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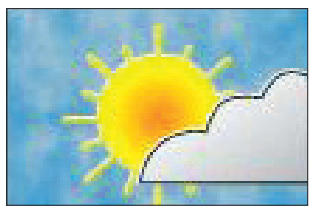
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Democratic, Republican primaries are Tuesday

From staff and wire reports
 The Texas Democratic and Republican primaries are Tuesday. Those who are registered and have lost or misplaced their voter certificates can still cast ballots Tuesday, but must present a valid form of identification and sign an affidavit at the polls.
 Republican voters will consider whether to stick with Gov. Rick Perry. U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison and party activist Debra Medina are

challenging Perry in the GOP primary.
 The Democratic front-runner, former Houston Mayor Bill White, faces fellow businessman and political newcomer Farouk Shami in the primary.
 The polls are open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday.
 Locally, Howard County voters have two seats on the Howard County Commissioners Court to vote on candidates, as well as a justice of the

peace race and the judges post in the 118th District Court.
 In the Precinct 2 commissioners race, incumbent Jerry Kilgore faces two opponents in the GOP primary, Donnie Baker and Melanie Gambrell. The Democratic Party race will be decided between Richard Belew and Jim Sinclair. In the Precinct 4 race, incumbent Gary Simer is unopposed in the Democratic primary, but Roy Beauchamp and John Cline are squaring off for the Republican nomina-

tion.
 Justice of the Peace Kathryn Wiseman is opposed by David Baird in her bid for re-election in the Republican primary for the Precinct 1, Place 2 post. Ricky Hughes is unopposed in the Democratic primary.
 There is no candidate in the Democratic primary for the district judge's post, but Mike Thomas and Tim Yeats are running for the
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College slicing budget

By STEVE REAGAN
 Staff Writer
 In response to a "suggestion" from state leadership, Howard College is slicing \$1 million from its operating budget over the next two years.
 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.
 A letter signed by Gov. Rick Perry, Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst and House Speaker Joe Straus, gave the agencies until Feb. 15 to submit the plan.
 "And we've done that," Howard College President Dr. Cheryl Sparks said. "We have cut certain operating expenses and in the area of salaries, we are freezing positions — we



Police and emergency medical personnel responded to the scene of a one-vehicle rollover on the south service road of Interstate 20 near N. Bell Street Saturday afternoon. The accident sent two people to Scenic Mountain Medical Center with undisclosed injuries.

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Film society revamps its plans

By THOMAS JENKINS
 Staff Writer
 There's been a change of plans. That's the message Brandon Johnson, spokesperson for the Big Spring Film Society, is delivering this week, as the schedule of outdoor film screenings slated for 2010 is being scaled back.
 "Realistically, trying to put on three screenings right now isn't possible," said Johnson. "To be honest, we don't have the money or the volunteer power just yet to pull it off. So I have canceled the June 18 screening of 'Poltergeist' and moved 'Raiders of the Lost Ark' tentatively to July 9. The screening for 'Jurassic Park' on Scenic Mountain will still be Aug. 28, however.
 "By pushing 'Raiders' to the middle of the summer, it will also give us more time to spend making the screening as special and memorable as I would like it to be. I'm really excited about it, and I



Johnson

really feel like the venue — the Comanche Trail Amphitheater — will make it something families will remember for years to come."
 Moving the screening of "Raiders" to July will also give the society more time to work on the film contest planned for the event, said Johnson.
 "The change in date also means the Indiana Jones short film contest is back on," he said. "The rules will be pretty simple. It needs to be five minutes long or shorter and have something to do with Indiana Jones. Filmmakers also need to keep in mind that this is going to be a family event, so they can't have Indy spouting profanity in his underwear.
 "Whatever format you choose — DV or HD — the finished product will need to be burned to a DVD. If anyone has any questions about the contest they can email me at cruiser1977@gmail.com or uberthoth@gmail.com. I think the contest is going to be a lot of fun, and it will be interesting to see what sort of ideas get thrown out there."

The film society was forced to cancel its meeting last week due to inclement weather and scheduling conflicts, according to Johnson, with a make-up meeting expected to be held in late March.
 "The meeting we had scheduled for this past Thursday was postponed due to a lot of conflicting events," said Johnson. "Mostly because the snow shut everyone down, and a lot of things had to be moved around. I'm looking tentatively at March 25 for the next meeting, but I'll let everyone know as soon as we set that date in stone."
 Johnson said he hopes to see the number of volunteers and sponsors within the society grow in the coming year, allowing the group to expand the number of screenings and special projects it can bring to the Crossroads area.
 "One of the most important aspects of what the society does is the men and women who donate their time and hard

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Obituaries

Francisco 'Frank' Sosa Bustamante Jr.

Francisco "Frank" Sosa Bustamante Jr., 49, of Big Spring died Friday, Feb. 26, 2010, at his residence. A vigil will be held at 7 p.m. Monday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Sacred Heart Catholic Church with Father Ariel Lagunilla officiating. Burial will be at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

He was born Sept. 18, 1960, in Big Spring to Rosa L. and Francisco Bustamante. He was a lifetime resident of Big Spring. He was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

He is survived by his parents; five sisters, Adelita Rosa and Isabel Bustamante, both of Midland, Martha Martinez of Stanton, Antonia Bustamante of Big Spring and Pilar Young of San Angelo; three half-sisters, Monica Vasquez, Catalina Vasquez and Patricia Vasquez, all of San Angelo; one half-brother, Juan Vasquez of San Angelo; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by one brother, Juan Jose "J.J." Bustamante.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersandsmith.com

Larry Bryant

Larry Bryant, 61, of Midland died at a local care facility. A memorial service is planned for 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 2, 2010, at Victory Baptist Fellowship, located at 4305-B Illinois in Midland.

He is survived by his two sons, Patrick Bryant of Odessa and Cody Bryant of Forsan; and one brother, Ronnie Bryant of Sugarland.

Funeral services are under the direction of Lewallen-Garcia-Pipkin Funeral Home. Family messages and condolences may be e-mailed to: pipkin@nts-online.net.

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 9 a.m. Saturday and 7 a.m. today:

- BYRON RICHARD, 23, of 1425 E. Sixth St. Apt. 28, was arrested Saturday on a local warrant.
- JENNIFER DELEON, 22, of 105 N.E. 10th St., was arrested Saturday on two local warrants.
- JORDAN MCLEOD, 19, of 618 Tulane, was arrested Saturday on a charge of public intoxication.
- THEODORE RIOS, 18, of 804 Willia, was arrested Saturday on a charge of possession of a controlled substance.
- DONNIE RODRIGUEZ, 18, of 1802 State, was arrested Saturday on a warrant from another agency.
- ERNEST SAIZ, 17, of 1905 Wasson Rd. Apt. 76, was arrested Saturday on a charge of consumption of alcohol by a minor.
- SAM WALKER, 51, of 1002 N. Main St. Apt. 65, was arrested Saturday on a charge of failure to maintain financial responsibility.
- WINDY HALE, 33, of 1425 E. Sixth St. Apt. 135, was arrested Saturday on two warrants from another agency.
- MICHAEL ALLEN, 35, of Midland, was arrested Saturday on a warrant from another agency.
- ROBERT WRIGHT, 17, of 2631 Langley, was arrested Sunday on a charge of no driver's license (when unlicensed).
- KEVIN RUTH, 22, of 1506 Chickasaw, was arrested Sunday on a warrant from another agency.
- ANTHONY HERNANDEZ, 41, of 1008 Bluebonnet, was arrested Sunday on charges of driving while intoxicated - third or more offense, possession of marijuana - two ounces or less, possession of a controlled substance, driving while license suspended/invalid and no insurance.
- ISRAEL MIRAMONTES, 26, of 411 N. Scurry, was arrested Sunday on a charge of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.
- THEFT was reported:
In the 200 block of Galveston.
In the 10000 block of Moss Lake Road.
- POSSESSION OF A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE

was reported:

- In the 1400 block of Sixth Street.
- In the 400 block of FM 700.
- ASSAULT CLASS C/FAMILY VIOLENCE was reported in the 600 block of Tulane.
- UNAUTHORIZED USE OF A MOTOR VEHICLE was reported in the 1000 block of Runnels.
- POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA - TWO OUNCES OR LESS was reported in the 400 block of FM 700.
- CRIMINAL TRESPASS was reported in the 700 block of Interstate Highway 20.
- ASSAULT BY CONTACT was reported in the 1900 block of N. Highway 87.
- AGGRAVATED ASSAULT was reported in the 1800 block of Hearn.

Sheriff






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

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 52 inmates at the time of this report.

- TRAVIS MCKISKI, 22, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a charge of burglary of a vehicle.
- CHASTIN MICHAEL MCNEW, 31, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on a charge of possession of drug paraphernalia.
- SOMER D. LANCASTER, 31, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on a charge of possession of marijuana - two ounces or less.
- JOHN AVANT, 23, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a charge of possession of marijuana - two ounces or less.
- CHARLES LUTHER USSERY III, 55, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a charge of driving while intoxicated with a child passenger under the age of 15 years.
- MICKEY AUBREY EMERSON, 47, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a charge of driving while intoxicated - open container, third or more offense.
- MORRIS EARL MCKINNEY JR., was arrested Saturday by DPS on a charge of no driver's license.
- JENNIFER DELEON, 22, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on charges of passenger with no seat belt and violation of a promise to appear.
- RAFAEL CRUZ LOPEZ, 65, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- JORDAN ALLEN MCLEOD, 19, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of minor in consumption of an alcoholic beverage.
- ROSENDO R. YANEZ, 40, was arrested Saturday by DPS on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
- RUDY ORTEGA JR., 29, was arrested Saturday by DPS on charges of purchasing/furnishing alcohol to a minor and driving while license invalid.
- BYRON RICHARD, 23, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on charges of interfering with an emergency phone call and invalid driver's license.
- DONNIE RODRIGUEZ, 18, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a motion to revoke probation for possession of marijuana - two ounces or less.
- THEODORE RIOS, 18, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of possession of a controlled substance.
- BRENNIA LEDAE HILL, 18, was arrested Saturday by DPS on a charge of public intoxication.
- ERNEST EDWARD SAIZ, 17, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of minor in consumption of alcohol.
- SAM STEVENSON WALKER, 51, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of failure to maintain financial responsibility.
- WINDY D. LECLAIR HALE, 33, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on charges of displaying an expired license plate and burglary of a vehicle.
- DANELLE CHRISTINE OVERTON, 23, was arrested Sunday by the HCSO on charges of no driver's license (two counts) and failure to maintain financial responsibility.
- MICHAEL SHANE ALLEN, 35, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of theft of service (Midland County).
- DENISIA LASHAY WALTON, 20, was arrested Sunday by DPS on charges of possession of marijuana - two ounces or less, no driver's license and passing a stationary emergency vehicle.
- MICHAEL WAYNE DANIELS, 23, was arrested Sunday by DPS on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
- LANCE WAYNE BIDDLE LAND, 20, was arrested Sunday by the HCSO on a charge of public intoxication.

Today's Weather

Local 5-Day Forecast

Tue 3/2	Wed 3/3	Thu 3/4	Fri 3/5	Sat 3/6
				
59/36 A mainly sunny sky. High 59F. Winds NW at 5 to 10 mph.	68/40 More sun than clouds. Highs in the upper 60s and lows in the low 40s.	66/46 Times of sun and clouds. Highs in the mid 60s and lows in the mid 40s.	65/51 Considerable cloudiness. Highs in the mid 60s and lows in the low 50s.	68/47 Occasional showers possible.
Sunrise: 7:12 AM Sunset: 6:44 PM	Sunrise: 7:11 AM Sunset: 6:45 PM	Sunrise: 7:10 AM Sunset: 6:46 PM	Sunrise: 7:09 AM Sunset: 6:47 PM	Sunrise: 7:07 AM Sunset: 6:47 PM

Texas At A Glance



- ROBERT LEE WRIGHT, 17, was transferred to the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of no driver's license.
- KEVIN ALLEN RUTH, 22, was transferred to the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on warrant from Mitchell County for probation revocation.
- ANGELA CASTANEDA, 49, was arrested Sunday by the HCSO on a charge of accident involving damage to a vehicle.
- ANTHONY GEORGE HERNANDEZ, 41, was transferred to the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on charges of driving while intoxicated - third or more offense, driving while license invalid with a previous conviction or suspension, possession of marijuana - two ounces or less and possession of a controlled substance.
- ISRAEL MIRAMONTES, 26, was transferred to the county jail Monday by the BSPD on a charge of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.

Fire/EMS

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

- MEDICAL was reported in the 1800 block of N. Highway 87. One person was transported to SMMC.
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- MEDICAL was reported in the 1200 block of Ranch Road. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the area of Gail Highway. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported in the 400 block of Lancaster. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 300 block of Tulane. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1800 block of N. Highway 87. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported near the intersection of N. Bell and the South Service Road. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported in the 1100 block of Lamesa. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 100 block of Weaver Road. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAUMA was reported in the 300 block of Interstate Highway 20. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 5000 block of E. Midway Road. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 3200 block of Parkway. One person was transported to SMMC.

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TEXAS NEWS BRIEFS:

Rules change for young drivers in Texas

AUSTIN (AP) — New rules meant to improve safety target young drivers in Texas.

The Department of Public Safety says, as of Monday, applicants between the ages of 18 and 24 must complete an approved driver education course and a driving skills test to get a license.

DPS says applicants also must submit a certificate proving that they successfully completed a driver education course approved by the Texas Education Agency.

Applicants with such proof will not be required to submit to the written highway signs and traffic laws test, but still need to pass the driving skills part.

A driving safety course or drug and alcohol driving awareness program are not acceptable as driver

education courses.

The changes were approved by the 2009 Legislature.

Texas boy, 13, dies in sand tunnel collapse

SANTA FE, Texas (AP) — A Santa Fe-area boy has died in the collapse of a sand tunnel he was digging in the family's back yard.

The Galveston County Sheriff's Office identified the victim as 13-year-old Josh Stone.

A news release says the victim was discovered late Friday by his brother, with the teen's lower legs the only part of his body showing from the sand pile. Investigators say it appears the sand collapsed around the victim.

The sheriff's department says the victim was last seen alive around 2 p.m. Friday. The teen was discovered missing nearly three hours later when the children's father returned home from work.

Stone was transported to Mainland Center Hospital, where he was pronounced dead.

Teen arrested after driving into crowd

EL PASO (AP) — Officials say an 18-year-old El Paso man was apparently angry about being asked to leave a gathering and so drove his car into a crowd in a parking area. Two male teenagers were injured but are expected to recover.

The El Paso County Sheriff's Office said Sunday that a 17-year-old was pinned under the the Mitsubishi Lancer and a 16-year-old was struck and suffered a broken leg.

Witnesses said the driver in the early Saturday incident had to be forced out of the car so the 17-year-old could be pulled out from under it. The 17-year-old suffered bruising and internal injuries.

The driver remains jailed on two counts of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

Arson suspects grew up together in Texas church

SCHUYLER DIXON

Associated Press Writer

TYLER — Even as authorities closed in, one of the two suspects in a string of east Texas church fires attended a Sunday service and went to a Baptist ministry on his junior college campus for a free meal.

Such activity wasn't unusual for 19-year-old Jason Robert Bourque, a former Eagle Scout and high school debate

champion who grew up in a small church not far from 10 others that authorities believe have been set ablaze since Jan. 1.

But officials say they found weapons and books detailing atheism and devil worship during a pre-dawn raid at a home where Bourque was arrested Feb. 21. In a separate raid in San Antonio, authorities captured Daniel George

McAllister, Bourque's childhood friend from First Baptist Church in tiny Ben Wheeler.

Bourque and McAllister, 22, each face one count of felony arson for a fire at Dover Baptist Church near Tyler, about 90 miles east of Dallas. They are suspects in nine other church fires that were ruled arsons and three attempted church break-ins, according to

court documents.

Both men are being held on \$10 million bond. They could face life in prison if convicted.

Investigators say the motive for the fiery crime spree remains a mystery.

The young men's former pastor described Bourque as an outgoing, inquisitive child who asked pointed questions about the Bible and was a whiz at memoriz-

ing passages. The Rev. Carlton Young recalled McAllister as a quiet and shy boy, nurtured by a mother who worked in the church nursery and home-schooled her son before she died several years ago.

"As a church and even the people in the community are just in grief," Young said. "There's a lot of sorrow and concern for the 10 churches that have

been burned. Then you put a face on it."

Young said he mostly lost touch with Bourque when the y family moved about five years

COLLEGE

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will not fill some vacancies if they arise or we'll reassign employees if necessary."

Sparks said the college will cut \$847,000 from the Howard College budget and more than \$300,000 from South West Collegiate Institute for the Deaf during this biennium to bring the district into compliance with the state mandate.

Although the original letter from state leadership merely asked for ways for the agencies to trim their budgets, Sparks said the college decided to act as if it were a set-in-stone requirement.

"As we gathered information from sources in Austin and we continued to watch state revenue trends, it appeared that we needed to plan accordingly," Sparks said. "We determined that the prudent course of action would be to go ahead and implement the plan."

Pending further instructions from the state, the college is merely "setting aside" the revenue for now rather than sending it directly to Austin, she added.

Sparks said she was unsure how the cuts would effect college services.

"We will certainly try to limit the number of services we cut," she said. "But, with a

tighter budget, that will be more difficult."

Also, the timing of the budget cuts are making a big impact.

"It's more difficult at this time of the year to make cuts," Sparks said. "Many of the things we budget for, we spend the money at the start of the fiscal year in September. As it stands now, we are having to cut money budgeted for day-to-day operations."

It is still to be determined how long the cuts will be required. Sparks said information she's received indicates they will effect this biennium and the next, but the picture is unclear after that.

"Of course, if the economy rebounds, that will paint a more positive picture as we

move forward," Sparks said.

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VOTE

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Republican nomination.

Howard County voters will also be casting ballots for nominations in the races for Texas House District 85 and U.S. Representative in the 19th District.

Incumbent State Rep. Joe Heflin is unopposed in the Democratic primary, as is Robyn L. Burwell in the Libertarian race. In the GOP primary, David Andrews

faces Jim Landtroop.

Republican incumbent Randy Neugebauer is unopposed in his bid for re-election. The only Democrat in the race is Andy Wilson and Richard "Chip" Peterson in running as a Libertarian.

Voters in Howard County will have plenty of polling places to cast their vote, according to County Elections Administrator Sandra Bloom, with five locations — all of which will be housing both Republican and Democratic polls — located in Big

Spring and Coahoma.

Polling places for Tuesday are:

Saint Thomas Parish Hall (605 N. Main St.): Precincts 11-16, 112, 103-105.

Big Spring Mall (1801 E. FM 700): Precincts 22, 24-26, 205, 208.

First Baptist Church (705 W. FM 700): Precincts 33-35, 304.

Dorothy Garrett Coliseum (1001 Birdwell Lane): Precincts 42, 44-46, 404-406.

Coahoma Community Center (306 North Avenue in Coahoma): Precincts 207, 207C, 407-

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- Married to Sandra Thomas
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EXPERIENCE

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- Numerous hours of courtroom experience including jury trials and trials before the judge.
- Served as Howard County Attorney
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COMMUNITY SERVICE

- Served on Board of Directors of the YMCA
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LEGAL ORGANIZATIONS:

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PRIMARY ELECTION MARCH 2, 2010

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FILMS

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work," said Johnson.

"Volunteers and sponsors are what drives this summer program, and we're always needing more. 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."

For more information on the Big Spring Film Society, visit www.big-

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OTHER VIEWS

Congress should see if NHTSA can be more effective

The key questions that emerged from Wednesday's hearings on Toyota's sudden acceleration problems are whether the sources of the defect have been pinpointed and whether the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration is equipped to adequately deal with such issues. It is by no means clear that either question has been resolved.

With the president of the giant automaker, Akio Toyoda, apologizing to members of a congressional committee for the deaths that have occurred as a result of sudden acceleration, it is no longer a question of the firm seeking to evade responsibility for the problem. But another Toyota executive admitted to the committee that it still doesn't know all the causes of the dangerous phenomenon.

The hearings have also disclosed that earlier responses by the firm to complaints about sudden acceleration may not have been fully forthcoming to the public or federal regulators. The Detroit News reported on an internal 2009 memo in which Toyota safety officials crowed to their superiors that they had saved \$100 million by limiting an early recall to floor mats rather than admitting a possible mechanical defect.

Since then, there have been recalls to deal with sticky gas pedals, and there are still worries that there may be an electrical system flaw that may lead to sudden acceleration.

Congressional hearings are targeting NHTSA for its failures to prod Toyota for more extensive investigations of defects or to move more quickly beyond its initial insistence that the acceleration incidents were solely the result of floor mats becoming stuck under gas pedals.

Critics of Toyota's responses were certainly given more ammunition with the statement made in an e-mail by Jim Press, a former member of the Toyota board of directors, that the firm had been "hijacked" by "financially oriented pirates." Press said Toyota had the values needed to "save" the auto giant if he received enough support from others in the company.

Based on the president's testimony, the firm is now committed to rectifying its problems.

It can best do that by acting on Toyoda's promise to vigorously work to solve the puzzle of sudden acceleration.

Toyota's possible culpability in covering up its problems is under investigation by a federal grand jury.

If it turns out that it misled federal regulators, Toyota may have to answer in a more demanding forum than the court of public opinion.

Transportation Secretary Ray LaHood admitted during the hearings that NHTSA could have moved more quickly to deal with the Toyota complaints.

Congress and the Obama administration should now determine if there are structural changes that can make the agency more effective.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

May we partner with You, Lord, for a better life.
Amen

All right, leave the pity party!

Self-pity is no party, my friends! Perhaps we've all thrown one of these at least once in our lives. Maybe we know some folks who throw one every day.

It can be easy to justify our sorrow. We feel people have done us wrong, our life is spinning out of our control, our dreams have been shattered, or we see ourselves as the victim of circumstances. So we may believe we have good reason to be down and depressed.

We need to leave this pity party, my friends, because these thought patterns are toxic and never worthwhile.

They will destroy our hope for a better tomorrow and stifle us into a martyr complex that will blind us from our purpose and potential. Besides, no one has a good and happy time at a pity party!

I've held a few pity parties in my life. My favorite occasion for one is when I'm feeling unappreciated and misunderstood.

During a recent pity party, I came across a definition of self-pity which explained that self-pity doesn't come from a sense of worthiness but from a sense of unrecognized worthiness. And it referred to self-pity as the response of unapplauded pride and a wounded ego.

I hated to think of myself as having a wounded ego. Was my basis for feeling unappreciated and misunderstood really my

hurt pride?

Admittedly, I may not be able to change the behavior and thoughts of the people around me, but I can change how I respond to them. Just the acknowledgment of this fact made me feel empowered and encouraged — no longer the helpless victim.

I couldn't help but remember the story in the Bible about the man healed by the pool of Bethesda. (John 5:2-9) Now truly, if ever someone could have been justified in his feelings of self-pity, this guy would have been one. He had been an invalid for 38 years. And for years, he had waited by this pool to be healed. The rumor was if you were the first to get in the water at a certain time, you would be cured of whatever ailment you were suffering from.

When Jesus came upon this man, he asked him, "Would you like to get well?"

Instead of a resounding "Yes!" the man gave an excuse of why he couldn't. He said, "I can't, sir, for I have no one to put me into the pool when the water bubbles up. Someone else always gets there ahead of me."

Of course, Jesus knew this man didn't have to get into the pool to be healed. He knew God created him upright and healthy, and these qualities were his innate spiritual nature now and always. So Jesus told him, "Stand up, pick up your mat, and walk!" And so he did. No more excuses, no more being a victim of circumstances, no more pity party.

When we feel the weight of the world is on our shoulders or we feel put upon or victimized, we can do something about our

plight. I saw a sign that read, "Do you rise and shine or rise and whine?"

Whining, even when we feel it's justified, will not help — will not result in healing, progress or resolution. So quite simply, it's a waste of our time!

We can learn to stop self-pity when it attempts to creep into our thoughts. It may be normal to at first feel sad or sorry for ourselves when things go wrong. But we can immediately turn our sorrow into positive action. We can surround ourselves with things that bring joy and happiness and experience whatever makes us laugh. We can choose thankfulness as our ticket out of self-misery. If need be, we can make a list of all the good that has ever happened in our lives. We can't feel sorrowful and grateful at the same time!

And Jesus did give us instruction on how to treat those that mistreat us when he said, "Love your enemies. Let them bring out the best in you, not the worst. When someone gives you a hard time, respond with the energies of prayer for that person..." (Matthew 5:44)

A wounded ego and unapplauded pride is not the best in me or you. We can leave behind anything and everything that is holding us back or keeping us down. And we can all rise and shine to a new day of joy, peace of mind, and infinite possibilities!

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Maybe if teens talk about sex, adults will listen ... well, maybe

Last Monday night, two teenagers in the Midwest stood before their city's school board and essentially pleaded that the grown-ups in charge change how sex education is taught in their district.

Their courage was a timely reminder that we ignore our children at their peril.

The first student to speak in the room of 150 or so in attendance was 17-year-old Daniel Sparks.

Teenage boys don't come any more clean-cut or poised than Danny. In a strong, steady voice, the high-school junior in Parma, Ohio, Cleveland's largest suburb, attacked the district's abstinence-only-until-marriage sex education program taught by Operation Keepsake.

The program may sound like a military exercise, but it sends kids virtually unarmed into a sexually complex and potentially dangerous world.

This, Daniel told the school board, is poor public health. "Operation Keepsake has made me question education as a whole, for while they scared us into understanding what could go wrong, they afforded us no information on how things could go right," he said. "On how to protect ourselves, on the effectiveness of contraception, and empowering us with knowledge to make the right decisions before making the wrong ones."

Daniel told the board that for 19 months, he has been unable to meet or even speak with those responsible for making decisions about how he and his classmates learn about sex, despite his dozens of letters, phone calls

and e-mails.

"As a gay student," he asked, "how can I be expected to uphold a standard of abstinence until marriage when I live in a state where I cannot marry?"

Daniel's classmate who spoke, 16-year-old Jelena Loncar, borrowed from Operation Keepsake's own language to blast the curriculum for promoting gender stereotypes.

"I personally don't view men as predators or protectors," she said. "And I certainly don't view myself as a treasure or a target. I found it insulting and undermining that Operation Keepsake reduced me to a social stereotype."

Daniel and Jelena added that they are abstinent, but only because access to comprehensive sex education elsewhere helped them make informed and confident choices for their young lives.

The audience was respectful during the students' speeches.

There were audible gasps only after Jelena pointed out that in her high school's sophomore class alone, eight girls are pregnant.

Several parents came up afterward to congratulate the teenagers for their courage and to voice support. The superintendent assured Daniel that she will meet with him. She told me later she favors comprehensive sex education and will form a committee to "start the conversation."

Most parents — liberal, conservative and somewhere in between — want their children to abstain from sex, but they also want them to be safe if they choose otherwise. The overwhelming majority of studies have shown, time and again, that abstinence-plus education is more effective than programs like Operation Keepsake.

Abstinence-only proponents are heralding a small study pub-

lished earlier this month in the Archives of Pediatrics & Adolescent Medicine that showed for the first time that their brand of sex education reduced sexual activity by nearly a third in 12- and 13-year-olds. The study involved 662 African-American middle-school students in four low-income schools in the Northeast.

An editorial accompanying the report cautioned against reading too much into this, and the study's lead author, psychologist John B. Jemmott III, agreed.

"Policy should not be based on just one study, but an accumulation of empirical findings from several well-designed, well-executed studies," Jemmott wrote.

Meanwhile, let's keep this in mind: The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported only three months ago that chlamydia, gonorrhea and syphilis continue to spread in the United States and that almost half of the 19 million new sexually transmitted infections each year affect 15- to 24-year-olds.

"We have among the highest rates of STDs of any developed country in the world," John Douglas, director of the division of sexually transmitted diseases at the CDC, told Reuters.

"We haven't been promoting the full battery of messages," Douglas said. "We have been sending people out with one seat belt in the whole car."

When it comes to protecting our kids, perhaps we need more teenagers like Daniel Sparks and Jelena Loncar in the driver's seat.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

As a rule, talking politics or religion is often a bad idea at the dinner table. However, tonight represents an exception, at least in the case of religion, as Mercury, the planet named after the messenger of the gods, slips into the sign of the fish. Matters of spirituality are interesting to everyone. Shaving on the subject will no longer be taboo.



HOLIDAY
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ARIES (March 21-April 19). Here's an intimidating prospect for your opposition: This is your day to show what you're made of. Toughen up and defend what's yours. Or, even better, fight for what's not yet yours.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). If you like what you see in the mirror, you'll have a much better day. If you have to sit there a long while and stare into your own eyes until you find something to like, the

time will be well spent. **GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). You may feel like you're on the outside looking in. But is this really true? Or are you perhaps rejecting the friendly advances of others because you simply haven't been focused properly and were unable to see them?

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Doing things yourself builds character and strength. Plus, it's kind of fun. In fact, when you get a whiff of the delicious scent of independence, you may not wish to involve anyone else in your venture.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You'll be creative when it comes to romance and romantic when it comes to creativity. The two energies dance through your day, turning it into something worth waxing poetic over later.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You'll finesse your way through a conflict. It's not because you're afraid to fight, but because you are wise. You can tell it's not worth the breath you would expend arguing about it.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Oh, that winning smile of yours. You usually use your charming powers for good, though today your world could use a little bad, too. Extra points if you can provoke shocking reactions from the neighbors.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You don't have to solve the world's problems in a day, and you certainly don't have to solve all of your own. It will help you to be less ambitious. Slow down and tackle one very small issue. Then celebrate.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You're feisty now. When others succeed, you'll think: That should be me. And when you succeed, you'll think: I could have done better. The fire inside you will be difficult, but not impossible, to control.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You've had just about enough of this business about doing what's expected of you. All it gets you is more of the same kinds of requests. Do the unexpected and the requests

change. **AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Just because you are able to do much of the day's work yourself doesn't mean you should. Utilize the expertise of others. The more help you get the better your results will be.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). When are you allowed to have fun? When the boss isn't looking? When the parents are out? Or just any old time you want to? Choose the last answer and this will be a most revealing day.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (March 1). Resolve to put self-critical voices to rest this month. Don't worry yourself about getting it right; just get it done. With the momentum of this mindset, you'll attain an important achievement by the end of April. Celebration includes June travel. New career opportunities come in July. Romantic bonds are forged in August. Virgo and Libra people adore you. Lucky numbers are: 10, 22, 3, 19 and 24.

ASTROLOGICAL

QUESTIONS: "What's so special about lunar eclipses anyway?"

A lunar eclipse occurs when the sun casts the Earth's shadow onto the face of the full moon. Astrologically, this indicates some kind of gigantic culmination in your life. This is the grand finale, an ending, the finish line of some hugely important marathon you've been running for a very long time. Now, don't worry. Some endings we like, such as graduations or promotions that help us to leave an old job for one that's new and exciting. Even an engagement marks the end of your "single and looking" life, right? Of course, then there are those endings that can bring unwelcome news, too — such as a layoff or a breakup. But even these events are in your best interest and often turn out to be blessings in disguise. Lunar eclipses keep you moving in the right direction, even if that means knocking your caboose off of one track and onto another. The next lunar eclipse takes place on

June 26, 2010, in the sign of Capricorn. It is just a partial eclipse, however, so the effects of it will not be felt as strongly as if the eclipse were total.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Happy birthday to rock royalty Roger Daltrey. This Pisces front man of The Who recently rocked the Super Bowl. He may be a sensitive, soulful Pisces, but his Mercury, the planet of communication, and Venus are both in the revolutionary sign of Aquarius. These planetary influences help to give Daltrey's artistic works an ever-young quality, as Aquarian energy is all about the future.

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Annie's Mailbox

Dear Annie: I am 26, and my sister is 18 months older. We have never gotten along well, but recently, there has been a huge rift.

My sister and her boyfriend own a nice house, and she drives a new car.

I am recently divorced and am struggling to raise three children on my own.

Our wealthy parents have been helping me out a great deal. They purchased a "beater" car for me and are paying the insurance.

They also have been giving me money for groceries and some basic bills. Still, we're barely getting by.

My sister is enraged that our parents have been giving money to me for necessities, but not to her.

Our parents have explained that she makes more than double what I do and has no children to support, but their words fall on deaf ears.

Even though we've never been close, I love my sister dearly and want to have a better relationship with her, and would like my children to get to know their distant aunt.

I also don't want to be the cause of her deteriorating relationship with our parents. What can I do? — *Little Sister*

Dear Little Sister: We'll try to explain this from your sister's point of view.

To her, it seems Mom and Dad love you more and she is being punished for having a successful life.

It isn't entirely about the money. It's about favoritism and fairness, with some jealousy and sibling rivalry thrown



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MARCY SUGAR

in. You need to acknowledge her feelings (without defending your situation), and ask what you can do to make it more equitable.

Perhaps your parents could set aside a similar sum in case Sis ever requires assistance. Maybe they could change their will to reflect a more accurate final accounting.

It doesn't matter what solution you arrive at, but you and your parents need to let your sister know you understand.

Dear Annie: My sister's son is getting married out of state. We are not particularly close to my nephew, but I told my sister we would come.

When my husband figured out that it will cost us nearly \$1,000 to attend (and we are on a fixed income), he said it is a waste of time and money and the wedding will happen whether we're there or not.

He prefers that we send a nice gift and our regrets. He didn't want to go to begin with. My husband is a very unsociable person and has never given my family the time of day.

This sister is my only living relative, and I

don't want to hurt her feelings by not attending. What is a reasonable solution? — *Not Sure in California*

Dear California: The reasonable solution is to go by yourself if you can manage it.

You can celebrate with your sister while your husband avoids your family and spends less money.

We are in favor of attending family functions, especially when they are infrequent and the family is small.

But if going alone is not feasible and you cannot convince your husband to attend, you will have to call your sister and explain that although you love her, coming to the wedding is simply not in your budget.

Dear Annie: I read the letter from "Might As Well Be Single," whose husband, "Ted," quits every job he gets because he wants a position that pays more money.

Someone needs to tell Ted that you don't get a high-paying job just because you want one. You get it because you earn it. — *Torrance, Calif.*

Dear Torrance: You said it. For people who don't actually want to work, any excuse will do.

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Lady Steers third in pool at Midland tourney

Herald Staff Report

MIDLAND — The Lady Steers softball team gained some valuable experience at the Midland West Texas Classic over the weekend.

The Lady Steers went 4-2 in the tournament to finish third in their eight-team pool bracket. Big Spring's two losses came 4-1 against 5A Midland Lee and 5-0 against 5A El Paso

Americas.

"I was pleased with our weekend," Lady Steers coach John Sparks said. "You walk away from that tournament with four wins and that's not a bad deal. The two teams that we (lost to) were 5A teams and we did stick with them."

"All in all, the effort from the girls was really good, and I think they had a good time."

The Lady Steers

opened the tournament with Thursday wins over Monahans and Grape Creek, teams Big Spring had beat the weekend before.

Friday, the Lady Steers' bats struggled in a 4-1 loss to Midland Lee. Still, Sparks was pleased with the way Big Spring made the game competitive.

Hunt struck out 12 Lee batters in the game.

"Midland Lee hits the ball really well,"

Sparks said. "Even though Kenzie had that many strikeouts, they did hit the ball hard. It was impressive."

Macy Briggs singled in Jillian Valle for the Lady Steers' only run in the game, which came in the seventh.

Big Spring's next matchup came with Crane, where the Lady Steers pounded the ball to a 16-0 win.

"Everybody hit, everybody ran, every-

body did OK," Sparks said.

Logan Yarbar earned the win in the game, striking out six in a shutout performance.

Big Spring's final game featured a matchup with El Paso Americas, which won the pool. Americas beat the Lady Steers 5-0 in the game.

"They had a pitcher whose changeup just killed us," Sparks said. "It's definitely

something we need to work on, and that's my fault."

With Monday's game canceled due to rainy weather, the Lady Steers have their sights set on their own tournament this weekend.

The tournament features 24 4-5A teams from all over West Texas. Games will start Thursday and continue through the weekend.

Check the Herald for tournament results.



HERALD PHOTO/Tony Claxton

Tate Allison dives for a ball during Saturday's 7-6 win over Texarkana College at Jack Barber Field. Allison did not make the catch, but the Hawks won the game and took 3-of-4 from the Bulldogs.

Howard takes 3 in first home set

By JOE ZIGTEMA

Sports Editor

The Howard Hawks finally got a home series over the weekend.

After two weeks of road games, Howard went 3-1 in its first home series at Jack Barber Field against No. 22 Texarkana College.

Joe Leftridge hit three home runs in two games on the weekend, powering the Hawks to a Saturday sweep of a doubleheader. Howard split with Texarkana on Sunday.

Howard (12-4) opened the weekend with a 7-6 comeback win over the

Bulldogs in which the Hawks scored two in the sixth inning of a seven-frame contest.

Leftridge and Kevin Sah each homered in the game. Leftridge went 2-for-3 with four RBI and two runs, and Sah went 3-for-4 with two RBI.

The Hawks followed that win with a 16-6 victory in the nightcap. Leftridge again drove in four runs at the top of the lineup with two homers.

Texarkana earned its lone win of the series in Sunday's opening game 5-1.

Tyler King pitched

seven innings and allowed two earned runs in the loss.

"They're a top-20 club," Smith said of the Bulldogs. "Our schedule has no holes in it."

The Hawks avenged that loss with an 11-4 win in Sunday's second game, thanks to left fielder Nathan Burns.

Burns blasted a monster 2-run shot off the athletic dorms, part of a 3-for-5, 3 RBI effort.

"It was a fastball up and in, and I just drove it out," Burns said.

Carter Hahn earned the win in the game, going 7 1/3 innings while allowing five

hits and four runs with seven strikeouts.

The Hawks will play a series with Odessa College in WJCAC play starting Friday. Head coach Britt Smith said his team needs some time to heal from injuries.

"We have six or seven healthy pitchers total right now," Smith said. "And then with position players going down, we're not in a situation where we can do the things we like to do. But to the kids' credit, they battled."

Smith said he liked

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Bufs win in Albany; Steer golfer takes 2nd

Herald Staff Report

ALBANY — The Forsan Buffs were dominant over the weekend at Ranchland Hills and Hogan Park golf courses.

Boren shot an opening-round 82 in blustery conditions Friday, which was tied for fourth, and a second-round 73 on Saturday.

"The wind was blowing all over the place and the greens were almost unplayable," Big Spring coach Chris Joslin said.

"It was one of the worst I'd ever seen."

As a team, the Steers shot 346 and 330 in the tournament, which was won by Canyon Randall. Frenship took second and Odessa Permian's No. 2 team took third. Andrew Fillingham shot 87-80 for Big Spring, Gerald Harris shot 86-88, and Ryan Pollard shot 91-89. Only four Steers competed in the tournament.

The golfers will be on the links in Andrews this weekend.

Bulldogs third in Railyard Classic

SHALLOWATER — The Coahoma Bulldogs rebounded from a Friday loss to take third place in the Shallowater Railyard Classic on Saturday.

The Bulldogs beat Lamesa 8-5 behind a five-run fifth inning that gave the Bulldogs the lead for good.

Lane Douglass pitched 2 1/3 innings with the start for Coahoma.

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Boren takes 2nd

MIDLAND — Blake Boren finished second overall as Steer golfers took sixth place out of 16 4-5A teams in the

Canada claims Olympic gold over U.S. in overtime with Crosby goal

Associated Press

VANCOUVER, British Columbia — Sidney Crosby sized up goalie Ryan Miller over overtime and delivered hockey gold to a nation that not only craved it, but demanded it, too.

Silver wouldn't satisfy. Not in this sport and not in these Olympics.

Canada needed a pick-me-up to call the past 17 days a success. With a wrist shot Miller wasn't expecting, Crosby wiped away a whole lot of hurt. The scoreboard read Canada 3, USA 2. A happy — yet relieved country — rejoiced Sunday.

The death of a luger before the Olympic

cauldron was lit, disheartening glitches and a slow start in the medals race had Canada down on these games. But after finishing tops among all nations with a Winter Olympics record 14 gold medals, including the one it wanted most, the hosts held their heads high. 'O Canada' surely

never sounded as sweet as when the Maple Leaf flag rose above the ice to honor hockey's latest champions. And the way the Canadians pulled it off was truly dramatic. Crosby and Canada shook off a shocking tying goal by Zach Parise that gave the United States hope in the closing seconds

of regulation.

"I'm very proud to be Canadian," forward Jarome Iginla said. "You know what, I'm really proud of setting the gold-medal record for Canada."

Remember the time: 7:40 into the extra session. That's the moment Sid the Kid grew up on the world stage and

scored the winning goal. It set off howls, chants, sobs and cheers inside a packed Canada Hockey Place that was so proud of the guys decked out in red and white.

"It's a pretty unbelievable thing," the 22-year-old Crosby said. "Being

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Sports in brief

Weather cancels Monday games

Rainy weather has forced the cancellation of baseball and softball games around the area.

Coahoma's baseball game scheduled with Greenwood has been moved to 4 p.m. Tuesday at Greenwood.

Big Spring's softball matchup with Snyder has been canceled.

Check www.bigspringherald.com for updates.

Howard softball splits in Odessa

The Howard College softball team split two games in a rain-shortened Odessa round robin over the weekend.

The Hawks lost 8-2 to McClennan in their first game, but they rebounded for a 10-2 win over Connors State in their second contest.

The Hawks are 9-8 on the season as they travel to Odessa on Friday, beginning WJCAC play.

Youth baseball league signups to go until March 6

March 6 is the last chance to sign up for the Big Spring Youth Baseball League.

Signups will be held from 5:30 to 7 p.m. all week next week. Children 5-15 can sign up for the league at Big Spring Mall on March 6 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Registration fee is \$65 and \$60 for additional siblings. Birth certificate required. Children 8-12 must participate in a tryout session March 8-10.

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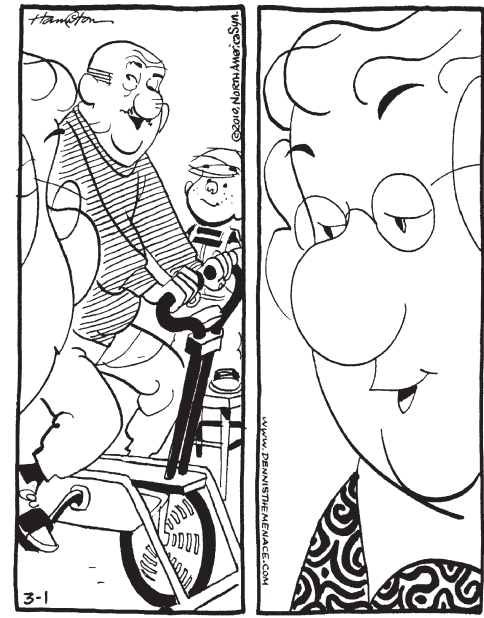
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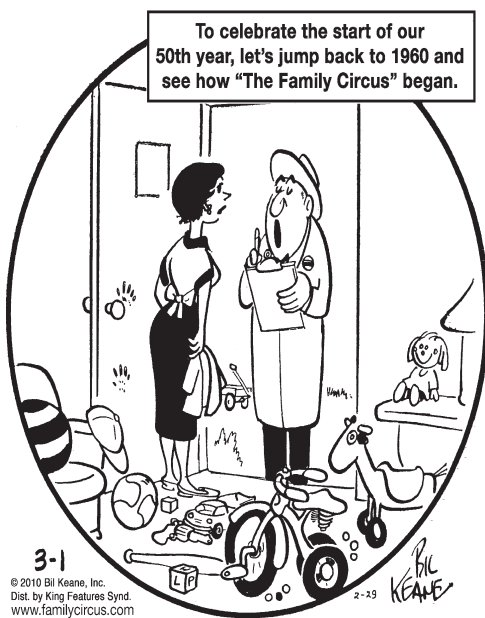
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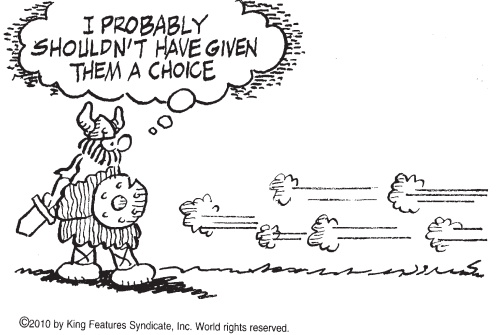
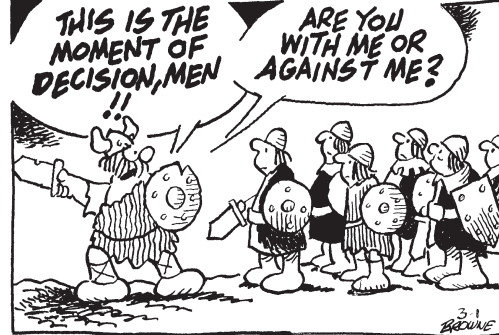
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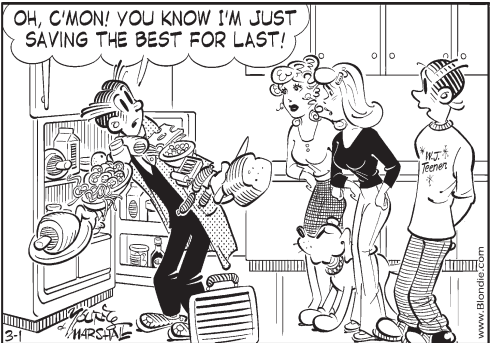
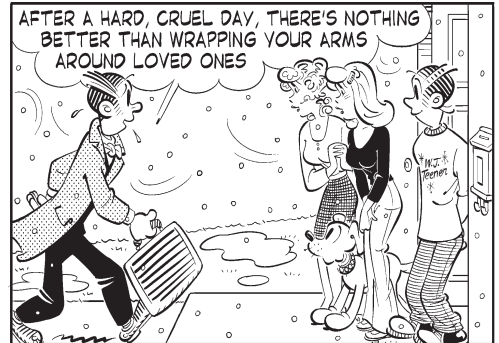
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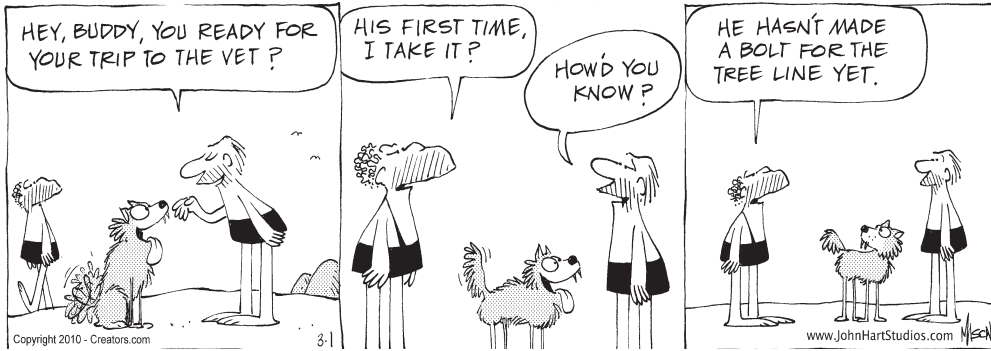
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"Any children?" "To celebrate the start of our 50th year, let's jump back to 1960 and see how 'The Family Circus' began."

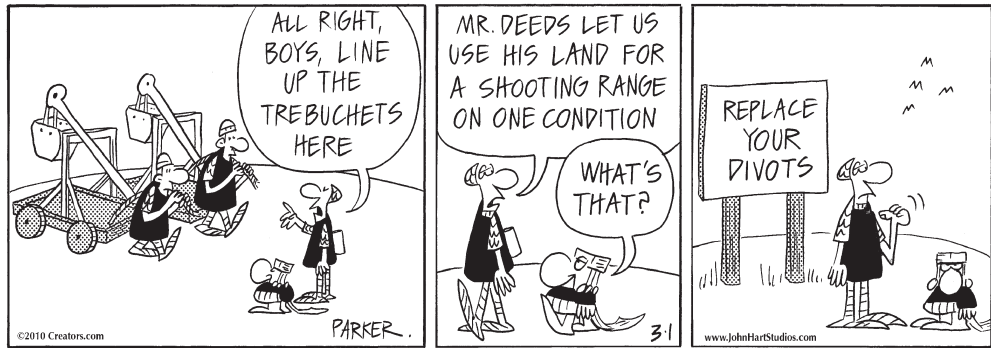
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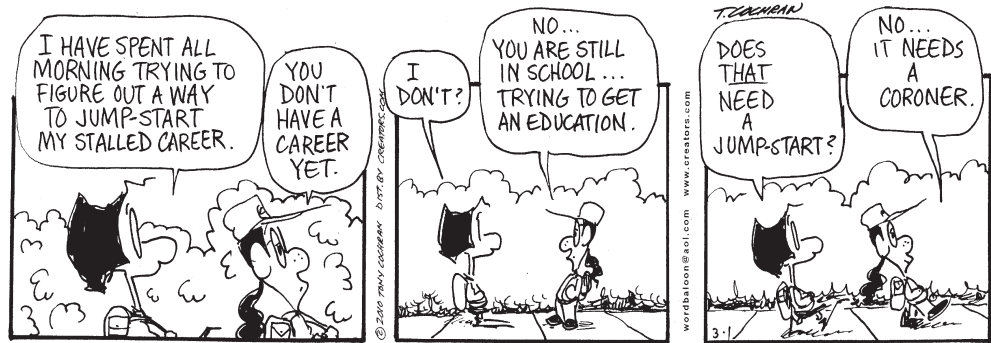
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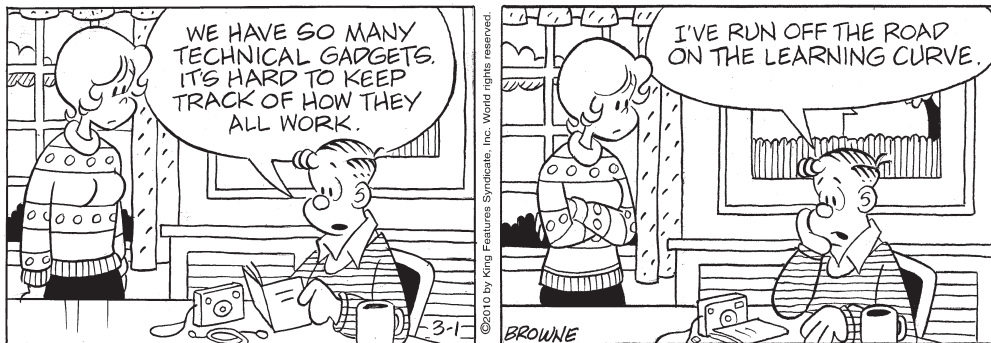
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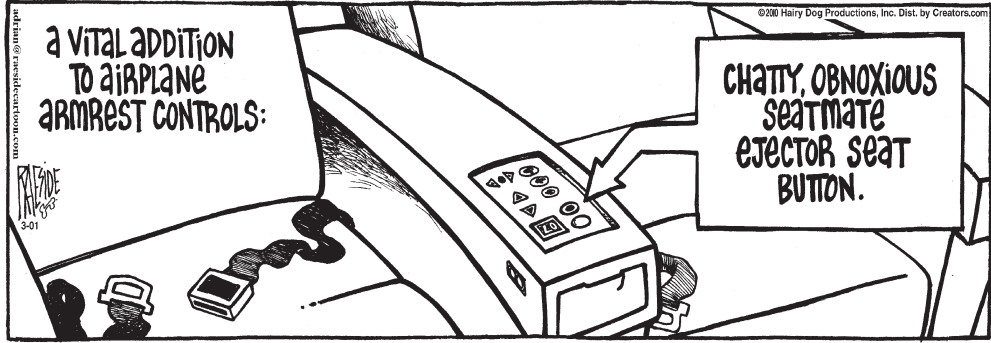
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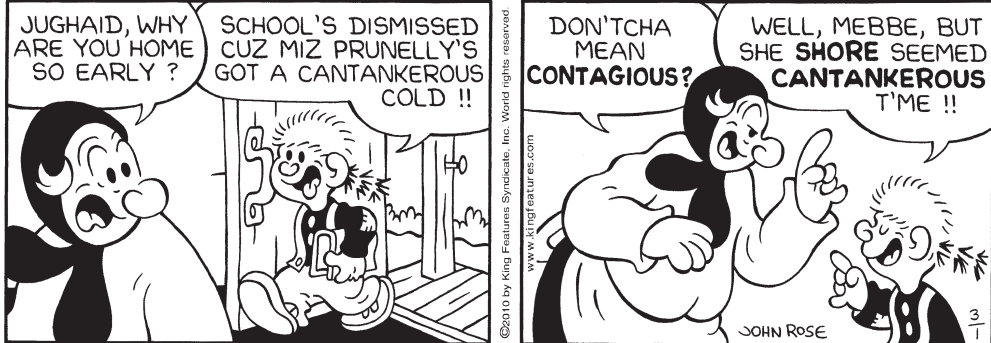
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This Date In History

Today is Monday, March 1, the 60th day of 2010. There are 305 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On March 1, 1932, Charles A. Lindbergh Jr., the 20-month-old son of Charles and Anne Lindbergh, was kidnapped from the family home near Hopewell, N.J. (Remains identified as those of the child were found the following May.)

On this date: In 1790, President George Washington signed a measure authorizing the first U.S. Census.

In 1809, the Illinois Territory came into existence.

In 1867, Nebraska became the 37th state.

In 1872, President Ulysses S. Grant signed an act creating Yellowstone National Park.

In 1890, J.P. Lippincott published the first U.S. edition of the Sherlock Holmes mystery "A Study in Scarlet" by Arthur Conan Doyle.

In 1940, the novel "Native Son" by Richard Wright was first published by Harper and Brothers.

In 1954, Puerto Rican nationalists opened fire from the gallery of the U.S. House of Representatives, wounding five congressmen.

In 1961, President John F. Kennedy established the Peace Corps.

In 1981, Irish Republican Army member Bobby Sands began a hunger strike at the Maze Prison in Northern Ireland; he died 65 days later.

In 2003, suspected 9/11 mastermind Khalid Shaikh Mohammed (HAH'leed shayk moh-HAH'med) was captured by Pakistani and CIA agents.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Robert Clary is 84. Singer Harry Belafonte is 83. Former U.S. Solicitor General Robert H. Bork is 83. Actor Robert Conrad is 75. Rock singer Mike D'Abo (Manfred Mann) is 66. ock singer Roger Daltrey is 66. Actor Dirk Benedict is 65. Actor Alan Thicke is 63. Actor-director Ron Howard is 56. Actress Catherine Bach is 56. Country singer Janis Gill (aka Janis Oliver Cummins) (Sweethearts of the Rodeo) is 56. Actor Tim

Daly is 54. Singer-musician Jon Carroll is 53. Rock musician Bill Leen is 48. Actor Maurice Bernard is 47. Actor Javier Bardem (HAH'vee-ayr bahr-DEHM) is 41. Actor Jack Davenport is 37. Rock musician Ryan Peake (Nickelback) is 37. Actor Mark-Paul Gosselaar is 36. Actor Jensen Ackles is 32. TV host Donovan Patton is 32. Rock musician Sean Woolstenhulme is 29. Rhythm-and-blues singer Sammie is 23.

Thought for Today: "Keep the circus going inside you, keep it going, don't take anything too seriously, it'll all work out in the end." -Ai David Niven, British actor (born this date in 1910, died 1983).

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Answer to previous puzzle

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Newsday Crossword

BIKE SHOP by Gail Grabowski
Edited by Stanley Newman
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Petty quarrels
 - 6 Picked up the tab
 - 10 Karma
 - 14 Spine-tingling
 - 15 Fairy-tale monster
 - 16 Chilled, as champagne
 - 17 Where a local legislature meets
 - 19 Thick carpet
 - 20 Explosive letters
 - 21 Serve supper to
 - 22 Stick (to)
 - 24 Char, as a steak
 - 25 Skimpy skirt
 - 26 One pitching a tent
 - 29 Bank-account current total
 - 32 Black-and-white snacks
 - 33 Puts into words
 - 34 Soccer score
 - 36 Expensive fur
 - 37 "Fourscore and seven years . . ."
 - 38 Greek sandwich
 - 39 Military installation
 - 40 Docking site
 - 41 Has a sense about
 - 42 Lumberyard supplier
 - 44 Rough, as sandpaper
 - 45 Wiggly swimmers
 - 46 Contented cat's sound
- DOWN**
- 47 Summon loudly
 - 50 Undergrad housing
 - 51 Driving-range prop
 - 54 Agitate
 - 55 Lack stamina
 - 58 Long-division word
 - 59 Dutch cheese
 - 60 "One of ___ days . . ."
 - 61 Butcher-shop buy
 - 62 Collies and corgis
 - 63 Make confetti out of
 - 4 Sardine container
 - 5 Fixed charges
 - 6 Tough puzzle
 - 7 Matured
 - 8 401(k) alternative: Abbr.
 - 9 Fine points
 - 10 Rinds and reels
 - 11 Post-workout feeling
 - 12 Pull apart
 - 13 Border
 - 18 Calendar period
 - 23 High-tech "fingerprint"
 - 24 Praised highly
 - 25 City official
 - 26 Salon tool
 - 27 Opera solos
 - 28 High-IQ group
 - 29 Roll with a hole
 - 30 More demure
 - 31 Some noblemen
 - 33 Leaves the harbor
 - 35 Succeed with one's diet
 - 40 Flew, as a plane
 - 41 Layouts
 - 43 Got together
 - 44 Medical breakthrough
 - 46 Limericks, for instance
 - 47 Baby's bed
 - 48 Top-notch
 - 49 Lo-cal
 - 50 Haul
 - 51 Stadium level
 - 52 "If all ___ fails . . ."
 - 53 Looked at
 - 56 Wedding words
 - 57 "Quiet!"

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NATIONAL SPORTS IN BRIEF

Shaq to undergo surgery on thumb
INDEPENDENCE, Ohio (AP) — Shaquille O'Neal's regular season could be over. Now the Cavaliers hope the center they acquired for the postseason will be back in time for the playoffs.

O'Neal will undergo surgery Monday to repair his injured right thumb. He was examined Sunday by Dr. Thomas Graham at the National Hand Center in Baltimore. Graham will perform the surgery. The Cavaliers said

they will update a timeline for his return following the procedure, but a typical recovery period is 6 to 8 weeks. There are seven weeks left in the regular season.

Johnson wins at Las Vegas

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Jimmie Johnson needed luck to win a week ago in California. In a city of chance, he didn't need any help at all.

Johnson reeled in teammate Jeff Gordon, who had dominated Sunday's race at Las Vegas Motor Speedway,

to win for the second consecutive week. He took four tires on the final pit stop, chased Gordon for 17 laps, then finally sailed past his Hendrick Motorsports teammate with 17 laps to go to wrap up the win.

The win was the 49th victory of Johnson's career and fourth at Las Vegas. It also made the four-time defending champion the all-time winningest driver on 1.5-mile speedways with 15 victories — one more than Gordon, Dale Earnhardt and Richard Petty.

Gordon dominated the

race, leading 218 of the 267 laps.

Mahan beats Fowler in Ariz.

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. (AP) — Hunter Mahan won the Phoenix Open for his second PGA Tour title, coming from four strokes back to beat Rickie Fowler by a shot in a 1-2 finish for former Oklahoma State players.

The 27-year-old Mahan had an eagle and a pair of birdies in a late four-hole span to finish at 16-under 268. Mahan, whose first victory came at the 2007 Travelers

Championship, closed with consecutive bogey-free 6-under 65s.

Fowler, just 21 and a tour rookie, had a final-round 68.

South Korea's Y.E. Yang also shot a 65 to finish at 14 under, two off the pace. The PGA Championship winner led until his tee shot went in the water at No. 17.

Venus, Ferrer win Mexican Open

ACAPULCO, Mexico (AP) — Venus Williams came from a set down to defend her Mexican Open title, while

David Ferrer defeated good friend and fellow Spaniard Juan Carlos Ferrero to end his 14-match winning streak.

Williams beat Polona Hercog 2-6, 6-2, 6-3 on Saturday night for her second consecutive title — this one on clay to go with Dubai a week ago on hard courts. The win pushed her career total to 43 WTA championships, the most by an active player.

Ferrer lost to Ferrero at the Copa Telmex last week in Buenos Aires, but got a little bit of revenge with a 6-3, 3-6, 6-1 victory in Acapulco.

CANADA

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in Canada, that's the opportunity of a lifetime. You dream of that a thousand times growing up. For it to come true is amazing."

For the past few years, Crosby has basically been on loan. He plays below the border in Pittsburgh — a working-class American town that celebrated him and the Stanley Cup title he and the Penguins brought to the Steel City

last year.

For the past two weeks, he was back home for Canada to reclaim as its own. There could be no more fitting ending to the Vancouver Games than to have the favorite son bring home the gold medal to a country that loves hockey more than any other sport.

At times, it seemed as if the pressure and expectations on this group of Canadian hockey players might be too much to handle. There was the early scare against Switzerland that produced a victory, a scaled-down one in a shootout, and then the crushing loss to the Americans at the end of preliminary round play.

Canada was stuck in a play-in game just to get into the quarterfinals.

Could they realistically be expected to win four times in six days to capture gold?

The answer was a resounding yes.

"We talked about not getting discouraged if the tournament didn't go our way right off the bat," defenseman Scott Niedermayer said. "Believe in each other and get our team game the way it needs to be to win, and we did it."

To win, Canada withstood a remarkable and determined effort from a U.S. team that wasn't supposed to medal in Vancouver, much less roll through the tournament unbeaten before losing in the first overtime gold-medal game since NHL players joined the Olympics in 1998.

"No one knew our

names. People know our names now," said Chris Drury, one of three holdovers from the 2002 U.S. team that also lost to Canada in the gold-medal game.

Miller graciously accepted the silver medal around his neck, but the disappointment was easy to read on his face.

"He was the main reason we were in the gold medal game and why we got it to overtime," forward Ryan Callahan said.

Drury, Miller's former teammate with the Buffalo Sabres, hugged the devastated goalie near the U.S. bench as the celebration roared all around them.

"He's pretty down, but there's no chance we're here without the way he

played the whole tournament," Drury said. "It's heartbreaking to lose in OT of a gold-medal game, but he should be proud of everything he did the last two weeks."

Miller was done in on Sunday by a couple of costly mistakes by his typically sure-handed defensemen. The gaffes led to shots that gave the rock-solid goalie little chance to stop.

Even with an early 0-2 deficit — the first for the Americans' in this stunning Olympic run — Miller proved to be as brilliant as he had been throughout the tournament.

A two-goal hole was already deep for the Americans. Three would have been almost too monumental to overcome.

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AREA

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Jason Doport entered the game in the third with one out and the bases loaded, where he got a strikeout and a groundout to keep the Tors off the board.

Doport tossed 2 2/3 innings and allowed

one run, earning the win, before Chance Hart pitched a scoreless sixth for the save.

Josh Paniagua went 2-for-3 with two RBI and two runs scored. Lupe Abrego went 1-for-3 with a double and RBI, including a game-tying sacrifice fly early in the game.

Coahoma's games scheduled for today against Midland Greenwood has been moved to Tuesday at 4 p.m. in Midland, varsity only.

Coahoma finishes second in pool

MIDLAND — The Coahoma Bulldogettes used solid pitching performances to finish with a 4-2 weekend in the West Texas Classic, earning second in their pool.

Heather Newton and Katie Dunn each went 2-1 in the tournament, with each notching a shutout. Newton struck out 37 batters in three starts, including 15 in a loss to Abilene High. Dunn notched 10 in her

win over Greenwood.

The Bulldogettes beat Abilene Cooper 5-2, Marfa 7-0, Midland Christian 4-0 and Midland Greenwood 3-1 in the tournament. Coahoma's losses came 3-1 to Abilene High on Thursday and 4-3 to Odessa Permian on Friday morning.

The Bulldogettes are 7-4 on the season, with all their losses coming at the hands of 5A schools. The Bulldogettes will play Greenwood at 5 p.m. in Midland Tuesday.

HOWARD

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the way Howard's bats got going at home.

"We got a little better offensively," he said.

"But it's tough for a lot of guys to get in rhythm because they've been hurt, they've been out, and with the weather we haven't got to practice."

Odessa is 2-1 on the year but should challenge Howard in the WJCAC, Smith said.

"In the coaches poll, I picked them first," Smith said. "If we can split with those guys, it will buy us another week to get some more guys back. Honestly, that's what we're going to have to do until we get into April."

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South dealer.
East-West vulnerable.

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 ♥ K Q 9 7
 ♦ A K Q 9
 ♣ 5 4

WEST
 ♠ K 6 4
 ♥ A 10 8 6
 ♦ J 10 7 4
 ♣ 6 2

EAST
 ♠ J 8 7 2
 ♥ J 4 3
 ♦ 8 6 2
 ♣ Q 10 8

SOUTH
 ♠ Q 9 5
 ♥ 5 2
 ♦ 5 3
 ♣ A K J 9 7 3

The bidding:
 South West North East
 1 ♠ Pass 1 ♠ Pass
 2 ♣ Pass 2 ♣ Pass
 3 ♣ Pass 3 ♣ Pass
 3 NT Pass 4 ♣ Pass
 5 ♣ Pass 6 ♣

Opening lead — four of diamonds.

Everyone is occasionally guilty of becoming enamored of a particular hand and overestimating its value. All players should, of course, strive to keep such excesses to a minimum, as steady overbidding is a serious fault in anyone's game. The best policy in bridge is to try to bid your hands as accurately as possible — neither overbidding nor underbidding them — but this is not always

easy to do.

Consider this deal from the Italy-U.S. match in 1951. Howard Schenken was South for the American team and, at favorable vulnerability, decided to open one club.

He found his partner with a huge hand, and North never did let go until a small slam was reached. Schenken did everything he could to slow his partner down, but North had the bit firmly in his teeth and refused to let go.

The Americans were exceptionally lucky on the deal because, as the cards were divided, the slam could not be stopped. West led a diamond. Schenken won the trick with dummy's queen, finessed the jack of clubs, led a heart to the queen and cashed the A-K of trumps. When he next led another heart, West took the ace, and that was that. Declarer had 12 ice-cold tricks.

Schenken would have gone down had West held the queen of clubs, or had East held the Q-10-x-x of trumps, or had East held the ace of hearts, or if West had led a spade initially and East had the king.

North was extremely pleased by the favorable outcome, which was attributable for the most part to his highly optimistic series of bids. He knew he had dodged a bullet, and no doubt vowed not to press his luck quite as much in the future.

Tomorrow: Maximum security.
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