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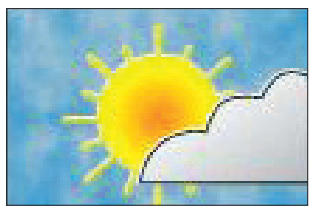
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Eagle Scout needs help to reach Jamboree

By **STEVE REAGAN**
Staff Writer

Michael Steelman has accomplished almost everything you can as a Boy Scout, but there's one more thing he'd like to put on his resume. However, there's a catch. Steelman, an Eagle Scout with Troop 16 in Forsan, was recently selected to attend the 2010 National Scout Jamboree, which will be held at Fort A.P. Hill in Virginia this July. "It's a great honor. This year marks the 100th anniversary of the Boy Scouts



Steelman

of America," said Steelman, who's been in scouting for 11 years. "I've been trying to qualify for the trip for the past six months and I only found out (about the selection) a week ago." The catch? The trip will be anything but cheap — Steelman said it will cost him \$3,000 to attend the affair. Aside from being an Eagle Scout and assistant scoutmaster for Troop 16, Steelman also has made his mark

in the classroom. He is a member of the Phi Theta Kappa honor society at Howard College, where he is majoring in computer science. Steelman, the son of K.W. and Leslie Imler, said his time as a Scout has been invaluable. "Scouting has taught me so much — how to live off the land, how to help others and just how to be a better person," he said. "It's been a big part of my life and probably always will be." In addition to his regular scouting duties, he has served on staff at Buffalo Trail Scout Ranch for two summers and two winter camps.

Steelman and his family are working overtime to raise the money, but he admitted he needs the public's help to make the trip. "Donations will not go to waste. I will be grateful of any donation that I can get," he said. "Jamboree is expensive but it will leave me with a lifetime of memories." An account has been established in Steelman's name at Big Spring Community Federal Credit Union on FM 700. Contact Staff Writer Steve Reagan at 263-7331, ext. 234, or by e-mail at reporter@bigspringherald.com

SPRUCING THINGS UP A LITTLE



HERALD Photo/Thomas Jenkins

Contractors with the Settles Hotel Development Company wash the brick front of the historic downtown building Friday afternoon, part of the ongoing restoration of the landmark.

Landfill wells on council agenda

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
Staff Writer

The agenda for Tuesday night's meeting of the Big Spring City Council consists of mostly routine items, including the addition of new water monitor wells at the municipal landfill. According to Assistant City Manager Todd Darden, the facility currently has 12 wells used to monitor possible contamination of underground water, and thanks to new requirements from the state, will be getting four more. "The wells that we have out there have been there for about 30 years or so," said Darden. "And to my know-



Darden

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Film society has big plans for 2010

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
Staff Writer

Heading into the second month of 2010, officials with the Big Spring Film Society say they have a whole slew of new film screenings lined up for the coming year, starting with a classic. Brandon Johnson, chairman of the film society, said the group will get the year under way in April with a screening of the Steven Spielberg blockbuster "Raiders of the Lost Ark," the film that launched the exploits of Indiana Jones into movie history.



Johnson

"This will be the last leg of our Spielberg retrospective during the outdoor movie series this summer," said Johnson. "We'll be screening 'Raiders' April 24 in the Comanche Trail Amphitheater in the city park. We honestly couldn't think of a better place to screen the film than a stone amphitheater, and I think it will make a fabulous backdrop for all the fun. We've been

looking forward to this screening for quite some time." Johnson said the Spielberg retrospective will then continue in June, as the film society plans to screen one of the most recognizable horror films of all time. "Poltergeist" wasn't officially directed by Spielberg, but he stayed right in the middle of the film from pre-production all the way to doing the finishing touches on the final edit," said Johnson. "He wanted to direct the film but was under contract to do 'ET: The Extra Terrestrial' and couldn't direct two films at the same time. However, he was so involved with 'Poltergeist', the directors guild did an investigation to see if Spielberg should have had a co-director credit. The film was directed by Tobe Hooper, who also directed the 1973 original 'Texas Chainsaw Massacre.'" Johnson said Spielberg is quoted as having said, "If ET was a whisper, then Poltergeist was a scream." "Anyone who has seen 'Poltergeist' will tell you the film has Spielberg's fingerprints all over it," he said. "It was

more of a Spielberg film than a Tobe Hooper movie. "The film is rated PG, but the public is warned it contains some extremely scary situations, and your young children will sleep with you until they are about 13 years old if you decide to bring them along." If Johnson seems excited about the "Poltergeist" screening, it's no wonder. "Poltergeist" is a film that holds a very special place in my childhood memories," he said with a smile. "It's the film that caused me to bury my Ronald McDonald doll because I was afraid it was going get me. And it also caused me to sleep with my parents until I was 12 years old. It doesn't contain the type of over-the-top gore most recent horror movies feature, but it is certainly enough to scare the pants off most people." Set for June 18 by the lake at Comanche Trail Park, Johnson said the location was a no-brainer. "Last year we screened 'Jaws' at that location, and it got a wonderful

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Police blotter

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- JORDAN MCLEOD, 19, of 618 Tulane, was arrested Saturday on a charge of consumption of alcohol by a minor.
- TIODORO DIAZ, 41, of 407 State, was arrested Saturday on a charge of public intoxication.
- SARAH HERNANDEZ, 31, of Sweetwater, was arrested Saturday on a charge of public intoxication.
- JENNIFER MARTINEZ, 22, of 2517 Chanute, was arrested Saturday on a charge of public intoxication.
- SEAN THOMASON, 21, of 307 Pine, was arrested Saturday on a charge of public intoxication.
- DANIEL MONTEZ VIERA, 22, of 1402 Stadium, was arrested Saturday on a charge of theft.
- ROY GUERRERO CERVANTES JR., 30, of 4202 Parkway, was arrested Sunday on charges of public intoxication and resisting arrest.
- DAVID BURCIAGA, 29, of Del Rio, was arrested Sunday on a charge of possession of a prohibited wireless device in a correction facility.
- MICHELLE LYNN GARDNER, 19, of 1109 Lancaster, was arrested Sunday on two local warrants.
- THEFT was reported:
In the 200 block of FM 700.
In the 1100 block of Lamesa.
- CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported:
In the 200 block of FM 700.
In the 4200 block of Parkway.

- ASSAULT CLASS C/FAMILY VIOLENCE was reported in the 2900 block of Clanton.
- ASSAULT BY CONTACT was reported:
In the 600 block of Holbert.
In the 1900 block of N. Highway 87.
- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 1300 block of Tucson.
- AGGRAVATED ASSAULT CAUSING BODILY INJURY was reported in the 600 block of Holbert.

Sheriff

The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following activity:
Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 59 inmates at the time of this report.

- DALE ROBERT SCHENCK, 27, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
- JAMES WENDELL TUBBS, 31, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on a charge of disorderly conduct.
- FRANK LEE JACKSON, 51, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- MARCUS EVARTS WILKINSON, 56, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a judgment/sentence for driving while intoxicated – second offense.
- JERRY LOU HINOJOS, 41, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on charges of driving while intoxicated – third or more offense and a judgment/sentence for driving while intoxicated – third or more

offense.

- JARREL LAMONTE WILLIAMS, 22, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a motion to revoke probation for possession of a prohibited weapon.
- SHANE LEE NEWSOM, 45, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a judgment/sentence for contempt of court – nonpayment of child support.
- GABRIEL ORTIZ, 22, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on a charge of no seat belt.
- LUPE MENDOZA CHAVARRIA, 56, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on charges of accumulated items and failure to appear.
- ISAAC BARRIENTES, 19, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on charges of disorderly conduct -fighting and failure to appear.
- JOSE LIVARES, 49, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on charges of driving while license invalid with a previous conviction or suspension, disregarding warning signs or barricade, violation of a promise to appear (two counts) and no driver's license.
- SYLVESTER GRAHAM, 51, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of criminal trespass of a habitation/shelter – center.
- MISTY D. CLAYTON, 28, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on charges of possession of a controlled substance – more than three grams, less than 28 grams, expired driver's license, driving while license invalid (two counts) and failure to maintain financial responsibility.
- RICHARD WAYNE SHOSA, 38, was arrested Saturday by DPS on a charge of theft by check.
- JENNIFER ROSE MARTINEZ, 22, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- TIODORO DIAZ, 41, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- SARAH HERNANDEZ, 31, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- MICHAEL LEE RAWLS, 30, was arrested Saturday by DPS on charges of displaying an expired license plate, failure to maintain financial responsibility, violation of a promise to appear and driving while intoxicated.
- JORDAN ALLEN MCLEOD, 19, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of minor in consumption of alcohol.
- SEAN ADAM THOMASON, 21, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- DANIEL MONTEZ VIERA JR., 22, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of theft.
- JOSHUA DON BALES, 21, was arrested Sunday by the HCSO on a charge of evading arrest or detention with a vehicle.



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Intervals of clouds and sunshine. High 42F. Winds NE at 5 to 10 mph.	Mix of rain and snow showers. Highs in the low 40s and lows in the low 30s.	Chance of showers. Highs in the mid 40s and lows in the upper 20s.
Sunrise: 7:34 AM Sunset: 6:27 PM	Sunrise: 7:33 AM Sunset: 6:28 PM	Sunrise: 7:32 AM Sunset: 6:29 PM

Texas At A Glance

Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	43	27	pt sunny	Kingsville	54	40	pt sunny
Amarillo	32	20	pt sunny	Livingston	48	29	pt sunny
Austin	49	31	pt sunny	Longview	45	29	windy
Beaumont	50	33	pt sunny	Lubbock	40	24	pt sunny
Brownsville	55	44	cloudy	Lufkin	49	30	pt sunny
Brownwood	45	29	pt sunny	Midland	46	30	pt sunny
Corpus Christi	50	40	windy	Raymondville	56	41	cloudy
Corsicana	44	28	pt sunny	Rosenberg	50	33	windy
Dallas	45	29	mst sunny	San Antonio	54	35	pt sunny
Del Rio	52	37	cloudy	San Marcos	50	31	windy
El Paso	54	35	pt sunny	Sulphur Springs	43	29	windy
Fort Stockton	48	31	cloudy	Sweetwater	42	27	pt sunny
Gainesville	42	24	mst sunny	Tyler	44	28	windy
Greenville	42	26	mst sunny	Weatherford	43	25	mst sunny
Houston	50	34	windy	Wichita Falls	41	24	mst sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	45	24	rain	Minneapolis	22	3	sn shower
Boston	37	24	sunny	New York	36	29	pt sunny
Chicago	27	22	snow	Phoenix	61	45	cloudy
Dallas	45	29	mst sunny	San Francisco	54	40	rain
Denver	35	20	mst sunny	Seattle	54	40	pt sunny
Houston	50	34	windy	St. Louis	22	19	sn shower
Los Angeles	59	43	rain	Washington, DC	35	31	snow
Miami	77	63	pt sunny				

Moon Phases

UV Index

Tue 2/9	Wed 2/10	Thu 2/11
4	3	4
Moderate	Moderate	Moderate

The UV Index is measured on a 0 - 11 number scale, with a higher UV Index showing the need for greater skin protection.

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response," said Johnson. "A lot of people told me it really added to the suspense of the movie. So when we started trying to come up with a location for 'Poltergeist,' we felt it was perfect." Johnson said the group plans to finish out this summer with a August screening of "Jurassic Park" atop historic Scenic Mountain, but before the group gets into the season swing, he hopes to be able to add one more ingredient to the society's list. "One of the most important aspects of what the society does is the men and women

that donate their time and hard work," said Johnson. "Volunteers and sponsors are what drives this summer program, and we're always needing more," he continued. "We have a lot of fun, and I just can't tell you how great it makes you feel to see people's faces light up during the films we screen." Johnson said the film society will be holding a meeting Feb. 25 at the Hall Center for the Arts on the Howard College campus. The film society encourages anyone interested in helping to attend. "The meeting will get under way at 7 p.m.," he said. "We are in desperate need of sponsors for the series this summer

Take Note

- The Salvation Army Sweetheart Banquet will be held Feb. 12. Menu will consist of spaghetti, salad, garlic bread and peach cobbler. Cost is \$10 per person. Call the Salvation Army for reservations at 267-8239. All proceeds will go toward a trip to Atlanta for the commissioning service in June.

- Maranatha Baptist Academy, 903 Johnson, has a competition team going to the Southern Plains Regional Student Convention. They will compete in academics, art, photography, needle and thread, athletics, drill team, color guard, music and platform events. The convention will be held March 22-26 in Cedar Hills at Mt. Lebanon Baptist Encampment. Students will be holding a fund-raiser Friday, Feb. 12 at Wal-Mart. They will be selling homemade burritos and baked good for Valentine's Day. Funds raised will help send them to the convention. Maranatha Baptist Academy has been in operation since 1981. For more information about the fund-raiser or the academy, call 263-7696 or 213-1046.

- A fund has been established at Myers & Smith Funeral Home and Chapel to help pay expenses in the death of Marcela "Marcy" Rivera, who died following a one-vehicle traffic accident. Donations can be delivered to the funeral home at 301 E. 24th or mailed to P.O. Box 2760, Big Spring, 79721.

- David Andrews of Noodle, Republican candidate for Texas House District 85, will hold a town hall meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the Big Spring Country Club Wasson Room. Everyone is invited.

- A fund has been established at Wood Forest National Bank for Jeffery Cate (Bubba). He is a lifetime resident of Big Spring and is employed at B&E Roustabout. He was in a car accident New Year's Eve and is still in a hospital in Lubbock. He had surgery to remove his spleen and has several broken bones, including one in his neck. He has also suffered some memory loss due to a bruise on one side of his brain. All donations appreciated.

CITY

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ledge, we've never had a situation where there has been any contamination from the landfill. However, the state has changed its requirements, so we'll have to put in four more wells to be in compliance." Darden said water from the wells is tested twice each year by an independent lab for contaminants from the landfill. "It's something you certainly have to stay on top of," said Darden, "but adding the wells is

pretty simple. We want to make sure we do everything we can to stay in compliance with state regulations, so it's a pretty easy fix." Also on Tuesday's agenda, the council will consider:

- Final reading of an ordinance that will increase the city's general fund budget to provide for new computer software for the Big Spring Police Department.
- Award a bid for sludge removal at the city's water treatment plant.
- Award a bid for installation of the groundwater monitor-

Support Groups

MONDAY

- 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.
- Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) No. 21 meets at 5:30 p.m. at the First Christian Church at 10th and Goliad for weigh-in. The meeting begins at 6 p.m. Call 213-1342 or 263-6819.

TUESDAY

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

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The winning Daily 4 numbers drawn Saturday night, in order:

8-3-8-4. Sum It Up: 23.
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The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Saturday night, in order:

3-7-9. Sum It Up: 19.
•••

The winning Daily 4 numbers drawn Saturday afternoon, in order:

1-9-2-2. Sum It Up: 14.
•••

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Saturday afternoon, in order:

3-9-8. Sum It Up: 20.

ing wells at the landfill. A presentation and update on the 2010 Census. A resolution changing the first council meeting in March from March 9 to March 8. Approval of a contract between the city and the National Development Council for economic development services. Approval of a temporary 90-day agreement with Cigna Behavioral Health Inc. to provide life and disability insur-

ance policies for the municipality. The meeting will get under way at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday in the City Council Chambers, located at 307 E. Fourth St.

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-FIRST AMENDMENT

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OTHER VIEWS

High court's ruling truly ill-considered

Thanks to a sweeping and ill-considered 5-4 decision by the U.S. Supreme Court's conservative majority, corporations will now have the same rights as citizens to support candidates through independent expenditures. With this action, the court has effectively undermined the influence of individuals and parties on electoral outcomes, while vastly increasing the clout of business behemoths and their lobbyist representatives to influence and intimidate legislators to support their agendas. If the lawmaker doesn't play ball, he or she can be threatened with an unregulated financial blitz come election time.

The court's ruling came in a case, *Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission*, that centered on a conservative advocacy group's expenditures to publicize an anti-Hillary Clinton movie shortly before last year's Democratic presidential primaries. Current federal law bans such corporate expenditures for communications targeting individual candidates 30 days before a primary and 60 days before a general election.

In its ruling, the majority reversed previous high court precedents backing federal and state laws banning direct payouts from corporate treasuries to influence elections. Although the ruling does not affect a ban on direct corporate contributions to candidates, it will likely stimulate further challenges to those statutes. Under current law, corporations can give regulated amounts of money through political action committees to officeholders and candidates.

The majority opinion authored by Justice Anthony M. Kennedy argues that corporations have the same guaranteed First Amendment rights as individuals. "By taking the right to speak from some and giving it to others," wrote Justice Kennedy, "the Government deprives the disadvantaged person or class of the right to use speech to strive to establish worth, standing, and respect for the speaker's voice."

In a dissent, Justice John Paul Stevens criticized the notion that the framers of the Constitution had any intent to equate corporate and individual rights. "Unlike our colleagues," wrote Stevens, "they had little trouble distinguishing corporations from human beings, and when they constitutionalized the right of free speech in the First Amendment, it was the free speech of individual Americans they had in mind." Justice Stevens dryly noted that while American democracy has imperfections, "few outside the majority on this court would have thought its flaws included a dearth of corporate money in politics."

The ruling's real-world impact will be to increase the already bloated influence of corporate lobbyists in Congress and our state legislatures. A bipartisan coalition of lawmakers in Washington should immediately begin crafting legislation to undo the damage inflicted by the court's decision.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

Your words, Lord, contain seeds of inspiration for our life.

Amen

An unusually bad prevaricator

Former Sen. Bob Kerrey famously said that Bill Clinton was "an unusually good liar. Unusually good." Well, then, President Barack Obama is an unusually bad liar. Unusually bad.

Obama said in his State of the Union speech (and similar statements several times since): "By the time I took office, we had a one-year deficit of over \$1 trillion and projected deficits of \$8 trillion over the next decade. Most of this was the result of not paying for two wars, two tax cuts, and an expensive prescription drug program. On top of that, the effects of the recession put a \$3 trillion hole in our budget. All this was before I walked in the door."

Though it's true that the deficit for President George W. Bush's final year in office was close to \$1.3 trillion, it must be noted that Obama and his fellow Democratic-controlled Congress members approved the TARP bailouts and are largely responsible for the other budget expenditures leading to that record deficit.

Plus, The Heritage Foundation's blog, "The Foundry," says that Obama's claims concerning the causes for that deficit are "clearly misleading." Despite those factors, "the budget deficit still stood at just \$162 billion when the recession began in late 2007. The larger subsequent deficits have been driven by the recession (which Obama did acknowledge), the financial bailouts, the President's stimulus bill, and large discretionary spending hikes enacted by a Democratic Congress."

Also, there is major disagreement over Obama's assertion that Bush's projected deficits over the next 10 years were \$8 trillion. But even if you let

Obama slide on that claim, the more relevant comparison, as pointed out by Rep. Jeb Hensarling, is the annual average deficit for the 12 years that Republicans most recently controlled Congress — \$104 billion — versus that of the past three years under the Democratic-controlled Congress — \$1.1 trillion.

Indeed, before the financial meltdown — which was mostly caused by liberal mortgaging and housing policies — Bush's deficits had been significantly reduced, even cut in half before he predicted they would be. In addition, Bill Clinton would never have been able to co-opt credit for those deficits or "his" surplus if not for the Republican Revolution and Contract with America.

Granted, a major portion of the high deficits under the Democratic Congress can be attributed to TARP, which the Bush administration proposed (and Democrats approved). But that was — to borrow a Dick Cheney phrase — a one-off event.

Neither Bush nor his would-be successor John McCain had any intention of repeating TARP (which I'm not defending), and their goal was that the TARP monies be repaid — and much of them reportedly have been. Republicans had no plans to impose an \$800 billion "stimulus" package.

When Obama took office, he used that extraordinary, one-off deficit of \$1.3 trillion as the new base line from which all future deficits would be measured, and he planned to treat any future annual deficit less than \$1.3 trillion as a triumphant reduction. This isn't even sophisticated deception, but some people are still apparently buying it.

Obama, then, has used the extraordinary budget year as an excuse to spend even more wastefully — with trillion-dollar-plus budgets in perpetuity — and then disguise his profligacy with duplicitous rhetoric and such illusory policies as his anemic fractional discretionary

spending freeze.

It's incredibly childish for Obama to blame his reckless spending on Bush, but have you considered how preposterous it also is? It is substantively untrue: Bush's extraordinary deficit year doesn't require Obama to continue on that path, converting a one-off event into a permanent, unsustainable affair. But more importantly, the issue is not who should be blamed for spending too much in the past, whether Bush or Obama. It's what we plan to do going forward to stop this hemorrhaging that will — not might, but will — destroy this nation if not turned around ASAP.

Even if Obama's misleading depiction were true — that Bush, er, I mean Obama and the Democratic Congress, bequeathed him with annual \$1 trillion deficits — that would still not justify his intention to give us more of the same. Falsely blaming it on Bush — or even accurately blaming it on Bush, if that were justified — wouldn't add one dollar to retire the exploding federal deficit.

Bush has no control over what Obama is doing now. He is not making Obama implement bankrupting "stimulus" packages and soaring expenditures across the board (excluding the paltry, dishonest 17 percent discretionary spending freeze delayed until 2011).

It's as if your wife controlled your household finances the year before and ran up enormous debt, threatening your family's solvency, and when you took over the following year, you said: "Well, I'm going to spend more than she did even though it's my money, too, because she did it, so I can, too. We'll go bankrupt, but it will only be partially my fault."

Too bad we have to wait until 2012 to get a divorce.

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Next, we'll be selling Senate seats

In days of yore they called them the Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse: War, Famine, Pestilence and Death — the scourges of humankind.

They're still around, but now they carry new names: Roberts, Scalia, Thomas, Alito and Kennedy — the conservative majority of the U.S. (ha ha) Supreme Court. (I know, that makes five. There's inflation everywhere.)

These gentlemen, all of whom solemnly swore that they would honor precedent in their judgments, kicked precedent into the ditch last month when they opened the floodgates for corporations seeking to bribe politicians.

The decision, *Citizens United vs. Federal Election Commission*, ended limits on the money corporations and unions can spend on influencing elections, thus writing a finish to the experiment in democracy we've been conducting for 220 years.

That the majority used the sword of the First Amendment — the constitutional amendment most cherished by liberals — to accomplish this maneuver merely adds a touch of dark humor to an era already replete with irony. (It was the horsemen's opinion that the amendment afforded corporations the same right of free speech as it did individuals, and that money is the same as speech.)

The Founding Fathers believed

that virtually unlimited freedom of speech was a bulwark against the triumph of erroneous thinking. Let all voices compete in the marketplace of ideas and the good will drive out the bad. Thus the First Amendment.

That was perhaps workable, if a trifle counterintuitive, so long as the voices were using comparable megaphones to make their views known. The technology of radio, television and the Internet makes that assumption absurd. If your voice is loud enough — existing everywhere at every moment — you can sell a majority on virtually anything, even reality television.

Democracy has been in decline here for some time — just look at our pathetic voter turnouts — but this decision closes the books on it. We have traded our democratic republic for a corporate oligarchy on the model of a banana republic.

Americans are fond of saying that we're the greatest country in the world. Would the greatest country in the world make a trade like that? I don't think so.

And the corporations to whom we've given the keys to the store aren't even American companies. They're multi-nationals operating in their own self-interest without regard for the national good.

We'll still have elections and rallies and arguments and tea parties. So what? It's all a show, the political equivalent of professional wrestling.

The tea-baggers are congratulating themselves on Scott Brown winning a Senate seat by riding around Massachusetts in

a pickup truck. He's "a man of the people" who will hear their voices, they say.

Sure he will, but their voices won't ring as loudly in his ears as those of the insurance and oil companies, not to mention defense contractors. Not nearly as loudly.

I'm going to revive a proposal I made a while ago that didn't, in my opinion, get the attention it deserved.

I think we should do away with the charade of elections, at least for the Senate. Let's replace them with an auction. I mean a real auction, with an auctioneer and gavel.

Let corporations bid on each Senate seat, with the money going to the treasury of the state involved. Having bought a seat, the winning corporation could then fill it with any stooge it chose — more or less as they do now, but without the hypocrisy.

I would also mandate a Senate uniform — based on what NASCAR drivers wear — that carries the corporate logos of the Senator's owner.

House elections should be maintained to give people the illusion that they matter, even though they don't. Remember when you were a little kid and your father let you wash the wheels of the car to make you feel grownup? Like that.

Goodbye, democracy. You had your flaws but you were a good old system — the best. We shall miss you.

Minuteman Media columnist Donald Kaul lives in Ann Arbor, Mich.



DAVID LIMBAUGH



DONALD KAUL

SHERIFF

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- **IRENE JIMENEZ HINOJOSA**, 45, was arrested Sunday by the HCSO on charges of failure to appear (three counts), displaying an expired registration, failure to maintain financial responsibility, driving while license invalid and parole violation.
- **JULIO CESAR CARDENAS**, 35, was arrested Sunday by DPS on charges of driving while intoxicated and driving while license invalid.
- **ROY GUERRERO CERVANTES JR.**, 30, was transferred to the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on charges of public intoxication and resisting arrest, search or transportation.
- **DAVID BURCIAGA**, 29, was transferred to the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of possession of a prohibited item in a correctional facility.
- **VICTOR MANUEL VILLANUEVA**, 35, was arrested Sunday by DPS on a charge of no driver's license.
- **MICHELLE LYNN GARDNER**, 19, was transferred to the county jail Monday by the BSPD on charges of unrestrained child under 18 years of age and speeding.
- **EDUARDO GONZALES**, 44, was arrested Monday by DPS on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

ed in the 1400 block of E. Sixth Street. Service refused.

- **TRAUMA** was reported in the 200 block of N.E. Eighth Street. Service refused.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 1900 block of Simler. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 500 block of Washington. One person was transported to SMMC.
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- **TRAUMA** was reported in the 200 block of N.E. Eighth Street. Service refused.
- **TRAUMA** was reported in the 1400 block of E. Sixth. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 1000 block of Scurry. One person was transported to SMMC.
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- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 600 block of W. 18th Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 1900 block of Simler. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 1600 block of Lancaster. Service refused.
- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported in the 200 block of FM 700. Service refused.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 1400 block of Virginia. One person was transported to SMMC.

Fire/EMS

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

- **TRAUMA** was reported in the 1500 block of E. Sixth Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **TRAUMA** was reported in the 500 block of Washington. Service refused.
- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported near the intersection of N.W. Ninth and Ohio. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **TRAUMA** was reported in the 400 block of Nolan. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported

Obituaries

Cliff Hazlewood

Cliff Hazlewood, 79, of Stanton died Friday, Feb. 5, 2010. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Monday, Feb. 8, 2010, at the First United Methodist Church of Stanton with the Rev.



Monte Kreis, pastor, officiating. Interment will follow at Evergreen Cemetery.

Cliff was born June 13, 1930, in Lovington, N.M., and married Nelda Latty on April 2, 1949, in the Courtney Community.

Cliff was a life-long resident of Martin County, who farmed and ranched in the Courtney Community. He

was active with the Martin County Senior Citizen's Center and the 10 a.m. drug store coffee drinkers. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge; the Lea County, N.M., Cowboy Hall of Fame; the Martin County Historical Society; the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association; and the Texas Hereford Association.

He was involved with the Martin County 4-H Poultry Sale and served as a commissioner for the Methodist Children's Home in Waco. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Stanton and a founding member of the Midland Archeological Society.

Survivors include his wife, Nelda Hazlewood of Stanton; four daughters, Cathy Herzog and husband, Karl, of Houston, Deborah Louder of San Angelo, Tere Garlington and husband, Steven, of Stanton and Amy Barley and husband, Shelby, of Celina; one sister, Elaine Eiland of Stanton; a sister-in-law, Peggy Latty of Flomaton, Ala.; seven grandchildren, Greg Herzog and wife, Amy, of Austin, Chris Herzog and wife, Leanna, of Water Valley, Justin Louder of Lubbock, Jarrett Louder of San Angelo, Will Garlington of Stanton, Hanna Barley of Belton and Kallie Barley of Celina; four great-grandchildren, Matthew Harris, Owen Herzog, Wyatt Clifton Herzog and Nathan Herzog; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Cliff loved his family, friends and community and will be greatly missed.

He was preceded in death by his parents, L.C. and Hope Hazlewood, and two infant brothers.

The family suggests memorials to the Methodist Children's Home, 1111 Herring Ave., Waco. Arrangements under the direc-

tion of Gilbreath Funeral Home of Stanton. Online condolences can be made at: www.npwelch.com

Paid obituary

Ronald D. Gilbreath



Ronald D. Gilbreath, 74, of Stanton died Saturday, Feb. 6, 2010, in a Midland hospital. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 9, 2010, at the First United Methodist Church of Stanton with the Rev. Monte Kreis, pastor, officiating. Interment will follow at Evergreen Cemetery.

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

Ronnie was born March 7, 1935, to Hoyt and Valeria Gilbreath in Weinert. He and his family moved to Stanton in 1943 where Ronnie attended school and graduated from Stanton High School. He went to work for Arrington Funeral Home in Stanton while he was still in high school on Jan. 1, 1953. He then attended Dallas Institute-Gupton Jones Mortuary School.

He married Mary Lou Bland on Jan. 8, 1955, in Lueders.

Ronnie and Mary purchased the funeral home in Stanton in 1962 and served the community for 36 years. They merged the Gilbreath Funeral Home with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home in 1998 and Ronnie continued to work in his profession. He was a member of First United Methodist Church of Stanton.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Gilbreath of Stanton; one daughter and son-in-law, Rhonda and Gary Barnes of Odessa; a grandson, Joshua Barnes and wife, Emily, of Dallas; a granddaughter, Krista Barnes of Odessa; and a great-granddaughter, Rayleigh Barnes of Odessa.

He was preceded in death by one son, Ricky Gilbreath, in 1974.

The family suggests memorials to the First United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 1130, Stanton 79782. Arrangements under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home of Stanton. Online condolences can be made at: www.npwelch.com

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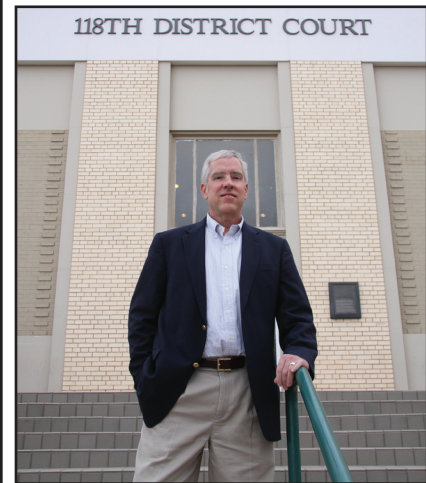
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Hawk basketball in action at NMJC tonight



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Josh Watkins scored 26 points in Howard's Jan. 15 win over New Mexico JC. The two meet tonight.

Herald Staff Report

The Howard College Hawks are looking for their fifth straight win as they travel to Hobbs, N.M., tonight to take on New Mexico Junior College.

The Hawks are coming off a 61-60 thrilling home win Thursday at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum over South Plains. Jae Crowder scored 20 points and Moses Sundufu chipped in 15 off the bench in the game. Howard, ranked No. 6 in the latest NJCAA national poll, still trails Midland by one game in conference play.

Tipoff in Hobbs, N.M., tonight is 5:45 p.m. for the women, 7:45 p.m. for

the men.

New Mexico JC is 3-5 in WJCAC play after defeating NMMI 65-61 Thursday on the road. The Hawks beat the Thunderbirds 75-58 at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum earlier this year.

New Mexico JC leading scorer Nick Waddell is averaging 11 points per game. He scored 11 against Howard earlier this year.

The Hawks got a big game from Josh Watkins in the teams' last meeting, scoring 26 points. Howard is leading the region in free throw percentage, averaging nearly 70 percent as a team.

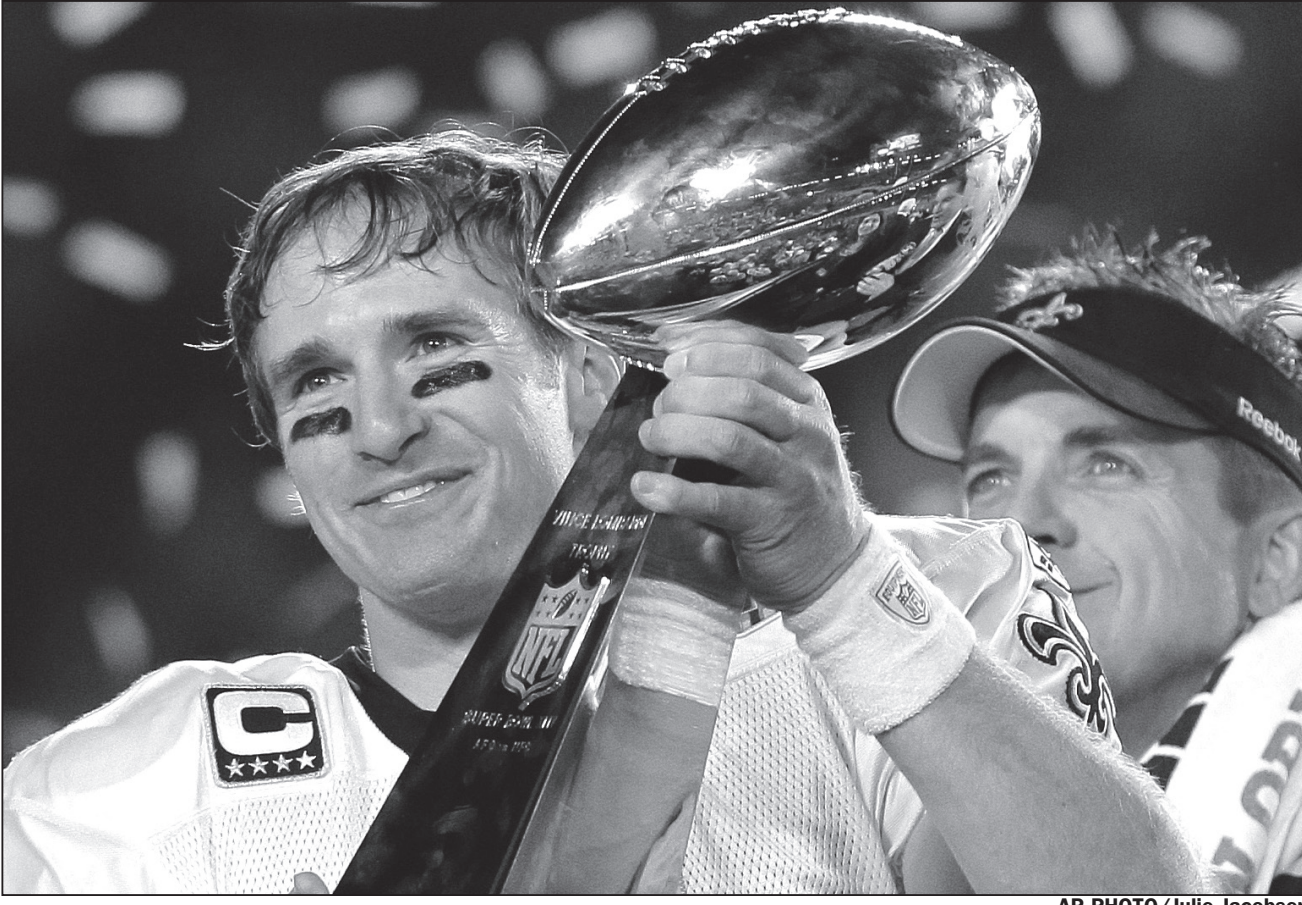
On the women's side, the Hawks

will try to rebound from their first WJCAC loss in four games to South Plains on Thursday.

The Hawks dropped their first season meeting with New Mexico JC 58-41 Jan. 15.

Lady T-Birds center Hanka Musa scored 13 points that night as New Mexico JC shot 54 percent from the floor. Musa is averaging 11 points per game for the Lady Thunderbirds this season.

"It's a big game there," Hawks coach Earl Diddle said Thursday. "I hope we're ready to play. It's a game that we really need to play well and win."



AP PHOTO/Julie Jacobsen

Drew Brees hoists the Lombardi trophy Sunday after the New Orleans Saints beat the Indianapolis Colts 31-17 in the Super Bowl. Brees was named MVP of the Saints' first franchise Super Bowl.

Saints march as NFL champs

Associated Press

MIAMI — Blocked onto his butt, Peyton Manning could only watch his last, best chance to win the Super Bowl go running right past him.

Big games often come down to a turnover, and this one did. But who would've guessed the NFL's most heralded quarterback would make it?

Driving toward a tying touchdown in the final minute Sunday night, the four-time

MVP threw it away for Indianapolis. Tracy Porter intercepted a pass and returned it 74 yards for a clinching score, giving the New Orleans Saints a 31-17 win over the Colts.

"It's certainly disappointing. Very disappointing. Disappointed," Manning said.

All week, this was the story line in Miami: Could Manning, a New Orleans boy through and through, deny the Saints in a game they desperately wanted to win for their city?

Turned out he helped his hometown team win its first Super Bowl — just not in the way he imagined.

Dad Archie Manning, the longtime star Saints quarterback, got caught smack in the middle.

"I was pulling for the Colts. I'm not quite over that, but I'm happy for New Orleans," he said inside the stadium.

"I don't know if I'm going to celebrate or not. Maybe later, when the city does, but I'm not in a celebrating mood. Glad to see everybody

else in New Orleans celebrate. That's enough for me now," he said.

Added Archie: "I'm proud of him. ... It just wasn't meant to be."

His son repeated the word "disappointing" at least 10 times in his postgame interview session, using it to describe everything from the Colts not having the ball much in the second quarter to the interception that decided the title.

"I understand how See **SAINTS**, Page 10

Stricker wins Riviera, returns to No. 2 rank

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Each victory is a reminder how far Steve Stricker has come in four years, when he lost his PGA Tour card and plunged to No. 337 in the world ranking.

His latest PGA Tour title — the fourth in his last 15 tournaments — raised questions about how much higher he can go.

Stricker won the Northern Trust Open on Sunday, just like everyone expected, even though Stricker might have been the only one who expected a six-shot lead to be so difficult to protect. His lead dwindled to two shots in a span of five holes, and only after Stricker made a 10-foot par putt on the 15th hole did he breathe easy.

"It was a challenge, to say the least," Stricker said after closing with a 1-under 70 for a two-shot victory over Luke Donald.

The victory moved him to No. 2 in the world for the second time in his career. He also got there in September after winning on the TPC Boston, but that was when Tiger Woods was still around.

Now, Stricker effectively is the highest-ranked player who is competing until Woods returns from his self-imposed break while he

tries to salvage his marriage from his extramarital affairs.

His Midwestern roots, knows his place.

"We all know who the best player in the world is," Stricker said. "I went down that road when he came out on tour. I tried to compare my game to his back in '96 or '97, and there was no comparison for my game to his back then. I'll just continue to do what I do, and that's practice hard and work at it and try to improve."

That's what he did after losing his card and failing Q-school at the end of 2005, cutting out the side wall of a trailer to hit balls into a patch of snow on a Wisconsin golf course. Just look at where it has brought him.

Two Presidents Cup teams. One Ryder Cup team. Earnings approaching \$17 million since he lost his card. No. 2 in the world.

Is the comeback complete?

"Good question," Stricker said. "I don't know. One of my goals trying to come back was to obviously get my game in order and to win again, and I've done that. I hate to say the word 'complete' because I feel like I still have things to do. I came back from one

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Danica Patrick to make NASCAR debut at Daytona on Saturday

Associated Press

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. — Danica Patrick will make her NASCAR debut this weekend at Daytona International Speedway.

The IndyCar star will drive the No. 7 Chevrolet for JR Motorsports in Saturday's second-tier Nationwide Series race.

The decision announced Monday to

race at Daytona was made after team officials dissected her stock-car racing debut in the ARCA race at Daytona on Saturday. The team had left the option to race up to Patrick, who wanted to assess her first race before deciding whether to enter one of the most prestigious Nationwide races of the season.

Patrick overcame a

midrace spin to finish sixth.

"Racing in the Nationwide Series race was my goal during this entire two-month preparation process, but we wanted to make sure it was the right thing to do," Patrick said in a statement. "The ARCA race was a blast, and I'm not ready for my first Daytona Speedweeks to end just yet. I want more

racing."

Patrick had been hesitant to make her debut at Daytona because of the top talent that race attracts. Sprint Cup drivers have won nine of the last 10 Nationwide races here, and the lone exception was Martin Truex Jr., who won in 2005 in JR Motorsports car.

Patrick will be joined in the field by Dale Earnhardt Jr., her car

owner. He has five wins and 10 top-10 finishes in 17 Nationwide races at Daytona.

Earnhardt will be driving JRM's flagship No. 88, while Patrick will be in the car she will drive in 13 previously announced races. Her schedule after Daytona includes the Feb. 20 race at California and the Feb. 27 race at Las Vegas.

"I think Danica proved

to everyone that she can compete in stock cars at a high level, and right now seat time is extremely important," said Kelley Earnhardt, Earnhardt's sister and the general manager and a part owner of JRM.

"She has worked extremely hard during the past two months for this opportunity. Her dedication and work ethic is infectious."

Sports in brief

Howard softball plays weekend doubleheaders

The Howard College softball team made up for a canceled Galveston tournament with two doubleheaders over the weekend.

The Hawks split a Saturday doubleheader against Seminole and Ranger, falling to Seminole 7-3 before winning 8-5 in the nightcap. The team dropped its Sunday games to Temple 8-2 and 6-4.

The Hawks will be in action Thursday against Cisco.

Youth baseball league signups to start

The Big Spring Youth Baseball League has scheduled signups for the upcoming summer season for Saturdays in February beginning Feb. 13.

Children 8-15 can sign up for the league at Big Spring Mall. Registration fee is \$65 and \$60 for additional siblings. Birth certificate required. Weekday signups are at Gartman Refrigeration, 3206 E FM 700, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. All players must attend one of three tryout sessions scheduled March 8-10.

Anderson, Ritchey named TSWA All-State

Big Spring's Matt Ritchey and Monte Anderson were named to the Texas Sportswriters Association 4A all-state second team released over the weekend.

Ritchey, who committed early to Baylor, signed his letter of intent Wednesday. Anderson has yet to sign a letter of intent but is still receiving interest from schools.

Check the *Herald* for all Steer football news.

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ARIES

(March 21-April 19). You find an opportunity that appears to have a reasonable balance of risk and reward. It's true that you've been looking for a new direction. This might be it. Exercise caution, but don't wallow in it.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Changes in the flow of work are a nuisance, but you see the reasons for them, and that makes it easier to adjust. What you don't see is the promotion. Keep your focus and maintain your high standards, and all will be as it should.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You're not waiting around for handshakes and pats on the back. Still, the thing you've accomplished deserves some serious congratulations. There will be applause, and one person's thanks in particular will mean the most to you.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You'll be reasoning with someone. Spend a little time figuring out what you want to say. Then spend double that amount of time thinking about where the other person is coming from.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). It's very easy to get distracted from your work, especially since you'll be doing a task you've done a million times before. When the challenges aren't finding you, you have to go out and find them.

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TODAY'S BIRTHDAY

(Feb. 8). You cut out some of the superfluous junk in your life and get to the heart of what makes you happy. It's the difference between being busy and being productive. A business deal in April has the potential to make you rich. A friendly connection leads to adventure in May. Stay ethical and invest shrewdly. Sagittarius and Scorpio people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 6, 20, 15, 39 and 19.

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CANCER (June 22-July 22). You hear through the grapevine that someone is singing your praises. This might surprise you, but not because it's undeserved. You just didn't know the person liked you. Now you know you have fans everywhere.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). What you first thought was a slight to your character was actually a misunderstanding. It was an honest mistake by both parties. Thankfully, you are quick to let bygones be bygones. Life is too short to bear grudges.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Your dreams have been more vivid lately because you have been taking chances. Little ones, it's true, but real gains come to those who dare. You're on the right path.

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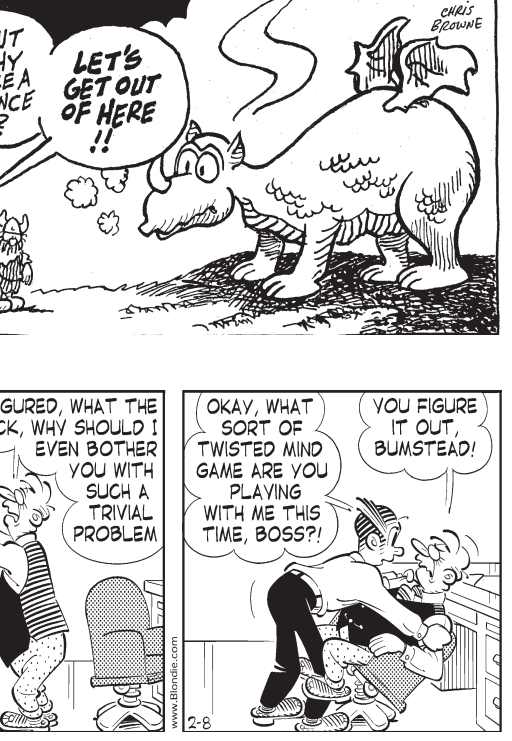


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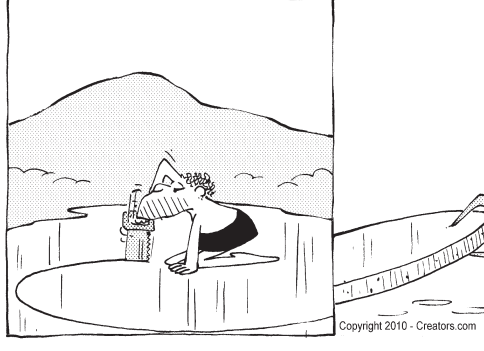
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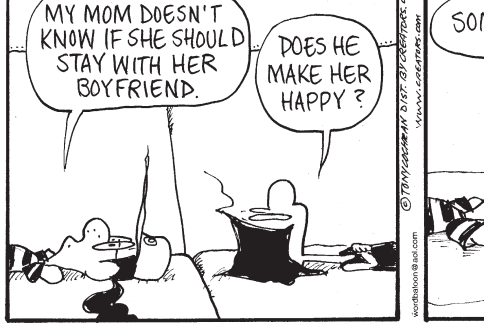
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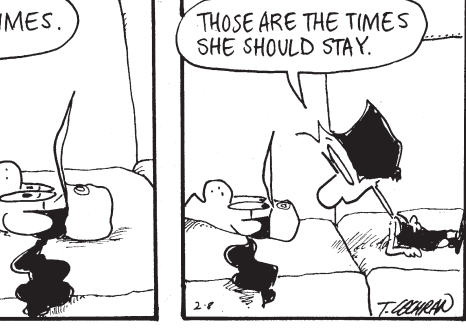
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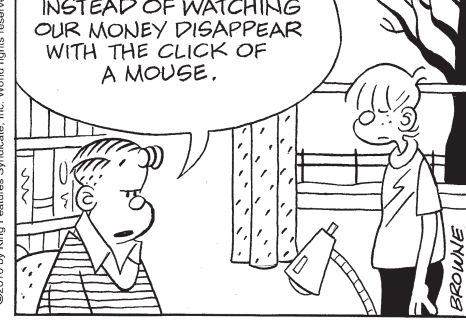
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This Date In History

Today is Monday, Feb. 8, the 39th day of 2010. There are 326 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Feb. 8, 1910, the Boy Scouts of America was incorporated.

On this date:

In 1587, Mary, Queen of Scots was beheaded at Fotheringhay Castle in England after she was implicated in a plot to murder her cousin, Queen Elizabeth I.

In 1693, a charter was granted for the College of William and Mary in Williamsburg in the Virginia Colony.

In 1837, the Senate selected the vice president of the United States, choosing Richard Mentor Johnson after no candidate received a majority of electoral votes.

In 1904, the Russo-Japanese War, a conflict over control of Manchuria and Korea, began as Japanese forces attacked Port Arthur.

In 1924, the first execution by

gas in the United States took place at the Nevada State Prison in Carson City as Gee Jon, a Chinese immigrant convicted of murder, was put to death.

In 1960, work began on the Hollywood Walk of Fame, located on Hollywood Boulevard and Vine Street in Los Angeles.

In 1968, three college students were killed in a confrontation with highway patrolmen in Orangeburg, S.C. during a civil rights protest against a whites-only bowling alley.

In 1978, the deliberations of the Senate were broadcast on radio for the first time as members opened debate on the Panama Canal treaties.

In 1989, 144 people were killed when an American-chartered Boeing 707 filled with Italian tourists slammed into a fog-covered mountain in the Azores.

In 2007, model, actress and tabloid sensation Anna Nicole Smith died in Florida at age 39 of an accidental drug overdose.

Today's Birthdays:

Composer-conductor John Williams is 78. Former ABC News anchor Ted Koppel is 70. Actor Nick Nolte is 69. Comedian Robert Klein is 68.

Actor-rock musician Creed Bratton is 67. Singer Ron Tyson is 62. Actress Brooke Adams is 61. Actress Mary Steenburgen is 57. Author John Grisham is 55. Actor Henry Czerny is 51. Rock singer Vince Neil (Motley Crue) is 49. Rock singer-musician Sammy Llanas (YAH'-nus) (The BoDeans) is 49. Environmental Protection Agency administrator Lisa P. Jackson is 48. Actor Gary Coleman is 42. Actress Mary McCormack is 41. Rock musician Keith Nelson (Buckcherry) is 41. Retired NBA player Alonzo Mourning is 40. Actor Seth Green is 36. Actor Josh Morrow is 36. Rock musician Phoenix (Linkin Park) is 33.

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Answer to previous puzzle

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Newsday Crossword

COLLECTIBLES by Gail Grabowski
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- ACROSS
- Talks on and on
 - Small ape, for short
 - Airline to Tel Aviv
 - Air-freshener target
 - New employee
 - "Me neither"
 - Comotions
 - No longer a minor
 - Business-sch. course
 - "For shame!"
 - Invent an idiom
 - Stock up on
 - "Bald" bird
 - Pixie
 - Birthday celebration
 - The Simpsons and Popeye, e.g.
 - Hearing or taste
 - That woman
 - Hand-cream ingredient
 - Chili container
 - Tuxedo-shirt fastener
 - Emerald, for one
 - Steakhouse selection
 - Piece of lumber
 - Auto store's stock
 - In a serene manner
 - Phone answerer's word
 - Ancient fable teller
 - Gilbert and Sullivan works
 - Use a shovel
 - "_ upon a time ..."
 - Visitors at a ranch

- DOWN
- "Nanny" beast
 - Calculates the total
 - Make hotel reservations
 - AARP members
 - Take sides
 - Vintage photograph systems
 - Tehran's land
 - Prefix for bucks
 - Baby blues
 - Vitality
 - Hometown-related
 - Greeted the day
 - Checkout-counter backup
 - Pets that purr
 - Despise
 - Prospector's place
 - For men only
 - Fishing rod
 - Unskilled laborers
 - Poker player's contribution
 - Blotch
 - Subdue with force
 - Throw
 - Whirling water
 - Song for one person
 - Skin-soothing powder
 - Worried
 - persistently
 - Male choir member
 - Gripping tools
 - Halts
 - Hive product
 - Talk-show host
 - "Am not!" reply
 - Like the Arctic
 - Untainted
 - Red-wrapped cheese
 - Brainstorming result
 - Sudden breath
 - Ship's distress call

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SAINTS

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excited the Saints are, their families and the city of New Orleans is going to be," he said.

"I'm sorry to our fans that we weren't able to get it done."

Porter's pick-6 provided a startling end to a Super Bowl that seemed destined to wind up in Manning's

strong right hand.

The Colts set an NFL record with seven fourth-quarter comebacks this season, and surely most everyone at Sun Life Stadium thought of Peyton was

at it again. Down 24-17, the Colts were moving closer and closer until Porter's play.

Porter cut in front of receiver Reggie Wayne's route on the left side, made the interception and took off. Brawny Saints defensive end Will Smith knocked down Manning as he tried to make a tackle.

Manning took a glance over his shoulder to watch Porter's romp to the end zone, unbuckled his chin strap, stood up and simply walked toward the bench with 3:12 left.

"We probably never got into a great rhythm. We were certainly worse in lapses in our final possession," Manning said.

The 33-year-old Manning was MVP of the Colts' victory in the Super Bowl on the very same field three years ago, and was a good bet to win the trophy once more. Instead, the night finished the

same way his final college game at Tennessee ended — a bruising loss to Nebraska, also on this field.

Even after Porter's TD, Manning tried to rally the Colts. He moved them near the Saints' goal line, but a final pass to Wayne fell incomplete.

Saints quarterback Drew Brees, the beneficiary of Manning's pep talks while in college at Purdue, ran out the clock to start New Orleans' party.

Manning left the field without seeing Brees.

"I'll certainly talk to Drew," Manning said. "There's not much consolation for the guys that didn't win. There's the stage being set up and the celebration."

Manning wound up 31 for 45 for 333 yards and one touchdown. He finished one short of the Super Bowl record for completions set by Tom Brady and tied by Brees, though the one pass he threw to the

Saints will be the one that fans remember.

"It's kind of a play we've run a lot. Porter made a heck of play," Manning said.

Said Porter: "The coaches did a great job of preparing us for that route."

Early in the fourth quarter, with the Colts holding a 17-16 lead, Manning floated a deep ball that fell incomplete near the goal line. He threw down a towel when he got to the bench.

Moments later, the giant video board showed his younger brother, Eli, in the crowd. Eli was the MVP of the Super Bowl two years ago as QB of the New York Giants, but there was no celebrating this time.

Most celebrities such as Jamie Foxx, Gloria Estefan and Scottie Pippen smiled when they showed up on the board. Not Eli. He merely looked straight ahead, a blank stare.

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PGA

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one part of my career that wasn't so good to where I'm at now. But I still want to continue.

"I don't want to quit what I'm doing, and I still work very hard at it."

For a while, it looked as though Stricker might need a comeback to win at Riviera, a scary thought considering he started with a six-shot lead over Donald and J.B. Holmes.

The last time Stricker had such a big lead going into the last round was at the 1996 Western Open, and he went on to win by eight. That was too long ago to remember.

He felt defensive on the opening hole, the easiest at Riviera. The shot called for a 5-iron at the flag, yet Stricker wanted to be extra sure that he cleared the bunker, so he opted for a

4-iron that went into the rough behind the green. An easy birdie turned into a par.

He didn't reach the second green, played away from the flag at No. 3, came up short at No. 4 and missed a 5-foot par putt.

"If I don't win the tournament, you're going to be looked upon as the guy that didn't finish it off," Stricker said. "Those thoughts run through your head, and the guys from behind, they have nothing to lose."

Donald had his chances.

As Stricker was playing away from flags, Donald was aiming at them. He had birdie chances inside 20 feet on his first eight holes, converting three of them to cut the lead to two shots. Then came a tee shot to 10 feet on the six, and to 8 feet on the seventh, yet Donald missed both putts that could have really made Stricker sweat.

"If I got really hot with the putter, I could have maybe caught Steve," said Donald, who closed with a 66. "He played nicely coming down the stretch, and I think he was a deserved winner. But at least I gave him a little run for his money."

Stricker completed his third round with a 66 on Sunday morn-

ing of the rain-delayed event and was at 15-under 198. He was another good round away from matching the tournament record of 20-under 264 set in 1985 by Lanny Wadkins, the oldest scoring record at a PGA Tour event held at the same golf course.

Before long, he was worried about matching a PGA Tour record for blowing a six-shot lead, the largest ever (by Sergio Garcia at Quail Hollow in 2005 and Greg Norman at the Masters in 1996).

Alas, Stricker answered with back-to-back birdies at the turn, another birdie at the 11th after Donald holed a bunker shot, and suddenly, his lead was back to four shots. And then came more cautious play.

Only after he made the 10-foot par putt on the 15th did Stricker feel safe.

"My father-in-law always says there's a defining moment when you're going to win a golf tournament," Stricker said. "And I think that was it right there. It allowed me to keep a three-shot lead going into the last three holes."

Holmes shot a 67 and tied for third with Dustin Johnson, who had a 66.

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Jimenez wins Dubai Desert Classic

DUBAI, United Arab Emirates (AP) — Spain's Miguel Angel Jimenez won the Dubai Desert Classic for his 16th European tour title, beating England's Lee Westwood with a 4-foot par putt on the third hole of a playoff.

Westwood missed a 5-foot par putt on the third extra hole.

Both players closed with even-par 72s to finish at 11-under 277. Thailand's Thongchai Jaidee (73) was third, a stroke back.

Tom Watson closed with a 68 to tie for eighth at 6 under.

S. Korean reinstated to IOC committee

VANCOUVER, British Columbia (AP)

— Convicted ex-Samsung chairman Lee Kun-hee was reinstated as a full member of the International Olympic Committee, a boost for South Korea's bid to host the 2018 Winter Games.

Lee's rights were restored by the IOC executive board following a recommendation of the ethics commission, several IOC officials told The Associated Press on condition of anonymity because the decision hadn't been announced.

Lee voluntarily gave up his IOC rights after being indicted in 2008 in a financial and tax evasion case. The South Korean government pardoned Lee last year, clearing the way for his return to the IOC.