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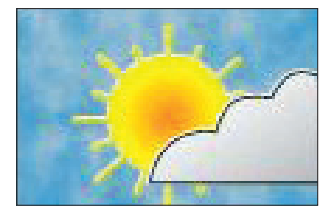
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County budget gets OK

Public hearing draws no objections, response

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
 Staff Writer

Howard County commissioners approved the 2010-2011 budget Monday morning by a unanimous vote, as the government entity looks to move into the coming fiscal year. Commissioners gave the plan — which totals \$15.1 million, approximately \$750,000 more than last year's budget — a thumbs up, following a public hearing that failed to draw any input from local residents.



Barr

The tax rate the budget is built upon — 52.2406 cents per \$100 valuation — also marks an upswing in mineral values in Howard County that could have some property owners seeing a decrease in their tax bill this year, according to County Judge Mark Barr.

"We saw an increase of nearly \$200 million in certified values this year, which was really a huge help," Barr said. "It allowed us to use the effective tax rate, which means property taxpayers who didn't see an increase in their appraisal this year will see their tax bill decrease, and with tough economic times like we've been having, that's a pretty big help."

Howard County witnessed an increase of \$192,559,501 with a certified value of \$2,102,914,462, compared to the \$1,910,354,961 in 2009.

Barr said a large chunk of the \$750,000



HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

Ali Vincent, left, guest speaker Monday night, signs a copy of her book "Believe It. Be It." for Stephanie Ferguson while Kelly Ferguson watches. Vincent is the first female winner of the popular "The Biggest Loser" show and spoke to a large crowd at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

Vincent brings enthusiasm, a 'you can do it' message

By **LYNDEL MOODY**
 Features Writer

Ali Vincent, fifth season winner of NBC's "The Biggest Loser," certainly didn't forget to bring her enthusiasm to Big Spring Monday night.

As a contestant on the popular reality show, she lost 47 percent of her body weight and more than 100 pounds within a five-and-a-half-month period. As a motivational

speaker, she is spreading the message that people can effect change in their lives through determination and a positive attitude.

And Vincent brought that "Believe It. Be It" attitude to share with the large crowd that attended the program held at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum on the Howard College campus. The program was jointly sponsored by Scenic Mountain Medical Center's Healthy Woman program and the Howard

College Foundation Lecture Series.

At least two attendees hoping to be inspired by her story weren't disappointed.

"I'm starting to train again, and I thought this would help get me going," said Kelly Ferguson of Kerrville.

"I talked her into coming because I'm one of the Healthy Woman members," added Kelly's sister-in-

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West Texas Centers changes name

☐ Determines the term "mental retardation" is derogatory.

Special to the Herald

West Texas Centers for MHMR is following the lead of many agencies nationwide by removing the words "mental retardation" from its everyday language and organization's title.

"It's a word that has become derogatory over time," said Rodney Jones, West Texas Centers Chief of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Services. "It's a word that was once used for a medical diagnosis, but society has turned it into a word that stigmatizes others."

"We felt it was time to remove the word from our Cen-

Like there's no way out; warning signs of suicide

Special to the Herald

One person commits suicide every 15 minutes in the United States, but many of those deaths could be prevented if friends or loved ones were aware of the disease's warning signs.

The week of Sept. 5 is Suicide Prevention Week, which culminates with World Suicide Prevention Day on Friday.

West Texas Centers — the regional mental health authority's title.

The mental health and intellectual and developmental disabilities agency serving 23 rural counties in West Texas will now be known as West Texas Centers.

"It's something we have been talking about for awhile," Jones said. "Most health care and social services organizations are moving in the same direction."

West Texas Centers CEO

Shelley Smith approached the Center's Board of Trustees earlier this summer with the idea of the name change. The board unanimously agreed to align the Center's title with the national shift in ideology.

The Center's name change became effective Sept. 1 — the start of the new fiscal year.

"I think eventually you will see the words "mental retardation" removed from the medical landscape," Smith said.

"The words — mental retardation — which were developed as a clinical term have turned into a harsh, negative term," she said. "The words 'intellectual and developmental disabilities' more accurately describes the people

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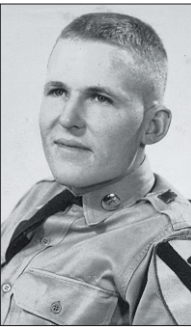
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Obituaries

Travis L. Haynie

Travis L. Haynie, 78, of Stanton died Saturday, Sept. 11, 2010, in a Big Spring nursing home. Graveside services will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 15, 2010, at the Evergreen Cemetery Chapel with Kendall Tomlinson officiating.



The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 14, 2010, at Gilbreath Funeral Home in Stanton.

Travis Leggette Haynie was born Jan. 29, 1932, in Stanton. Following high school, he entered the United States Army.

During his service, he received the National Defense Service Medal and the Republic of Korea Presidential Unit Citation.

He returned to Stanton in 1954 and was honorably discharged from reserve service in 1960. He worked as the groundskeeper at Evergreen Cemetery until he retired.

He was a very patriotic man who believed in flying the United States flag every day. He visited his friends downtown everyday and took candy to his "ladies" regularly.

He was an avid domino player and played at the American Legion Hall until it closed, and then moved the game to the work room attached to the garage at his house.

Survivors include a sister, Ermine Haynie Barrick, and husband Ed, of Fort Worth; nephews, Travis W. Crow and wife Cindy and family of Woolfforth, Paul McHenry, Howard Haynie and wife April and family of Midland, Travis S. Haynie and wife Debbie and family of Castle Rock, Colo., John Haynie of Lomax, and niece Vietia Romine and husband Larry; and family of Martin County.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Travis W. and Margaret Haynie; one brother, Silliman E. Haynie and wife Joan; and one niece, Margaret Haynie Adam.

The family suggests memorials be made to the Martin County Senior Citizen Center, PO Box 1233, Stanton 79782; or Lamun-Lusk-Sanchez Texas State Veterans Home, 1809 N. Hwy 87, Big Spring 79720. Arrangements are under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home of Stanton.

Online condolences can be made at: www.npwelch.com

He will be sorely missed.

Paid obituary

John A. Williams

John A. Williams, 84, of Brownfield died Saturday, Sept. 11, 2010, at Lamun-Lusk-Sanchez Texas State Veterans Home. Graveside services will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday at City of Levelland Cemetery in Levelland.

He was born May 12, 1926, in Valley Mills to Jewel and John L. Williams. He grew up in Levelland and graduated from Levelland High School. He served as a U.S. Navy Boatswain's Mate Second Class on an LCI 648 in the Asiatic Pacific Theater during World War II. He married Alice Joyce Holt, June 30, 1946, in Levelland. She preceded him in death Feb. 11,

2009. He was a member of the Calvary Baptist Church in Brownfield, Brownfield Eastern Star, Chapter 64, and was a past patron.

He is survived by one daughter, Deborah Williamson of Brownfield; three grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and one nephew.

In addition to his parents and wife, he was preceded in death by one sister.

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



Ana Maria A. Treviño

Ana Maria A. Treviño, 92, of Big Spring died Sunday, Sept. 12, 2010, at her daughter's home in Denton. A vigil service will be held at 7:30 p.m.



Tuesday, Sept. 14, 2010, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 15, 2010, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church with Msgr. Bernard Gully officiating. Graveside services

will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 16, 2010, at the Catholic Cemetery West in Pearsall.

She was born on Sept. 17, 1917, in Monclova, Mexico, and married Evaristo L. Treviño in October of 1945 in Monterrey, Mexico. He preceded her in death on March 20, 2000.

Mrs. Treviño came to Big Spring in 1959, having emigrated from Mexico to the United States in 1945 after receiving a degree in nursing from the Universidad Autonoma de Mexico and the Jose Muguerza Hospital in Monterrey, N.L. She and her family were members of Holy Trinity Catholic Church, Sacred Heart Parish.

Survivors include five daughters, Connie Ramirez and husband Albert of Denton, Irma Hernandez and husband Gustavo of El Paso, Rosario Perez of Grand Prairie, Leticia Cole of Arlington, and Eulalia Dolan and husband Bob of Anchorage, Alaska; three sons, Jose "Pepe" Treviño and wife Jovita, and Arturo Treviño and wife Mary, all of Big Spring, and Jesus "Jesse" Treviño of Washington, D.C.; 15 grandchildren, Steve Perez, Alma Leticia Price, Gustavo (Tavito) Hernandez, Corey Dolan, Laura Behrens, Clarisa Duron Siquefield, Jessie Cole, Evaristo (Sonny) Treviño, Liz Watson, Ricky Treviño, Arturo Treviño, Christopher Treviño, Joey Treviño, Javier Treviño and Magdalena Cole; and 23 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one son, Evaristo "Tito" Treviño, on March 22, 1997; four sisters; and one brother.

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

Paid obituary

Jane Gilmore

Jane Gilmore, 71, of Coahoma died Sunday, Sept. 12, 2010, at St. David's Medical Center in Austin. The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. until



7:30 p.m. Tuesday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held Wednesday at 2 p.m. at Midway Baptist Church with the Rev. Jim Binnix and the Rev. Elwin Collom officiating. Burial will follow at Coahoma Cemetery.

Jane was born March 3, 1939, in Coahoma to Lilleen (Bill) and George (Buck) Graham and was a lifetime resident of Coahoma. She married Richard Gilmore on Oct. 30, 1955, in Coahoma. She received

her licensed vocational nurse degree from Howard County Junior College. She had been in the profession for more than 41 years, having worked at Martin County Hospital, Scenic Mountain Medical Center, Veterans Administration Medical Center, Big Spring State Hospital, as well as nursing homes, hospice, home health, and most recently at Howard College in the nursing program. Prior to her nursing career, she also drove a bus for Coahoma ISD. She was a member of Midway Baptist Church.

Jane is survived by her husband, Richard Gilmore of Coahoma; one daughter, Jana Smith and husband Earnie of Coahoma; one son, Leslie Gilmore and wife Judy of Lorenzo; one sister, Jaynet Hardin and husband Ray of Big Spring; six grandchildren, Shane Gilmore of Edmond, Okla. Cody Gilmore of Hobbs, NM, Kelsey Gilmore of Smyer, Steven Smith of Coahoma, Maurry Powe and wife Jeton of Plainview; and Keith Smith and wife Kendra of Big Spring; five great grandchildren, Brian Smith and Makayla Smith of Big Spring, Lexie Bennett and Wyatt Powe of Plainview; and a number of nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents and one brother, Pete Graham.

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

Paid obituary

Lottery

Results of the Texas Two Step drawing Monday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 10-13-15-25. Bonus Ball: 6. Number matching four of four, plus Bonus Ball: 1. Prize: \$275,000. Winning ticket purchased in: Mesquite.

drawn: 6-7-20-22-32. Number matching five of five: 0.

The winning Daily 4 numbers drawn Monday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 5-1-4-5. Sum It Up: 15.

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Monday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 5-4-1. Sum It Up: 10.

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Monday night: Winning numbers

Support Groups

WEDNESDAY

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

THURSDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; women's meeting; 6:30 until 7:30 p.m. Non-smoking closed discussion meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

FRIDAY

• AA open discussion meeting from noon until 1 p.m. at 615 Settles. Open Big Book study meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

SATURDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. Open podium/speakers meeting 615 Settles 8 p.m. until 9 p.m. Open birthday night, no smoking meeting the last Saturday of each month at 8 p.m.

Today's Weather

Local 5-Day Forecast

Wed 9/15	Thu 9/16	Fri 9/17	Sat 9/18	Sun 9/19
93/67 Generally sunny despite a few afternoon clouds. Hot. High 93F.	92/66 Times of sun and clouds. Highs in the low 90s and lows in the mid 60s.	87/65 A few clouds. Highs in the upper 80s and lows in the mid 60s.	90/65 A few clouds. Highs in the low 90s and lows in the mid 60s.	89/64 Mainly sunny. Highs in the upper 80s and lows in the mid 60s.
Sunrise: 7:30 AM Sunset: 7:52 PM	Sunrise: 7:30 AM Sunset: 7:51 PM	Sunrise: 7:31 AM Sunset: 7:49 PM	Sunrise: 7:32 AM Sunset: 7:48 PM	Sunrise: 7:32 AM Sunset: 7:47 PM

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Mars moves into Scorpio, accenting bold facets of our personalities. For those who are already prone toward the impulsive, intense and extreme sides of life, this aspect will amplify the energy. The more passive, neutral or generally cool types may find themselves slipping into an uncharacteristically fervent mood. Surprises abound.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). It's your turn to be the stable one in a relationship. If the other person is emotionally intense, stay calm. If the road before you is rocky or steep, keep the balance by maintaining an even keel.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Shopping is dangerous now, as many purchases you will be tempted to make will have the appearance of solving everything, when in actuality, they will not improve your life one bit and may indeed make it worse. Buyer, beware.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Notice what is hanging you up or rubbing you the wrong way.

With a few minor adjustments, you will be able to turn this friction into momentum. A change of approach and/or attitude may be all that's needed.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Someone has captured your attention anew. Your awareness of this person comes in a form that is open, inviting and generous. You might even say that this awareness

is love. **LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). The routine has gotten comfortable — maybe too comfortable. But have no fear: You will find something very strange in this day. If you don't, you're not looking hard enough.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). There's a funny progression to the day, and you may take issue with Father Time's sense of humor. Some hours fly by; others drag on for an eternity; and yet they all purport to be exactly 60 minutes.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). There's a time and a place for competition, and this isn't it. Kindness will be prized above many other qualities now, not only by you, but also by the people you would expect to be ultra-competitive.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You are powerful — everyone senses it already. In fact, you are in danger of overpowering the room. A bit of humility will help others feel comfortable. Your graciousness will set a tone for the rest of the crew.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Right now, your life is a little bit like a song by The Rolling Stones. You may not get what you want, but keep going for it anyway, and you just might find that you get what you need.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). There's no reason to put your relationships to the test on purpose. Life brings enough trials in the natural course of things. So

relax, be nice to each other, and let your bond build naturally.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You may feel like you've been dealt a bad hand, but don't fold. Play it as best you can. A little bit of bluffing might be necessary, and you'll be so convincing that you've got something good to play that you might even convince yourself.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). If you don't quite have the resources to go forward in high style, go forward in low style. It might even work better that way. Your life is about what you give, not what you get.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Sept. 14). You are a leader and will guide your group to an important victory this year. What you do out of love will bring you terrific luck over the next six weeks. A political move affects your family favorably in January. You gain the cooperation of powerful people in February. June and August bring romantic travel. Leo and Cancer people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 40, 1, 24, 33 and 18.

SCHOOLDAYS! THE ARIES STUDENT: The first sign of the zodiac is a natural-born lifelong learner, and the world is Aries' classroom -- so much so that the actual classroom may seem somewhat confining for Aries. That's why when an Aries student is asked, "What is your favorite thing about school?" the student will

often answer, "Recess." Don't be fooled by this answer, though. Once Aries gets hooked on a subject, he or she will want to know everything about it. Aries does enjoy studying many topics at once and prefers a school day that is filled with variety and movement. Aries is naturally athletic and competitive and will often excel in extracurricular sports.

THE TAURUS STUDENT: Learning is a hands-on experience for Taurus. This tactile student learns most when all the senses are engaged. The real-life application for knowledge is extremely important to this earth sign, and Taurus needs to see the usefulness in information or the bull will lose interest. Taurus has an exceptional talent for setting long-term educational or vocational goals and for committing fully to every necessary step along the way to meeting that aim.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Multiple Grammy Award-winner Amy Winehouse is a Virgo, born when the moon was in experimental, outspoken and worldly Sagittarius. Venus and Mars conjunct in Leo suggests that Winehouse feels at home in the spotlight -- she loves and craves the attention.

Her moon and Mercury are squared, indicating that there are obstacles to overcome on the path to self-expression.

VINCENT

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law Stephanie Ferguson of Coahoma. "She's lost 100 pounds already. I think she was inspired by 'The Biggest Loser.'"

"She (Vincent) is absolutely amazing, and she makes you want to go home and start setting your goals."

Vincent started the show weighing in at 230 pounds and was eliminated from competition

COUNTY

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increase over last year's budget will be used to hire more law enforcement officials and employees for the county jail.

"The majority of that increase over last year's budget is made up of salary increases for county employees, as well as increases in the number of deputies and jail employees," Barr said. "I feel like we're on the right track now, and Sheriff Stan Parker is really doing a tremendous job with that department."

"It's always tough when you're putting a budget like this together. You're trying to balance a lot of different things, like trying to keep taxes down while still providing the best services possible to the citizens. Of course, law enforcement and keeping our residents safe has to be our highest priority."

With the budget now in place, commissioners are expected to finalize the 2010 tax rate in the coming weeks, bringing their fiscal planning for the coming year to a close.

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early. She was chosen to return later in season and ended as the first woman to win the competition in the show's history. Along her journey, Vincent said she realized her biggest obstacle was her attitude.

The Healthy Woman program is geared toward women between the ages of 25 to 65 to provide education, support and resources for healthy living and boasts a membership of more than 900. Membership is free.

For more information call (432) 268-4842 or visit the hospital's website at smmccares.com. For more information on Vincent, visit her website at alivincent.com.

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Juan Morelion, 79, died Monday. Vigil Services will be at 7 p.m. Thursday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral Services will be at 11 a.m. Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

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Businesses or organizations wishing to participate in the Big Spring High School homecoming parade need to contact BSHS by Wednesday afternoon to secure a spot in the lineup. For more information, call 264-3641.

United Way Dine Out program begins this week with Cowboys Steakhouse & Restaurant, 404 E. FM 700, as the featured restaurant. The restaurant will donate a portion of its proceeds received through Sunday to United Way of Big Spring and Howard County.

American Legion Post 506 will hold a fish fry from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday at the post home, 3203 W. Highway 80. Plates are \$10 each. Delivery can be arranged from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. by calling 263-2084.

SUICIDE

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ty for 23 rural counties in West Texas — provides outpatient care for people living with mental illnesses and educates the community on how to help those living with these disorders.

People with mental illness are more predisposed to attempt suicide, said West Texas Centers CEO Shelley Smith, LMSW, as are those who are depressed.

People who want to harm themselves often give off clues, Smith said.

"We often hear from the public that people who threaten to commit suicide are just seeking attention," Smith said. When a person says he or she wants to die, we need to stand up and pay attention."

Some of the warning signs of suicide are:

- Threatening to hurt or kill himself or herself
- Looking for ways to kill himself or herself: seeking access to pills, weapons, or other means
- Talking or writing about death, dying, or suicide
- Hopelessness
- Rage, anger, seeking

revenge

- Acting recklessly or engaging in risky activities, seemingly without thinking
- Feeling trapped, like there's no way out
- Increasing alcohol or drug use
- Withdrawing from friends, family or society
- Anxiety, agitation, unable to sleep or sleeping all the time
- Dramatic changes in mood
- No reason for living, no sense of purpose in life

People may show one or many of these signs, and some may show

signs not on this list.

West Texas Centers offers a 24-hour mental health crisis hotline for people who need immediate assistance. The toll-free number is 1-800-375-4357.

West Texas Centers provides mental health care through 15 mental health centers in 23 counties in West Texas. Counties served by West Texas Centers are: Andrews, Borden, Crane, Dawson, Fisher, Gaines, Garza, Glasscock, Howard, Kent, Loving, Martin, Mitchell, Nolan, Reeves, Runnels, Scurry, Terrell, Terry, Upton, Ward, Winkler and Yoakum.

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we serve. We want to be sensitive

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OUR VIEW

Volunteers still needed to take Memory Walk

There's still a serious need for team and individual participants for the annual Memory Walk set for Saturday, according to local Alzheimer's Association officials. Sign-ups are still under way for the annual event, which gives area residents a chance to raise funds for the Alzheimer's Association while also increasing community awareness of the debilitating disease.

"We want to continue to encourage Howard County residents to support the Memory Walk through donations, walking and spreading the word," said Rick Stovall, the Memory Walk's coordinator. "We still need team and individual participants. People can sign up individually or as a team. The process is very simple. All they have to do is go to the Web site and set up their team's account."

Once that sign-up process is done, donors can make their contributions in person or online, whichever is the most convenient for people."

Stovall stressed that the Memory Walk is going to be a very good time for everyone involved. And those participating don't necessarily have to be part of the fundraiser.

"Anyone that would like to walk with us on that day is more than welcome to come out, whether they are raising funds or not," Stovall noted. "While raising money for the Alzheimer's Association is certainly a priority for us, the Memory Walk is about raising awareness."

What's more, Stovall says he encourages local residents to bring their children, but to make they are supervised, and to bring their dogs on leashes,

At the same time, Alzheimer's Association officials are asking people to get in touch with elected officials and call for support of "The Alzheimer's Breakthrough Act of 2009 (S. 1492/H.R. 3286)" to increase funding for research and treatment of Alzheimer's disease and related dementias.

What's more, Tuesday, Sept. 21, is World Alzheimer's Awareness Day and people can show their support by wearing purple ribbons.

"This is a disease that will touch everyone's life at some point," Stovall said. "A relative, a friend or you will develop this devastating disease. Please help us by joining the fight to find a cure."

Alzheimer's disease is a progressive brain disorder that gradually destroys a person's memory and ability to learn, reason, make judgments, communicate and carry out daily activities. As Alzheimer's progresses, individuals may also experience changes in personality and behavior, as well as delusions or hallucinations.

The number of people suffering from Alzheimer's disease and other types of dementias is expected to skyrocket in the coming years. Current estimates indicate more than 340,000 Texans already suffer from the disease, with numbers expected to go as high as 470,000 by 2025.

"This isn't something we can ignore," Stovall stressed.

And as we've said in this space before, we couldn't agree more.

The toll Alzheimer's takes — not just on its victims, but their families — is nothing short of heart-breaking. That's why we encourage local residents to volunteer to take part in the Memory Walk, as well as to call Congressman Randy Neugebauer and Sens. Kay Bailey Hutchison and John Cornyn to voice support of the Alzheimer's Breakthrough Act.

Remember, none of us know who'll need Alzheimer's Association support or when we'll need it. Let's hope we've done our part to offer help and support while we still can.

A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

You, Lord, are never too good to be true.

Amen

Government protects little guy

More than a century ago, William Jennings Bryan presided over mass rallies of mostly middle-class Americans angry about economic inequities. The tea party activists gathered in Washington last weekend for Glenn Beck's event shared similar concerns. Both leaders framed their populist mission in Christian terms.

But Bryan's people knew the source of their insecurity. Beck's don't.

Bryan's populists blamed unregulated banks and industrial mammoths for oppressing the middle class on down. They wanted government to protect them from marauding monopolies.

Beck's populists see government as the marauder. Government, in his rhetoric, is the bully harassing individuals and business alike.

Populist sentiment against the business elite helped get Republican Theodore Roosevelt elected president in 1904. (He had moved up from the vice presidency with the assassination of President William McKinley in 1901.)

But Beck slams Roosevelt for his reformer vision.

He froths over Roosevelt's belief that the pursuit of great wealth should benefit the wider community as well as rich people as "the cancer that is eating at America."

It's always dangerous to compare periods separated by more than 100 years. Back in the late 1890s, the government was tiny,

and the big corporate powers were free to trample workers and small businesses. Standard Oil and the future U.S. Steel had bigger budgets than the U.S. government. (By the way, Standard Oil et al. did not really favor "free enterprise." They favored their continuation as competition-killing monopolies.)

In sharp contrast, today's populists don't see the recent economic meltdown as the product of the financial industry allowed to run amok. The same folk agonize over growing deficits and see the widening gap between the super rich and everyone else — yet still oppose a modest tax hike on the top few percent.

In one breath, the tea partiers rail against the bank bailouts. In the next, they object to efforts in Washington to re-regulate the banks and make future bailouts unnecessary. And they see their political home in a Republican Party that tirelessly serves the interests of the Wall Street princes and the industries that dine on taxpayer dollars — for instance, health care.

It's hard to remember that Wall Street was rather sympathetic to the surging Democrats only two years ago.

During the presidential campaign, the party took in 70 percent of Wall Street's political contributions. Republicans are now receiving 68 percent. (Always cynical Wall Street is betting on a GOP win.)

The financiers turned on Democrats as the Obama administration sought to re-regulate the financial industry. They denounce a proposed return to the top marginal rates of the Clinton-era as a gross injustice. They indignantly defend the ludicrous loophole that lets hedge and private-equity-fund man-

agers pay taxes at a lower rate than the police who guard their mansions.

Private-equity tycoon Stephen A. Schwarzman recently likened the administration's attempt to close the loophole to the Nazi invasion of Poland. Hedge-fund manager Daniel S. Loeb angrily wrote his investors that "this country's core founding principles included non-punitive taxation, constitutionally guaranteed protections against persecution of the minority and an inexorable right of self-determination." Who's arguing with that?

These guys are not necessarily "conservative." They generally don't care a fig about the social issues. Some, like Loeb, are registered Democrats.

But the name of their game is to amass the highest number of billions. Nothing is every enough. Anyone who slows the play is their enemy. And these days, it's the Republican Party that can best help them rack up their scores. (What's good for the country is generally not item No. 1 on the priority list.)

The plutocracy hated and feared Bryan, especially after he won his first (of three) Democratic presidential nominations. In 1896, Republican operative Mark Hanna went directly to John D. Rockefeller and said, "We need money to defeat Bryan." Rockefeller wrote a check.

One would think that the populists who lament the alleged decline of their economic status — and America's real economic decline — might want to stop the big players from repeating their excesses. Amazingly, they don't.

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Setting the record straight

Increasingly we live in a world — alas — of deliberate misrepresentation and mischaracterization. Or you could call them lies.

Thank God for mainstream, fair-minded journalists like myself, who care for little but truth, justice and setting the record straight.

In that spirit, I offer up the following falsehoods, believed to be true by many of the bewildered among us, along with corrections.

- A group of radical Muslims is planning to build a mosque at ground zero in New York as a taunt to survivors of those who died there.

That might be true, if it were a just a mosque and if it were at ground zero.

The project in question is a high-rise community center that, while it will house a room for Muslim prayer, will also have meeting rooms, a gym and a swimming pool. What it is, basically, is a building.

Nor is it "at" ground zero. The site is two blocks away and around a corner. When protesters gather at ground zero to wave signs and shout, they are out of sight of the proposed "mosque."

As far as the affront to survivors, I would think visitors to the 9/11 memorial will find enough to give them pain without worrying about a building

two blocks away.

Neither is the group planning the community center "radical" in any accepted sense of the word. The chief imam involved in the project is celebrated and reviled throughout the Muslim world as a moderate and a man of peace.

- President Obama is a Muslim.

No he's not.

- President Obama is planning a stealth tax hike to fund his socialistic, budget-busting schemes.

Not really. What he is planning is to sit in the back of the canoe and let his hand trail in the water while the sun sets on the Bush tax cuts of a decade earlier.

In doing so he is merely affirming the wisdom of Bush and his advisers who decreed that their tax cuts would expire after 10 years. (They did this because it was obvious that if the cuts lasted any longer, they would sink the federal budget under a weight of debt too horrible to contemplate.)

As a sop to the hard-pressed middle class, still laboring to recover from Bush's Great Recession, Obama has agreed to renew their tax cuts, which didn't amount to a lot anyway. The people who make \$250,000 a year or more, however, will return to the happy days of Ronald Reagan, when income taxes were higher.

- Mr. Obama is not a native-born American.

Yes he is.

- The Left Wing has a stranglehold on the government and it is

the mission of the conservative majority to "take our country back" and rescue future generations from Socialist Hell.

No, no and no. Strictly speaking, there is no Left Wing in this country, certainly not a Left like they have in Europe, where they're still fighting the class struggle. The class struggle here is over. The rich guys won.

Actually, there is not even that much of a Right Wing (although you'd never know it from the commotion they raise).

The great majority of Americans belong to the Party of Indifference. People here don't really care much about politics.

You see it in our voter turnout, which is abysmally low, and in the lack of participation in local affairs. Reality television is so much more entertaining.

What we have in place of ideology is single-issue politics.

Abortion, gay marriage, merit pay for teachers, stem cell research, free trade, illegal immigration, guns — everybody's got a favorite issue, at least one, and that's what drives people to the polls (when it does).

Concepts like "civic virtue" and "the greater good of society" are on life support. In many instances they are viewed as communist buzzwords. One is reminded of the words of Yeats: "The best lack all conviction, while the worst are full of passionate intensity."

There. I hope that clears up any confusion you might have.

OtherWords columnist Donald Kaul lives in Ann Arbor, Mich.



Courtesy photo

With concern about its diminishing numbers, Mississippi kites in 1992 were being considered for the threatened species list. Some 18 years later, they are being studied as victims of an infection, trichomoniasis.

Parent's Corner:

A case of mixed messages can really confuse things

Today I'd like to share a story that will fuel your imagination. It is all the development of misinformation and how funny it can be at times.

Imagine yourself in the same situation.

It seems that a very proper lady, originally from England, began planning a week's camping vacation for herself and her Methodist Church group. She wrote to a campground for reservations. She wanted to make sure that the campground was fully equipped and modern, but couldn't bring herself to write the word "toilet" in her letter.

So, she decided to use the abbreviation for the English term "water closet" thinking the campground would know what she meant. She wrote, "We would love to book reservations at your camp ground but I have a question: Does your campground have its own "W.C.?"

When the campground owner received the letter, he couldn't figure out what she meant by "W.C." He showed it to several of the campers, one of whom suggested the lady was obviously referring to a Wesleyan Church since there was letterhead on the paper which referred to a Wesley Methodist Church.

So he sent this reply:

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Dear Madam:

We offer a very friendly campground with many amenities and special attractions.

Yes, we do have a W.C., which is located nine miles from the campground in a beautiful grove of trees. I admit it is quite a distance if you are in the habit of going regularly.

No doubt you will be pleased to know that it will seat 350 people and it is open on Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday of each week. Organ music is provided on Sunday.

Some folks like to take their lunch and make a day of it. The acoustics are very good, so everyone can hear even the quietest passages.

It may interest you to know that my daughter met her husband there. We are also having a fund-raiser to purchase new seats, as the old ones are very uncomfortable.

Unfortunately my wife is ill and has not been able to attend regularly. It's been a good six months since she last went. It pains her very much not to be able to go more often.

As we grow older, it seems to be more of an effort, especially in cold weather. Perhaps I could accompany you the first time you go, sit with you and introduce you to all the other folks who will be there.

I look forward to your visit.

Camp Director

I wonder if she booked any reservations.

Darrell Ryan is director of federal programs for the Big Spring Independent School District.

Bird Poop:

Mississippi kite's loss; ours as well

As the game warden turned on to the Interstate, his passenger tried to get its footing on the floor of the carrier. With its talons scraping the bare plastic, the raptor slid into the side. Then all was quiet.

"It won't be long now," said the officer, as if some consolation might calm the bird as it traveled. Driving past the prison, the game warden mentally compared the person who had been cited for having a hawk with some of the inmates. All had taken what had not belonged to them, and in each case, there were consequences.

The bridge over the Colorado River gave him an opportunity to see the effects of last week's rain. Usually only pockets of water could be seen where boulders had gathered from erosion or seasonal deluges. Although muddy, now the river was evident as it continued its journey to the southeast.

Soon he had left the scenic part of the county and entered the flatlands further west. Wondering what might happen to this bird, he questioned the story he had heard that morning.

Since receiving a phone call earlier, we had prepared an area for a hawk. As its food thawed, I kept thinking about what the game warden had said. Indicating that the raptor's appearance had been altered, he had added that the person possessing it said the bird couldn't fly when he found it. Not wanting to relinquish the bird to the officer had resulted in a visit to a judge and stiff fine.

With his pulling into our driveway came a customary wave and friendly smile. Handing Art the carrier, the warden watched as I pulled the struggling hawk through the gated opening.

Blunted talons and mutilated wing feathers weren't as shocking as the hawk's bill. With the tip filed away, it would have been impossible for it to tear strips of food from lizards, mice and small birds. Difficult would have been its trying to rip cicadas and large grasshoppers that are not only summer delicacies, but the mainstay of its breeding season.

The Mississippi kite had become a victim of someone wanting a raptor. To insure that the hawk could not escape, the person had cut feathers essential to flight. Not wanting to endure the pain its talons could inflict, the culprit had filed the needle-sharp claws to dull stubs.

Feeling the bone structure of both wings, I found a hard knot at one of the joints. Whether it was caused by a break and calcification, or out-of-joint, I could not tell. Had the injury occurred in nature, or been inflicted by the person as he sought to control the raptor?

After the kite had time to recover from its trip, we offered minced mice and crickets to tempt its palate. The hungry bird readily accepted the tiny particles.

With the passing days, we became convinced the kite was tame. In spite of a person marring the physical attributes of a bird of prey, the raptor was still handsome in its dark gray/light gray coloration. Its dark red eyes seemed to question if I, also, would do it harm.

For it to be so docile, the person would have had to take it from the nest, or acquire it soon after it fledged. Innocent, and totally dependent upon its parents, the kite could have easily become imprinted upon the person who fed it daily.

In removing the bird of prey from its surroundings, the offender had affected its contribution to man. Through the control of insects, rodents and some small species of birds, especially house sparrows, the Mississippi kite helped maintain a balance in the natural world.

As we started to transport the bird to the Midland sanctuary, we noticed a kettles of kites over our neighborhood. Learning to utilize the uplifts in thermals, the young followed their parents in rising circles.

For this kite, the adventure of floating in air was lost. The maneuverability needed to catch and eat its food in flight would never be experienced.

Its graceful figure and narrow wings would never be seen in a fall migration.

Nature's loss was ours as well.

Bebe McCasland is author of *The Scoop from Bird Poop*. She is federally and state licensed to rehabilitate wild birds.

5-year-old wins moose calling contest

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP) — For 5-year-old Andrew Polasky, being loud has paid off.

Andrew was the winner of this weekend's moose calling contest at the Alaska Zoo in Anchorage.

He lives with his parents, Janessa and Ray, at Elmendorf Air

Force Base in Anchorage. He really hasn't been around moose that much, even though they're ever-present in Alaska's largest city. Instead, he's more used to deer from his native Wisconsin.

So what's his secret for winning a moose calling contest?

His mom says he just likes making a lot of noise, and, she says, "He's good at it."

For his efforts, Andrew won a calendar, a \$25 gift certificate to an Anchorage restaurant — the Moose's Tooth, of course — and a moose cutout to hang on his wall.

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Cowboys regret mistakes vs. 'Skins

IRVING (AP) — Roy Williams went to his seat on the team plane for the flight home from Washington and there was his assigned traveling companion, Alex Barron.

Imagine that: The guy who appeared to have caused the game-winning touchdown for the Dallas Cowboys was forced to spend the next three hours next to the guy whose holding penalty wiped away the points, sealing a 13-7 loss to the Redskins in the season opener.

Williams didn't say a word. He just reached out a hand and bumped fists with Barron, acknowledging no hard feelings.

"That silent dap said it all," Wil-

"I mean, it happens. You don't want it to happen in that situation. You'd rather it happen in the first quarter; the last play of the game, it's tough."

Roy Williams on Alex Barron's penalty, Dallas Cowboys

iams said at team headquarters Monday. "He said he was sorry for blowing the TD. I said, 'Don't worry about it.'

"I mean, it happens," Williams continued. "You don't want it to happen in that situation. You'd rather it happen in the first quarter or the second quarter; the last play of the game, it's tough."

The Cowboys went out of their way

during and after the game to support all their teammates who made costly mistakes. It's a long list considering there were 11 penalties before the final zinger, a missed 34-yard field goal by the new place-kicker and an unthinkable, game-changing turnover on the final play of the first half.

Dallas was down just 3-0 and 64 yards from the end zone when Tony Romo scrambled to throw a Hail Mary, then

decided to flick the ball to Tashard Choice. The third-year running back fumbled for the first time in his career and Washington's DeAngelo Hall returned it for what would be the Redskins' only touchdown of the game.

While Romo and Choice are culpable in their own ways, offensive coordinator Jason Garrett started it by deciding to do more than simply take a knee with 4 seconds left and coach Wade Phillips blamed himself for not overruling Garrett.

Phillips didn't want to get into the play-call for the infamous final play of the game — as in, why there wasn't

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Cerbi Ritchey hits the ball in Big Spring volleyball team's match against Greenwood Saturday. The Lady Steers play Colorado City at 6 p.m. today in Steer Gym. There have been changes to the schedule as well. All BSHS volleyball teams are at Andrews on Sept. 18 and the freshman and varsity teams will play at 11 a.m., junior varsity plays at noon. The match at Sweetwater has been changed to Sept. 25. The freshman and varsity teams will play at 11 a.m. and the junior varsity at noon. The seventh and eighth grade's home matches against Seminole on Sept. 27 is now at 5:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m., respectively.

Kubiak pleased with Texans' win vs. Colts

HOUSTON (AP) — Houston coach Gary Kubiak presented Ari-an Foster with the game ball after his record-setting game against Indianapolis. Foster immediately handed it to his offensive linemen, saying they deserved the credit.

Kubiak said Monday that just about everyone merited some praise after the Texans' convincing 34-24 win over the defending AFC champions.

"It was a good, solid effort by our team," Kubiak said. "Our effort was very good, our conditioning level was very good, the things you worry about going into the first game. Our guys responded."

And then some. Foster ran for a team record 231 yards against the Colts, the second highest rushing total in history on the opening weekend. The offensive line paved huge holes for him, and Kubiak said fullback Vonta Leach had his best game in four-plus seasons here.

The Texans defense pressured Peyton Manning all day and sacked him twice. The line-backing corps played well without 2009 Defensive Rookie of the Year Brian Cushing, and the young secondary held up and forced a key turnover.

Even the new kicker came through. Neil Rackers connected from 30 and 49 yards to give Houston the early lead. Rackers won a preseason competition with Kris Brown.

The Texans had boldly talked for months about challenging Indianapolis in the AFC South, even though the Colts won 15 of the first 16 meetings. Houston dominated both lines on Sunday, and hung onto a fourth-quarter lead this time to earn one of the biggest wins in the franchise's eight-year history.

"A lot of our offseason was geared toward trying to achieve something as a team," Kubiak said. "A lot of things we've been working on came up, and we handled it pretty good. There's a long, long way to go, but it's a dang nice start."

The Texans (1-0) play at Washington (1-0) on Sunday. This week, Kubiak said the team will look for a free agent defensive end after Connor Barwin was lost for the season with a broken right ankle. Barwin was Mario Williams' backup and will have surgery on Wednesday.

Houston contacted Aaron Schobel during the former Bills' defensive end retired.

"Anybody who's out there as a free agent is a possibility," Kubiak said. "I think all doors are open. We continue to listen to every possible avenue."

Barwin had the only significant injury for the Texans. Tight end Owen Daniels, seeing in his first action since the eighth game of last season, played about 40 snaps and said his surgically repaired knee held up fine.

Daniels and Leach helped the offensive line dominate the Colts up front. Houston finished with a team record 257 yards rushing.

Kubiak said center Chris Myers had his best game as a Texan, Antoine Caldwell and Mike Brisiel ably split duty at right guard and former first-round pick Duane Brown held his own at left tackle against Colts All-Pro Dwight Freeney.

The Texans hardly needed their passing offense, which was the best in the NFL in yards last season (291). Matt Schaub completed 9 of 17 passes for 107 yards, his lowest totals since joining the Texans in 2007. All-Pro receiver Andre Johnson made only three catches for 33 yards.

"You've got to do what you've got to do to win," Kubiak said.

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Potential playoff preview provides hope for Texas Rangers

ARLINGTON (AP) — Texas Rangers manager Ron Washington tried real hard to play down the significance of a three-game sweep of the New York Yankees.

"They're one of the best teams in the game, and we played for three days better than they did," Washington

said. "It's just obvious on certain days that we can play with anybody. That's all it meant."

Except if his AL West-leading team can do that again next month, Texas could win a playoff series for the first time. Even if the Rangers again have to face New York,

the team that knocked them out of the postseason all three times they made it in the late 1990s.

"You want to go into the postseason on a good note and feeling good about where everything is," said Cliff Lee, who limited the team with the top record in the majors

to two hits in eight-plus innings in Sunday's 4-1 finale. "If we play like we did this series, we're going to continue to do that."

With three weeks left in the regular season, the Rangers (80-63) went into Monday's off-day with an 8½-game division lead over Oakland. They

have a five-game winning streak since losing five in a row.

"They can hit, pitch and play defense. We knew they were good coming in," Yankees manager Joe Girardi said.

Myers' strong start lifts Astros to 4-2 victory over Milwaukee

HOUSTON (AP) — Brett Myers spent the weekend away from the Astros celebrating the birth of his son.

On Monday night, he was back to work, becoming the eighth pitcher in 90 years to throw six or more innings in 30 consecutive starts in Houston's 4-2 win over the Milwau-

kee Brewers.

"What an outstanding performance," Astros manager Brad Mills said. "He went home and his wife had a baby and he came back and he's still the same pitcher. What a great job he did. Those seven innings were outstanding."

Myers (12-7) pitched seven

strong innings to extend his streak that is the longest since Curt Schilling went at least six innings in 35 straight games to start the 2002 season.

Myers found it difficult to return to the team.

"I saw him (Koda Bo) for two days," Myers said. "It

was hard to leave knowing my family needed me and also my teammates needed me, my second family."

Myers also surpassed 200 innings for the second time in his career. He allowed six hits, one earned run and struck out 10. It was the 14th time in his career with 10 or

more strikeouts.

"Everything stops when you cross the line," Myers said. "It's a different feeling. You can't think about the small things in life or even the big things. You have to have almost a split personality to go out there and compete and try to win ball games."

Sports in brief

Big Spring Quarterback Club

The club meets every Monday at 7 p.m. All parents of football players 7th through 12th grade are encouraged to attend. For more information, call

Denise Carrillo at 816-1685.

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bad, N.M. Entry fee is \$15 for singles players and \$20 for doubles.

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Police

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

- **BOBBY JOE LOPEZ**, 24, of 1701 S. Runnels, was arrested Sunday on a charge of public intoxication.
- **COREY DAVID ESTES**, 31, of 801 S. Lancaster, was arrested Sunday on a charge of failure to maintain financial responsibility.
- **ALONZO GONZALES**, 19, of 1101 Grafa, was arrested Sunday on a warrant for speeding.
- **FRANCISCO JESUS NIETO**, 31, of 1901 Hilltop Rd., was arrested Sunday on a charge of public intoxication.
- **JIMI LEE PAREDEZ**, 23, of 105 W. Eighth St., was arrested Sunday on charges of driving while license suspended/invalid with a previous conviction, altered/obscured/wrong license plate and fictitious/counterfeit inspection certificate.
- **MARK ANTHONY CHAVERA**, of 1108 W. Sixth St., was arrested Sunday on a charge of driving while license suspended/invalid with a previous conviction.
- **LELDON TAYLOR JENKINS**, 27, of 1500 Virginia, was arrested Monday on a charge of driving while license invalid – DWI related.
- **PATRICK RODRIQUEZ**, 26, of 1516 Sycamore, was arrested Monday on charges of assault causing bodily injury – family violence and injury to a child – reckless/criminal neglect.
- **WILLIAM WAYNE LEE**, 42, of 2208 S. Monticello, was arrested Monday on warrants for expired driver's license and failure to appear.
- **CARL EDWARD DUHAMEL**, 33, of Florida, was arrested Monday on charges of failure to appear, speeding – zoned (two counts) and no driver's license – when unlicensed.
- **SHANE ALEXANDER RIOS**, 18, of 3309 Cornell, was arrested Monday on a warrant for backed so as to interfere (or without safety).
- **PAMELA GAIL POWELL**, 41, of 5405 Opal, was arrested Monday on a charge of public intoxication.
- **CRISTA CAROLYN COKER**, 20, of 208 Moore Rd., was arrested Monday on warrants for failure to appear (two counts) and speeding – zoned (two counts).
- **ANGEL CIRILO MARTINEZ**, 19, of 3613 Hamilton, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of consumption of alcohol by a minor.
- **MARINA CRESCENCIA FAIR**, 27, of 1109 S. Runnels, was arrested Tuesday on warrants for disorderly conduct – fighting and failure to appear (two counts).
- **JESUS FLORES**, 32, of 1802 Mittel, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of public intoxication.
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported:
In the 1900 block of Wasson Road.
In the 1600 block of Bluebird.
In the 1300 block of Lincoln.
In the 1500 block of Sycamore.
- **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported:
In the 400 block of Westover Road.

In the 1700 block of Morrison.

In the 1900 block of S. Main.

• **THEFT** was reported:

In the 500 block of Westover Road.

In the 100 block of Courtney Place.

In the 400 block of E. Fourth Street.

In the 400 block of E. Fourth Street.

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ANSWERS

5	6	3	4	1	8	2	7	9
8	9	7	2	3	6	5	1	4
4	1	2	5	7	9	3	6	8
2	7	1	6	8	5	4	9	3
6	5	4	9	2	3	1	8	7
9	3	8	1	4	7	6	5	2
3	8	6	7	5	4	9	2	1
1	4	5	8	9	2	7	3	6
7	2	9	3	6	1	8	4	5

- **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported in the 400 block of Young.
- **ASSAULT** was reported:
In the 900 block of Runnels.
In the 300 block of N.E. 10th Street.

Sheriff's Office

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

- Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 69 inmates at the time of this report.
- **RONNIE EUGENE LEAL**, 20, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on judgment/sentence for possession of marijuana – two ounces or less (two counts) and a motion to revoke probation for possession of marijuana.
- **ROBERT RODRIGUEZ VALENCIA**, 31, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a judgment/sentence for assault causing bodily injury.
- **LEROY ZUBIATE**, 26, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a judgment/sentence for a motion to revoke probation for possession of marijuana – two ounces or less.
- **JEREMY J. FELTS**, 32, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a judgment/sentence for possession of marijuana – two ounces or less.
- **ANASTACIA MARIE GAITAN**, 18, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on charges of no driver's license (two counts) and unrestrained child under 18 years of age.
- **NOE SOLIZ**, 26, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on charges of speeding, permitting an unlicensed person to operate a motor vehicle, no driver's license and failure to appear.
- **NOE SOLIZ JR.**, 49, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on a charge of terroristic threat.
- **MICHELLE LYNN STOAKS**, 24, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on a motion to revoke probation for possession of a controlled substance.
- **WILLIAN JEFF WEATHERS**, 35, was arrested Saturday by DPS on a charge of driving while intoxicated – open container.
- **JOHN GLENN HAMILTON**, 22, was arrested Saturday by DPS on charges of minor in consumption of an alcoholic beverage, prohibited weapon – switchblade/knuckles, driving while license invalid with a previous conviction or suspension, failure to identify as a fugitive – giving false information and driving unsecured by safety belt.
- **DOMONICK RAY HERNANDEZ**, 19, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of driving under the influence by a minor.
- **JOHN FLORES**, 17, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on charges of possession/delivery of drug paraphernalia and minor in consumption of alcoholic beverage.
- **MARTIN SOSA PUGA**, 46, was arrested Saturday by DPS on charges of driving while intoxicated – second offense and issuance of a bad check.
- **FRANK FIERRO JR.**, 62, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- **CINDY DENISE COYLE**, 47, was arrested Saturday by DPS on charges of possession of marijuana – two ounces or less (two counts) and driving while intoxicated.
- **TRINITY LEWIS OWEN**, 30, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on charges of driving while intoxicated (open container) – second offense, driving while license invalid with a previous conviction or suspension and evading arrest or detention with a vehicle.
- **ANTHONY JOSEPH YANEZ**, 19, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on charges of failure to appear (five counts), disorderly conduct – dog fighting and possession of drug

paraphernalia.

- **EUGENIO SILVA CEBALLOS**, 35, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on an immigration detainer.
- **REGINALD JAMES**, 41, was arrested Saturday by the HCSO on a motion to revoke probation for sexual assault of a child.
- **JAIME HERNANDEZ**, 43, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a motion to revoke probation for driving while intoxicated.
- **ANGEL RAMIREZ**, 18, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of possession of marijuana – more than four ounces, less than five pounds.
- **TYLER JAMNES HERNANDEZ**, 17, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of possession of marijuana – more than four ounces, less than five pounds.
- **RICHARD NORMAN RAMIREZ**, 45, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of possession of marijuana – more than four ounces, less than five pounds.
- **MICHAEL DEAN NALL**, 31, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while license invalid with a previous conviction or suspension.
- **HECTOR SANCHEZ CASTRO**, 41, was transferred to the county jail Saturday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while license invalid with a previous conviction or suspension.
- **KATRINA GARRISON**, 50, was transferred to the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of no valid inspection certificate.
- **EARNEST GARCIA**, 46, was transferred to the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- **JIMI LEE PAREDEZ**, 23, was transferred to the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on charges of wrong/fictitious vehicle registration, fictitious/counterfeit inspection/insurance document for display and driving while license invalid with a previous conviction or suspension.
- **MOISES CORTEZ HERNANDEZ**, 33, was transferred to the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- **COREY DAVID ESTES**, 31, was transferred to the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of failure to maintain financial responsibility.
- **ALONZO GONZALES**, 19, was transferred to the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of speeding.
- **FRANCISCO JESUS NIETO**, 31, was transferred to the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- **BOBBY JOE LOPEZ**, 24, was transferred to the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- **DANIEL RUSSELL QUALLS**, 31, was arrested Sunday by the HCSO on a capias warrant for driving while license invalid.
- **ROSS JOSEPH BABB**, 27, was arrested Sunday by DPS on charges of speeding, driving while intoxicated (open container – second offense).
- **SHAWN ROSS WISHERT**, 46, was arrested Sunday by DPS on a charge of driving while intoxicated – third or more offense.
- **FRANKLIN SUAZO**, 19, was arrested Sunday by the HCSO on a charge of minor in possession.
- **COREY RAMEY**, 23, was arrested Sunday by the HCSO on purchasing or furnishing alcohol to a minor.
- **MARK ANTHONY CHAVERA**, 22, was transferred to the county jail Sunday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while license invalid with a previous conviction or suspension.
- **LELDON TAYLOR JENKINS**, 27, was transferred to the county jail Monday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while license invalid with a previous conviction or suspension.

Universal making Harry Potter ride a bit roomier

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — Universal Orlando is tweaking an attraction to ensure even guests with butterbeer bellies can enjoy the park's most popular Harry Potter ride.

After taking heat from ride critics and guests

too big to squeeze in, the company said Monday it has started tinkering to make "Harry Potter and the Forbidden Journey" more accessible.

Workers are adjusting the overhead harnesses that keep guests in place while a robotic arm flings them through a chaotic sequence in the boy wizard's life.

The cutting-edge ride is the crown jewel of the new Wizarding World of

Harry Potter area inside Islands of Adventure in Orlando.

The adjustments were first reported by Orlando Attractions Magazine. So far Universal has only changed a few ride vehicles, but eventually all will be tweaked.

Information from: Orlando Sentinel, <http://www.orlandosentinel.com>



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Fill in the grid so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 through 9 with no repeats. That means no number is repeated in any row, column or box.

5	6	3			8			9
	9	7	2			5	1	
4				7		3		
				8	5	4	9	
			9		3			
	3	8	1	4				
		6		5				1
	4	5			2	7	3	
7			3			8	4	5

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Maximizing Your Chances

East dealer. East-West vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ A 9 5
♥ 10 3 2
♦ A J 6 4
♣ K J 4

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

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

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

The bidding:
East South West North
Pass 1 NT Pass 3 NT

Opening lead — three of spades.

Suppose you have a 50-50 shot at making a contract if you play one way, and a 2-to-1 chance if you play another way.

Obviously, you should choose the latter course, because you'll do much better in the long run. Granted, sometimes the right play may turn out wrong and the wrong play may turn out right, but to become a steady winner, one has to be philosophical about such matters and pursue the more promising probabilities.

To illustrate, consider this deal where West leads a spade against your three-notrump contract. You take East's jack with the king and

must decide what to do next, since you have only eight sure tricks.

If you follow the line of least resistance, you play the king and another diamond, finessing the jack and losing to the queen. East returns a spade, and eventually you go down one, having given yourself essentially a 50-50 chance to make the contract.

Sometime later, it dawns on you that you could have improved on your chances by crossing to the jack of clubs at trick two and returning a low diamond to your nine in the hope that East had the ten. If he did, nine tricks would be yours after the nine either held or lost to the queen.

In the actual deal, the nine would have lost to the ten, but you would still have had another string to your bow. When you later cashed the king and ace of diamonds, the queen would have fallen, establishing dummy's jack as your ninth trick.

The suggested line of play improves your prospects substantially. You start with the 50-50 chance that East has the ten, and the battle is over if that develops. But on top of that, you also make the contract — even after the nine loses to West's ten — whenever either defender started with the doubleton or tripleton queen of diamonds. Since this will occur quite often, it would be rather foolish not to give yourself this additional chance.

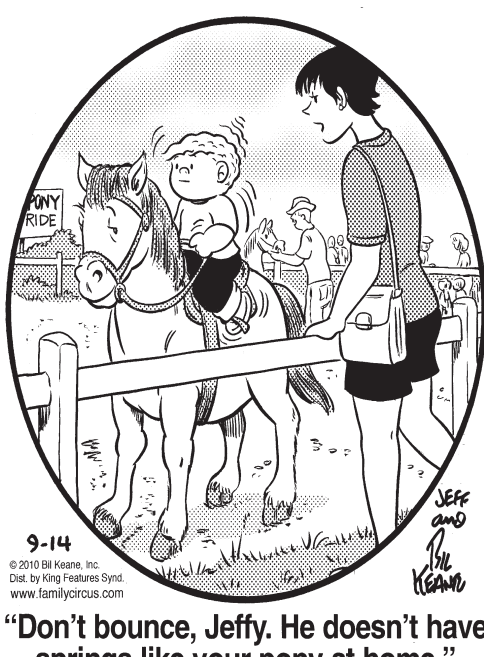
Tomorrow: The magnetism of pragmatism.
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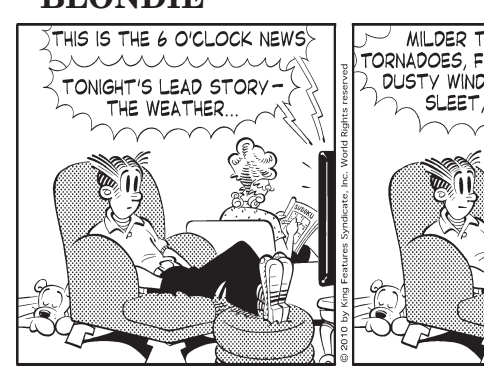
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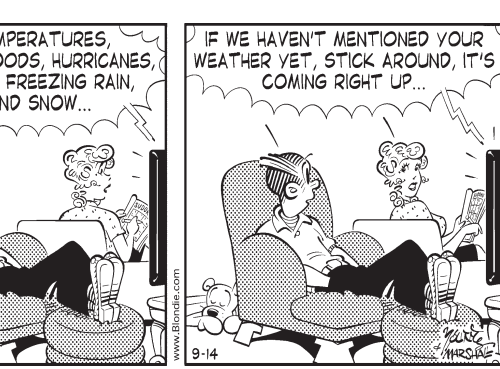
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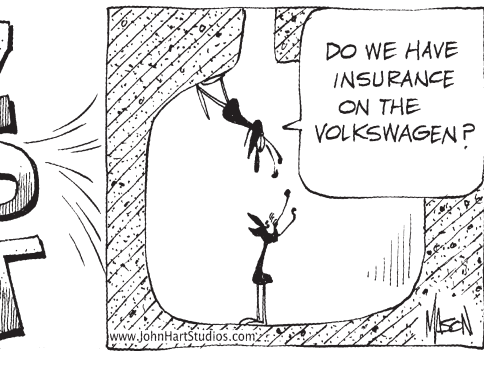
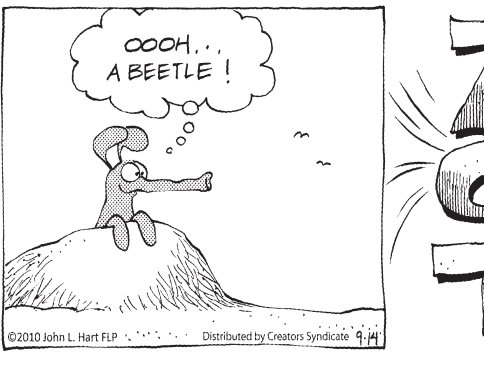
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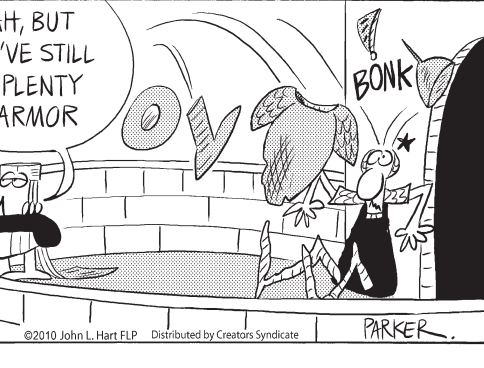
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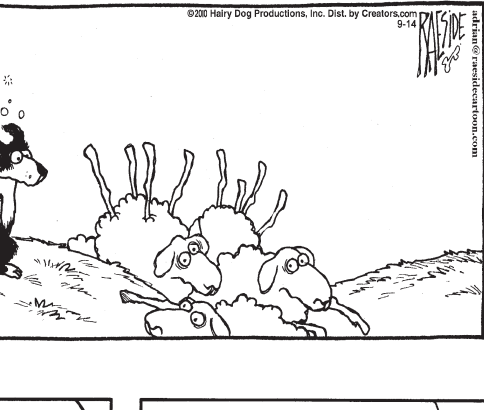
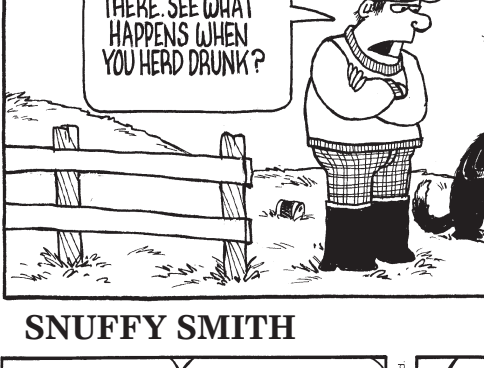
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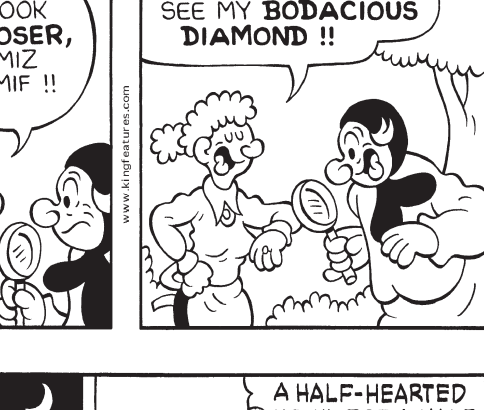
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This Date In History

Today is Tuesday, Sept. 14, the 257th day of 2010. There are 108 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Sept. 14, 1814, Francis Scott Key wrote a poem after witnessing how Fort McHenry in Maryland had endured a night of British bombardment during the War of 1812; that poem, "Defence of Fort McHenry," later became the lyrics to "The Star-Spangled Banner," the American national anthem.

On this date:

In 1836, former Vice President Aaron Burr died in Staten Island, N.Y. at age 80.

In 1847, during the Mexican-American War, U.S. forces under Gen. Winfield Scott took control of Mexico City.

In 1901, President William McKinley died in Buffalo, N.Y., of gunshot wounds inflicted by an assassin. Vice President Theodore Roosevelt succeeded him.

In 1927, modern dance pioneer Isadora Duncan died in Nice (nees), France, when her scarf became entangled in a wheel of the sports car she was riding in.

In 1948, a groundbreaking ceremony took place in New York at the site of the United Nations' world headquarters.

In 1960, representatives of Iran, Iraq, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia and Venezuela concluded a conference in Baghdad where they had created the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, or OPEC.

In 1964, Pope Paul VI opened the third session of the Second Ecumenical Council of the Vatican, also known as "Vatican II." (The session closed two months later.)

In 1982, Princess Grace of Monaco, formerly actress Grace Kelly, died at age 52 of injuries from a car crash the day before; Lebanon's president-elect, Bashir Gemayel (bah-SHEER' jeh-MAY'-el), was killed by a bomb.

In 1985, Shiite (SHEE'-eyet) Muslim kidnappers in Lebanon released the Rev. Benjamin Weir (weer) after holding him captive for 16 months. The situation comedy "The Golden Girls" premiered on NBC.

In 1988, Hurricane Gilbert slammed into Mexico's Yucatan Peninsula as a Category 5 storm after forcing thousands of residents to flee.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Zoe Caldwell is 77. Feminist author Kate Millet is 76. Actor Walter Koenig is 74. Basketball Hall of Fame coach Larry Brown is 70. Singer-actress Joey Heatherton is 66. Actor Sam Neill is 63. Singer Jon "Bowzer" Bauman (Sha Na Na) is 63. Rock musician Ed King is 61. Rock musician Steve Berlin (Los Lobos) is 55. Country singer-songwriter Beth Nielsen Chapman is 54. Actress Mary Crosby is 51. Singer Morten Harket (a-ha) is 51.

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Answer to previous puzzle

ABUT	CALM	VALID
LANE	OREO	ADORE
TRIM	TENT	CANOE
HOT	POTATO	AMEND
ONETWO	RAN	
	INKS	STINGS
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- 1 Jazz saxophonist Getz
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 - 15 Suspect's story
 - 16 Burn soother
 - 17 Group of troops
 - 18 Equip anew
 - 19 Couch
 - 20 Teacher's rebuke
 - 23 ___ and outs
 - 24 Immigrant's course: Abbr.
 - 25 Plant firmly
 - 28 Rotten
 - 31 Twig, to a bird
 - 35 Lunchtime, for many
 - 36 Sandwich filler
 - 38 Nest-egg initials
 - 39 Teacher's rebuke
 - 42 Frozen cubes
 - 43 Utterly hopeless
 - 44 And others: Abbr.
 - 45 Pulsate
 - 47 Small bill
 - 48 Wine barrels
 - 49 Hoops org.
 - 51 Faulty firecracker
 - 52 Teacher's rebuke
 - 61 Optimism
 - 62 The present
 - 63 Shape of the President's office
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- 64 Very much
 - 65 Stir memories of
 - 66 Kid's building block
 - 67 Ties the knot
 - 68 Harder to find
 - 69 Nondescript
 - 11 Like a bump on ___
 - 12 Vegan staple
 - 13 Line of stitching
 - 21 Terre Haute's state: Abbr.
 - 22 Jellied garnish
 - 25 Split up
 - 26 Freeload
 - 27 Foolish mistake
 - 28 Bluegrass instrument
 - 29 Foreign
 - 30 Tango or twist
 - 32 Mob scenes
 - 33 Frog's sound
 - 34 Corridors
 - 36 Underwater craft
 - 37 Denver clock setting: Abbr.
 - 40 Synagogue teacher
 - 41 Cause of sniffles
 - 46 Beginnings
 - 48 Pool player's stick
 - 50 Fall bloom
 - 51 Washer companion
 - 52 Defrost
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 - 59 Epic tale
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NY Jets silenced by Ravens 10-9

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — The New York Jets were shut down and shut up.

Not exactly the way the NFL's big-talking reality TV stars wanted to start their season.

"We're obviously not going to go undefeated this year," coach Rex Ryan said, "but our goals remain the same."

All that Super Bowl chatter? The Baltimore Ravens certainly had something to say about it, grabbing the spotlight Monday night with a hard-knockin' 10-9 victory.

"We didn't have the 'Hard Knocks' show," Ravens running back Ray Rice said. "HBO is not going to win the Super Bowl."

Neither is sloppy play, an inept of-

fense and an inability by Ryan's big, bad defense to stop the Ravens on third down.

"We're a better team than this," cornerback Darrelle Revis insisted.

Well, the Jets need to get better in a hurry. They have a short week to prepare for the rival New England Patriots, who looked as though they don't intend to give up their hold on the AFC East anytime soon with a 38-24 victory over Cincinnati on Sunday.

"It's a disappointment for us as a team," Revis said. "We wanted to win this game to be 1-0 going into the Patriots game feeling good. Right now, we just have to go back to the drawing board."

The Jets were called for a whopping 14 penalties, costing them 125 yards,

had just 176 yards of total offense and made only six first downs, tying a franchise low set in 1976. They were 1 for 11 on third downs, not converting their first until 57 seconds were left in the game.

Mark Sanchez also was held to just 74 yards passing, the second-lowest total of his young career.

"It's frustrating and it's disappointing," Sanchez said. "There's so much talent in this locker room that there's really no excuse."

Other than the fact Baltimore, Ryan's former team, largely outplayed New York. While the Jets opened their new \$1.6 billion New Meadowlands Stadium with plenty of hype and hope, the Ravens rocked them with enough big plays — they were

11 for 19 on third down — to silence them for a week.

"Anytime you challenge a warrior, a warrior is always going to respond," Ravens linebacker Ray Lewis said.

Baltimore also served notice that it might also be for real in the AFC, winning a tough road game in a meeting that was predictably filled with chip-piness.

"We felt pretty confident with the game plan we had and the way we prepared," said Anquan Boldin, one of the Ravens' new wide receivers. "It felt like we could come in and get a victory."

Willis McGahee squeaked into the end zone from 1 yard out with 6 seconds left in the first half to give the Ravens a 7-6 lead.

Kansas City Chiefs hold on for 21-14 win over San Diego Chargers

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Derrick Johnson is ready to credit this rain-soaked September victory to those brutally hot two-a-days in August.

"We're a physical team throughout training camp and it paid off tonight," said Kansas City's veteran line-

backer.

While Jamaal Charles and Dexter McCluster were grabbing the headlines with long touchdown plays for the Chiefs, Johnson was compiling a team-high 12 tackles in Monday night's 21-14 victory over San Diego.

Johnson's jolting hit

on Chargers rookie Ryan Mathews caused a fumble which led directly to Kansas City's only offensive touchdown of the game.

Not bad for someone who struggled all last year to regain his starting job.

"That's what I'm trying to prove. Every game, I'm try-

ing to play with a chip on my shoulder," he said. "That's not a negative chip. That's a chip that keeps me on my toes at all times."

The Chargers, four-time defending AFC West champions, appeared ready to move in for a tie after Philip Rivers drove San Diego to a first-and-

goal from the 4 with a little over 1 minute left.

On the final series, Rivers' first pass was incomplete, then Darren Sproles lost 2 yards on a stalled run. Another pass from Rivers sailed high. Then, with 39 seconds left, Rivers missed on fourth down.

Hole in One

Tyler Hogan made a hole in one on the 323-yard, Par 4 at Gaines County Golf Course during the Fall 3-person Scramble on Saturday and Sunday.

It not only pushed his

team into a first-place tie, but it also won the scorecard playoff, which began on Hole No. 1. This is also his first hole in one ever. His witnesses were: Randy Hogan, Dan Hogan, Brad Yowell, Jimmy Shaver and Kenneth Sealy.

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another blocker to help fill-in starter Barron since he'd been having trouble slowing Pro Bowl linebacker Brian

Orakpo all game and already had been penalized twice for holding.

The plays at the end of each half has ignited discussion about the club's chain of command. And that conversations always includes the re-

minder that Cowboys owner Jerry Jones hired Garrett days before he hired Phillips, and that Garrett makes about \$3 million per season.

"I have the right to do anything I want to do," Phillips said. "Sometimes I do (overrule Garrett), sometimes I don't. The situation before the half, I should have."

Why didn't he?

Partly because he was talking to other defensive coaches about how stupid (Phillips' word) the Redskins were for declining a penalty on the previous play. They ended up accepting it and Garrett stuck with

the Hail Mary call he'd sent in when it looked like Dallas was going to be on its 46, not the 36.

Phillips is also the defensive coordinator and he acknowledged that he usually handles his side of the ball and lets Garrett handle his. But he also said it was that way with offensive coordinators he's had at other stops, and that it makes no difference that he hired those guys.

"I'm not going to go into our relationship and what we say and don't say," Phillips said. "We work together. He works for me. And I think Jason works at

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RANGERS

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The potential post-season preview made for a wild weekend. The Rangers rallied to win a pair of marathon games in their last at-bat before their left-handed ace acquisition finally looked like his old self again.

"At this point in the season, where we are, if we would've swept anybody it would be big," said Julio Borbon, whose two-out bunt single Sunday drove in the tiebreaking run. "We're in a playoff mentality."

Texas won the opener 6-5 on Nelson Cruz's homer leading off the 13th, after he tied it with a homer in the eighth. Yankees closer Mariano Rivera hit a batter with the bases loaded in the ninth early Sunday morning to give Texas a 7-6 win in a game that took more than four hours to play, not counting the hour-long rain delay.

"We got away with a couple of games, honestly. They had a lot of guys in scoring position and they weren't able to get a big hit. So we caught some breaks," said second baseman Ian Kinsler, who has played only 10 games since returning from his second disabled list stint this season. "Our pitchers did a nice job."

Lee pitched for the first time since having an injection in his sore back after going 1-4.

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