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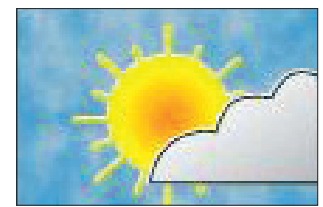
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Dance livens Powwow beat

By **STEVE REAGAN**
 Staff Writer

Get ready for "Dancing With the Stars" — Native American style.

Big Spring will get a good dose of Native American culture this weekend when the sixth Annual Big Spring Powwow is held in Garrett Coliseum Saturday and Sunday.

Doors open at 10 a.m. Saturday. Admission is \$5 for adults. Children under 12 get in free.

Up to 100 participants are expected for the event, which, when you look at it a certain way, is just one big dance con-

"You can lose yourself in the sound of the drums and the dancing. You can just lose all your worldly thoughts and become immersed in Native American culture."

—Robert Downey

test, said Robert Downey, one of the event's organizers.

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Courtesy photo

Participants enter the arena during the grand entry of the 2009 Big Spring Powwow. This year's event will be held Saturday and Sunday in Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

SWCIDfest gets under way Friday

By **CINDY SMITH**
 Special to the Herald

SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf is celebrating its 30th year of existence and part of the hoopla takes place this weekend with SWCIDfest.

The annual event begins Friday and continues through Sunday.

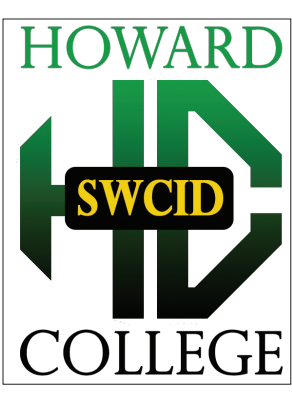
SWCID is a school of higher learning for deaf and hard of hearing persons and is the only self-contained community college in the nation. However, SWCIDfest is not limited to the deaf population. The general public from across the Permian Basin is invited to join the activities, most of which are free and "family friendly."

Dr. Mark Myers, SWCID provost, reiterated that SWCIDfest is open to

everyone.

"We want everyone to come out to our campus and have a great time while learning a little more about SWCID," said Myers. "There is something for everyone throughout the entire weekend and we look forward to a great time."

Friday's activities for the general public will be held at Hall Center for the Arts on the Howard College campus. The National Theatre of the Deaf will be performing "Treewise," the story of a young person who has deaf



parents and has made a new friend at school. Through the help of a very special tree, the boy learns how to help his new friend understand deaf culture.

Tickets for the Friday night performance are \$10 and will be available at the door or can be purchased on the SWCID campus prior to the event.

The deaf culture will celebrate Friday evening at the Maddux Student Center with the Anderson Twins Comedy, "Two Cultures, One Town: A Story to Tell."

Clay and Levi Anderson have put together a performance that showcases real life events, made-up events (but they could have happened), and stuff that is so unrealistic it has to be a story — we hope!

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WHAT'S GOING ON?

FRIDAY-SATURDAY-SUNDAY
 SWCIDfest. Events throughout the weekend.

SATURDAY
 Howard County Conservatives Tea Party, 10 a.m. to noon, Heart of the City Park. Call 270-8513.

Cars, Stars and Handlebars Goes Hollywood fundraiser for Big Spring State Hospital. Tickets are \$100 each and available at most banks. Big Spring Country Club, 5 p.m.

SATURDAY-SUNDAY
 Big Spring PowWow. Dancing, drums, vendors, raffles and more. Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. Call 263-3255.

SUNDAY
 Home Hospice Butterfly Release and Family Celebration. Dora Roberts Community Center, 2-4 p.m. Call 264-7599.



HERALD photo/Steve Reagan

Howard County Judge Mark Barr reads a citation naming the Howard County Historical Commission as recipient of the Texas Historical Commission's 2009 Distinguished Service Award Monday morning. Listening to Barr's comments are county historical commission members, from left, Loyce Phillips, Nancy Koger, Charlene Ragan, Dorothy Jones and Janie Harrison.

Historical commission presented with award for distinguished service

By **STEVE REAGAN**
 Staff Writer

The Howard County Historical Commission has received special recognition from its counterparts at the state level.

The Texas Historical Commission presented the county group with its 2009 Distinguished Service Award during Monday's meeting of the

Howard County Commissioners Court.

The award recognizes the county's dedication to state historical programs as well as preservation efforts that lead to a greater understanding of state and local history.

"The commitment of Howard County's preservation effort demonstrates enthusiasm and dedication."

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Mavs beat Spurs; Texas playoff rematch set

Associated Press

DALLAS—The San Antonio Spurs figured they were probably going to face the Dallas Mavericks in the first round of the playoffs. So they went ahead and made sure of it by having Tim Duncan and Manu Ginobili sit out the season finale — against the Mavericks, no less.

Dallas beat San Antonio 96-89 Wednesday night in a game Dirk Nowitzki said had “a little preseason feel out there.” The Spurs took an early lead, but the Mavs went ahead with a 16-2 spurt at the

end of the first quarter and never trailed again.

Dallas locked up the second seed in the Western Conference, San Antonio the seventh. Even if the Spurs had won, they could’ve moved up to No. 6 and the Mavs could’ve fallen to No. 3, which still would’ve meant a first-round matchup. The only other way it could’ve worked out was San Antonio playing Phoenix, and apparently the Spurs preferred their chances against their in-state rivals.

“If they’re looking for us,” Dallas center Brendan

Haywood said, “they’ll see us this weekend.”

Yet Haywood was among many in the Mavs locker room who insisted that weren’t offended that a lower-seeded team wants to play them. Nowitzki laughed and said, “It seems like we play them every year in the playoffs anyway.”

Spurs coach Gregg Popovich said his decision was all about resting his stars. There was a little gamesmanship to it, too, as he had both in the initial lineup he turned in. Neither even ended up sitting on the bench.

Popovich probably felt better about his decision after George Hill, who recently missed four games with an ankle injury, aggravated it by tripping over a cameraman during the first quarter. He didn’t return.

“The real bottom line is that I’m paranoid about Timmy and Manu being healthy for the playoffs,” Popovich said. “We’ve had playoffs where Timmy hasn’t played, where Manu hasn’t played, where Timmy’s been half-speed, where Manu’s been half-speed for a variety of reasons. We’re entering this

playoff pretty healthy except for George and I didn’t want to screw that up. ... I want a healthy team come playoff time and that’s really the bottom line.”

Getting the No. 2 seed mattered to Dallas because it comes with home-court advantage in a second-round series. The Mavs sure didn’t look hungry for it in the early minutes, trailing 14-10 late in the first quarter.

Then Jason Kidd made a pair of free throws, a 3-pointer, set up Shawn Marion for a

See **MAVS**, Page 3B

GOLDEN EAGLE



HERALD PHOTO/Steve Reagan

Jae Crowder, center, sits with his Howard College teammates as he signs his letter of intent to play basketball at Marquette University next fall. Crowder was named the NJCAA Player of the Year on Monday, and coach Mark Adams was named Coach of the Year for the national champion Hawks.

Cards beat winless Astros in St. Louis

Associated Press

ST. LOUIS — Another offensive failure left the Houston Astros one loss shy of the worst start in franchise history.

Houston dropped to 0-8 Wednesday night, limited to four hits by Brad Penny and the St. Louis Cardinals’ bullpen in a 2-1 loss Wednesday night.

The Astros remained the only winless team in the majors, mostly because of their big league-low 14 runs.

A day earlier, manager Brad Mills held a rare, off-day optional workout in an effort to help players relax. It was to no avail, as a lineup sorely missing Lance Berkman scored one or no runs for the fifth time.

“There’s not a guy that’s not trying,” Brett Myers said. “I think some of us might be trying too hard. But it’s part of the game.”

“We miss Lance obviously, but guys have got to step up — including myself.”

The Astros lost their first nine games in 1983. They recovered to finish 85-77.

“We’re paid to go out there and hit and catch the ball,” said shortstop Tommy Manzella, whose fielding error allowed the go-ahead run to score in the first. “If I just catch the ball, we might still be playing.”

Penny (1-0) allowed an unearned run on three

hits in seven innings. Pujols drove in a run for his major league-leading 15th RBI.

Myers (0-1) struck out seven and gave up only one earned run in seven innings, the longest start the Astros have had this season.

Penny has given up only one earned run in 14 innings with the Cardinals, who signed him to a one-year contract in the offseason as the rotation replacement for Joel Pineiro.

The bullpen failed Penny in his St. Louis debut but came through this time. Dennys Reyes got Kaz Matsui on a bases-loaded groundout to end the eighth and Ryan Franklin worked a perfect ninth against the 3-4-5 hitters for his third save in three chances.

“Guys are trying their best and it didn’t work out a couple of times,” Franklin said. “But Penny, he definitely deserved that for sure.”

Penny was in the clubhouse at the finish icing down his arm and listening to the home radio feed while watching TV, a combination that ramped up the anxiety.

“Whoever’s doing the radio scares me to death,” Penny said. “Every time there’s a fly ball it’s like ‘Way back!’”

Penny struck out four and walked none, requiring 89 pitches

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CLASSROOM CHAMPIONS



HERALD PHOTO/Steve Reagan

Four Big Spring High School football players were honored at Tuesday’s school board meeting for receiving academic all-state recognition this school year. The are, from left, Ben Merworth, Pavel Plakhotny, Tyler Tannehill and Matt Ritchey. At far right is BSHS Athletic Director Phillip Ritchey.

Cruz homers again, Lewis fans 10 in win over Cleveland

Associated Press

CLEVELAND — Colby Lewis is doing just fine in his return to the major leagues.

Pressed into service because scheduled starter C.J. Wilson had food poisoning, Lewis tied a career high with 10 strikeouts and Nelson Cruz hit his AL-leading sixth home run

Wednesday night as Texas beat the Cleveland Indians 6-2.

A crowd of 10,071, smallest at Progressive Field since the ballpark opened in 1994, saw the Indians make two errors, leave 12 runners on base, strike out 12 times and lose their fifth in a row.

Lewis (2-0), until beating Seattle on Friday, had been winless in the

major since April 7, 2004. He spent the past two seasons with Hiroshima of Japan’s Central League before re-signing with the Rangers in January.

“Lewis isn’t afraid to take the ball and he’s not afraid to pound the strike zone,” Texas manager Ron Washington said. “He gives you everything he has.”

The right-hander allowed two runs over 5 1-3 innings. Lewis made 37 pitches in the first inning, but got out of a bases-loaded jam and didn’t allow a hit until the third. He gave up three hits and four walks overall.

“I made a couple of good pitches to get out of it,” Lewis said. “I’m thank-

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Sports in brief

Hawks No. 4 in latest NJCAA baseball poll

The Howard Hawks remained at No. 4 in the latest NJCAA baseball poll this week as they prepare for a series with New Mexico JC this weekend, weather permitting.

Howard is 31-5 on the season and 16-0 in conference play. The Hawks have won 53 straight WJCAC games dating back to two seasons ago.

Howard Rodeo starts today

The Howard College Rodeo may be a little wet today, but it’s going on as planned starting today. The rodeo is scheduled to run today through Saturday at the Rodeo Bowl.

The event is one of two left on the season for the Hawks and gets under way at 5:30 p.m. The rodeo will continue Friday morning starting at 9 a.m.

Comanche Trail to host golf tournament this weekend

The Comanche Trail golf course is hosting a “shamble scramble” tournament Saturday and Sunday for three-person teams.

The tournament is \$50 plus cart and green fees for non-members; 50 percent of proceeds go to the new clubhouse and the other half will be handed out as prize money.

Mulligans are \$5 per day.

Obituaries

Mary Prudie Brown

Mary Prudie Brown was born in Valiant, Okla., Aug. 19, 1923, to Fannie Pearl and C.E. Story, and was raised on a farm and ranch operation in Martin County, where her father served as county judge.

She and her husband, Glenn, were active in the Church of Christ and operated the Stanton Walgreen Agency Drug store for more than 40 years. At their 50th anniversary celebration in 1997, County Judge Davenport introduced Mary Prudie and Glenn as "Mr. & Mrs. Martin County." Mary Prudie also served as president of the Texas Federation of Music Clubs and thereafter of the National Federation. She

received the first Distinguished Service Award given by the Texas Federation of Music Clubs at their state convention in Lubbock in March, 2010.

After the death of Glenn in 2000, after more than 55 years of marriage, Mary Prudie served until 2008 as president of Inspiration Point Fine Arts Colony in Eureka Springs, Ark., and on the board of the Permian Basin Historical Society, as well as on many local committees and programs in Stanton, from the museum and library to the County Agent's office, the hospital thrift shop and the church. In 2006, she was awarded an honorary doctorate from Ohio Valley University in Parkersburg, W.Va., by President James Johnson.

An important new endeavor is her work, begun in 2003 with Guy and his wife, Brenda Cheryl, on The Straight Gate Project, a 501 c 3 charitable foundation operating a three-acre residential complex for Christian prison aftercare and substance abuse recovery in Oak Cliff (South Dallas). The Straight Gate is one of the largest such projects in the Southwest and has served more than a dozen prison ministries and 400 ex-offenders from throughout the state. The eldest of Mary Prudie's three grandchildren, himself a Dallas resident and Straight Gate volunteer, has already opined that, in the end, this recovery project will be remembered as her most enduring civic work.

She was preceded in death by her son, Baxter Charles, and her husband, Glenn, and is survived by her son, Guy Story and his wife, Brenda Cheryl of Slaton; her daughter, Suzanna Leigh of Dallas; and grandchildren Darcy Wilson, of Dallas, Austen Story, of Washington, D.C., and Dixie (Ivi) Brown of Austin.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, April 16, 2010, at the Downtown Church of Christ in Stanton. Interment will follow at Evergreen Cemetery in Stanton. The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

The family asks that memorials be sent to The Straight Gate, 12005 PR 3550, Slaton 79364, www.thestraightgate.org.

Arrangements are under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home of Stanton. Online condolences may be made at www.npwelch.com

Paid obituary

James M. Epley

James M. Epley, 62, of Big Spring died Wednesday, April 14, 2010, at his residence. Private family services will be held at a later date.

He was born Dec. 17, 1947, in Chicago, Ill., to Linnie and James Epley. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army, having served in Vietnam. He owned an auction company, had been a cook, and most recently worked at Cracker Barrel in Midland.

He is survived by three sisters, Carol Woods of Fishers, Ind., Sylvia Schepers of Noblesville, Ind., and Grace Epley of Big Spring; and a number of nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

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

Gene Morgan

Gene Morgan, 77, of Big Spring died Tuesday, April 13, 2010, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Nolan Parker

Nolan Parker, 83, of Stanton died Wednesday, April 14, 2010, in a Midland hospital. His services are pending with Gilbreath Funeral Home of Stanton.

Samuel W. Smith (Sammy)

BOSSIER CITY, La. — Celebration of Life services for Samuel W. Smith (Sammy), 62, will be held at 2 p.m., Friday, April 16, 2010, in the Hill Crest Memorial Chapel, Haughton, La., with Pastor Dale Tidwell officiating.



Samuel W. Smith was born July 28, 1947, in Minden, La., to the late Samuel Cliff and Shelba Faye Marvin Smith and was called home April 7, 2010, in Branford, Fla., doing what his loved.

Sammy rejoined the Bossier City area in 1990 to assume control of his father's business, Smith's Towing and Recovery. He has been a businessman here for 20 years.

After Sammy's retirement he loved to travel. Sammy passed down the family business to his daughters.

Sammy was a very caring man who never met a stranger, and would do anything for anyone at any time. Sammy will be deeply missed by those who knew him best. Sammy was just a Great Man.

Left to cherish Sammy's memory and tell his stories will be his two daughters: Candy Smith-Jett and husband Mike, and Shana Kay Broussard and husband Chris; granddaughter: Samantha Jett and one on the way; two brothers; Cliff Smith and wife Lisa, and Thomas Marvin and wife Sam; three sisters; Susan Fields and husband John Paul, Mary Lou Hall, Sherrye Cox and husband Tommy; along with a host of extended family members and many loving friends.

Hill Crest Memorial Funeral Home
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Paid obituary

Lonnie Raney

Lonnie Raney, 79, of Big Spring died Saturday, April 10, 2010, in Aledo at his daughter's residence. Memorial services will be held at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, April 17, 2010, at Trinity Baptist Church with the Rev. Randy Cotton, pastor of Trinity Baptist Church, officiating.



He was born Oct. 27, 1930, to Myrtle and Harold Raney in Howard County. He married Myrna Roberts on Nov. 11, 1951, in Big Spring. He was a veteran of the United States Air Force, serving in Korea from 1950-1954. He worked as an electronic technician for Federal Aviation Administration

for more than 20 years. He was a lifetime resident of Howard County and was a member of Trinity Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife, Myrna Raney of Big Spring; one daughter, Cheryl L. Duke of Aledo; one brother, Floyd Dale Raney of Odessa; two grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one sister, Elder Evans.

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

Police blotter

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

- BRANDON DENNIS OLIVETTI, 17, was arrested Wednesday on charges of failure to identify and criminal mischief.
- FELIX MARTINEZ JR., 38, was arrested Wednesday on a warrant from another agency.
- HARASSMENT was reported in the 1600 block of Lancaster.
- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported: In the 1100 block of Ridgeroad.
- STOLEN VEHICLE was reported near the intersection of Fourth Street and Owens.
- DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported: In the 1000 block of Hearn.
- ASSAULT was reported in the 1900 block of N. Highway 87.

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Sandra Paulette Head

Sandra Paulette Head, 73, of Big Spring died Tuesday, April 13, 2010, in a local hospital. Graveside funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, April 17, 2010, at the Peace Chapel at Trinity Memorial Park with Chaplain Lynn Robertson officiating.



She was born May 27, 1936, in Big Spring to Rodney and Edith Trapnell.

Survivors include her daughter and son-in-law, Sanne and David Bean of Tomball; three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents and one sister, Beverly Marshall.

The family suggests memorials be made to the American Lung Association, 8150 Brookriver Drive, S102 LB-151, Dallas 75247.

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences can be made at: www.npwelch.com

Nancy Qualls

Nancy (Smithwick) Qualls, 51, of Maysville died Sunday, April 11, 2010, at Maysville, Okla.

Memorial services will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday, April 15, 2010, at North Park Baptist Church in North Richland Hills and 1 p.m. Saturday, April 17, 2010, at the Second Baptist Church in Odessa.

She was born Oct. 9, 1958, in San Angelo to Albert and Gregoria (Martinez) Smithwick.

She and James Qualls were married June 30, 1976, in Odessa. Nancy was a semi-retired bookkeeper. She and James had been splitting their time between Fort Worth and Maysville for the last several years.

Her survivors include her husband of 33 years, James Qualls of the home; daughters, Stefanie Qualls, Erin Qualls and Jamie Qualls, all of Fort Worth; brothers, Albert Smithwick Jr. of Big Spring and Joe Smithwick of San Angelo; sisters, Janie, Beatrice, Ale, Dorothy and Mary; and three grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; a sister, Frances; and two brothers.

Cremations services were under the direction of Winans Funeral Home, Maysville, Okla. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.winansfuneralhome.com

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to American Foundation for Suicide Prevention at www.afsp.org

Sheriff

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

Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 57 inmates at the time of this report.

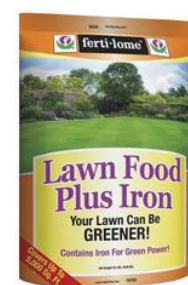
- BRANDON DENNIS OLIVETTI, 17, was transferred to the county jail Wednesday by the BSPD on charges of failure to identify and criminal mischief.
- RAMONA OLIVAREZ, 29, was arrested Wednesday by the HCSO on a charge of burglary of a habitation.
- FELIX S. MARTINEZ, 38, was transferred to the county jail Wednesday by the BSPD on a charge of issuance of a bad check.
- PHILLIP EUGENE BEBEE, 36, was arrested Wednesday by the HCSO on a motion to revoke probation for possession of marijuana — two ounces or less.
- JUSTIN ALLEN PIERCE, 24, was arrested Wednesday by the HCSO on a McCulloch County warrant for aggravated assault with a deadly weapon and a TDCJ warrant for violation of parole — forgery.
- IVAN HERNANDEZ VELASQUEZ, 25, was arrested Wednesday by the HCSO on a charge of bail jumping — failure to appear.
- CRISTINO HERNANDEZ GALVAN, 49, was transferred to the county jail Wednesday by the BSPD on a charge of resisting arrest, search or transportation.
- JAMES PAUL HARRIS, 24, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on a charge of public intoxication.
- MICHAEL JAMES BULLINGER, 22, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on charges of possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of a controlled substance.

Fire/EMS

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

- TRAUMA was reported in the 2500 block of Dow. Service refused.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1700 block of Lancaster. Service refused.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 3300 block of W. Highway 80. Service refused.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1600 block of Lancaster. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported in the 600 block of Scurry. Service refused.
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Royals 7, Tigers 3
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Davies, Parrish (7), Soria (8) and Kendall; Porcello, Perry (7), Coke (8), Bonie (9) and Laird. W_Davies 1-0. L_Perry 0-1. Sv_Soria (2). HRs_Kansas City, J.Guillen (5). Detroit, Ordonez (3).

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(9) and Moore. W_J.Vargas 1-1. L_Gaudin 0-1. Sv_Aardsma (4). HRs_Oakland, Fox (1).

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Br.Wilson (9) and Whiteside. W_J.Sanchez 1-0. L_Morton 0-2. HRs_San Francisco, A.Huff (1), Whiteside (1), Rowand (1).

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ASTROS

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and retiring 16 of 17 batters between the first and sixth.

"I didn't think my stuff was as sharp as the first time in Cincinnati, but I threw strikes, didn't put anybody on base and we had some great

defense," Penny said. "For me, a lot of times I walk someone, man, it seems like they score."

Michael Bourn was 2 for 3, his third straight two-hit game for Houston. But cleanup hitter Carlos Lee was 0 for 4 including a double play ball and weak fly-out for the second out in the ninth, and is 3 for

31 on the season with no RBIs.

Catcher Yadier Molina's signature pickoff move backfired in the first inning, helping the Astros take their second lead of the season. Bourn singled to start the game and took second when Molina threw well wide of first base and Pujols' out-

stretched glove on the first pitch to Matsui. Bourn advanced on Matsui's groundout before scoring on a sacrifice fly by Pedro Feliz.

Molina won his second straight Gold Glove last year, committing only five errors, and led the majors with eight pickoffs. La Russa said

he thought Molina was screened by Matsui, a switch-hitter who was batting left-handed.

The Cardinals jumped on Myers with a walk and two hits to start the first, and Pujols' single tied it. The go-ahead run scored when Manzella misplayed Colby Rasmus' two-out grounder.

NOTES: Ryan Ludwick was 6 for 9 against Myers after singling in the first, then grounded out and flied out the next two trips. ... The Astros have lost 13 of their last 17 at St. Louis. ... The Cardinals' bullpen has stranded all five inherited runners this year.

RANGERS

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thankful for that. I'm not happy with the walks, but everything

panned out." Washington told Lewis on Tuesday night to be ready in case Wilson could not go.

"It wasn't that big of an adjustment," Lewis said. "It was still the normal four days off and pitching the fifth."

Neftali Feliz followed three relievers and worked 1 1-3 innings for his second save.

"We didn't do a good job with runners on third base and less than two outs," Indians manager Manny Acta said after Cleveland went 1 for 12 with runners in scoring position. Cruz's solo shot in the third inning made it 4-0 off Justin Masterson (0-1), on a pitch that was supposed to be a sinker, but, well, wasn't.

"Cruz hit 33 last year," Texas manager Ron Washington said. "All he's doing is show-

ing it wasn't a fluke.

Cruz is the first player with six homers after eight games since Alex Rodriguez did it for the New York Yankees at the start of the 2007 season.

Michael Brantley's bases-loaded double off Dustin Nippert made it 4-2 in the sixth.

A fan touched the ball in foul territory down the right-field line, preventing Luis Valbuena from scoring on the play. Umpire Jim Wolf made the call and Acta argued with the crew for several minutes. Then Nippert got Asdrubal Cabrera on a groundout to end the inning.

"With two outs and the first baseman not holding the runner, he's going to score easy," Acta said. "The umpire said he saw it differently."

Julio Borbon's two-

run single gave Texas a 6-2 lead in the seventh. He came in hitting .040 (1 for 25) and had two hits to raise his average to .103.

Josh Hamilton hit an RBI double in the first and Elvis Andrus' two-out single made it 2-0 in the second.

A throwing error by Indians third baseman Jhonny Peralta led to two unearned runs in the third. On Friday, his throwing error led to three unearned runs in a 5-2 loss in Detroit.

"I'm happy with his defense," Acta said. "He's made some good plays, too."

Masterson got nine of the Rangers 13 strikeouts, and gave up nine hits and two earned runs without a walk in six innings.

NOTES: In addition to Wilson, C Taylor Teagarden, RHP Darren O'Day and two

Texas strength coaches felt the effects of food poisoning. ... The previous low crowd at Progressive Field was 11,408 on April 21, 2009, against Kansas City. ... Indians CF Grady Sizemore went 1 for 3 after missing two games with a sore back. He also walked and was hit by a pitch. ... Andrus and Hamilton each had three of the Rangers' 15 hits. ... Texas has won seven straight and 10 of the last 11 meetings with Cleveland. ... Cruz has nine extra-base hits and a Rangers record 12 RBIs in the first eight games. ... When Texas OF David Murphy reached twice on catcher's interference Sunday, it was only the sixth time it happened, according to STATS LLC, retrosheet.org and The Sporting News Record Book.

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MAVS

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fast-break dunk and followed with a three-point play, all without the Spurs scoring a single point. San Antonio finally made a shot, but then Jason Terry swished a pair of 3s, the last with 1.9 seconds left in the quarter.

The Mavs never pulled away, their biggest lead just 14. The Spurs got within six with 3:31 to go, forcing Dallas coach Rick Carlisle to put Nowitzki back in a few minutes after taking him out. Things didn't very interesting after that.

"I don't think either

team really gave away any coverages — I was open all night long," said Nowitzki, who scored 19 points. "They definitely are going to switch up some of their coverages once we get started Saturday or Sunday."

Nowitzki will be playing differently, too. He was so comfortable on the perimeter that he didn't take a single free throw his first 29 minutes. He got to the line during his re-entry and made both foul shots, upping his franchise-record streak to 74 in a row. He'll go into next season 24 from setting the NBA record.

Caron Butler scored 20 points, Kidd had 18 and Terry 10.

San Antonio's Tony Parker scored 16 points, his most in the six games since returning from a broken right hand.

DeJuan Blair scored 27 points, one shy of his career high, and had a career-high 23 rebounds — but failed to grab a pair during that late stretch when the Mavs kept the Spurs from getting any closer than six. "I knew Tim and Manu weren't going to play so I knew I had to step up and play with confidence," Blair said. "They got the rest and we got a feel for (the Mavericks)."

The upcoming playoff series will be the third in five years between these Texas teams. The

Mavs won the last two, in the first round last year and in the second round on their way to the NBA finals in 2006.

Dallas won the season series 3-1, but that's practically irrelevant because the first two meetings were back in November and another was in early January, before the Mavericks remade their roster in a blockbuster trade with Washington.

NOTES: The Spurs had won two straight and six of eight. ... Anyone questioning Popovich's passion for this game only had to see how he chewed out Keith Bogans for a mistake — with 16.4 seconds left. ... The Mavs showed a video of Marion pushing a button, then cut to a clip of Texas Stadium imploding, then ends with Marion looking shocked. ... Dallas reached one of Cuban's big goals for the season: Keeping alive its NBA-best streak of consecutive sellouts. This was No. 358 in a row. ... T-shirts with an image of a screaming Cuban were thrown out to the crowd. Cuban's wife looked happy to have snagged one.

Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Optical Illusion

West dealer.
East-West vulnerable.
NORTH
♦Q 6
♥K 10 5 4
♦AK 8
♠J 9 6 3
WEST
♦K 10 8 7 4
♥—
♦QJ 9 4 2
♠K Q 10
EAST
♥9 3 2
♦Q 6 3
♦10 7 5
♠A 8 7 4
SOUTH
♦A J 5
♥A J 9 8 7 2
♦6 3
♠5 2

The bidding:
West North East South
1♠ Dble 2♠ 4♥
Opening lead — king of clubs.

Assume you become declarer at four hearts on the auction shown. West leads the K-Q-10 of clubs. You play the jack from dummy and ruff East's ace. How would you continue?

It's easy to see, looking at all four hands, that the winning play is to lead a heart to dummy's king and, after West shows out, finesse against East's queen on the return. Eventually you lose a spade, but you make the contract.

Without seeing all four hands, however, you might easily play the ace of hearts first and end up down

one. The outcome therefore seems to depend on a straightforward guess as to how to tackle the hearts. But there is a bit more to the deal than at first meets the eye.

When the hand was played in a team contest, declarer realized that the only threat to the contract was a 3-0 heart division. After East turned up with the club ace, South decided that West was likely to have the queen of hearts for his opening bid. He therefore cashed the ace of hearts and that was that — down one.

While it may be true that West was more likely to have the heart queen for his bid, declarer missed a surefire way to make the contract. He should have reasoned that cashing the ace first would sink the contract if West showed out, but the same was not true if he cashed the king first and East showed out.

Had East not followed to the heart king, declarer could next have led a heart to the ace, played the A-K and ruffed a diamond and then exited with a heart. After taking the queen, West would have been forced to return a spade or a diamond (the earlier plays in clubs had marked him with just three cards in that suit), either of which would hand South the contract.

Guessing which way to play the hearts was therefore an illusion. The contract was a sure thing so long as declarer played dummy's king first.

Tomorrow: Bidding quiz.
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Big Spring man killed in wreck north of town

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
Staff Writer

A Big Spring man died Saturday following a traffic accident near the intersection of U.S. Highway 350 and Rice Road, according to officials with the Texas Department of Public Safety.

John Wayne Murphy, 45, of Coahoma, was pronounced dead by a doctor at Scenic Mountain Medical Center at 8:14 a.m. Saturday after the vehicle he was traveling in was struck in the passenger side.

According to DPS Operator Matt Cockerell, Murphy was a passenger in a 1998 Ford Escort driven by 19-year-old Roy Garcia Jr. of Big Spring.

"Vehicle one (Escort) was traveling northeast on Highway 350," said Cockerell. "The second vehicle, a 1998 Dodge pickup, was traveling south on the same roadway. Vehicle one attempted to make a left turn onto Rice Road when the pickup struck the passenger door."

Cockerell said the pickup was driven by Albert

Edens. Both Edens and Garcia suffered only minor injuries as a result of the traffic accident.

Murphy was transported to the emergency room at Scenic Mountain Medical Center, where he was pronounced dead.

Trooper Tommy Salmon, who works out of the state agency's Big Spring office, investigated the traffic accident, according to DPS officials.

Cockerell said there were no notations in Salmon's report to indicate drugs or alcohol played a roll in the fatal accident.

The crash is still under investigation, according to DPS Sgt. Thomas Moore.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Friday at the funeral home's Rosewood Chapel.

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American Legion Post 506, located at 3203 W. Highway 80, will have a fish fry from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday. Plates are \$10 each; carryouts will be available. Delivery will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. by calling 263-2084.

Howard County Conservatives are organizing a Tea Party for 10 a.m. until noon Saturday at the Heart of the City Park in Big Spring. For more information, contact Bo Fryar at 270-8513.

Coahoma Choir Kids' spring concert will be held at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, April 22, in the school cafeteria. Admission is free.

On May 22, the Howard County Road Kill Running Club (HCRK) will host the first Bob Fishback 5K fun run/walk in Comanche Trail Park. The

Take Note

event will start at the Alice Hayes Pavilion which is located by the Kids Zone play area. All proceeds will be donated to the Fishback family to help pay for medical expenses. Entry fee is \$20 and there will be awards for first through third place female and male participants. You can either pre-register, or register the morning of the event. Registration will open at 6:30 a.m. the day of the event. You can download the flyer at <http://pages.suddenlink.net/hcrk/docs/Annual%20Bob%20Fishback.pdf>

If you were laid off between December 2008 and March 2010 and are interested in training, contact the Workforce Solutions Permian Basin office in Big Spring at 263-8373 or 1-800-749-8373. Training dollars are available to assist those affected by the layoffs and ultimate plant closure.

DANCE

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Prize money will be handed out in seven dance categories and the competition will be intense, Downey promised.

"The dancers will be judged on how they keep in time with the drums and keep in step, how they follow the dance style and the regalia they're wearing," he said.

Gourd dancing starts at 11 a.m. Saturday, followed by the grand entry at noon. After that, the powwow will feature non-stop dancing until 5. Following an hour's

break, dancing resumes until 10 p.m.

Sunday's activities start with an American Indian Christian church service at 9:30 a.m. Dancing resumes at 11 a.m., followed by the grand entry at noon. Dancing then continues until about 4:30 p.m., at which time the awards ceremony will be held.

"We're expecting between 80 and 100 dancers, which is up a little from last year," he said. "You really never know how many people you'll have until they show up, but we've been growing every year."

But the powwow is more than just a dance competition, Downey added.

"I enjoy the competition, but I also enjoy meeting the folks and just the general camaraderie of the event," he said.

The event is also a sensory experience, he said.

"You can lose yourself in the sound of the drums and the dancing," Downey said. "You can just lose all your worldly thoughts and become immersed in Native American culture."

Also on hand will be more than 35 vendors selling "everything from buffalo burgers to Indian tacos to beads and jewelry and everything in between," he noted.

Before there was the

city of Big Spring, and even before the historic Big Spring received its name, American Indians regularly migrated through this area and Downey hopes the powwow helps remind people of that fact.

"One of the reasons we're doing this is to bring Native American heritage back to Big Spring," he said. "That heritage is so rich here — there's a lot of history here that people don't realize."

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SWCID

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Tickets for the Anderson Brothers comedy event will be \$15 for individuals age 13 and up and free for those under the age of 13. Refreshments will be provided following the performance. Tickets can be obtained on the SWCID campus and will also be available at the door.

Saturday, the SWCID campus will be open to visitors. There will be a silent auction and numerous booths offering various activities, food and other entertainment designed to appeal to all walks of life. There is no admission for Saturday afternoon activities.

Silent auction items include gift cards for Allen's Furniture, Blum's Jewelry, Starbucks and several restaurants, such as On the Border

and Carino's.

Exhibitors such as Sorenson, H-E-B, Sprint Relay and others will also have booths set up on campus to showcase their products and services.

The deaf culture will cap off Saturday's activities with a National Theatre of the Deaf performance of "Treewise" at 8 p.m. in the Maddux Student Center on the SWCID campus. Tickets for the Saturday theatre

production are \$10 for individuals 13 years old and up and free for those under 13. They will be available at the door or can be purchased in advance on the SWCID campus.

Sunday, there will be a worship service at 9:30 a.m. at the Maddux Student Center that will conclude the weekend's activities.

All funds raised throughout the SWCID-fest celebration will be

used to help increase the SWCID scholarship fund.

For more information regarding any scheduled activity, or to purchase event tickets, contact John Green at jgreen@howardcollege.edu or Jennifer Key at 432-264-3700.

For more information about SWCID and Howard College, visit www.howardcollege.edu.

AWARD

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asm for saving the real places of Texas," said Mark Wolfe, executive director of the state commission. "Your service has helped to enrich the lives of others through history, ensuring the preservation of our state's past into the future."

Charlene Ragan,

chairperson of the county commission, said the award was the result of hard work, not just on the part of current commission members, but past members, also.

"When you think of all the people who have worked so hard over the years to preserve Howard County history, people like Polly Mays and Joe Pickle, you realize they're not just recognizing your efforts, but

theirs as well," Ragan said.

Members of the county agency are appointed to two-year terms by commissioners and are tasked with a variety of preservation efforts. Among other duties, Ragan said commission members actively work with Hangar 25 Air Museum and Heritage Museum on historical projects. In addition, the agency supports the

Polly Mays Memorial Scholarship Fund at Howard College.

The award is a nice feather in the county's cap, Ragan said.

"When you consider that there's 254 counties in Texas and only 80 receive this award, you realize that they don't give it out to just everyone," she said. "We've very pleased and appreciative, certainly, to the county commissioners

for their support."

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OUR VIEW

Powwow will be a 'unique' celebration

One doesn't have to "go tribal" to celebrate his or her Native American heritage — something a great many of us can boast. Instead, we can celebrate our ancestry by taking part in this weekend's annual Big Spring Powwow at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

The powwow will get under way at Saturday morning with gourd dancing, followed by the grand entry when all of the event's dancers will enter the coliseum floor.

It's important to note that the weekend powwow is not a religious event. In fact, it's simply a celebration — a social event, if you will — conducted in the manner Native Americans have always celebrate.

"The powwow is a social event and there is no Native American religion involved; there will be no medicine men and no ceremonies," explained Randy McKinney, who serves as treasurer of the powwow's organizing committee. "A powwow is a wonderful experience; the drum alone will lift your heart and make your feet want to dance.

"Dancing has always been a big part of the Native American culture, as it has in many cultures," McKinney added. "Most people think of war dances or rain dances. However, Native Americans dance for many reasons — a good hunt or harvest, marriage or childbirth, or just for the fun of it. These dances would last for days."

But one doesn't have to be dancing to enjoy the powwow's activities. Those interested in attending merely as spectators will have an opportunity to experience unique sights and sounds that are only displayed once a year in Big Spring — colorful costumes, the drum beats and the various dances displayed by the performers.

In addition, numerous vendors will be on hand, offering many different wares.

A food drive will also be conducted during the event by powwow organizers. All donated canned goods will be given to local food banks.

The event continues Sunday, the event will begin with a special Christian worship service at 9:30 a.m. in the arena. Following that service, gourd dancing and the grand entry are scheduled.

Admission to the event is \$5 and children under 12 are free.

For more information about the powwow, contact Connie Lesser at 264-8203.

We encourage readers to make the Big Spring Powwow a part of their activities this weekend. It's clearly an affordable entertainment opportunity — one that is singularly unique in our community. And don't forget to bring a few non-perishable food items. You'll be glad you did.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

Our conditions improve, Lord, when we trust in You.

Amen

The Lone Republican Ranger

He is doing more for the Republican Party than anyone can imagine, perhaps saving the GOP from complete alienation in Latino and other immigrant communities. And yet, for supporting comprehensive immigration reform, Sen. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., has been called a socialist and a traitor by the conservative wing of his own party.

For the past few weeks, Graham, the only Republican courageously promoting immigration reform in the Senate, has been exposing President Barack Obama's phony posture on immigration.

By calling Obama's bluffs, Graham is showing that immigration reform is still not a top priority for the president, who promised to tackle the issue during his first year in office. And Graham undoubtedly is scoring huge gains among Latinos and other immigrants who are tired of being used and taken for granted by the Democratic Party.

He has become the new John McCain of immigration politics, hated by many in his own party yet keeping his party afloat among many others.

Here's one Republican who obviously recognizes that the GOP no longer can afford to keep alienating Latinos and other immigrants. Even Sen. McCain, trying to get re-elected in Arizona, has been keeping a low profile on immigration nowadays and leaving Graham as the Lone Republican Ranger on immigration reform.

Yet many conservative extremists, blinded by their hatred of immigrants, clearly don't appreciate Graham's efforts to rebuild broken bridges between the GOP and the immigrant communities. They don't see that Graham is making Obama look terrible in the eyes of many of the people who elected him president.

Many Latino and other immigrant leaders, mostly Democrats who supported Obama when he ran for president, now are telling him that it's simply not enough for him to keep reaffirming his support for immigration reform. But when a Republican — a leader of the traditionally anti-immigrant party — is telling Obama that it's time for him to act and stop talking, it carries even more weight.

After Obama recently reaffirmed his "unwavering" commitment to fix our broken immigration system — to appease the angry pro-immigrant protesters in several cities — Graham said the president was only paying lip service while doing "almost

nothing" to promote immigration reform.

"This idea that the president's been unwavering on immigration doesn't really pass the smell test," Graham said March 14 on ABC's "This Week."

The White House insists that the president is waiting for the "framework" of "bipartisan" legislation Graham is drafting with Sen. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y. But Graham, apparently tired of seeing the president sit back and do nothing on this issue, has challenged Obama to come up with his own plan.

"You do the heavy lifting," Graham said, indirectly addressing the president. "You put together a comprehensive immigration reform package. You bring it to the Senate and House and see how many Democrat and Republican supporters you can get. All you've done is talk about what we should do. Now is the time to lead."

Without the help of any other Senate Republican, Graham is exposing Obama's broken immigration promises and the Democrats' unwillingness to spend political capital on this issue. Of course, this will not make many Latinos or other immigrants automatically vote for Republican candidates in the midterm elections, but it will make them pause before they vote against them.

More than ever, minority voters are realizing that our leaders need to be chosen by their individual positions on key issues, including immigration, instead of by party affiliation.

Yet considering Republicans' record on immigration — and the huge number of immigrant-bashers in their ranks — it's truly amazing that a Republican senator could be making a Democratic White House play defense!

Reaching for excuses to explain the administration's failure to pursue immigration reform, White House spokesman Robert Gibbs made clear March 30 that if reform legislation fails this year, the Democrats — quite ridiculously — are getting ready to blame Republicans!

"The president has been a strong advocate and proponent of immigration reform," Gibbs said.

But he also noted: "This can't just be President Obama. This can't just be President Obama and the Democratic Senate. Quite frankly, it probably can't just be President Obama, the Democratic Senate and Lindsey Graham. It has to be others."

In other words, if more Republicans don't step up, they are to be blamed.

Of course, that's not the same affirmative "Yes, We Can" message we heard from the Obama campaign in 2008, and it's certainly not the majority-

rules approach that Democrats used to drive health care reform through Congress.

Now the Democrats want us to believe that if they don't keep their promises to reform immigration, it is the Republicans' fault.

C'mon! We always knew that immigration reform had minimal Republican support and huge conservative opposition. After the way health care reform was rammed down the throats of Republicans, we always knew immigration reform would become even harder for them to swallow.

Nevertheless, Gibbs said that the president will meet with Republican lawmakers "in the near future" and that he will "gauge whether or not it's possible to move forward on this issue."

Of course, that is a far cry from "Yes, We Can" or "Si, Se Puede." It's the first acknowledgment by the White House that immigration reform may not be possible this year.

However, even before Obama tries to win the support of a few Republican senators — necessary to get a 60-vote supermajority — the president needs to secure the support of several Democratic senators who have stood against immigration reform in the past.

"I urge the president to write a bill and see if he can get another Republican, see if he can convince the 16 Democrats who voted 'no' last time," Graham said. "Write a bill, and send it to me. I'll be glad to look at it."

As pro-immigrant marchers occupy the streets of our cities — pleading for Obama to deliver on his promises — Graham says people at those rallies should know that their president has been feeding them only "political spin."

He is calling Obama's bluffs, making Latinos and other immigrants see the deceptions of the Democratic Party, giving Republicans an opportunity to regain lost ground in the immigrant communities and trying to save his party from becoming extinct. And yet Sen. Graham has become the target of immigrant-bashers.

On the Internet, many of them have called on South Carolina voters to boot him out of office. One of them charged that Graham is "as big a communist as Schumer." Another one said "Senator Grahamnesty" should stop pretending to be a conservative. One suggested that Graham should pack his bags and move south of the border. And yet another one assumed that Graham "must have an illegal alien mistress on the side or something."

They don't know a good and courageous politician even when they see one.

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They must be held accountable

If the head of a major business covered up the sexual abuse of children by his employees by simply moving the guilty workers to another location, that CEO would be held criminally accountable.

The same thing would happen if a superintendent of schools covered up the rape of innocent kids by reassigning the offending teachers to another school.

In fact, in any area or field where an adult covers up the abuse of children and puts the abusers in position to commit the same crime on a new set of kids, the supervising adult would be arrested. Somehow, though, these rules do not apply to the Catholic church.

It's important to remember that the underlying Catholic faith had nothing to do with these unspeakable crimes. The religion's basic beliefs abhor the kind of crimes committed by these rogue priests and covered up by misguided leaders. Guilt

should fall not on the church as a whole, but all those who ignored the teachings of their religion to commit unspeakable acts and the church leaders who, instead of protecting the children in their care, chose to protect their own positions.

Over the past few years, we have seen a disturbing pattern of child sexual abuse emerge. A priest would abuse his position of authority to take advantage of children in his parish. The priest's transgressions would be discovered and instead of getting the police involved, church leaders would simply move the offending priest to another parish where he could hurt more kids.

Even when the allegations of widespread sexual abuse became public, church leaders did little to punish the offending priests. Instead of openly and honestly complying with investigations, all efforts were made to protect the church at the expense of its young members.

Perhaps the most disturbing aspect of this sexual abuse scandal is that America's legal system has largely ignored the crimes. Why have bishops, cardinals and other church lead-

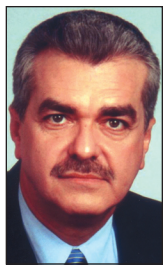
ers who knew of these crimes not been held criminally liable for their actions? Yes, we have arrested individual priests, but we have not held their bosses accountable for covering up their actions and essentially facilitating more crimes.

Don't put Catholicism on trial, but apply the law of the land to all criminals. I don't remember there being an exception to the penal code that allows the Catholic church to handle its own business and I don't believe cardinals or bishops have any special legal exemptions when it comes to the rape of children.

And, I still do not see the Pope or any other leader of the Catholic church actually stepping up to take responsibility for what has happened.

At the very least there should be widespread resignations from positions of authority and an open cooperation with the authorities to make sure all the perpetrators and those who covered up the crimes go to jail.

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News in brief

China quake death toll passes 600

MADUI, China (AP) — Rescue teams fought gusty winds and altitude sickness Thursday as supplies of food, water and almost everything ran thin after strong earthquakes left more than 600 dead in a mountainous Tibetan area of western China.

Survivors, many of whom spent the night outside in freezing weather, wandered bleeding from their wounds through Jiegu township for a second day, witnesses said. Rescuers, tired from the high winds and thin oxygen, pulled some survivors and many bodies from the survivors remains of the town flattened by Wednesday morning's quakes.

"We've seen too many bodies and now they're trying to deal with them. The bodies are piled up like a hill. You can see bodies with broken arms and legs and it breaks your heart," said Dawa Cairen, a Tibetan who works for the Christian group the Amity Foundation and was helping in rescue efforts. "You can see a lot of blood. It's flowing like a river."

Grim pictures emerged from several collapsed schools that were the focus of early rescue efforts. Footage on state television and photos posted online showed bodies laid out near the rubble, and the Xinhua News Agency quoted a local education official as saying 66 children and 10 teachers had died, mostly in three schools.

AP-GfK Poll: Surprising jump in opposition to Obama's health care law

WASHINGTON (AP) — Opposition to President Barack Obama's health care law jumped after he signed it — a clear indication his victory could become a liability for Democrats in this fall's elections.

A new Associated Press-GfK poll finds Americans oppose the health care remake 50 percent to 39 percent. Before a divided Congress finally passed the bill and Obama signed it

at a jubilant White House ceremony last month, public opinion was about evenly split. Another 10 percent of Americans say they are neutral.

Disapproval for Obama's handling of health care also increased from 46 percent in early March before he signed the bill, to 52 percent currently — a level not seen since last summer's angry town hall meetings.

Nonetheless, the bleak numbers may not represent a final judgment for the president and his Democratic allies in Congress.

Only 28 percent of those polled said they understand the overhaul extremely or very well. And a big chunk of those who don't understand it remain neutral. Democrats hope to change public opinion by calling attention to benefits available this year for seniors, families with children transitioning to work and people shut out of coverage because of a medical problem.

Gunfire breaks out at deposed president's rally in southern Kyrgyzstan

OSH, Kyrgyzstan (AP) — Gunfire broke out at a rally where the deposed president of Kyrgyzstan was speaking to supporters Thursday. Kurmanbek Bakiyev was hustled into a car and driven from the scene, and there were no apparent injuries in the crowd.

Bakiyev, accompanied by two of his brothers, returned to his home compound in the village of Teyit about two hours later. He made no comment.

The gunfire occurred seconds after Bakiyev began speaking to the crowd of about 5,000 in Osh, the largest city in the southern region that is Bakiyev's support base.

Although there were no reports of injuries, the gunfire underlined the tensions that persist in the second week of the crisis in the ex-Soviet Central Asian country where both the United States and Russia have military bases.

Witnesses said the shots were fired into the air by Bakiyev's bodyguards,

possibly because of concern about a group of Bakiyev opponents who were approaching from a separate rally about 300 meters (yards) away.

After fleeing the capital last week, Bakiyev in recent days has made a series of public appearances, clearly testing how much support he has to try to resist the interim authorities who have taken control in the capital.

Homes facing foreclosure jumped 16 percent

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A record number of U.S. homes were lost to foreclosure in the first three months of this year, a sign banks are starting

to wade through the backlog of troubled home loans at a faster pace, according to a new report.

RealtyTrac Inc. said Thursday that the number of U.S. homes taken over by banks jumped 35 percent in the first quarter from a year ago. In addition, households facing foreclosure grew 16 percent in the same period and 7 percent from the last three months of 2009.

More homes were taken over by banks and scheduled for a foreclosure sale than in any quarter going back to at least January 2005, when RealtyTrac began reporting the data, the firm said.

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Jerusalem (III)

Should Israel be able to build residences in its capital city?

A great brouhaha has arisen about a mid-level bureaucrat in Israel's Ministry of the Interior releasing a routine notice that 1,600 residences were to be built in Jerusalem. To the surprise of many, this routine announcement was construed as an insult or shock to Vice President Biden, who was visiting in Israel at the time. Mrs. Clinton, the Secretary of State, also was "shocked" and sent a "stern message" of displeasure to Mr. Netanyahu, the Prime Minister of Israel.

What are the facts?

Capital of Israel. Jerusalem is the capital of Israel and will remain that whatever the final accommodation with the Palestinians may be and whatever the "world," including the United States, may desire. That has been understood and recognized by every U.S. Administration since the very birth of Israel. Therefore, to be "shocked" by an announcement that Israel will build housing for its citizens in its capital is strange. This is a trumped-up situation and puts the relationship with Israel with one fell swoop on an entirely different level. It is strange because the President himself has stated that Jerusalem should remain undivided as Israel's capital. So has Mrs. Clinton, especially when she was senator of New York and felt to be much dependent on Jewish support. It almost appears as if somebody in the administration wanted to produce a "crisis" and was looking for an expedient way to accomplish that.

The Muslim Palestinians also claim Jerusalem, or at least its eastern part, as their capital. They want the city to be divided — as it was between 1948 when the Jordanians occupied the eastern part of the city — until 1967, when the Israelis liberated it in the Six-Day War.

The principal basis for the Muslim claim is that Jerusalem does indeed contain an Islamic holy site, namely the Temple Mount (sacred to both Muslims and Jews) with its two mosques, El Aksa and the Dome of the Rock. It is the place from which Mohammed, who never in his life had set foot in the city, is believed to have ascended to heaven. But aware that it was the holy city of Christians and Jews, and wishing to convert them to his new religion, he commanded his followers to build a mosque in Jerusalem. But never in Muslim history did this mosque or this city compare in significance to the holy cities of Mecca and Medina — cities that no "infidel" may visit.

Jews are not the usurpers in Jerusalem. They have been living there since the Biblical era and have been the majority population since the 19th century. Jews have synagogues and other holy sites in most cities of the world. But do they claim sovereignty over those cities because of it? Of course not! It would be preposterous and people wouldn't accept it. Jerusalem is the undivided capital of Israel and will remain so. That is why there is no reason at all that the Israeli government could not plan and build residences for its citizens — Jews and Arabs — in any part of the city. Those who get out of joint about that are either misinformed or looking for a pretext to create a "situation."

A tenuous Muslim claim. It is on the basis of this religious tradition that the Muslims designated the entire Jewish Temple Mount to be their holy site. The Israeli government, in its constant spirit of accommodation to Muslim sensibilities, has largely acceded to this tradition and has put the area in and around the two mosques entirely under Muslim control. But how would Christians feel if, instead of from the Temple Mount, Muslim tradition had Mohammed ascend from the Church of the Holy Sepulcher and if the Muslim Arabs were to claim that site as their property? The Christian world, often ready to consent to Muslim claims against Jews and Israelis, would be greatly astonished and would certainly resist such claim. But Muslim Arab assertiveness doesn't end there. On the tenuous claim of their right to the Temple Mount, they have construed a claim to the entire city of Jerusalem (or at the very least its eastern part), which they have declared to be their "third holiest city." And, it would be an insult to all Muslims and all Arabs to leave the city in the hands of the "infidel Jews."

Jerusalem: Never an Arab capital. The city of Jerusalem — in contrast to Baghdad, Cairo or Damascus — has never played any major role in the political and religious lives of the Muslim Arabs. It was never a political center, never a national, or even a provincial or sub-provincial capital of any country, since Biblical times. It was the site of one Muslim holy place, but otherwise a backwater to the Arabs. The passion for Jerusalem was not discovered by the Muslim Arabs until most recent history.

But Jerusalem has stood at the center of the Jewish people's national life since King David made it his capital in 1000 BCE. After the return from Babylonian exile, Jerusalem again served as the capital of the Jewish people for the next five-and-a-half centuries.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

Are you in a shopping mood? Under the Taurus moon, it is easy to see how having the right tools and ingredients can contribute to a successful outcome.



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However, do not discount the intangible qualities like imagination, ingenuity and determination. The right attitude will move you forward more quickly than you can touch.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Make a decision not to judge yourself so harshly. Self-acceptance eases your way. You will do what seems most appropriate without bringing a bunch of extra baggage to the equation.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Your mood will change more quickly than usual. But when you think about it, no one is ever permanently

excited, bored or joyful. Whatever state you're in, acknowledge that it's a temporary state of being.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You'll be brimming with vigor this afternoon, so schedule the most challenging tasks for those sharp and energetic hours. You'll sleep very well tonight and dream prophetically.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You get in such a pattern of handling everything yourself that you either forget or refuse to enlist the help of your loved ones. They need to help you in order to feel useful. Let them show their love.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You'll be especially winning at tasks that require verbal, athletic and business skills. You'll apply what you know and in the process figure out what you don't know. The training you need is readily available, and it's affordable, too.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Something crosses

your mind — an old secret you've kept under wraps for so long that it no longer has much charge. Though it's practically a non-issue, there is at least one person who is grateful for your silence.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Make it obvious to others that you take pleasure in your work. This will set you apart and put you first in the minds of those with the power to promote you. And if you're not so thrilled, try faking it a little.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). It's not enough for you to know how to do something. You want to master the skill, and you will. The more you add to your arsenal of tricks the better your days become.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You are in danger of becoming complacent, especially in regard to your work. Push yourself to do more. Find a worthy competitor to help motivate you when you've lost your spark.

CAPRICORN (Dec.

22-Jan. 19). You have to be happy yourself before you can make anyone else happy. You have to own it before you can give it away. Start by placing yourself in an environment that has "good vibes."

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). A friend may observe that you've changed, to which you'll react in surprise. Of course you've changed — like, a hundred thousand times. You are always experimenting and growing, and you feel sorry for those who aren't.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Getting better results will require you to take an action that doesn't come naturally to you. Will it be worthwhile? Only you can say. But don't commit yourself until you're sure.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (April 15). Your tremendous expectations of this year will contribute favorably to the outcome. You believe you can have the thing that has eluded you, and by

September, it is in your grasp. Someone you were critical of in the past will impress you in May. Intriguing offers make your personal life pop in July. Virgo and Libra people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 9, 30, 11, 4 and 16.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS: "I am a 46-year-old single Capricorn. I've never been married, but I've had a few long-term boyfriends — one for seven years, one for three years and a few that lasted a couple of years. I've dated plenty in my life and have lived with men and lived alone. For one reason or another, my relationships have not led to lasting love. What am I doing wrong? Will I ever find lasting love?"

Maybe you're not doing anything wrong. Can you look back on your relationship choices and stand by them? If the answer is yes, then you cannot assume that just because you're not currently in a relationship you are somehow in the wrong. We are

conditioned to believe that a successful life includes the traditional marriage model, and yet there are many ways to evolve as a human — and to find love in the world — that do not involve getting married and staying married forever. Everyone has a different path in life, and there are many kinds of relationships to explore. I challenge you, lovely Capricorn, to change your thinking and measure your success as a person in ways that empower you.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Emma Watson went from acting in grade-school plays to superstardom as wizard-in-training Hermione Granger in the "Harry Potter" film series. This daring young Aries was born under a Sagittarius moon — helpful in imagining and exploring other worlds. Venus in Pisces indicates the heart of a dreamer and a nearly psychic awareness of the people she loves.

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Annie's Mailbox

Dear Annie: I was married for 34 years and divorced two years ago. Within months, I married "Sam," who I met through an Internet dating site. He treated me like I was all he cared about in this world.

Now I've discovered he drinks six to eight bottles of beer every evening.

He also does not communicate with me at all, or uses profane and offensive language and says I'm an idiot.

Sam told me he would provide for us in our old age with a pension and life insurance, but I've learned he has neither, and he tells me he can't afford it.

He is a totally different person from the man I fell in love with. I am hurt, lonely and scared.

Sam is 61 and retired. I am 55. I don't expect him to be with me 24/7, but he's never there at all. I

am going through counseling alone. He won't go because he says there is nothing wrong with him.

When I try to talk to him, he starts an argument and then storms out. I am constantly walking on eggshells.

I am on disability, but a friend has made a tentative offer to take me in if I decide to leave.

I have never lived on my own. I might add that I must have been blind. This man was married five times before me.

He made me laugh all the time, and I never felt so happy. I was stupid. Any suggestions? — *Scared*

Dear Scared: You weren't stupid. You were lonely and vulnerable. If you are unhappy and anxious being married to Sam, please con-

sider a separation while you work with your counselor on becoming less dependent on others.

You are still young enough to change the direction of your life and find a positive outcome.

Dear Annie: I am a 22-year-old gay male and feel like none of my friends care about me. They invite me over because I am funny.

They tell stories at my expense, but if I have a serious issue, no one wants to hear it or offer sympathy.

Four of my closest friends recently moved out of state for college, work, etc. I've made an effort to get to know my peripheral friends individually, but after making plans to see a movie and not getting a call back

and similar such things, it feels as if I am forcing friendships with people who are already part of an inner circle that excludes me.

I was also raped a few months back and confided in a few of these newer friends, but no support was offered.

As a result of the assault, I am awaiting the results of an HIV test, but no one seems worried.

However, another member of the group just broke up with his girlfriend and got an amazing reaction.

My mind feels fractured, and I have resorted to cutting. Sometimes I hope they can see the marks, but nothing is said. What can I do? — *Wanting Someone To Care*

Dear Wanting: You

are crying for help, but unfortunately, your "friends" think you are only looking for attention.

Rape is serious and, along with the cutting, merits professional help. Please ask your doctor to refer you to someone.

Dear Annie: "Little Sister" said her parents are helping her out financially, which has enraged her older, more successful sister.

I am the big sister in my family, and my parents did similar things to help out my younger brother.

While I understand the feelings of jealousy and sibling rivalry, I am also a mature adult.

Big Sister needs to grow up and realize it's her parents' money and they can do what they wish with it.

My life is more peaceful and happy since I let go of my own jealousy. By the way, my brother is now pursuing a graduate degree at seminary. — *Proud Big Sister*

Dear Big Sister: Your

brother is fortunate to have such a caring, sensible sister. Kudos.

Annie's Snippet for Income Tax Day (credit Mark Twain): The only difference between a tax man and a taxidermist is that the taxidermist leaves the skin.

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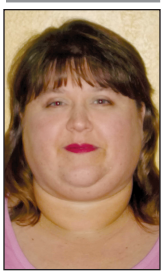
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Casual Cooking with Kris: Mom's Beans or ...



KRIS SOLIZ

Welcoming readers to my world where I enjoy simple, sometimes quick, but always delicious meals.

This week's recipe is near and dear to my heart. It was created about 43 and a half years ago when my mother was preg-

nant with my older twin brother and sister.

Now I don't know what my mom had a hankering for when she concocted this or if it was even half as good as she had imagined. All I know is we have enjoyed it many times through the years with all types of barbecue.

I don't think there was ever an official name for it, I just remember calling it Mom's Beans. So I am *officially* naming this Southwestern Bean Salad.

This recipe has five ingredients that can be found as a staple in most West Texas pantries. There is one ingredi-

ent that is a little unexpected and I don't recommend a substitute. It is the Miracle Whip. Now I am all for generic shopping and you can use the salad dressing, but I can't back up this recipe if you try it that way.

This dish is to be served warmed through

but not super hot, so fire up the grill, go buy some meat and dig out the bib to catch all of this barbecue mess.

Enjoy! Kris Soliz

SOUTHWESTERN BEAN SALAD

- 3 cans of Ranchstyle beans
- 1/2 medium onion diced
- 1/4 cup diced dill pickles (*do not* use pickle relish)
- 1 tbs Miracle Whip
- 2/3 cup of diced cheddar cheese

In a sauce pot over medium heat add the first four ingredients and heat throughly about 10 minutes.

Turn off heat and add diced cheese. Serve with your choice of barbecued meat and other sides.

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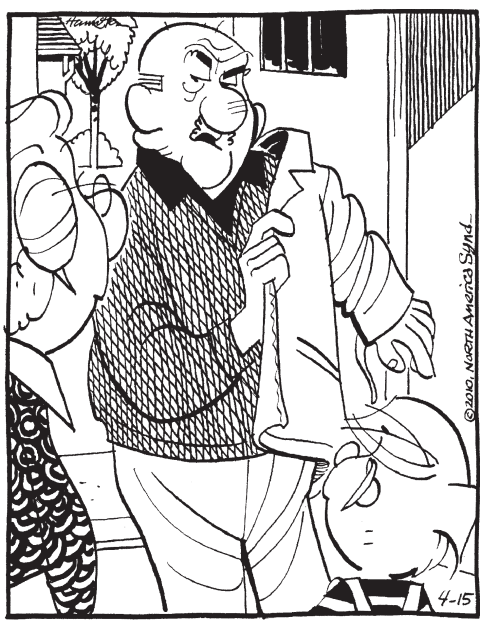
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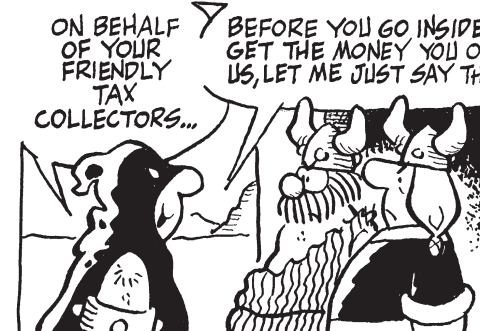
"THE DOCTOR SAID I'M A 'TYPE A' PERSONALITY IN A 'MODEL T' BODY."

THE FAMILY CIRCUS



"Why did you wait till the last minute to do your homework?"

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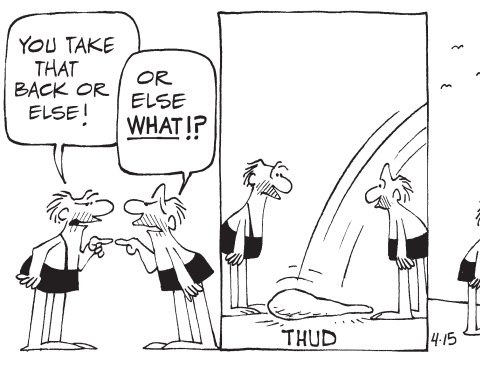
ON BEHALF OF YOUR FRIENDLY TAX COLLECTORS... BEFORE YOU GO INSIDE TO GET THE MONEY YOU OWE US, LET ME JUST SAY THIS...

BLONDIE



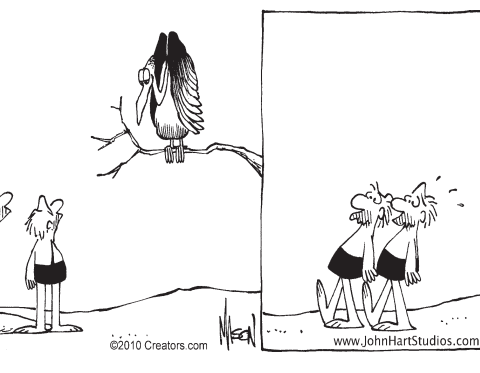
...EVERY EXIT IS COVERED

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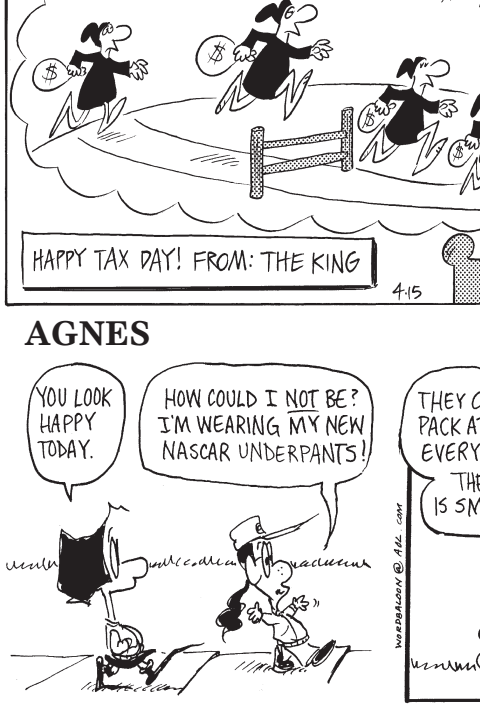
YOU TAKE THAT BACK OR ELSE! OR ELSE WHAT!?

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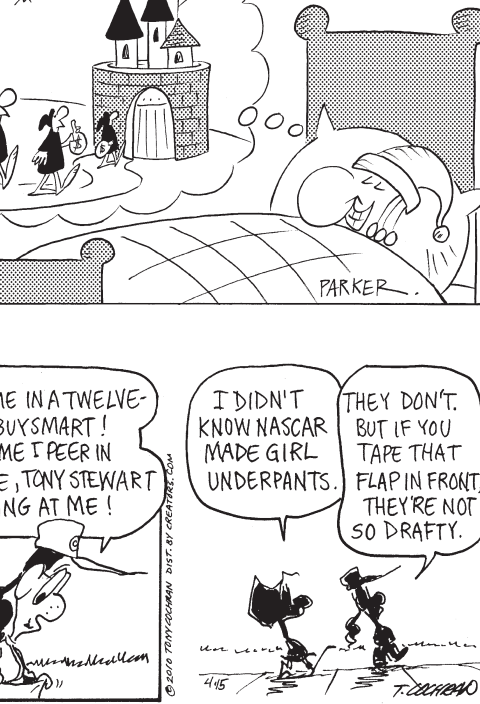
HAPPY TAX DAY! FROM: THE KING

AGNES



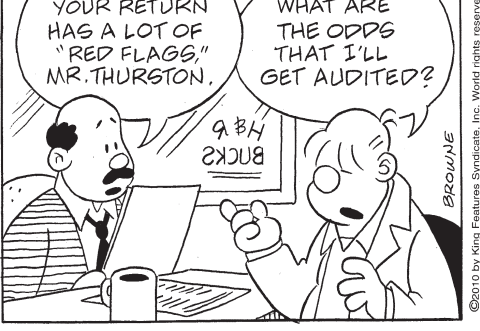
YOU LOOK HAPPY TODAY. HOW COULD I NOT BE? I'M WEARING MY NEW NASCAR UNDERPANTS!

HI AND LOIS



YOUR RETURN HAS A LOT OF 'RED FLAGS,' MR. THURSTON. WHAT ARE THE ODDS THAT I'LL GET AUDITED?

THE OTHER COAST



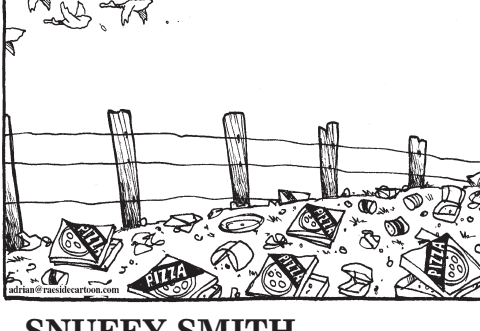
ABOUT THE SAME AS LOSING THE LOTTERY. THAT'S NOT GOOD.

SNUFFY SMITH



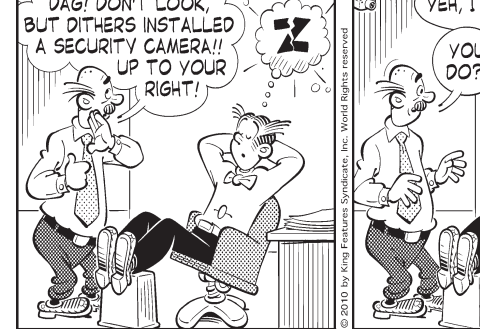
YORE HOROSCOPE SAYS THIS IS YORE LUCKY DAY, SNUFFY !! CAN'T YA NARROW THAT DOWN A LIL' MORE, LUKEY?

BETLE BAILEY



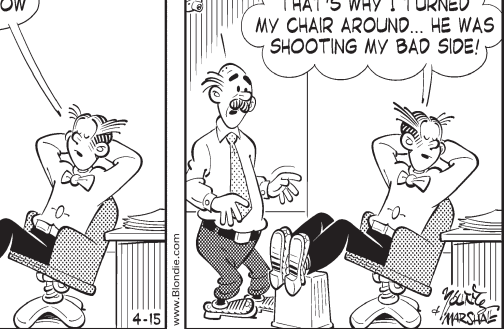
SARGE IS SEARCHING FOR JUST THE RIGHT CATCHPHRASE

BLONDIE



DAG! DON'T LOOK, BUT DITHERS INSTALLED A SECURITY CAMERA!! UP TO YOUR RIGHT!

BLONDIE



THAT'S WHY I TURNED MY CHAIR AROUND... HE WAS SHOOTING MY BAD SIDE!

THIS DATE IN HISTORY

Today is Thursday, April 15, the 105th day of 2010. There are 260 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

- On April 15, 1865, President Abraham Lincoln died, nine hours after being shot the night before by John Wilkes Booth at Ford's Theater in Washington. Andrew Johnson became the nation's 17th president.
- On this date: In 1817, the first permanent American school for the deaf opened in Hartford, Conn.
- In 1850, the city of San Francisco was incorporated.
- In 1861, three days after the Confederate attack on Fort Sumter, President Abraham Lincoln declared a state of insurrection and called out Union troops.
- In 1912, the British luxury liner RMS Titanic sank in the North Atlantic off Newfoundland, less than three hours after striking an iceberg; some 1,500 people died.

THIS DATE IN HISTORY

In 1945, during World War II, British and Canadian troops liberated the Nazi concentration camp Bergen-Belsen.

In 1947, Jackie Robinson, baseball's first black major league player, made his official debut with the Brooklyn Dodgers on opening day. The Dodgers defeated the Boston Braves, 5-3.

In 1959, Cuban leader Fidel Castro arrived in Washington to begin a goodwill tour of the United States. Secretary of State John Foster Dulles resigned for health reasons; he was succeeded by Christian A. Herter.

In 1960, a three-day conference to form the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) began at Shaw University in Raleigh, N.C. The group's first chairman was Marion Barry.

In 1980, existentialist philosopher Jean-Paul Sartre died in Paris at age 74.

In 1990, actress Greta Garbo died in New York at age 84.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Michael Ansara is 88. Country singer Roy Clark is 77. Author and politician Jeffrey Archer is 70. Rock singer-guitarist Dave Edmunds is 66. Actress Lois

Answer to previous puzzle

TAPED	NILE	VICRS
ABHOR	OWES	OREO
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ABBEYS	AWOL	
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	POST	SLAVED
ABROAD	DIANE	
GROUND	CHUCK	RBI
IOUS	JUMP	ESSEN
LOST	OBOE	REELS
EMTS	BASS	SADAT

Newsday Crossword

HOW'S YOUR STEAK? by Robert A. Doll Edited by Stanley Newman

- ACROSS
- 1 Porgy's love affair
 - 5 D-sharp equivalent
 - 10 Missouri clock setting: Abbr.
 - 13 Musical Count
 - 15 Grassy plain
 - 16 Early afternoon
 - 17 Brown color
 - 19 Washington & ___ University
 - 20 Redeemed
 - 21 Roomy vehicle
 - 23 4,840 square yards
 - 26 Saloon snacks
 - 27 Adds, with "on"
 - 28 Attack command
 - 30 Cowboy's need
 - 32 Be hopping mad
 - 35 Place to learn CPR
 - 38 Massachusetts state tree
 - 39 Burned with steam
 - 42 On behalf of
 - 43 "Pronto!"
 - 45 For the asking
 - 46 Generous one
 - 48 Furniture style
 - 50 Loud noises
 - 51 Thick liqueur
 - 53 Cantata participant
 - 56 Humble response to praise
 - 57 RFD part
 - 58 Cooled it
 - 60 Pugilist from Louisville
 - 61 Obstinate sort
- DOWN
- 66 White-glove affair
 - 67 Video companion
 - 68 Submit taxes paperlessly
 - 69 Immigrant's class: Abbr.
 - 70 Declare
 - 71 Humpty Dumpty mishap
 - 8 Common middle name
 - 9 Tribute rituals
 - 10 No consolation at all
 - 11 Weasel
 - 12 Freezing temperatures
 - 14 Theta proceeder
 - 18 Employee IDs, maybe
 - 22 Hardly challenging
 - 23 Away from port
 - 24 Becomes less enthusiastic
 - 25 Cotton, for one
 - 29 Prescription writers
 - 31 Pub potable
 - 33 Fierce fish
 - 34 Flamenco shout
 - 36 Kitchen gadget
 - 37 Highfalutin'
 - 40 Fiscal exec
 - 41 Cable alternative
 - 44 Deer stalker
 - 47 Bribed
 - 49 Flood-prone areas
 - 50 Anjou relative
 - 51 Bucket of bolts
 - 52 Holds sway
 - 54 On the up and up
 - 55 Western resort lake
 - 59 Want-ad abbr.
 - 62 Diamond call
 - 63 Toyota alternative
 - 64 Under the weather
 - 65 Sushi fish

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