. Country singer Blaine Larsen is 24.

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Answer to previous puzzle

GAWK	DARTS	STAB
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- ACROSS
- 1 Chooses
- 6 Two of a kind
- 10 Open-handed blow
- 14 Open, as a jacket
- 15 Choir member
- 16 "Bye-bye!"
- 17 Secret supply
- 18 Make airtight
- 19 Barbecue fare
- 20 Slot in a stable
- 22 Historic periods
- 23 Marsh plant
- 24 Morally pure
- 26 Dartboard, for one
- 30 Sir's counterpart
- 31 Per item
- 32 Compete in a bee
- 34 Slangy sound of discomfort
- 37 Airport waiting area
- 41 Lumberjack's tool
- 42 "Believe it ..."
- 43 Uncool type
- 44 Takes to court
- 45 Comes up
- 47 Small and slender
- 50 Employ
- 52 "Woe is me!"
- 53 Crusty white bread
- 59 Wide as the ocean
- 60 Part in a play
- 61 "Bald" bird
- 62 Suffix for kitchen
- 63 Done with
- 64 Mythical Earth lifter
- 65 Stag or doe
- 66 Mannerly fellow
- 67 High-schoolers
- DOWN
- 1 Shove
- 2 Fascinated by
- 3 Powerful presidential appointee
- 4 Smooch
- 5 Round shape
- 6 Sticky stuff
- 7 Go over like ___ balloon
- 8 Slanting typeface: Abbr.
- 9 Senate event
- 10 Brook
- 11 Animal dens
- 12 Up, in baseball
- 13 Out of style
- 21 Complete collection
- 25 Angel's ring
- 26 "And here it is!"
- 27 Pinnacle
- 28 Tug-of-war need
- 29 Coll. transcript figure
- 30 Get together
- 32 Gets a tan
- 33 Money player
- 34 Change for a five
- 35 Storybook monster
- 36 G-men
- 38 Lopsided victory
- 39 Spring croaker
- 40 Prefix for cycle or verse
- 44 Family member
- 45 Rainbow shape
- 46 Warm up, as leftovers
- 47 Unlike dirt roads
- 48 Tickle pink
- 49 Sample
- 50 ___ of Troy (mythical abductee)
- 51 Sluggish
- 54 Wander aimlessly
- 55 Not punctual
- 56 Eye rudely
- 57 Alda of M*A*S*H
- 58 Admit everything, with "up"

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Bird Poop:

Sandhill crane gets to survive wound to head

With their undulating lines, flock after flock crossed the interstate to One Mile Lake.

Resembling huge serpents slithering in the sky, their silhouettes enhanced an already vivid sunset.

Standing outside our vehicle, we watched and listened as thousands slowly flapped their wings and bugled of the evening to come.

Even after the western sky slowly faded, they came. With huge wings slowing their progress, they circled the glistening surface, extended long legs and gracefully stepped into the shallow water. Continuing their ancient ritual, they signaled the night's rest could begin.

From November until the end of February, city residents were able to enjoy the avian arrival of those overnight guests. With such an influx also came phone calls.

From albinos mistaken for whooping cranes, to broken wings and legs from power lines, we not only learned from misidentification and mishaps, but people who cared. When we headed to a transportation storage yard, we would soon learn of another unwelcome danger for the sandhill cranes.

At the northwest corner of the intersection of the Snyder Highway and Interstate 20, we entered the Texas Highway Department's office. Having found a crane walking among the mounds of aggregate, an employee had described the large bird as "just wandering, not flying."

Since the crane seemed somewhat addled, several men had been able to catch it. After being placed in a large cardboard box, the bird was passive and rather indifferent to our voices and presence. Noting a small wound on its head, we promised to call as to the outcome.

Once home, we made sure we had control of its dagger-like bill before we raised the bird out of the box. With its wings pressed against its body, the crane offered



Courtesy photo

Standing in shallow water during the night protects sandhill cranes from predators such as coyotes and foxes. During the day, their bluish-gray color allows them to blend into the gray of withered grasses, the sky and the dusk of a winter's evening.

little resistance.

Extending both wings, Art estimated the span at slightly more than six feet. marveling at how their mass would easily catch the wind like a kite, we could appreciate even more the crane's endurance during lengthy, soaring flights.

Not finding any obvious wounds among the immaculately layered gray feathers of its wings or body, we were concerned about the narrow gash on the bare, red skin of its forehead. Denoting maturity, that colorful patch meant the bird was at least 2, maybe

more, years old. No injuries were evident on its white cheeks and chin, or its long neck and legs.

Since the sandhill crane had obviously sustained a head wound, we notified Midge Erskine at Eos Wildlife Sanctuary. We had a patient for her and were on our way.

During our drive to Midland, I remembered a prior visit to observe the cranes with Midge and a biologist from Aransas Pass. Before dawn, south of the lake and parallel to the railroad tracks, the three of us had ventured down a dirt road. By the first hint of day, we were

ready for the awakening birds.

As each flock stirred, those on the outer perimeter constantly watched for any sign of approaching danger. Feeling secure, the cranes simultaneously began remarkable conversations and movements.

Some chose to walk around with heads held high. Others began an early morning dance. Since courtship season had already begun, dawn was an excuse to continue their amorous advances.

After lowering their heads toward the water, some of the cranes bounced upward with

raised wings, splashed down, only to hop high into the air again. A few even jumped over each other. Accompanying these antics were some of the wildest sounding croaks imaginable. Hopefully, our passenger could join such a group after its ordeal.

As Midge examined the crane, her fingers gently caressed its forehead. As if tracing an imaginary picture, she continued over the same area several times. Having finally felt a lump, she thought a BB or pellet from a

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Arrest of Americans deepens Haiti adoption debate

NEW YORK (AP) — The debate over international adoption, already a bitter one, has intensified in the aftermath of Haiti's earthquake and the arrest of 10 Americans for trying to take children out of the devastated country without permission.

Some groups are urging a long moratorium on new adoptions from Haiti, saying there is too much chaos and too high a risk of mistakes or child trafficking. Other groups fear any long-term clampdown will consign countless children to lives in institutions or on the street, rather than in the loving homes of adoptive parents.

Chuck Johnson, chief operating officer of the National Council for Adoption, said the arrests of the 10 U.S.

Baptists would probably undercut his organization's push to expand adoptions from Haiti as soon as feasible.

"It was a critical mistake — the Haitian government has been very clear they did not want any children leaving without its express permission," Johnson said Monday. "Maybe the Americans thought they were helping 33 kids, but now there's going to be a much slower process and maybe even a ban on future adoptions — and that would be a tragedy."

The Americans, arrested Friday near Haiti's border with the Dominican Republic, were being held in a police headquarters in Port au Prince while Haitian and U.S. officials discussed their fate.

Even before the

arrests, the Haitian government called a halt to new international adoptions. Numerous organizations have endorsed the moratorium, some of them citing U.N. guidelines recommending that at least two years be spent tracing lost families before adoptions should be considered.

"No matter how horrific the situation looks ... the full process of reuniting children with parents and relatives must be completed," said Deb Barry, a Save the Children child protection expert.

The next steps, says UNICEF, should be compiling a registry of children separated from their families, an extensive campaign to trace relatives, and development of safe, well-supplied places where these

children can stay during the search process.

The consequences of rushing to help children leave Haiti can be severe, according to the Baltimore-based Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service.

In one case, LIRS said, a 12-year-old boy who was allowed onto a U.S. military plane without documentation or relatives in the U.S. and is now in limbo while officials try to find out if he left family behind in Haiti. In another case, a 3-year-old boy arrived on a private plane with other orphans even though the family who had been planning to adopt him had changed their mind and abandoned the process.

"It's an example of why it's important to be patient and thorough," said Olivia Faires, direc-

tor of children's services for LIRS. "It does add trauma, even in the midst of the chaos, to remove them from their customary surroundings."

The differing views on adoptions from Haiti mirror a long-running global debate — fueled recently by adoptions of African children by Madonna and other celebrities. Some advocates say international adoptions should be expanded so that more abandoned, destitute Third World children can be lovingly raised in comfort, while others say this is a patronizing attitude that ignores the benefits of being raised in one's own culture.

Down the road, whenever Haiti manages to stabilize itself and re-establish documentation for vulnerable children, there is likely to be vigorous debate on whether international adoptions should be resumed on an expanded scale.

There were 330 adoptions of Haitian children by Americans last year, about 900 more were in the works at the time of the quake, and Johnson said the Haitian government had identified an

additional 7,300 orphans as eligible for international adoption.

"We'd hoped to focus on those 7,300 — but now it gets harder and harder to do that," he said. "The arrests give those anti-adoption groups more ammunition to call for a permanent moratorium, and the kids suffer."

Elizabeth Bartholet, a Harvard law professor who supports expanded international adoption, expressed concern about a possible overreaction to the arrests.

"If not all their paperwork was together, that doesn't seem to me the worst crime in the world," she said. "The Haitian authorities should be trying to help a lot of kids get out — both the kids in the process of adoption and others who appear not to have parents or relatives able to take care of them."

"It is astoundingly hypocritical," she said, "that people, in the name of helping children, would close down adoption."

Other groups, however, say international adoptions should not be promoted until other options are exhausted.

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shotgun blast had caused the bird's injury. After taking the crane to her veterinarian the next day, she called. A small lead bead, hidden under the skin, had been removed. Allowed to roam her large back yard, the crane was expected to recover.

Having been told by old timers that One Mile was a water table lake, that there was always water in the basin "come November," we could look forward to many evenings every fall and the trumpeting of sandhill cranes. Those farmers and ranchers could not have imagined the advent of winter without the overhead chorus gently settling into their accustomed wetlands.

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