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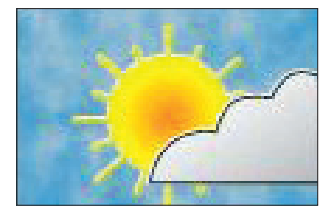
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## NALC food drive slated for Saturday

### Donations go to Salvation Army

By **BILL McCLELLAN**  
News Editor

Big Spring residents need only to go as far as their mailbox to help those in need Saturday.

It's time again for the National Association of Letter Carriers Stamp Out Hunger food drive. Residents are encouraged to put non-perishable food items in a bag or bags and place them next to their mailbox. Saturday, letter carriers with the Big Spring Post Office will collect the items as they deliver the mail throughout the city and on rural routes.

"It's sponsored by the National Association of Letter Carriers and a drive we do every year across the nation to help replenish food banks and pantries and help out the needy," said Steve Machacek, Big Spring Post Office officer in charge.

Nationally, the NALC is hoping to collect a billion pounds of food Saturday.

"It's been a big success every year and grown and grown and grown," Machacek said of the effort.

Locally, there is no set goal, but...

"We'd like to get around 3,500 pounds," said Candace Williams, letter carrier who is coordinating the local effort.

"All of the food goes to our Salvation Army. Sometimes in the past, it went to the

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HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

**Wildflowers growing on Westover Road are gently blown by the wind Tuesday night as hot weather returned to the Crossroads area. The Weather Channel Web site reported temperatures as high as 92 degrees Tuesday in the 79720 zip code area and predicts temperatures will reach the century mark Thursday.**

## Day of Prayer

### Local gathering planned Thursday at First Methodist

By **JOHN A. MOSELEY**  
Managing Editor

"We want to remind everyone that we need to be praying for our nation and its leaders," the Rev. Sharon Wiese, pastor of the First United Methodist Church of Big Spring, said in preparing for Thursday afternoon's local observance of the National Day of Prayer.

"Really, we'd hope that people do that all the time, but it's certainly important that they do so tomorrow," she added, explaining that the National Day of Prayer is not only a national tradition, but has become a Big Spring tradition as well.

Slated for 12:10 p.m. until 12:45 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church's Garrett Hall, it will be a non-denominational gathering that will be led by several local pastors and community leaders.

Wiese, the local Day of Prayer coordinator, hopes area residents will use their lunch break to lift their voices in prayer.

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## Early voting totals surpass election staff expectations

By **THOMAS JENKINS**  
Staff Writer

Early voting in this year's municipal and school district elections wrapped-up Tuesday, posting some rather impressive totals going into Saturday's election day.

Howard County Elections Administrator Sandra Bloom said she's very pleased with the early voting turnout, which actually topped the number of ballots she and her election clerks were

hoping to see by the end of the contests.

"Before early voting began, we were hoping to collect 2,000 ballots for the entire election," said Bloom. "That's how many ballots were cast in the last mayoral race. However, we collected 2,190 — 211 mail-in ballots and 1,979 in-person ballots — just in early voting, so this election is certainly going to surpass our hopes."

Bloom said early voting totals gener-

ally represent 50 to 60 percent of the vote total in an election, and if this year's contest stays true to that ratio, there could be as many as 4,000 ballots cast in the contests.

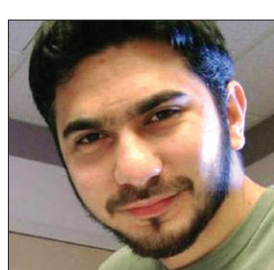
"There are approximately 11,000 registered voters in Big Spring, and another 3,000 in Coahoma," she said. "If we get 4,000 votes by the end of this, that would represent approximately 30 to

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## New York City car bomb suspect cooperates, but motive mystery

**JOHN CHRISTOFFERSEN and TOM HAYS**  
Associated Press Writers

NEW YORK — A man accused of trying to detonate a car bomb in Times Square had found the stable, suburban life he had spent a decade working toward, then abandoned his house in Connecticut and decided to supplement



Shahzad

his business degrees with explosives training in Pakistan, authorities say.

Faisal Shahzad, the 30-year-old son of a retired official in Paki-

stan's air force, was charged Tuesday with trying to blow up a crude gasoline and propane device inside a parked SUV amid tourists and Broadway theatergoers. He was in custody after being hauled off a Dubai-bound plane he boarded Monday night at John F. Kennedy International Airport despite

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# Eight county athletes heading to state

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer  
Howard County track athletes acquitted themselves well at various regional meets that concluded Tuesday.

Eight athletes from Big Spring, Coahoma and Forsan qualified for the University Interscholastic League state track meet later this month in Austin with their Tuesday performances.

Big Spring had only one athlete qualify for the state meet, but he doubled his plea-

sure at regionals, held at Angelo State University in San Angelo. Junior Mike Menefield, who qualified for state by finishing second in the long jump Friday, added another medal to his collection by winning the triple jump Tuesday with a distance of 50 feet, 3 inches.

He will represent BSBS at the UIL state meet, which begins May 14 at the University of Texas.

Several other Big Spring athletes fell short of qualify-

ing for the state meet. The Big Spring Lady Steers finished just out of the money in the 400-meter and 800-meter relays, finishing third in both events. The top two finishers in each event advanced to the state meet.

Also, Bridget Tuitt was fourth in the 200-meter run with a time of 24.9 seconds, while Desiree Anderson was sixth in the triple jump with a distance of 37-5.

"It was one of those 'almost' days," BSBS girls coach Nick

Roberson said. "But last year, we only qualified one girl for the regional meet, so we're getting closer and closer each year ... Plus, this was just a loaded field this year. There were some big schools who were just loaded with speed, and we went out and competed with them. So, there's really no disappointment as far as I'm concerned."

Coahoma qualified two runners — Ray Gutierrez and Lupe Abrego — for the state track meet after their fin-

ishes at the Region I-2A meet at Abilene Christian University.

Gutierrez finished first in the 110-meter hurdles in a time of 14.84 seconds and just missed qualifying in the 300-meter hurdles after he clipped a hurdle heading into the home stretch.

Joining him in Austin will be Abrego, who finished second in the 200-meter run with a time of 22.32.

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## Going pink a success for Hawks

Event raises more than \$3,000 for cancer research

By CINDY SMITH

Special to the Herald

Jack Barber Field was decked out in pink as the Howard Hawks enjoyed a successful weekend both on and off the field.

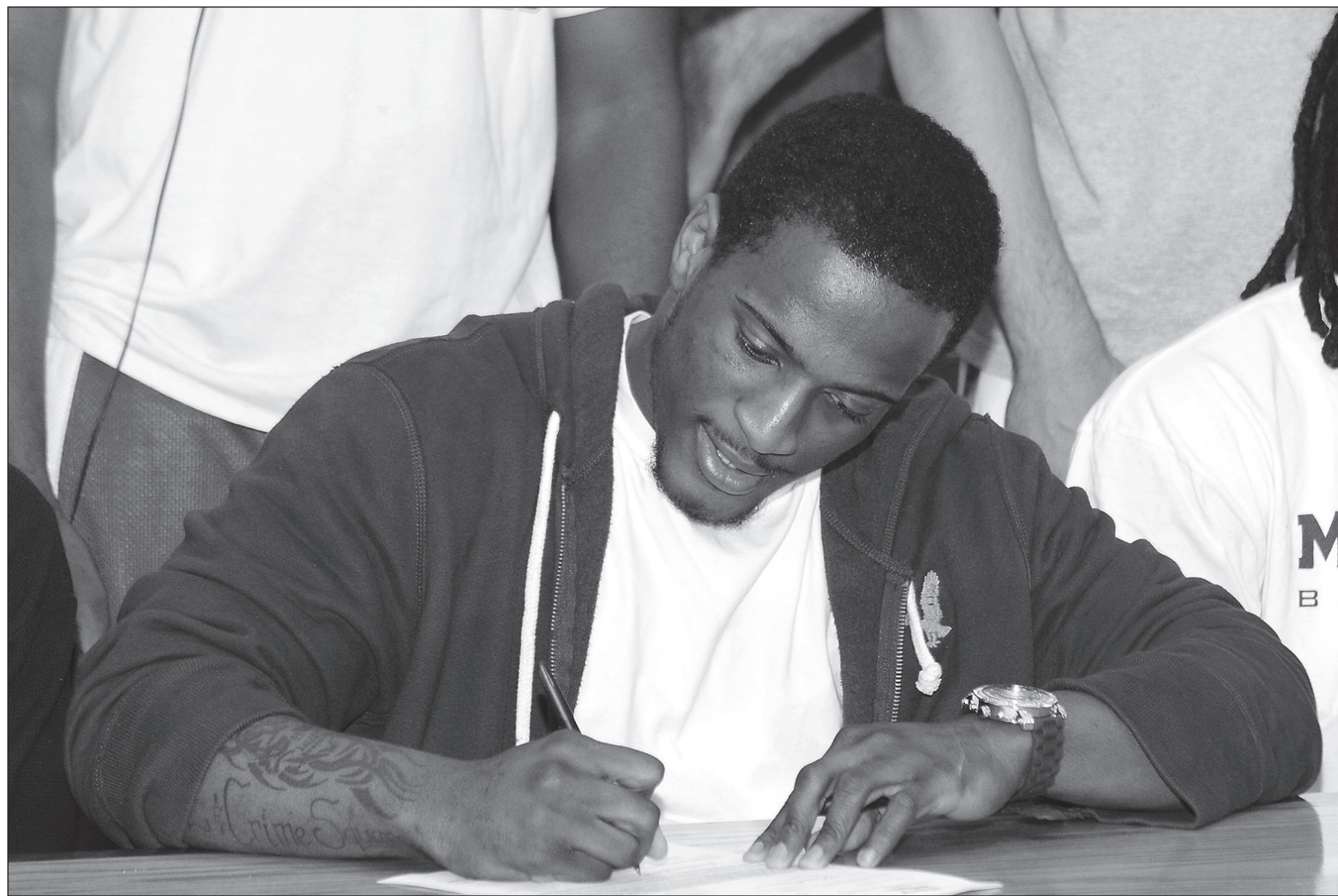
The Third Annual Cancer Awareness Game, sponsored by Hawk Baseball Saturday, raised a record \$3,769 to be donated to the Susan G. Koemen foundation on behalf of the Hawks and their fans.

"We are so excited that we broke our record from last year," said J. Bob Thomas, assistant baseball coach and originator of the annual fund-raising effort. "It really means a lot to me to have this event grow each year and raise even more money to help fight breast cancer."

The team provided the entertainment with run-rule wins against conference foe Clarendon College while fans participated in raffles and silent auctions.

"Even though there is a lot of fun, it wouldn't be possible without the help of our fans and sponsors," said Thomas. "We owe them a very special thank you for helping us make this event happen each year."

This year's sponsors and special assistants included: Back in Motion, Bear Claw Knife & Shear, D-Bat, Burns Graphics, Imprint Texas, Leonard's Pharmacies, Comet Cleaners, Dr. John Myers DDS, Dr. David D. Long, Rick Hamby Law Office, Sidewinders Booster Club, Big Spring Abstract & Title Co., Inc., Rod's Garage, Amy Overton and Suzy Steinberg.



HERALD photo/Tony Claxton

Josh Watkins, a key player for the national champion Howard College men's basketball team, recently signed a letter of intent to play for the University of Utah.

## Confident Spurs: Mistakes can be fixed

PHOENIX (AP) — The San Antonio Spurs need only look back a few days for a reminder that a Game 1 playoff loss in Phoenix is not the end of the world.

"Honestly we'd love to have got that one to kind of get them on their heels," Tim Duncan said after the Spurs practiced on Tuesday, "but we still have an opportunity to steal homecourt here tomorrow, and we're going to do just that. We've got a lot of things to clean up. We feel if we do just that, we give ourselves a real good chance."

A San Antonio victory in Game 2 Wednesday night would send the best-of-seven Western Conference semifinal series to San Antonio tied 1-1. In the first round, the Spurs lost Game 1 in Dallas, then won Game 2 and eliminated the Mavericks in six.

The Spurs watched video of Monday night's 111-102 loss and came away liking their Game 2 chances.

"We made so many mistakes," Manu Ginobili said, "but at the same time, with all those mistakes, all those flaws we had, we were pretty close. ... We are optimistic in that regard. We can play so much better."

Spurs coach Gregg Popovich said "I don't know" when asked if he would move Tony Parker into the starting lineup after the speedster's big game off the bench Monday night.

Parker said an abrupt "no" when asked if thought he would start.

He has been coming off the bench since his return April 6 after missing 16 games with a broken bone in his right hand. George Hill has been the starter, but Steve Nash made Hill look like a statue early in Game 1. The

Suns' playmaker made his first five shots and had 17 points by the end of the first quarter. He finished with 33 points and 10 assists, the sixth "30-10" playoff game of his career.

Hill struggled all night at both ends of the court, finishing with nine points on 2 of 7 shooting.

Parker has given the Suns fits throughout his career. He had 26 points in 35 minutes on Monday.

"They go up-tempo. There are a lot of possessions," Parker said. "I like to play up and down. That's why I think I've always been very successful against them."

Ginobili said Parker "is huge in this series because of the way he attacks seams."

"It also puts Nash in trouble, too,"

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## Sweeney powers A's past Texas

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Ryan Sweeney can hit for average and play a little defense. Now he's regaining his power stroke.

Sweeney drove in career-high five runs on three hits, including a home run, and six Oakland pitchers held off the Texas Rangers in the Athletics' 7-6 victory Tuesday night.

"It's good to get that zero off the board," Sweeney said. "It's even better to get the win. Last night, I felt like I didn't know how to hit. Today, I started to feel a little bit better. I watched some tape to try and get my swing back to what it was before."

Kevin Kouzmanoff and Daric Barton also drove in runs for the A's, who won for just the second time in eight games. Brad Ziegler (1-2) got the win after pitching 1 1-3 innings in relief. Starter Vin Mazzaro lasted three-plus innings, allowing four runs on two hits.

"I filled the zone up the first two innings and then I lost the zone," Mazzaro said. "I thought I had battled back, but it was cut short. I didn't expect to be coming out."

Vladimir Guerrero hit a grand slam and had five RBIs for the Rangers, who had a four-game winning streak snapped.

Rangers starter Scott Feldman (1-3) gave up seven runs on 10 hits over seven innings. He walked three and struck out four.

"I got out there in the beginning and was kind of erratic with my command," Feldman said. "I felt fine the whole time. It was just that my command was awful. For us to put up runs like that and see them go to waste is very disappointing."

Feldman settled in to finish his outing on a good note, retiring the final 12 batters he faced.

"I think I just sort of went right after them a little better," he

said. "I wasn't trying to reinvent myself. I think I just made better pitches."

Andrew Bailey recorded four outs for his fourth save in as many chances. He's yet to allow a run this season and extended his scoreless streak to 19 2-3 innings dating to last Sept. 6. He also converted his 25th consecutive save opportunity.

Mazzaro started in place of two-time All-Star Justin Duchscherer, who has soreness in his left hip. Duchscherer postponed his scheduled appointment to receive a cortisone shot until Wednesday and issued a statement saying: "There's nothing new."

"The first two innings were as crisp as I've seen him," A's manager Bob Geren said of Mazzaro. "Then he seemed to lose command of his pitches. I don't like

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### Area playoff schedule

#### Thursday

Forsan softball vs. Lockney, 5 p.m., Lubbock Christian University.

#### Friday

Big Spring baseball vs. Canyon Randall, 7 p.m., Texas Tech University, Lubbock.

Coahoma baseball vs. Early, 6:30 p.m., McMurry University, Abilene.

Coahoma softball vs. Clyde, 5 p.m., San Angelo Central High School

#### Saturday

Howard College softball vs. Midland College, Region V tournament, 11:30 a.m., Odessa College.

Big Spring baseball vs. Canyon Randall, 1 p.m., Lubbock High School (third game, if necessary, follows 30 minutes after conclusion).

Coahoma baseball vs. Early, 4 p.m., McMurry University, Abilene (third game, if necessary, follows 30 minutes after conclusion).

Coahoma softball vs. Clyde, 2 p.m., San Angelo Central High School (third game, if necessary, follows 30 minutes after conclusion).



# Obituaries

## Ruby Stevens

Ruby Stevens, 89, of Big Spring died Tuesday, May 4, 2010, in Midland. Graveside services will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Mt. Olive Memorial Park with Chaplain Lynn Robertson of Home Hospice officiating.

She was born Oct. 31, 1920, in Mordue, W.V., to Minnie and Harry Davis. She married Hobert Stevens on Oct. 20, 1935, in Eunice, W.V. He preceded her in death March 24, 1952. She had been a resident of Big Spring since 1967. She was a homemaker and a mem-



ber of the Nazarene Church.

She is survived by four sons, Bill Stevens and wife Earla of Phoenix, Ariz., Hobert Stevens and wife Ronda, Johnny Stevens and wife Diana, and Danny Stevens, all of Big Spring; one daughter, Arlene Pineda and husband Daril of Big Spring; two sisters, Marie White of Shelbyville, Ky., and Lorene Bradford of White Sulfur Springs, W.V.; eight grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by one son, Larry Stevens; two grandchildren; one sister, Leone Harris; and one brother, William Davis.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at [www.myersand-smith.com](http://www.myersand-smith.com)

## Joyce Hall

HONEA PATH, S.C. – Ruby Joyce Hill Hall, 72, of South Carolina, formerly of Big Spring died Friday, April 30, 2010.

Born in Big Spring, she was a daughter of Katie Ward of Kingsland and the late Joseph Franklin Hill. She attended Coahoma High School and Mary Hardin Baylor University. In 1984 she graduated from La Verne University in California. She was the mother of two daughters, Yolanda Bryant and husband Michael of Centennial, Colo., and Rhonda, deceased.

Surviving in addition to her husband, mother and daughter are one sister, Brenda Tittle of Kingsland; four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

She was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, May 4, 2010, at Pruitt Funeral Home Chapel with Bishop Darin Park officiating. Burial and graveside services were held Saturday, May 8, 2010, at Conejo Mountain Memorial Park in Camarillo, Calif.

Online Condolences may be made at [www.parker-whitepruitt.com](http://www.parker-whitepruitt.com)

# Police blotter

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

- BETTY LOU DEKEYSER, 48, of 511 Opal Rd., was arrested Tuesday on a warrant from another agency.
- MARIO ROBERT OVALLE, 36, of 1300 Madison, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.
- ALVIN GEORGE GILLION, 49, of 1507 Sycamore, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of driving while intoxicated – open container.
- HENRY TREVINO FRANCO JR., 18, of 507 N.W. 10<sup>th</sup> St., was arrested Tuesday on a warrant from another agency.
- GLORIA ANN GALLANDRO, 30, of 804 Willia, was arrested Tuesday on a warrant from another agency.
- JESUS GILLERMO NAIDAS, 27, of 1001 Bluebonnet, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of possession of marijuana – two ounces or less.
- IRENE MARTINEZ, 20, of 2510 Fairchild, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of possession of marijuana – two ounces or less.
- JORDAN ALLEN MCLEOD, 19, of 618 Tulane, was arrested Tuesday on charges of evading arrest or detention and driving while license invalid.
- KATHERINE MARIE MCMANUS, 23, of 711 E. 15<sup>th</sup> St., was arrested Tuesday on charges of driving while license invalid, operating a motor vehicle with an expired license plate and expired motor vehicle inspection certificate.
- BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE was reported: In the 500 block of N.E. Sixth Street. In the 700 block of Anna.
- ASSAULT was reported: In the 700 block of E. 11<sup>th</sup> Place. In the 2500 block of Dow.
- THEFT was reported: In the 400 block of E. Fourth Street. In the 400 block of E. Fourth Street.

# Sheriff

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

- Note – Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 58 inmates at the time of this report.
- CHAD WARREN, 30, was transferred to the county jail Tuesday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while license invalid.
- TERRY ALAN COLLINS, 38, was transferred to the county jail Tuesday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while license invalid with a previous conviction or suspension without fine resolution.
- BETTY LOU DEKEYSER, 48, was transferred to the county jail Tuesday by the BSPD on a Taylor County warrant for theft by check.
- MARIO ROBERT OVALLE, 36, was transferred to the county jail Tuesday by the BSPD on a charge of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.
- HENRY TREVINO FRANCO JR., 18, was transferred to the county jail Tuesday by the BSPD on a charge of criminal trespass.
- ALVIN GEORGE GILLION, 49, was transferred to the county jail Tuesday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
- JORDAN ALLEN MCLEOD, 19, was transferred to the county jail Tuesday by the BSPD on charges of driving while license invalid and evading arrest or detention.
- MICHAEL ALLEN SEAY, 31, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a judgment/sentence for driving while license invalid with a previous conviction.
- DEBRA LYNN KNOTT, 48, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a judgment/sentence for theft of property.
- GLORIA ANN GALLANDRO, 30, was transferred to the county jail Tuesday by the BSPD on a charge of no safety seat for child passenger.
- IRENE MARTINEZ, 20, was transferred to the county jail Tuesday by the BSPD on a charge of possession of marijuana – two ounces or less.
- JESUS GILLERMO NAIDAS, 27, was transferred to the county jail Tuesday by the BSPD on a charge of possession of marijuana – two ounces or less.
- KATHERINE MARIE MCMANUS, 23, was transferred to the county jail Tuesday by the BSPD on charges of driving while license invalid and expired registration (two counts).
- PATRICK ROBERT PARRAS, 22, was arrested Wednesday by the HCSO on charges of evading arrest or detention, possession of marijuana – two ounces or less, possession of drug paraphernalia, driving while license invalid and no driver's license.

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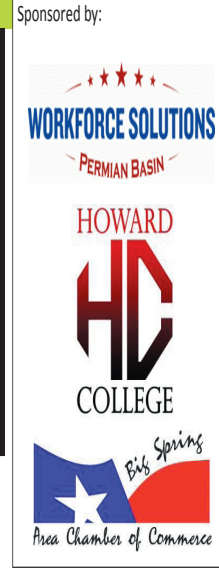
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1900 block of Simler. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 2000 block of Rickabaugh. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1100 block of W. Third Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- TRAFFIC ACCIDENT was reported in the 100 block of N. Gregg Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 500 block of Westover Road. One person was transported to SMMC.

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Permian Basin Food Bank, but now it stays here. We really encourage everyone to help us with this. It's a very worthwhile cause," Williams added.

Non-perishable food items are what are needed. "Canned goods or packaged products like pasta are best," Machacek said. "We cannot handle fresh or frozen meat or milk — stuff that has to be stored."

Canned meat and milk are fine, of course, but the NALC asks that expired items or those in glass containers be excluded.

For those who cannot leave food items near their mailbox for whatever reason, Machacek said they can be dropped off at the post office.

"Absolutely. We'll take them and put them with the others and make sure they get to the food pantry," he said.

As a reminder, residents should be receiving information about the Stamp Out Hunger drive in Thursday's mail.

For more information on the national effort, visit [www.usps.com/stampouthunger](http://www.usps.com/stampouthunger)

**VOTE**

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40 percent of the voters, which is a fantastic turnout for municipal and school district elections."

Four candidates are vying for the mayor's seat on the Big Spring City Council. Incumbent Russ McEwen is facing off against challengers Tommy Duncan, Shannon Thomason and Oscar Velasco.

At the heart of the Big Spring municipal races is the proposed \$4.2 million aquatics center that will take the place of the municipal swimming pool at Comanche Trail Park. All three challengers have vowed to significantly scale back the project, if elected, while McEwen continues to support the construction of

the aquatics center.

The race for the District 5 seat on the city council pits incumbent Troy Tompkins, who is finishing his first three-year term in the seat, against Craig Olson.

A \$60 million bond issue being offered by BSISD would call for construction of new elementary campuses at the current sites of Washington, Marcy and Goliad schools, as well as the demolition of the existing buildings along with Bauer Elementary. It would also add a classroom wing and physical education gym to Moss Elementary, renovate Kentwood Elementary and provide several improvements to the high school, including a new roof and fire suppression system.

District 5 on the Big Spring Independent School District board features three candidates, Jeremy Blount, Chad

**PRAYER**

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"We're having it between 12:10 p.m. and 12:45 p.m. so people can come out on their lunch hour," she said. "And we'll do everything we can to start and finish everything right on time so they can get back to work within that one-hour period."

"This year's featured speaker is Evelyn Bender, and I can't think of anyone in this community better to bear witness to the power of prayer," she continued.

The event, Wiese said, will actually be a concert of prayer. "We'll be fasting in prayer. We'll have coffee and

tea for people to drink and some snacks for people who might wind up needing them as a result of diabetic conditions and the like, but our focus for a little more than a half hour will be on prayer."

Homer Wilkerson will provide a special vocal presentation, Wiese added.

Although the National Day of Prayer didn't become a government declared event until 1952, when a joint resolution by Congress, signed by President Truman, made it official, it's been a part of America's heritage for more than 200 years.

The first call to prayer came in 1775, when the Continental Congress asked the colonies to pray for wisdom in forming

a nation. The call for prayer has continued through history, including President Lincoln's proclamation of a day of "humiliation, fasting, and prayer" in 1863.

Like Thanksgiving or Christmas, the National Day of Prayer has become a national observance placed on all Hallmark calendars and observed annually across the nation. In 2004, local, state and federal observances were held from sunrise in Maine to sunset in Hawaii, uniting Americans from all socio-economic, political and ethnic backgrounds in prayer for the nation.

For more information on the local prayer presentation, contact Wiese at 267-6394.

Wash, and Michelle Hamby, running to fill the seat currently held by longtime trustee Mike Dawson, who decided not to seek another term.

Also on the ballot, but unopposed, are BSISD board incumbents Jeff Bromman (District 6) and Phil Furqueron (District 7).

Voters in these contests will cast their ballots from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m. Saturday at the Big Spring High School Library.

While Coahoma residents aren't being asked to fill municipal seats this year, they are deciding on a proposition to adopt a new sales tax. The proposition calls for the adoption of a sales and use tax within the city limits at the rate of one-half on one percent to be used and applied to projects authorized by section 4B of the Development Corporation Act of 1979. The

tax can also be used for the maintenance and operation costs associated with such projects.

Five candidates are seeking to fill two at-large seats on the Coahoma ISD board of trustees. They are Craig Ferguson, Brandon Atkins, Ashley Niblett, Michael Brooks and Mike Blissard.

Voters in these contests will cast their ballots from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m. Saturday at the Coahoma Community Center.

The city of Stanton has one race on the May ballot, as the mayor's seat is up for grabs. Mayor Lester Baker announced early in the filing process he would not seek another term in the office, which quickly drew at-large council member Tommy Haislip's candidacy. Haislip is a tech manager for AT&T.

Shortly before filing closed,

Haislip drew a challenger in the form of Stanton resident John Smith, a self-employed contractor. The winner of that contest will take the mayor's seat on the council. According to Stanton officials, if Haislip is elected mayor, his councilman's seat will be vacated and will need to be filled, either with a special election or by appointment.

Stanton City Council members Ronnie Christian (District 1), Michelle Kidd (District 2) and James Jenkins (District 3) are all running unopposed in the election, and will be re-elected by default, according to city officials.

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**TERRORIST**

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being under surveillance and placed on the federal no-fly list.

Passengers disembarking from the flight many hours later described a calm scene as he was removed from the plane. They said he didn't put up a struggle.

U.S. Attorney General Eric Holder said Shahzad had been providing valuable information to investigators as they sought to determine the scope of the plot to blow up the SUV last Saturday night in the heart of Times Square near bustling restaurants and a theater showing "The Lion King."

"Based on what we know so far, it is clear that this was a terrorist plot aimed at murdering Americans in one of

the busiest places in our country," Holder said.

A court hearing was canceled Tuesday in part because of Shahzad's continuing cooperation with investigators, but authorities said they had shed little light on what might have motivated him.

Until recently, his life in the U.S. appeared enviable. He had a master's degree from the University of Bridgeport in Connecticut, a job as a budget analyst for a marketing firm in Norwalk, Conn., two children and a well-educated wife who posted his smiling picture and lovingly called him "my everything" on a social networking website.

But shortly after becoming a U.S. citizen a year ago, he gave up his job, stopped paying his mortgage and told a real estate agent to let the bank take the house because he was returning

to Pakistan.

Once there, according to investigators, he traveled to the lawless Waziristan region and learned bomb making at a terrorist training camp.

In court papers, investigators said Shahzad returned to the U.S. on Feb. 3, moved into an apartment in a low-rent section of Bridgeport, then set about acquiring materials and an SUV he bought with cash in late April. They said that after his arrest, Shahzad confessed to rigging the bomb and driving it into Times Square. He also acknowledged getting training in Pakistan, the filing said.

The investigation of the fizzled bomb attack unfolded quickly, with a suspect in custody in only 53 hours — but it didn't go off without a hitch.

After identifying Shahzad through the

previous owner of the SUV, investigators had him under surveillance when he nearly slipped away.

Authorities initially planned to arrest him at his Connecticut home but lost track of him, two people familiar with the probe told The Associated Press. The people spoke on condition of anonymity because they weren't authorized to talk publicly about the breach in surveillance.

NYPD Commissioner Raymond Kelly played down the slip on the morning TV talk shows Wednesday, telling ABC's "Good Morning America" that "it's not unusual in an investigation" to briefly lose track of the target.

Emirates airlines also didn't initially notice when Shahzad purchased a ticket that he had been placed on the government's no-fly list, according to a law

enforcement official.

The government will now require airlines to check updated no-fly lists within two hours of being notified of changes to the list, a Homeland Security official said Wednesday. The official spoke on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to speak publicly about the change.

U.S. Department of Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano credited customs officials with recognizing Shahzad's name on a passenger manifest and stopping the flight. Agents apprehended him on the plane.

Passengers said the arrest was made quietly.

"There was no com-

motion, no general alarm or concern," said Robert Woodward, of Boulder, Colo.

A gun was discovered in the car Shahzad left at the airport.

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# Bryant flap highlights questions for NFL rookies

The Associated Press

Some of the queries are just weird. Occasionally, they're intrusive and in questionable taste.

Following the storm surrounding Dolphins general manager Jeff Ireland asking Oklahoma State receiver Dez Bryant if his mother was a prostitute, for which Ireland later apologized, NFL rookies at minicamps last weekend told The Associated Press they fielded some oddball inquiries from team executives before the draft.

Bengals fourth-round pick Geno Atkins said one club, he couldn't recall which, asked him about his sexual orientation.

"The only unusual question I got was if I was straight or gay," said Atkins, a defensive tackle from Georgia whose father, Gene, played 10 seasons in the league. "And that was about it."

"McDonald's or Burger King?" I think 'pillow or blan-

ket?' was another one. Those were the strange, unusual ones I got. I was like, 'What does that have to do with football?' I think they were kind of trying to loosen me up a little bit."

Or tighten him up. The interviews are designed to test a young player's demeanor as much as a 40-yard dash is used to measure his speed. So potential draft picks have to be prepared for outlandish questions, even if they never get them.

They've also got to be ready to get baited.

"Some of the interviews were different," said Cowboys second-rounder Sean Lee, a linebacker from Penn State. "Like I had one team that really came and criticized me and the school I was at, and they're really trying to just get you fired up. They're really just using different tactics to try to see you face adversity, how you react to somebody getting on you."

"That was probably the

most unusual thing I had, somebody came at me and said 'I've never seen a guy from Penn State make plays.' Really, you just have to keep your cool and come back with passionate but respectful answers."

Most teams begin the interviewing process at the NFL combine in February, when a player might meet with a dozen or more clubs in one day. It's a monotonous process for the collegians, and sometimes just as tiresome for the front office executives conducting the sessions.

Still, there is a certain protocol, something Ireland admittedly violated with Bryant, who was suspended for most of the 2009 season for lying to the NCAA about his activities with Deion Sanders.

"My job is to find out as much information as possible about a player that I'm considering drafting," Ireland said in a statement. "Sometimes that leads to asking in-depth questions. Having said

that, I talked to Dez Bryant and told him I used poor judgment in one of the questions I asked him. I certainly meant no disrespect and apologized to him."

"I appreciate his acceptance of that apology, and I told him I wished him well as he embarks on his NFL career."

Others embarking on NFL careers said they experienced nothing like the Bryant-Ireland incident.

"No, nothing that I just wanted to go Incredible Hulk on somebody," said Cowboys safety Akwasi Owusu-Ansah, a fourth-round pick from Indiana-Pennsylvania, a Division II school.

"I've never been asked anything like that," added guard Jacques McClendon, Indianapolis' fourth-round choice out of Tennessee. "You just know these teams want to get whatever information they can. If they're going to invest that kind of money in me, then you have to be cooperative with the process."

The process includes more than a quick Q and A. Players undergo all kinds of mental and psychological tests, too. They might meet with a dozen members of an NFL team, from scouts to coaches to general manager — perhaps even the owner in the cases of the Cowboys and Jets, for example.

Teams also send along a packet of questions for players to answer. That might lack the personal touch, but can be effective in its own right.

The packets are where the dog versus cat question often comes up. Generally, those questions are within the bounds of good taste.

"No, no. I didn't get any of that. That would be a whole entire different level," Lee said. "That'd be a lot tougher to deal with."

Mississippi running back Dexter McCluster, a second-round pick by Kansas City, did have one team go "American Idol" on him.

## Bufs win practice game vs. Lockney

Herald Staff Report

The Forsan Buffaloes broke out the bats to knock off the Lockney Longhorns, 15-8, in a Class 1A baseball practice game for both teams Tuesday afternoon.

The Buffaloes, who improved to 22-0 with the win, spotted Lockney a 5-1 lead before taking the lead for good with a five-run third.

Forsan then scored seven more runs over the next two innings to pull away.

Shortstop Foster Burchett and

third baseman Ryan Flores were the leading hitters for Forsan Tuesday — Burchett was 3-for-5 with a pair of doubles and 2 RBI, while Flores drove in four runs on a home run and double.

Payton Parker came on in relief to earn the win for Forsan.

Forsan Coach Jason Phillips said he was proud of his team's rally.

"The first couple of innings were kind of shaky; we had some missed communication on our bunt defense," Phillips said, referring to Forsan's three errors. "But we hit the ball really well

(Tuesday) and our three pitchers gave up only one walk, which I liked. Like I told the guys, the nice thing about practice games is that you find out what you need to work on — and we found out we need to work on our bunt defense."

The Buffaloes, ranked No. 3 in the state Class 1A baseball poll, face No. 4 Windthorst in another practice game at 7 p.m. Friday in Albany.

The Buffs will open the Class 1A playoffs against either Borden County or Morton at a date and site to be determined.

## Longtime Tigers broadcaster Harwell dead at 92

DETROIT (AP) — Nobody knows better what Ernie Harwell meant to baseball in Michigan than Kirk Gibson.

"I grew up basically in the Detroit area and I listened to Ernie Harwell as long as I can remember," the former Tigers slugger said. "He was Mr. Everything. He was an icon."

Beloved by generations of fans who grew up enraptured by his rich voice, Southern cadence and quirky phrases on the radio, Harwell died Tuesday after a months-long battle with cancer. He was 92.

The longtime Detroit Tigers broadcaster died about 7:30 p.m. in his apartment at Fox Run Village and Retirement Center in the Detroit suburb of Novi, said his attorney and longtime friend, S. Gary Spicer.

His wife of 68 years, Lulu, and his two sons and two daughters were at his side, Spicer said.

"We'll miss you, Ernie Harwell. You'll forever be the voice of summer," Michigan Gov. Jennifer Granholm tweeted.

Indeed, from the deepest corner of the Upper Peninsula down to the pulsing heart of the Motor City, fathers and sons, sisters and brothers, friends and neighbors — they all listened to Harwell tell Tigers tales for more than 40 years.

A Hall of Fame announcer who was acquired by the Brooklyn Dodgers for a catcher in 1948, Harwell revealed in September that he'd been diagnosed with inoperable cancer of the bile duct. He took the news with characteristic poise, saying he planned to continue

working on a book and other projects.

"Whatever happens, I'm ready to face it," Harwell said Sept. 4, 2009.

His body will lie in repose at Comerica Park on Thursday beginning at 7 a.m. and "until the last person who wishes to pay their respects" has done so, Spicer said.

"It might be an all-night vigil," he added.

There will be no public memorial service, and the family will hold a private funeral service at a location Spicer declined to disclose.

The Tigers plan to wear patches on their uniforms honoring Harwell for the rest of the season. Prior to Monday night's home game against the New York Yankees, a flag bearing his initials will be raised in center field.

"What a voice," longtime Detroit shortstop Alan Trammell said. "He did it with class, he did it with dignity. We shed a tear tonight, that's for sure."

The Tigers were in Minnesota on Tuesday night. During the seventh-inning stretch, the Twins announced that Harwell had died, and fans honored him with

a standing ovation.

"All of Major League Baseball is in mourning tonight upon learning of the loss of a giant of our game," commissioner Bud Selig said.

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**Contract Bridge**

By Steve Becker  
**Threading the Needle**

West dealer.  
Neither side vulnerable.

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

**WEST**  
♠ A Q 6 5 3  
♥ 8 6  
♦ Q 7  
♣ 10 9 6 2

**EAST**  
♠ 4 2  
♥ 7 5 4 3 2  
♦ J 9 8  
♣ Q J 4

**SOUTH**  
♠ K 8 7  
♥ K 10 9  
♦ A 6 3  
♣ A 8 7 5

The bidding:  
West North East South  
Pass 1♦ Pass 2NT  
Pass 3NT  
Opening lead — five of spades.

Some deals have built-in traps that may catch the unwary. Here is one such hand, taken from a par contest.

West leads a spade, won by dummy's nine, and the question is what to do at trick two.

If declarer plays a low diamond to the ace, which would seem the normal thing to do, he goes down against best defense. West drops his

queen under the ace — to fail to do so would be fatal, since he could be forced to win the next round — and there is then no way declarer can establish dummy's diamonds without allowing East to gain the lead for the fatal spade return.

Of course, West must be on his toes to jettison the queen under the ace, but he should reason that if South has the jack of diamonds, the queen is worthless.

However, declarer's proper play at trick two is a heart to his king, followed by three of diamonds toward dummy. If West produces the queen, South allows him to hold the trick, after which declarer can't be stopped from making at least four notrump.

So let's assume West plays the seven of diamonds on South's three. In that case, declarer goes up with the king and returns a low diamond from dummy, ducking East's nine. West is forced to win the trick with the queen, and again South is certain of at least 10 tricks.

The deal is an excellent illustration of the great lengths a careful declarer must go to in order to keep the dangerous opponent — in this case, East — out of the lead.

Tomorrow: Declarers don't have nine lives.  
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## OUR VIEW

# Let's make sure older people are truly respected

May is Older Americans Month, a time to salute our elders. It is also Elder Abuse Prevention Month, and that's something Adult Protective Services is stressing in Texas this month. The message being stressed is simple: Elder abuse is everyone's business.

APS is reminding Texans that stopping elder abuse is truly everyone's responsibility, according to Marleigh Meisner, the agency's public information officer.

"No one knows exactly how many older Texans are being abused, neglected, or financially exploited," she explained. "Many victims are too embarrassed to ask for help, and their suffering can be shrouded by secrecy.

As our population ages, statistics show the problem is a growing concern, and national studies estimate that three to five million seniors age 65 and older have experienced abuse.

We find that sobering.

What's worse, experts believe only one in five cases gets reported. In 2008, almost 70,000 cases of abuse, neglect or exploitation involving adults living at home were investigated. Of those, more than 48,000 cases were confirmed, with most cases including physical or medical neglect.

Sadly, the perpetrators of this abuse or neglect are often family members — ranging from adult children to spouses and grandchildren.

Meisner says one of the the keys to preventing these crimes is education.

Abuse, neglect and exploitation of the elderly and adults with disabilities are no less despicable than the abuse or exploitation of children. We encourage our readers to get involved in making a positive difference.

The message APS is trying to send is simple but important. If you believe an elderly person is being abused, neglected, or exploited, report it by calling 1-800-252-5400.

Remember ... it's everyone's business.

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## A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

May we center our attention on what is important, Lord, and center our attention on You.

Amen

# For all this, gracias, Arizona!

For exposing the racial profiling and ethnic discrimination promoted by right-wing extremists, for making comprehensive immigration reform possible much sooner than anyone expected, for uniting the Latino community and other ethnic minorities like never before, for striking the final blow that would ignite a new civil rights movement, we should be grateful to Arizona.



MIGUEL PEREZ

Had it not been for the racist and unconstitutional Arizona law intended to crack down (starting in August) on undocumented immigrants — yet poised to violate the civil rights of legal residents and American citizens — immigration reform still would be a back burner issue in Washington.

As the slogan "Sí, Se Puede/ Yes, We Can" was becoming less believable, Arizona gave us new reason to believe! Eventually, this measure will be rejected by the courts. It never will become law. But it will keep immigration on the front burner!

Granted, among undocumented immigrants, this measure is causing panic and hardship. Some already are fleeing Arizona and seeking refuge in other parts of the United States. And for us legal Latino residents and naturalized American citizens, Arizona has been painful and humiliating. It's hard to accept the fact that many of our fellow Americans see us with such disdain that they would let Arizona violate our basic rights as American citizens and legal residents.

Yet so many other people are speaking out now. So many other Americans are saying they are sick and tired of the xenophobic hatemongers. So many new immigrant rights activists are coming out of the woodwork. Thanks to Arizona, the tide is turning.

Across the country, immigrants and those who support them are pledging to boycott Arizona and to punish all politicians who support similar

anti-immigrant measures. Many celebrities who were silent on this issue are now condemning the mean-spirited ways of politicians and media personalities who practice race-baiting.

The bigots on the blogosphere — a loud minority that came across as a majority — now are being challenged by the true majority of Americans, who still value our tradition as a compassionate nation of immigrants. Thanks to Arizona, every ignorant and racist statement is being rebutted and ridiculed by people who know better.

The Arizona boycott — spontaneous, without initial coordination, born out of outrage — is a genuine grass-roots movement against a state and political party that deserve to be taught a lesson.

The Republican-driven Arizona law has been condemned as racist and discriminatory, even by many police officials in Arizona and throughout the country. And the chorus of hundreds of organizations and community activists who are pleading for justice is getting louder and louder.

From Shakira to Gloria Estefan to various prominent Latino baseball players, many celebrities are speaking out like never before about the injustices committed against other immigrants, and they are getting a lot of attention.

There is even a website on which petitioners are vowing "not to spend ... vacation dollars in that state, whether that be by not engaging in tourism in Arizona, by not doing business within the state, or by not buying anything that comes from Arizona ... until such a time that this law is overturned or ruled unconstitutional."

And some African-American leaders — seeing the similarities to their own civil rights movement, identifying with the Latino potential victims of racial profiling and remembering that it took another boycott to get Arizona to agree to celebrate Martin Luther King's birthday — also are coming out in support of the boycott.

After the Major League Baseball Players Association condemned the Arizona law, Karen Russell, the daughter of NBA

legend and civil rights champion Bill Russell, wrote an article calling on the NFL, NHL and NBA unions to do the same. She noted that when Arizona refused to celebrate King's birthday, "the NFL pulled the Super Bowl." She added, "It's time to boycott Arizona again and pull the MLB All-Star game from Phoenix next year."

For pro-immigrant activists, these are wonderful fighting words from unexpected allies, support created for them by the xenophobes in Arizona.

But it's the people who are fueling this new movement, not the so-called leaders who promised to deliver immigration reform.

You would think that President Barack Obama and the Democratic leadership in Congress would see the Republican-driven Arizona law as an opportunity to grab a fumble and run in the other direction.

Yet instead of seeing a dropped football and an opportunity to score a huge touchdown for Latinos and other immigrants, the Democrats only see a hot potato — and even now they seem unwilling to touch it. Because they see that immigrants are now even less likely to vote for Republicans, Democrats apparently still believe they can save their political capital to invest on other topics and expect to get the Hispanic vote by default.

They are wrong! This time, they will have no other choice but to pay their dues to the immigrant community. At the May 1 pro-immigrant rallies in some 70 cities across the country, protesters seemed to be as angry with the Democrats who betray them as they are with the Republicans who bash them.

Thanks to Arizona Republicans, Democrats will be forced to speak more forcefully and to deliver on their promises to reform immigration.

It may not happen this year — the ball will not really get rolling until after the midterm elections — but it will be sooner than expected, certainly before Obama seeks re-election, and it will be thanks to the civil rights movement ignited by the bigots in Arizona.

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# Planned remarks at Quincy telling

Pundits are making a great deal out of Obama's ad-lib statement during his speech on financial reform in Quincy, Ill., about profits and earnings. But his prepared remarks are just as revealing, even if not obviously so, of his profit aversion and his belief in government control over the private economy.

In his prepared remarks, Obama said: "Now, we're not doing this (financial reform) to punish these firms or begrudge success that's fairly earned. We don't want to stop them from fulfilling their responsibility to help grow our economy." But live, he added, among other things, "I do think at a certain point you've made enough money."

Let me first address his prepared comments, about which I haven't heard much criticism. He assured us he wasn't pushing the financial reform bill — his latest socialist (actually, it's closer to fascist, but why pick nits?) monstrosity — to punish success that's fairly earned.

Well, why do you suppose he needs to assure us he's not intending to "punish"? A little subconscious admission per chance?

Remember, he protests that he's a fierce advocate of the free market. Remember also that he is allowing the Bush tax cuts — because they are "tax cuts for the wealthy," who don't pay "their fair share" — to expire, not to mention the host of other taxes he is imposing on the "rich" — and many on the rest of Americans, too, despite his pledge not to.

Please put aside for now the outrageousness of this ongoing lie designed to divide America

by income groups and to win Democratic votes through propaganda and demagoguery. Of course the rich — especially the top 1 percent, 5 percent and 10 percent — pay a higher percentage of income taxes than the poor and also pay more in actual taxes, while the bottom half of income earners pay a negligible amount.

The point for now is that Obama says he wants to rectify the tax code to make the "wealthy" start paying their fair share, as if they don't already. And you don't need to be Freud to realize his prepared remarks reveal that his true motives include punishment. You just need to have paid attention to his statements and behavior since he bopped onto the national stage.

The next noteworthy phrase from his prepared declaration is "fairly earned." Fairly earned? Who is he to say what is fairly earned, unless he's talking about legally earned? But it's obvious he is not.

He's talking about his own value judgments. It wouldn't matter so much what he or any other socialist-leaning pol thought about what is fairly earned if he didn't think he had a right, nay, duty to assert some kind of regulatory control over what is fair. But he does think that and is attempting to act on it — actually has acted on it with TARP companies and beyond.

So though it's big of him to assure us that he'll keep his big-government hands off "fairly earned" income, what about what he doesn't think is fairly earned — according to his values? I can guarantee you that Obama and free marketers will never agree as to what is and isn't fairly earned or when, if ever, it is government's business to insinuate itself into the issue at all.

Next, it is doubtful a free marketer would talk about a finan-

cial institution's fulfillment of its "responsibility to help grow our economy." Banks are obviously indispensable to economic growth, but they are for-profit institutions that have no duty to operate at losses any more than insurance companies — though Obama begrudges their profits, too, as he proved in his slanderous onslaught against the entire industry and his distortions about their profitability. Obama's characterization of banks' role in terms of a duty to the collective economy is just more of the same — an affirmation of his belief that if banks or other businesses are not contributing enough to the economy or whatever else, in his view, it's government's place to step in.

Of course it's none of his business as president to pass on whether someone has made too much. But nor is it any president's business to punish the wealthy or to involve himself in whether private-sector firms "fairly earn" their keep.

There is one other peculiar thing about Obama's inclusion of all of these remarks in the context of his speech on financial reform — again, an unintended revelation.

Obama has not been promoting this bill as having anything to do with profits, but instead as authorization for the government to step in to superintend the orderly dissolution of firms that are "too big to fail" in order to prevent a cascading effect on the entire financial sector.

It is enormously significant that on the stump, he spontaneously talked about profits in a bill that is supposed to have nothing to do with that subject.

Obama just can't help himself, whether on or off the teleprompter.

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SPURS

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having to chase him," Ginobili said. "So we definitely need Tony a lot, but the same way we need everybody else."

Nash had rested his strained right hip for three days, and was uncertain how he would feel when Game 1 tipped off.

"I was a little nervous about it," he said on Tuesday. "But I felt great and I had no setbacks, so I am really excited about that. I hopefully can play the series out and be as much help as possible."

Parker said Nash's early offensive assault was "a little bit" of a surprise. Nash expects a much more aggressive defense against him on Wednesday.

"This team's been through it all," he said of the Spurs. "They know what they're doing. They've come back from deficits or losses

already this year. We expect a great effort for them. They'll make adjustments and we have to be ready to respond."

Ginobili, playing with a broken nose and defended most of the game by Grant Hill, overcame a slow start to finish with 27 points on 9 of 20 shooting, 2 of 9 from 3-point range. Overall, the Spurs made 4 of 19 3s to 7 of 20 for Phoenix.

Ginobili, Parker and Duncan scored all but 29 of San Antonio's points. Richard Jefferson made 1 of 3 shots and finished with five points and three rebounds in 32½ minutes.

Jason Richardson had another big offensive game for the Suns with 27 points on 10 of 16 shooting. He made 3 of 6 3-pointers, including a huge one with 1:23 to play. He is averaging 24 points per game in the playoffs, shooting 54 percent overall and 51 percent on 3s.

He is an impressively accurate barometer of

Phoenix's success. The Suns are 30-4 this season when Richardson scores at least 20.

"It's great right now," he said. "In the playoffs, there's so much energy and so much action. This is what players live for. This is all I've wanted for my whole career and I'm enjoying every minute of it."

Suns coach Alvin Gentry called it "a longshot" that center Robin Lopez would play Wednesday.

"After that, we'll see," Gentry said.

The 7-footer has been out since March 26 with a back injury (bulging disk) but has been increasingly active in practice.

Before Monday's win, Phoenix had lost three straight Game 1s to the Spurs, two of them at home. San Antonio still has another, ultimately more important, streak going.

The Spurs have won four straight playoff series against the Suns.

TEXAS

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walks and I'm not going to lose a five-run lead by someone who looked like he lost command."

Sweeney ended a career-high 50-game homerless streak when he drove a pitch from Feldman into the right-field bleachers for a two-run shot.

He added two more RBIs with a single in the second and singled home a run in the fourth.

"It seems like I'm always ending up in the third spot by the end of every season," Sweeney said.

"To start there this year was comfortable. With guys like (Cliff) Pennington and (Darin) Barton ahead of me, I know they create more opportunities."

Sweeney also made a nice diving catch that helped end a threat by the Rangers.

"He's a great outfielder all the way around," Mazzaro said. "He makes the good catches

and the spectacular catches. It's nice to have a guy like that behind you."

Guerrero's slam, the sixth of his career, made it 5-4 in the third.

It was his first slam since May 1, 2007, and he added an run-scoring single in the fifth inning.

NOTES: Rangers C Max Ramirez is expected to start Wednesday.

A's OF Coco Crisp will have his fractured left pinkie X-rayed again to determine his next course of rehabilitation.

A's IF Mark Ellis (strained left hamstring) is hitting off a tee and will progress to batting practice.

Rangers IF Michael Young singled in the first for his 1,692 career hit, tying him with Rafael Palmeiro for second on the Rangers' all-time list.

Sweeney's 21 RBIs against the Rangers are his most against any team.

Guerrero hit his 410th home run, breaking a tie with Jason Giambi for 43rd all-time.

TRACK

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"All the kids on this team worked really hard this year," Coahoma track coach Stacy Martin said. "We haven't had a lot of success in track here, but these kids came in and worked their tails off this year and I couldn't be prouder of them. To have two runners qualify for the state meet speaks volumes about what we've accomplished here."

The Bulldogs' 800-meter relay team of Gutierrez, Abrego, M.J. Castillo and Tanner Ruiz finished fifth to miss out on a spot in the state meet. Also competing Tuesday was Justin Coker, who cleared a personal-best height of 12 feet, 6 inches in the pole vault, but also didn't advance.

The Howard County team sending the largest contingent to Austin will be Forsan, which qualified five athletes

for state after their performances at the Region I-1A meet in Levelland Tuesday.

Making her second straight trip to state will be sophomore Ambra Hill, who qualified in both hurdles events; she was second in the 110-meter hurdles with a time of 15.34 and second in the 300-meter hurdles in a time of 46.81. Both times were school records.

"She works really hard at it and does a great job for us," Forsan girls track coach Robert Hillger said.

"I was really glad to see her advance in both events. Last year at regionals, she false-started in the 300 and was disqualified. It was her goal to get to state in both events, and she accomplished that."

Also competing for the Lady Buffaloes Tuesday were Shelby Jones, who placed sixth in the pole vault, and Amanda Longorio, who finished ninth in the discus.

On the boys' side, the Buffaloes will be sending four athletes in three events to the state meet. The 400-meter relay team of Ty Johnson, Brendan Roman, Elgin Suazo and Mike Hill won their event in a time of 43.83, said Forsan boys' coach Gary Huckabee.

In addition, Johnson qualified in two individual events — the 100-meter and 200-meter runs. He won the 100-meter dash in a time of 10.89 and was second in the 200 with a time of 22.44.

"Those guys did an awesome job and I'm very proud of them," Huckabee said. "At the beginning of the year, I really thought they had the potential to do this well ... but they just exceeded my expectations."

Another area athlete heading to Austin in Grady High School's Jacob Rodriguez, who qualified by winning the 400 meter run in a time of 51.4 at regionals.

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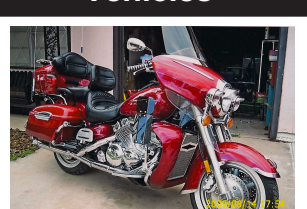
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### Giant containment dome to bottle up oil in the Gulf soon headed to site of massive spill

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — The best short-term solution to bottling up a disastrous oil spill threatening sealife and livelihoods along the Gulf Coast should be arriving on Wednesday in the form of a specially built giant concrete-and-steel box designed to siphon the oil away.

Crews for contractor Wild Well Control were putting the finishing touches Tuesday on the 100-ton containment dome. A barge at about midday would haul the contraption to the spot 50 miles offshore where a mile-deep gusher from a blown-out undersea well has been spewing at least 210,000 gallons of crude a day into the Gulf for two weeks. BP spokesman John Curry said it would be deployed on the seabed by Thursday.

It's the latest idea that engineers from oil giant BP PLC were trying since an oil rig the company was operating exploded on April 20, killing 11 workers. It sank two days later, when the oil started pouring into the Gulf. BP is in charge of the cleanup and President Barack Obama and many others say the company also is responsible for the costs.

Such domes have never been tried at this depth — about 5,000 feet — because of the extreme water pressure. The dome, if all goes well, could be fired up early next week to start funneling the oil into a tanker.

"We don't know for sure" whether the equipment will work, said BP spokesman Bill Salvin. "What we do know is that we have done extensive engineering and modeling and we believe this gives us the best chance to contain the oil, and that's very important to us."

### Nashville's blazing fiddles, screaming guitars are quieted by flooding blamed for 28 deaths

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — The blazing fiddles and screaming guitars at Nashville's famed downtown honky-tonks are a little quieter as the city recovers from flash flooding blamed for 28 deaths in three states.

Elsewhere in Nashville, the Country Music Hall of Fame has closed and the Grand Ole Opry — the most famous country music show in the world — had to move its performances.

The Cumberland River, which winds through the heart of the city, spilled over its banks as Nashville received more than 13 inches of pounding rain over the weekend. The flash floods were blamed in the deaths of 17 people in Tennessee alone, including nine in Nashville. Other deaths were reported in Kentucky and Mississippi.

None of the deaths were in the city's entertainment district, a five-block square of honky-tonks

and restaurants downtown where animated barkers often stand outside at night encouraging patrons to step inside. But some businesses had to shut down — a blow to Nashville's economy and reputation as a freewheeling town. The city has more than 11 million visitors annually.

Floodwaters receded in many parts of the city Tuesday, although the river was still over its banks. Residents who had frantically fled their homes returned to find mud-caked floors and soggy furniture.

### Bear Stearns executives say they could not have avoided the firm's implosion in crisis

WASHINGTON (AP) — As a special panel delves into the financial crisis, the executives who led Bear Stearns Cos. before the big Wall Street firm's implosion two years ago are saying they did all they could to keep it afloat before it fell victim to an unstoppable run on the bank.

James Cayne, who was Bear Stearns' CEO until January 2008, and Alan Schwartz, who succeeded him for a few months, are to testify Wednesday before the bipartisan panel investigating the roots of the crisis.

The firm's collapse "was due to overwhelming market forces that Bear Stearns ... could not resist," Cayne said in his testimony prepared for the hearing.

Bear Stearns was the first Wall Street bank to blow up in the recent crisis, caught in the credit crunch in early 2008 and foreshadowing the cascading financial meltdown in the fall of that year.

Two of Bear Stearns' hedge funds failed in June 2007 as a result of bad bets on the subprime mortgage market, costing investors \$1.8 billion and touching off the domino chain that brought the firm to the brink in March 2008.

### 2 Arizona city councils vote to sue state over new immigration law

FLAGSTAFF, Ariz. (AP) — The Tucson and Flagstaff city councils voted Tuesday to sue Arizona over its tough new immigration law, citing concerns about enforcement costs and negative effects on the state's tourism industry.

They are the first municipalities in Arizona to approve legal challenges to the law. Earlier this week, proposed litigation in Phoenix took a hit when the city attorney said Mayor Phil Gordon lacks the authority to file suit without the support of the City Council.

The new state law requires local and state law enforcement officers to question people about their immigration status if there is reason to suspect they're in the country illegally.

The Flagstaff City Council voted unanimously in favor of a resolution that says it's an unfunded mandate to carry out the responsibilities of the federal government. Its Tuesday night meeting drew a crowd that initially numbered in the hundreds but dwindled significantly as the night wore on.

The council will retain legal counsel and could either pursue its own lawsuit or join Tucson or other cities in efforts to fight the immigration bill.

### World stocks sink on investor concern Greece debt bailout will fail, crisis may spread

SINGAPORE (AP) — World stocks slid Wednesday, following a plunge in U.S. equities as concerns spread that the bailout for debt-laden Greece won't stop the crisis spreading to other European countries.

Some Asian markets pared their losses in afternoon trade while the euro, battered recently, fell further against the dollar. Oil prices fell to near \$82 a barrel.

As trading got started in Europe, the FTSE 100 index of leading British shares was down 0.6 percent while France's CAC-40 dropped 1 percent and Germany's DAX slipped 0.4 percent. Stock futures pointed to modest losses Wednesday on Wall Street.

Stock markets in the U.S. fell Tuesday as labor unions protested on the streets of Athens, rejecting spending cuts and higher taxes that would come with a \$144 billion bailout package for Greece from the European Union and International Monetary Fund. Investors are also worried Spain and Portugal may need even larger debt bailouts.

"It is by no means clear that Greece will be able to cope with the kind of pain implied by the austerity arithmetic it faces," Singapore's DBS bank said in a report. "What then? Anything is possible and nothing looks good."

### After years of inaction, idea of nuke-free Mideast rises on global agenda at treaty meeting

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — The Middle East, that timeless tinderbox at the core of so much in world affairs, looms as a battleground in the U.N.'s meeting halls this month, as 189 nations debate nuclear proliferation.

The idea of establishing the region as a zone free of nuclear weapons, a notion on the back burner for 15 years, has emerged as a central issue at the twice-a-decade conference reviewing the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty (NPT).

It is rising higher on the agenda because Iran's ambitious and suspect nuclear program threatens to prompt other Mideast nations to develop their own weapons development. And an expected future shift toward nuclear power worldwide will put possibly sensitive technology in more hands.

But Israel, with its long-established but unannounced nuclear arsenal, remains a highly uncertain partner in any move toward a "nuke-free" Mideast.

Egypt has formally proposed that this 2010 NPT conference back a plan to start talks next year on such a Mideast nuclear ban. Addressing the conference Tuesday, Egyptian delegate Hisham Badr declared it "a matter of paramount importance." Algeria has also submitted a plan.

### 'Baywatch' beauty Pamela Anderson is banished from the ballroom on 'Dancing With the Stars'

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Perhaps the most popular actress to perform on "Dancing With the Stars" has done her last dance.

Pamela Anderson was ousted from the hit ABC show Tuesday.

Judges praised the 42-year-old sex symbol throughout the season for her dedicated performances and convincing characterization. They appreciated the waltz she and professional partner Damian Whitewood performed on Monday's episode, giving it a score of 24 out of 30. Viewers, though, failed to keep the "Baywatch" beauty afloat.

Judges' scores are combined with viewer votes to determine which celebrity is cast off each week.

"This has been one of the best experiences of my life — and that says a lot. I've had a lot of good experiences," Anderson said after learning her fate.



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**Tomorrow's Horoscope**

Happy Cinco de Mayo! This year, it falls under the sociable Aquarius moon, promising good-natured and lighthearted celebration.

The Taurus sun is sure to highlight all that's beautiful and colorful, giving us something to sing out about. Use your full voice at every opportunity. It will be healing to resonate through your body and head.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). It's all too easy to get caught up in someone's expectations of you. But is this really who you are? Today's circumstances bring you back to focusing on

what is most important to you personally.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). You are usually able to guide a work situation along in your own way and everything falls into place. Right now, there are other factors at play, and this is causing you to experience some resistance. Stay relaxed and powerful.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). Today is a series of games, though perhaps not officially. And yet there is a process to master, a set of rules to adhere to, competition from other players and a juicy prize at the end. You'll be a strong contender.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). In some ways you are on your own. This is good. You are powerful enough to make your freedom count. You'll spend your

hours producing something useful, beautiful or both.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). You want to do something well. This attitude will appeal to others who have been masterful. If you are willing to learn, there is someone very skilled who will be willing to teach you. But you must make the first approach.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You will be wrestling tigers today, metaphorically, of course. The strong-willed, turbulent and volatile creatures around you will not overcome you. In the end, your gentle persistence will win out.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). The restless spirit is alive. What was perfectly acceptable yesterday now seems somehow old and tattered. There is a glistening promise on the horizon, and you're

headed toward it.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). There are those who plan to manipulate someone into doing their dirty work. Stay alert and aware of your own agenda. Be on guard against a subtle but strong persuasion.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). No matter how you try to avoid power struggles and issues of territory, there are politics involved in every situation of life. Instead of running from it, learn how to play the game. You might even enjoy it.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Take a risk. Your best guess is a good one. Bet on it. You're lucky now, and as you believe in your luck, it compounds. Tonight brings the chance for enlightening and fascinating conver-

sation.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You admire someone who never seems to be in a hurry or overburdened. Take measures to make life a little easier for yourself, perhaps by trimming activities from your schedule.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). Because we live on a giant sphere, we can never arrive at the horizon. We can see that distant point and travel toward it. But once the landmark is reached, we look out and see that the horizon is further still.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY** (May 5). In the next three weeks, you will make a fortuitous decision. There will be a healing in your personal life, after which more harmony and a great deal of affection will flow through your

world. In June, promote yourself in unexpected venues and stand out. You're paid big in August. Extend your education. Leo and Pisces people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 6, 25, 49, 14 and 30.

**CELEBRITY PROFILES:** There was an Internet rumor that soul singer Adele was writing her album on the piano because her dog, Louis Armstrong, is afraid of the guitar. Adele is an animal-loving Taurus who is down to earth and tenacious -- as those born under the sign of the bull usually are. Adele also has many Capricorn influences in her natal chart, suggesting she has a head for business and an unbeatable work ethic.

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HOLIDAY MATHS

**Annie's Mailbox**

**Dear Annie:** My daughter-in-law took her own life a few days after Christmas, leaving behind our son and 10-year-old grandson. "Jane" was only 33, but we loved her like our own daughter.

The marriage had been in trouble for a while. The last time I spoke to Jane, she suspected our son had been unfaithful and was thinking of divorce. Instead, she died of a drug overdose.

Now, just a few months later, our son has announced that he has "someone special."

This girl is 23, and apparently, he's been seeing her for quite some time.

My husband and I are still grieving for Jane. When I told my son that it might be a little too soon for him and especially for our grandson, he became unglued.

He said, "I'm not dead, and neither is my son.

We need to keep on living."

Our son intimated that if we don't accept this relationship, he will keep us from our grandson.

He says the boy is fine with the new girlfriend and her family, and we should be, as well. But we know the boy doesn't have a choice.

We are still grieving, but if we don't give him our blessing, we worry we will lose out completely. What can we do? — *Grieving in the Midwest*

child, so you hope he will consider counseling for the boy, who is surely having difficulty accepting his mother's sudden death whether he shows it or not.

Then ask how you can help your grandson. (We recommend extra time with the grandparents.)

**Dear Annie:** After 20 years of marriage, my husband and I have separated. We seem to love each other, but we have grown apart.

For the past year, my husband has detached himself from the rest of us, and when he is with the family, he



KATHY MITCHELL  
MARCY SUGAR

is miserable.

The truth is, it's been so nice and stress-free since he left. The kids and I get along better than ever, and they seem much happier.

I have told my husband that it will take time to work through our differences, but he says it isn't happening fast enough.

He made the decision to move out, and now it's still not good enough for him. What am I supposed to do? — *Married*

**Dear Married:** Both of you seem happier apart, and it may be the "limbo" situation that is creating the problem. So decide. You can divorce. You

can remain separated indefinitely, but see a lawyer so it is legally binding regarding financial support and child visitation.

Or, if you want to reconcile, get into counseling, together or separately, and see whether those differences can be worked out. But please pick one already.

**Dear Annie:** "Still Miss Him" said her father died and she could never forgive her mother for remarrying.

She should accept that her parents had a marriage that her mother honored by wanting another one.

My father died at age 68 after 49 years of marriage. Two years later, my mother married a widower.

The two daughters from each marriage considered it a tribute to their happy first marriages that they wished to marry again.

The benefits: I gained a second father, our children have grown up with a grandfather, and our grandchildren have a great-grandfather.

My mother passed away in January, but I am blessed to have my wonderful second dad alive and well at 100 years old. — *A Lucky Gal*

**Dear Lucky:** Thank you for sharing your family "love" story.

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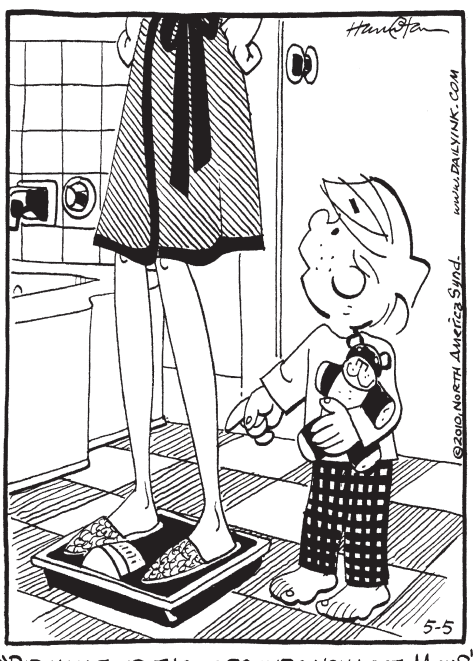
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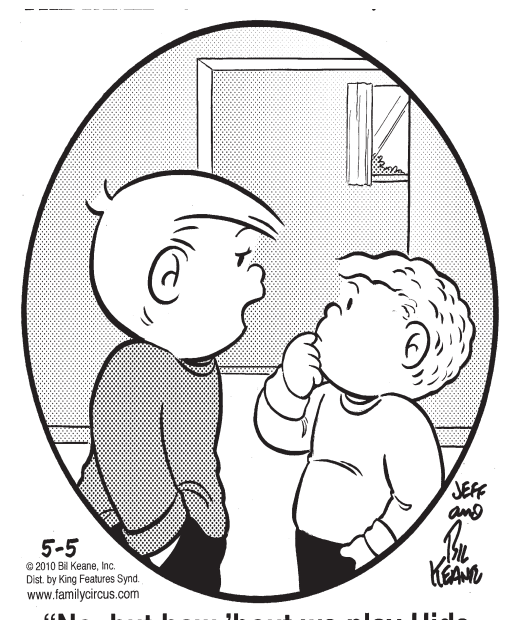
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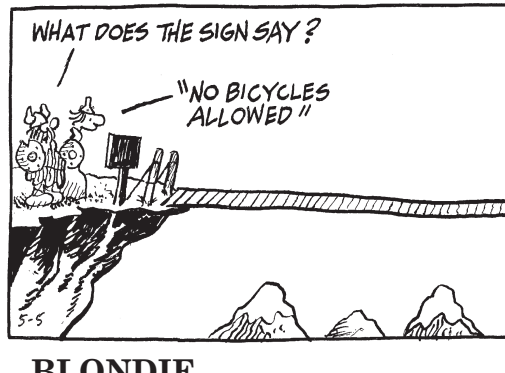
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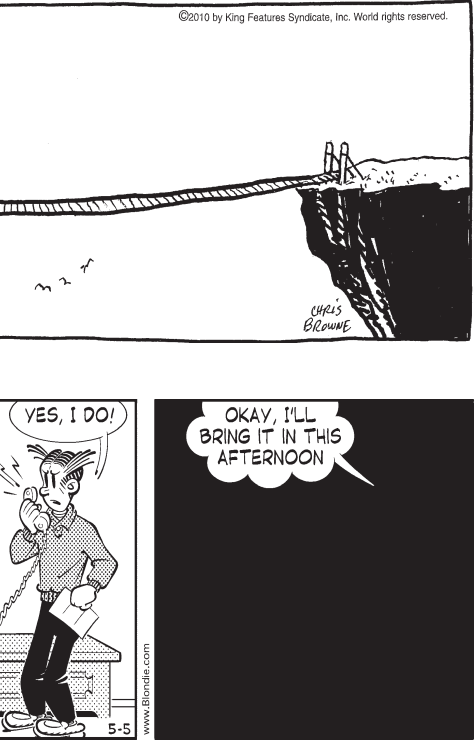
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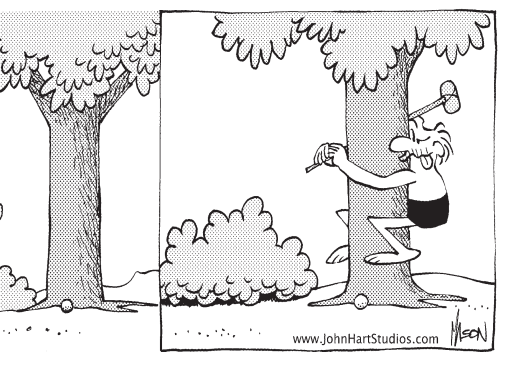
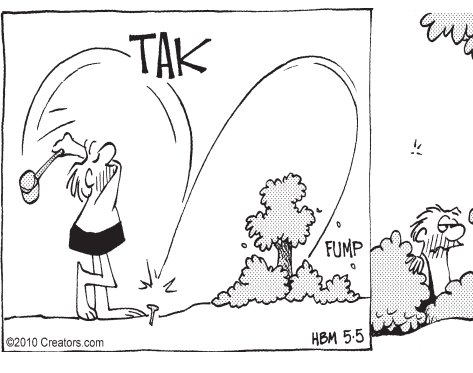


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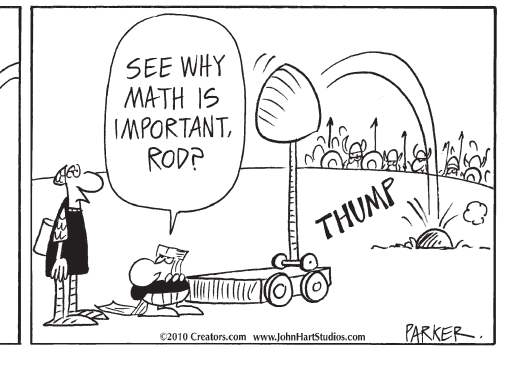
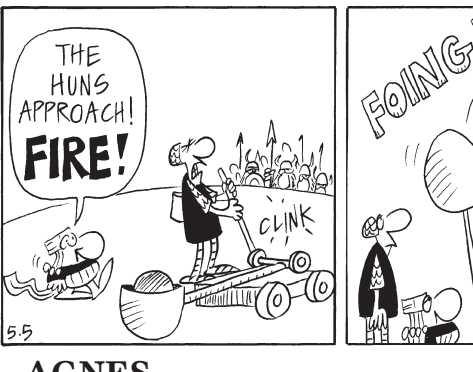
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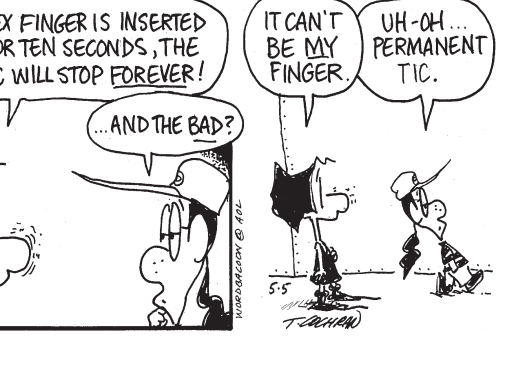
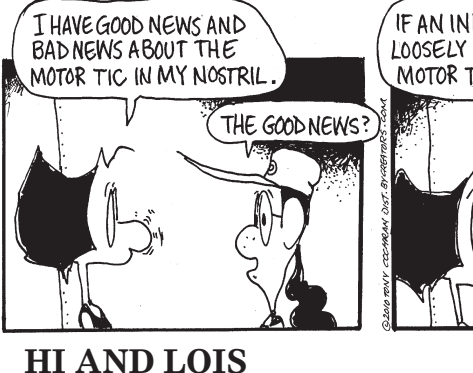
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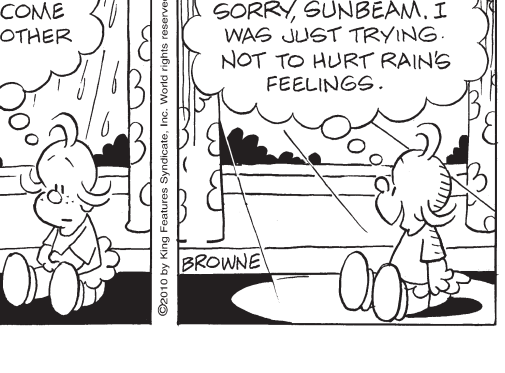
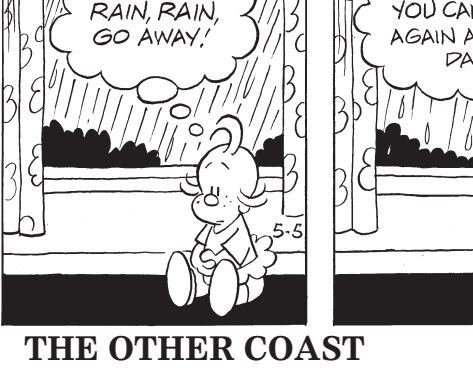
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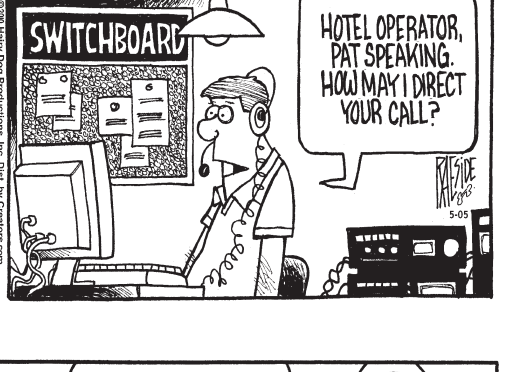
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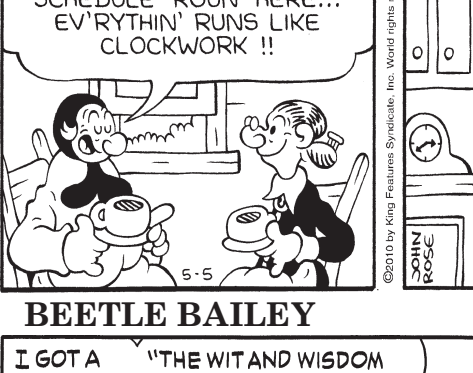
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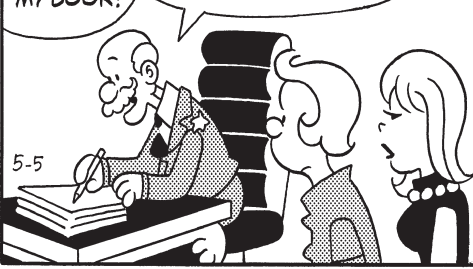
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This Date In History

Today is Wednesday, May 5, the 125th day of 2010. There are 240 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On May 5, 1961, astronaut Alan B. Shepard Jr. became America's first space traveler as he made a 15-minute sub-orbital flight in a capsule launched from Cape Canaveral, Fla.

On this date:

In 1821, Napoleon Bonaparte, 51, died in exile on the island of St. Helena.

In 1862, Mexican forces loyal to Benito Juarez defeated French troops sent by Napoleon III in the Battle of Puebla.

In 1891, Carnegie Hall (then named "Music Hall") had its official opening night in New York City.

In 1920, Nicola Sacco and Bartolomeo Vanzetti were arrested in the shooting deaths of a paymaster and security guard during a robbery at a shoe factory in Braintree, Mass.

Michael Murphy is 72. Actor Lance Henriksen is 70. Comedian-actor Michael Palin is 67. Actor John Rhys-Davies is 66. Actor Roger Rees is 66. Rock correspondent Kurt Loder is 65. Rock musician Bill Ward (Black Sabbath) is 62. Actor Richard E. Grant is 53. Broadcast journalist-turned-FBI spokesman John Miller is 52. Rock singer Ian McCulloch (Echo and the Bunnymen) is 51. NBC News anchor Brian Williams is 51. Rock musician Shawn Drover (Megadeth) is 44. TV personality Kyan (KY'ihn) Douglas is 40. Actress Tina Yothers is 37. Actor Vincent Kartheiser is 31. Singer Craig David is 29. Actress Danielle Fishel is 29.

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- 6 Weaponry
- 10 Self-satisfied
- 14 Less cooked
- 15 Film \_\_ (dark movie genre)
- 16 Bart Simpson's kid sister
- 17 Gasket
- 18 Answer to the Little Red Hen
- 19 Personalities
- 20 Crystal-ball user
- 23 NBC show with satirical skits
- 24 Upper limit, for short
- 25 Llama relative
- 28 Typical passenger plane
- 29 Amiable
- 31 Bar bill
- 32 Synthetic fabric
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- 36 Former money of Milan
- 37 Adam Smith economic work, with The
- 40 Home in a tree
- 41 Moose relatives
- 42 Actress Zellweger
- 43 Superlative suffix
- 44 Singing syllables
- 45 Color of Santa's suit
- 46 Took a break
- 48 "Gloomy" guy
- 49 Conducted
- 52 Cash cache
- 56 Neighbor of Chile
- 58 Arrive
- 59 Enter one's password
- 60 John, in Russia
- 61 Overpromotion
- 62 Authoritative decree
- 63 Stare (at)
- 64 Toward the dawn
- 65 Factions
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- 1 College faculty, for short
- 2 Composer Copland
- 3 Curlicue
- 4 Campsite shelter
- 5 Heated discussion
- 6 Building add-on
- 7 Cheer for one's team
- 8 Tiny amount
- 9 Ceylon's current name
- 10 Catch some z's
- 11 Birds' semiannual flight
- 12 Troop support grp.
- 13 Service-station commodity
- 21 Cole who sang "Unforgettable"
- 22 Honorary legal deg.
- 26 Chili con \_\_
- 27 Belittle
- 28 Sudden impact
- 29 Author of The Trial
- 30 B&Bs
- 32 Deed holder
- 33 Oscar-winner Witherspoon
- 34 Ultimate provocation
- 35 Road charge
- 36 Committed perjury
- 38 Annoying situation
- 39 Railroad bridge supports
- 44 Civil War VIP
- 45 Regret
- 47 Back of the car
- 48 Say "hi" to
- 49 Reasoned thinking
- 50 Kick out
- 51 Fender flaws
- 53 Source of tofu
- 54 Baseball officials
- 55 Went on horseback
- 56 One in a pen
- 57 Longoria Parker of Desperate Housewives

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